

IOWA SILOS & SMOKESTACKS NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA

2014-2015 Visitor's Guide



Come Touch the Heart of America™



*Where the Story
of American Agriculture
Comes to Life™*

Silos & Smokestacks

Where the Story of American



There is a special corner of the universe where tall fields of corn dance to a windblown melody ...where summer days are measured in funnel cake and barbecued ribs...and children squeal with laughter at the sight of a newborn calf kicking up its heels for the first time.

This is Silos & Smokestacks National Heritage Area in Northeast Iowa, a 37-county, 20,000-square-mile storybook that tells a vivid and enthralling tale, capturing the imagination of visitors of all ages.

We hope you will join us for an agricultural experience you won't find anywhere else on earth. Why not come and create your own memories?

Northeast Iowa is a patchwork quilt of stories... the personality of the landscape, the richness of the soil, the history of farming, the dreams of the folks who live here.

National Heritage Area

Agriculture Comes to Life.



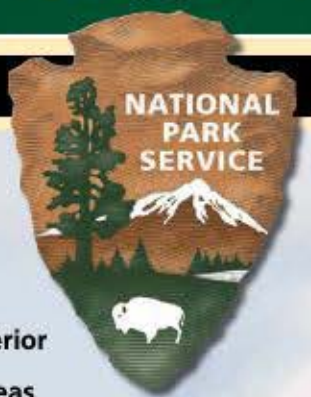
Silos & Smokestacks is the connecting thread in this colorful fabric of agricultural experiences. Designated as America's Agricultural Heritage Partnership, Silos & Smokestacks is affiliated with the National Park Service.

No other region in the United States shares our rich agricultural legacy. From dairy farms and museums to vineyards and tractor assembly tours, there are practically endless agricultural adventures awaiting individual travelers as well as families.

Whether you want to spectate or participate... stay for the day or for the week... we have an agricultural experience to fit your timeframe and personal preference.

Silos & Smokestacks National Heritage Area... *"Where the Story of American Agriculture Comes to Life."*™ This is the place to visit when you want an adventure you will remember and relive for a lifetime.

NATIONAL HERITAGE AREAS



Silos & Smokestacks National Heritage Area is proud to be an Affiliated Area of the:

National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior

nps.gov/history/heritageareas

A National Heritage Area is a region that has been recognized by the United States Congress for its unique qualities and resources. It is a place where a combination of natural, cultural, historic and recreational resources have shaped a cohesive, nationally distinctive landscape arising from patterns of human activity influenced by geography. These patterns make National Heritage Areas representative of the national experience through the physical features that remain and the traditions that have evolved in the areas. To find out more about National Heritage Areas or the 49 designated regions, go to:

NationalHeritageAreas.com



National Park Service Passport Program

Silos & Smokestacks National Heritage Area participates in the National Park Service's (NPS) Passport Cancellation Stamp Program. Your passport can be stamped at any of the 16 participating Partner Sites in the Silos & Smokestacks area listed below.



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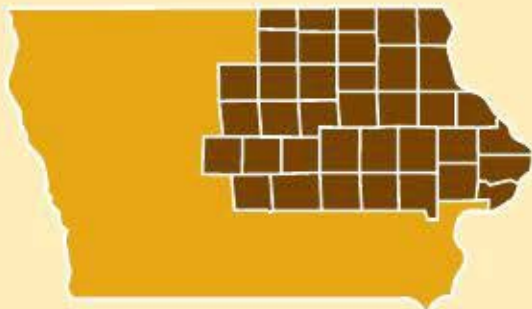
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Silos & Smokestacks
 National Heritage Area
 Located in 37 Iowa Counties

The Silos & Smokestacks' Visitor's Guide features 113 Partner Sites, formally designated with sharing their own piece of America's agriculture story. Each one includes a photo and description of the site, along with a variety of other information to help make planning your day-trip or weekend getaway easier.

National Park Service Passport Program - Stamp icon indicates site is one of 16 sites participating in this program. See page 4.

Experience Icons Eight different icons have been developed to give you a quick glance at what type of experience you can expect at each site. See pages 6 & 7.

Map Location No. City-by-city guide, page 50, and regional map, pages 51 & 52.

Website Address We encourage you to visit each individual website to check and confirm hours, fees and any special events.

Iowa's Dairy Center is not only a working farm, but a tourism facility where you can learn about modern dairy farming. On your tour you will see the milking parlor, NEW robotic milking facility, freestall barn for housing the milk cows, special needs barn for calving, calf barn and Iowa's Dairy Museum. Visit today!

iowadairycenter.com

1527 Hwy 150 S
 Calmar
 563-534-9957

Hours: Mon-Fri 8-4, or by appointment for a guided tour. Viewing platform for the milking parlor and robotic milking facility is open 24 hours a day.

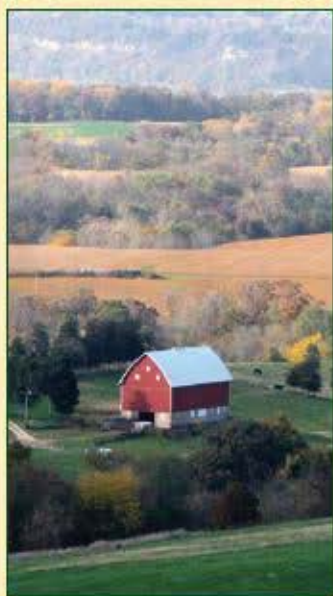
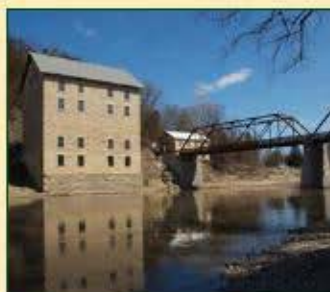
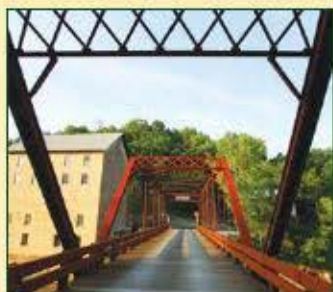
Admission: Guided tours: \$5 adults, \$3 children. Groups seeking guided tours should call ahead.

Site Amenity Icons At a glance amenities that can be found for any particular site.

- = Restrooms Available
- = Handicap Accessible
- = Gift Shop on Site

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SCENIC ROUTES

Leave traffic and your cares behind as you meander through picturesque landscapes, taken straight from a Grant Wood painting. Tucked away within the rolling hills and gentle valleys, discover historic communities and farmsteads, seemingly untouched by time.



HISTORIC SITES

Relive the story of an era, rich in history, within the sites and communities of the region. Many have been restored to their original splendor and are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



FARMS & WINERIES

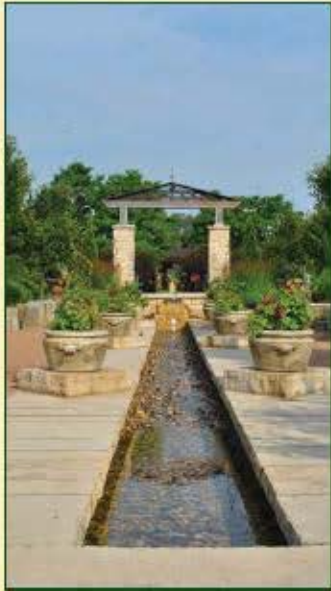
You won't find food fresher than down on the farm. Whether you're feeding a baby calf or picking fresh produce, a day on the farm allows you to reconnect with your roots. Down the road a bit, find a local vineyard and sample an array of fine Iowa wines while you learn the art of winemaking.



MUSEUMS & GALLERIES

Step back in time and discover the distinctive regional heritage through the diverse collections of artwork and artifacts, displayed in engaging exhibits. Visit an open-air museum and watch while interpreters bring the region's unique story to life.

HERITAGE AREA EXPERIENCES



PARKS & NATURE CENTERS

Explore the connections between the land and the people as you stroll down a nature trail, through tall grass prairies and over historic country bridges. The preserved prairies, wetlands and forests are reminiscent of scenes captured in the writings of Laura Ingalls Wilder.



FAIRS

Delight in the sights, sounds and smells of a traditional Iowa summer, featuring family entertainment and a wide array of mouth-watering food. The Heritage Area hosts an endless number of fairs and cultural events, including the legendary Iowa State Fair.



BED & BREAKFASTS

Wind down as you enjoy traditional Midwestern hospitality in one of the region's charming country inns, each with its own unique nuances. Wake up to the smell of old-fashioned home cooking.



TRACTORS

Learn how early farmers tilled Iowa's fertile soil through exhibits of restored antique tractors. Contrast this with present day practices that have made Iowa an agricultural hub to the world, as you observe a tractor being assembled at a modern tractor manufacturing plant.

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1876 Coralville Schoolhouse



Built in 1876, this two-room red brick schoolhouse served the children of the Coralville area until 1951. Visitors experience a typical classroom that would have been familiar to rural and small-town students in the late 19th century. Relive life at an ungraded schoolhouse through a variety of interactive exhibits.

johnsoncountyhistory.org

310 5th St
Coralville
319-351-5738

Hours: Open by appointment.
Admission: Free.

4-H Schoolhouse Museum



A 1907 one-room school where the 4-H emblem was first introduced. In the early 1900s, 4-H clubs began throughout the U.S. to engage youth in "learning by doing" for a better agricultural education.

[clarioniowa.com/
pages/Museums/](http://clarioniowa.com/pages/Museums/)

210 1st St SW
Clarion
515-532-3453

Hours: June-Aug by appointment, call for additional times.
Admission: Free.

Ackley Heritage Center



The Ackley Heritage Center's purpose is to preserve, interpret and exhibit the history of Ackley, its people and agricultural heritage through exhibits, photographs and local and family research, including Friesen ancestry.

ackleyheritagecenter.com

Heritage Center Museum
120 State St;
Settlement of the Prairie Site
108 Butler St;
Soda Fountain
701 Park Ave
Ackley
641-847-2201

Hours: Heritage Center Museum: Tues, Thurs & Fri 1:30-4:30. Settlement of the Prairie Site: Open by reservation or appointment. Soda Fountain: June-Sept, Tues-Fri 3-7 or by reservation.

Admission: Free.

African American Museum of Iowa



The African American Museum of Iowa features the rich history, heritage and culture of Iowa's African Americans. The permanent exhibit, "Endless Possibilities" covers African American history from pre-slavery times in Africa to present day struggles and accomplishments in Iowa.

blackiowa.org

55 12th Ave SE
Cedar Rapids
319-862-2101

Hours: Year-round, Mon-Sat 10-4.

Admission: \$5 adults, \$4 seniors, \$2.50 children and students.

Fun Facts:



One acre is about the size of a football field without its end zones.

campsilos.org

SITES & ATTRACTIONS

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Amana Heritage Society Museums



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The seven villages of the Amana Colonies were settled by a German religious group in the 1850s. They established a communal village-based agricultural system that is a marked contrast to the Midwest family farm tradition. The story of Amana's past and present is told by its landscape and historic buildings that include barns, stores, churches and communal kitchen houses.

amanaheritage.org

Heritage Museum, 705 44th Ave, Amana; Community Church, 4210 V St & Homestead Store, 4430 V St, Homestead; Communal Agriculture Museum, 505 P St, South Amana; Communal Kitchen & Cooper Shop Museum, 1003 26th Ave, Middle Amana; 319-622-3567

Hours: Heritage Museum: Apr-Oct, Mon-Sat 10-5, Sun 12-4; Mar, Nov, Dec, Sat 10-5. Communal Kitchen/Cooper Shop, Homestead Store & Community Church: June 16-Aug 15, Mon-Fri 11-5, Sat 10-5. Communal Agriculture Museum & Blacksmith Shop: June-Aug, Sat 11-4. High Amana General Store: Apr 1 -Oct 31, Mon-Sat 10-5, Sun 10-3; Mar, Nov, Dec, Sat 10-5.

Admission: All sites pass: \$7 adults, under 17 yrs free. Single site and group rates available.



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Cedar-Rapids.com



The Fertile Land



Iowa has some of the most fertile soils in the world. This "black gold" is found in Northeast Iowa's gently rolling terrain, molded by climate, water and plant life. Tilling the soil is a legacy born many years ago by American Indians, who combined farming along river valleys with seasonal hunting, fishing and gathering. When pioneers arrived in Iowa and began tilling the prairie soil, they soon learned that farming – with its long hours and extreme physical demands – is a worthy, noble profession. And it certainly is not a job for the feeble-hearted. It takes a special spirit to withstand the whims of the weather, to rise above each hail storm or rainy season, and not only survive, but thrive...to come back to the field again and again, to replant, harvest and rejoice.

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Barn Quilts of Grundy County



The Barn Quilts of Grundy County, Iowa's Original Barn Quilt Project, includes a 64-mile loop tour through the towns and fields of Grundy County to showcase over 65 colorful quilt blocks painted on the sides of barns and other farm buildings. It highlights the many ag-related businesses and small specialty shops along the way.

grundycountyia.com

705 F Ave
Grundy Center
319-825-3606 or
319-824-6979

Hours: Self-guided tours year-round.

Admission: Free. 

Belmond Historical Society Museum



Step into Belmond's past at the Belmond Historical Museum. Learn the impact the sugar beet industry had on the community a century ago. Commemorate the sacrifices its veterans have made to our country during peace and war. Revisit the devastating 1966 tornado, or just experience the simpler times in everyday life exhibits.

belmondmuseum.com

223 E Main St
Belmond
515-571-3264

Hours: Year-round, Mon-Fri 10-2; May-Aug, Sat 10-2.

Admission: Free. Donations accepted. 


Bennington No. 4 School



Bennington No. 4 is a one-room school built in 1911. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, it is located on its original site amid active farms in rural Bennington Township. Experience 20th century life from 1945-1955 at the school and three outbuildings.

Corner of E Bennington
and Sage Roads,
Bennington Township
Waterloo
319-233-4974

Hours: By appointment only.

Admission: Free. 

Brucemore




Iowa's only National Trust Historic Site, Brucemore is a 26-acre park-like estate in the heart of Cedar Rapids. The delightful Queen Anne style mansion was built between 1884 and 1886 by Caroline Sinclair, widow of pioneer industrialist T. M. Sinclair. The home to three prominent Cedar Rapids families, the estate continues to be a hub for cultural, philanthropic and educational activities.

brucemore.org

2160 Linden Dr SE
Cedar Rapids
319-362-7375

Hours: Visitor Center: Mon-Sat 9-5, Sun 12-4; Interpretive Tours of Mansion: Mar-Dec, Tues-Sat 10-3, Sun 12-3. Gift Shop: Mon-Sat 9-5; Mar-Dec, Sun 12-4.

Admission: Interpretive Tours: \$7 adults, \$3 students 6-18 yrs, free for members of Brucemore or National Trust for Historic Preservation. 



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Calkins Nature Area



Nature Area includes timber, prairie, stream, pond, Iowa River, American Indian/Natural History Museum and live native animal displays.

hardincountyconservation.com

18335 135th St
Ackley
641-648-9878

Hours: Year-round, Mon-Fri
8-4.

Admission: Free.

Carl & Mary Koepler History Center



Provides a gateway orientation to Linn County, from prehistoric occupation and rural farming communities to urban immigration culture, manufacturing, food production and communications industries.

historycenter.org

615 1st Ave SE
Cedar Rapids
319-362-1501

Hours: Year-round Tues-Sat
10-4.

Admission: Free.
Recommended donations of \$5
adults, \$3 children.

Farmers & Families



Many of the work ethics and life philosophies found in Northeast Iowa's farming communities today can be traced to their farming ancestors, the pioneers. If ever there was a set of circumstances to develop a person's character and stamina, it was tilling virgin land and surviving the harsh extremes in weather on the prairie. Add to this the fact that pioneers were far from the nearest town, and it becomes quickly apparent why frugality and ingenuity were staples of pioneer character, and why those traits are still found in today's farmers. While many settlers from diverse backgrounds adopted a Midwestern culture upon moving to Iowa, the region boasts a colorful heritage that is alive today, including influences from Germany, Norway, the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

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Carnegie Cultural Center



Features permanent exhibits of models and miniatures focusing on rural culture and small town life including Uncle Joe's Farm & Bob's Mini-machines, Paths and Power, the Railroad Room & Ben's Old Time Autos, Natvig Brother's Circus, Toy Town, Billy J's Clown Circus, Carts & Carriages, and Jerry's World. New temporary exhibits every 6-8 weeks. Housed in 100-year-old Carnegie building.

carnegieculturalcenter.org

7 N Water Ave
New Hampton
641-394-2354

Hours: June-Aug, Wed-Fri 12-6, Sat 10-4, Sun 1-4; Sept-May, Thurs 12-6, Sat 10-4, Sun 1-4 or by appointment. Closed in January.

Admission: Free. ♣ ♣ ♣

Carrie Lane Chapman Catt Girlhood Home



Girlhood home of Carrie Lane Chapman Catt; suffragist, founder of the League of Women Voters and activist in the cause for world peace. The site, located on 10 acres, includes a museum and an interpretive/education center.

catt.org

2379 Timber Ave
Charles City
641-228-3336

Hours: Memorial Day thru Labor Day, Mon-Sat 10-4, Sun 12-4 or by appointment.

Admission: Free. ♣ ♣ ♣

Carson Art Gallery



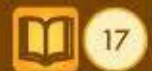
Iowa's farming and railroad heritage is captured in many scenes on the walls of the formal parlor in this beautiful restored Victorian farm home. Mammoth locomotives, antique tractors, Century farms, delicate florals and botanicals all bring forth precious memories of days gone by. While here ask to see a tractor restoration in progress.

33635 140th St
Ackley
641-847-3429

Hours: By appointment or by chance.

Admission: Free. ♣ ♣ ♣

Cascade Historic Limestone Silo



The cornerstone of our site is the interpretation of the early Midwestern farmers and farmsteads displayed in the historic limestone silo built in the early 1930s. Antique agricultural equipment, in addition to interpretive signage, provide visitors knowledge of how early farmers worked the lands, used the local natural resources and helped support the economy of America.

cityofcascade.org

215 Pierce St SW
Cascade
563-852-7595

Hours: Year-round, Sunrise-Sunset.

Admission: Free. ♣ ♣

Fun Facts:

CAMP Silos John Deere, Hart-Parr, Oliver and White Equipment all had their beginnings in the Heritage Area.
campsilos.org

Cedar Falls Historical Society



The Ice House Museum of the Cedar Falls Historical Society shares the unique stories of the ice harvesting industry and the Cedar River. Lift an ice block, turn a turbine gear, and test out period recipes as you learn about the river's resources – from ice for preserving food to mill power for grinding flour to cool water for summer recreation.

cfhistory.org

Ice House Museum
W 1st St & Franklin St;
Victorian Home & Carriage
House Museum
308 W 3rd St;
Little Red Schoolhouse Museum/
Behrens-Rapp Visitor
Information Center
W 1st St & Clay St
Cedar Falls
319-266-5149

Hours: Ice House Museum: May-mid Oct, Wed 1-4, Sat 10-4, Sun 1-4. Victorian Home & Carriage House Museum: Feb-Dec, Tues-Sat 10-4, Sun 1-4. Little Red Schoolhouse Museum: May-Sept, Sat & Sun 1-4; June-Aug, Wed 1-4. Behrens-Rapp Visitor Information Center: May-Oct, daily 8-8. **Admission:** Ice House Museum: \$5, 12 & under free. All other sites free. Donations accepted.

Cedar Rapids Museum of Art



Visit the extraordinary world of the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art, filled with a selection from 2,000 years of art. The Museum's treasures include the world's largest collection of works by Regionalist artist Grant Wood, who lived and worked in Cedar Rapids most of his life. There's something for everyone at the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art, including regularly changing exhibitions.

crma.org

Cedar Rapids Museum of Art
410 3rd Ave SE;
Grant Wood Studio
810 2nd Ave SE
Cedar Rapids
319-366-7503

Hours: Art Museum: Tues, Wed, Fri, Sun 12-4, Thurs 12-8, Sat 10-4. Closed major holidays. Grant Wood Studio: Apr-Dec, Sat & Sun 12-4. **Admission:** Art Museum: \$5 adults, \$4 college students (with ID) and seniors (62+). Members and children 18 yrs and under are free. Grant Wood Studio: Free.

The Changing Farm



Farming has changed and evolved through the years as improvements were made in the machines used for planting and harvesting, and new strains of seed grains were developed that offered greater yields. But perhaps an even more significant influence in the farming evolution is the relationship between farmer and consumer. Over the years, farmers have focused their fields on providing the products that consumers are demanding at the grocery store.

This evolving relationship between farmer and consumer is apparent today, as many farmers grow corn for use in one – or sometimes a multitude – of corn products such as ethanol for gasoline and corn sweetener, found in almost every package of processed food. Ever-changing market pressures continue to spur transformation. Many large farms have become specialized while small family farms have often diversified.

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Cedar Rock the Walter House



One of Iowa's early large-scale farm operators contracted Frank Lloyd Wright in 1946 to design a home for them. What resulted is Cedar Rock. Starting at the park's visitor center, enjoy a leisurely wagon ride to the estate and a guided tour of this modern house.

friendsofcedarrock.org

2611 Quasqueton Diagonal Blvd
Independence
319-934-3572

Hours: Memorial Day weekend thru October, Wed-Sun 10-3. Please call ahead to schedule your visit.

Admission: \$5 donation requested 12 yrs and over.



Cedar Valley Arboretum & Botanic Gardens



The Cedar Valley Arboretum and Botanic Gardens is a 35-acre green space for the Cedar Valley. Among our more formal gardens, we currently feature a prairie and we are also planning a butterfly meadow and an orchard featuring native fruit trees.

cedarvalleyarboretum.org

1927 E Orange Rd
Waterloo
319-226-4966

Hours: Mon-Sat 9-7, Sun 11-5.

Admission: \$3 adults, \$1 children ages 5-17, children 4 yrs and under free.

Clinton County Historical Society Museum



Located near Clinton's beautiful Riverfront Park, the Clinton County Historical Society Museum intertwines the past and the present as it tells the story of this historic river town. With Clinton's proximity to major railways and the largest river in the United States, Clinton was a gateway for both agriculture and the lumber industry. In addition, the museum also hosts an immense collection of local genealogy.

clintoncountymuseum.org

601 S 1st St
Clinton
563-242-1201

Hours: Mon-Fri 9-11, Sun 1-4.

Admission: Free.

Delaware County Historical Museum



This nine-building complex, formerly Lenox College, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. It includes numerous exhibits, Civil War monument, farm-machinery halls, one-room school, restored train depot/caboose, restored Reformed Presbyterian Church and microfilm roster of Iowa Civil War soldiers.

delcoiowahistory.org

College Square on Hwy 38
Hopkinton
563-926-2639

Hours: June-Sept, Tues-Sun 1-4.

Admission: \$5.



Dows Historic District



Visitors can experience the early years of Dows, Iowa, through historic buildings, constructed between 1885 and 1899. The district includes: Depot Museum and Welcome Center, Quasdorf Blacksmith Museum, Dows Mercantile, Vernon Township #5 School and Evans Little Prairie House.

Railroad & Ellsworth Streets
Dows
515-852-3595

Hours: Welcome Center: Daily 1-3. For additional hours, please call ahead or inquire at the Mercantile.

Admission: Donations accepted. ♣ ♿ ⓘ

Dubuque Museum of Art



Located in the heart of downtown, the Dubuque Museum of Art is Iowa's oldest cultural institution and is home to one of the world's great collections of artwork by Iowa artist Grant Wood. DMA also features significant collections by Edward S. Curtis and Arthur Geisert and regularly hosts premier exhibits, programs, and classes that reflect the art, character and culture of Iowa.

dbqart.com

701 Locust St
Dubuque
563-557-1851

Hours: Tues-Fri, 10-5, Sat & Sun, 1-4.

Admission: Free. ♣ ♿ ⓘ

Higher Yields



The determination of Iowa farmers to get the best return for their efforts has led to a momentous transformation in the quantity and quality of grains and livestock produced on Iowa farms. The first agricultural transformation arrived with the steel plow, which led to increased national grain production. The second transformation came in the form of a tractor, retiring horses from the chore of plowing while increasing the size of the fields that could be farmed with less labor. The third transformation, genetic engineering, enables farmers to custom-design crops and livestock.

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Dysart Historical Center



The Dysart Historical Center features a complex of three buildings: A historical museum, a one-room rural school, and a new agricultural museum and interpretive center. Experience the displays, narratives, and programs designed to share the inspiring stories of Iowa's rich agricultural heritage and culture. Iowa Agriculture, A "Growing" Experience.

dysartiowa.com/Museum.htm

612 Crisman St
Dysart
319-476-4747

Hours: May-Sept, Sun 2-4.
Anytime by appointment.
Admission: Free. Donations accepted. ♣ ♣

Eagle City Winery



Located in the heart of the Iowa River Greenbelt, Eagle City Winery produces an assortment of award winning wines. Visitors can tour the vineyard to see the different varieties of grapes, sample free wine daily in the tasting room or buy a bottle to take home at the winery's gift shop.

eaglecitywinery.com

28536 160th St
Iowa Falls
641-648-3669

Hours: Tues-Sat 10-5, Sun 1-5.
Admission: Free. ♣ ♣ ♣

Eagles Landing B&B, Winery and Vineyard



Located along the banks of the Mississippi River, Eagles Landing treats guests to a true taste of Iowa. Visitors can purchase products made from grapes grown in the vineyard including jams, jellies, table syrups and the winery's award winning wine.

EaglesLandingWinery.com

127 North St & 82 N St
Marquette
563-873-2509

Hours: Daily 10-5, closed New Years Day, Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Admission: Free. ♣ ♣ ♣

F. W. Kent Park



This 1,052-acre park features a Conservation Education Center with hands-on exhibits that connect visitors with nature. Panels in the open-air Knight Prairie Pavilion interpret the connection of prairies to agriculture. An 86-site campground, shower house, playgrounds, picnic shelters, trails, eight historic bridges, fishing pier, native and re-created prairies, forests, wetlands, 27-acre lake, beach and fishing ponds, make this an outstanding park.

johnson-county.com/conservation

2048 Hwy 6 NW
Oxford
319-645-2315 (Park Office)
or 319-645-1011
(Conservation Education Center)

Hours: Park: Sunrise-10 pm.
Conservation Education Center:
Memorial Day-Labor Day Sat &
Sun 12-4 and by appointment.
Admission: Park: Free.
Camping: \$20, includes 50 amp
electrical service, Wi-Fi, shower
house and dump station. ♣ ♣

Fun Facts:
Iowa's 5 most important agricultural products are corn, soybeans, cattle, hogs and dairy products.
campsilos.org

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Family Museum

Farm House B&B/ Engelbrecht Family Winery

Farm to Factory



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The Family Museum is an interactive children's museum with an emphasis on art and science for children eight and younger. In addition to a Town Square, Mississippi River waterplay table, and a host of other hands-on exhibits, this museum offers a farm exhibit which teaches young learners the importance of agriculture, food production, and the connection between farm and table.

familymuseum.org

2900 Learning Campus Dr
Bettendorf
563-344-4106

Hours: Labor Day thru Memorial Day, Mon-Thurs 9-8, Fri-Sat 9-5, Sun 12-5; Memorial Day thru Labor Day, Sun 12-5, Mon 9-8, Tues-Sat 9-5.

Admission: \$7 ages 2-59, \$4 1 yr olds and seniors 60+, under 1 yr free. \$4 evenings after 5 when open. 

At the Farm House B&B, guests can enjoy a stay on a real working farm with animals, an 11-acre vineyard and a winery/shop. Children are welcome! Adults can enjoy free wine tasting daily of estate/fruit wines. Winery/vineyard tours are available with advanced notice. Guests love watching baby calves and their mamas, gathering the eggs, fishing in the farm pond, walking, running, biking or picnicking on the six mile nature trail adjacent to the B&B. Guests are served a real Farmer's Breakfast made with local products.

thefarmhousebb.com

2866 270th St, Hwy 18 E
Fredericksburg
563-237-5969

Hours: Winery/Shop: Apr-Dec, daily 10-5, Sun 1-5.

B&B: check-in 2 pm and after, check-out at noon.

Admission: Farm and Vineyard: Free self-guided tours, please check in at the winery shop. Bed & Breakfast: \$70-\$150/night. 

In the early days of farming, livestock and grain products were processed locally to serve local, regional and national markets. These facilities had limited capacity, which in turn restricted the amount of livestock and grain farmers could produce. But advances in refrigeration, transportation and processing changed all that, greatly expanding the markets for Iowa's products. Today, delivering farm products from fields to tables has become a multi-billion dollar, multi-national industry. Companies like John Deere, Quaker Oats, Pioneer, ADM, Cargill and Maytag have become successful, well-known companies by producing retail goods using Iowa's products and labor.

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Fayette County Historical Center



Floyd County Historical Society Museum



Fontana Interpretive Nature Center



Fort Atkinson State Preserve



Fayette County Historical Museum is housed in a 1903 three-level brick building with elevator, and serves as an interpretive center staffed by volunteers. Agricultural exhibits are located on the lower level with general museum upstairs. Research and public meeting rooms are at ground level.

[fayettecountyiowa.org/
HistoricalCenter](http://fayettecountyiowa.org/HistoricalCenter)

100 N Walnut St
West Union
563-422-5797

Hours: Mon-Fri 10-3.
Admission: Free. ♣ ♣ ♣

The tractor industry started in Charles City when, in the winter of 1901, Charles Hart and Charles Parr built the first factory for tractor production. The museum tells that story, along with all facets of early pioneer life in their home, school, church and businesses.

floydcountymuseum.org

500 Gilbert St
Charles City
641-228-1099

Hours: Year-round, Mon-Fri 9-4:30. June-Aug, Sat & Sun 1-4.
Admission: \$5 adults, \$3 children (6-12 yrs), under 5 yrs free. ♣ ♣ ♣

Discover the links between agriculture and environment. A full service visitor center with displays that demonstrate how people "make their home in a living environment." Programs are available upon request.

buchanancountyparks.com

1883 125th St
Hazleton
319-636-2617

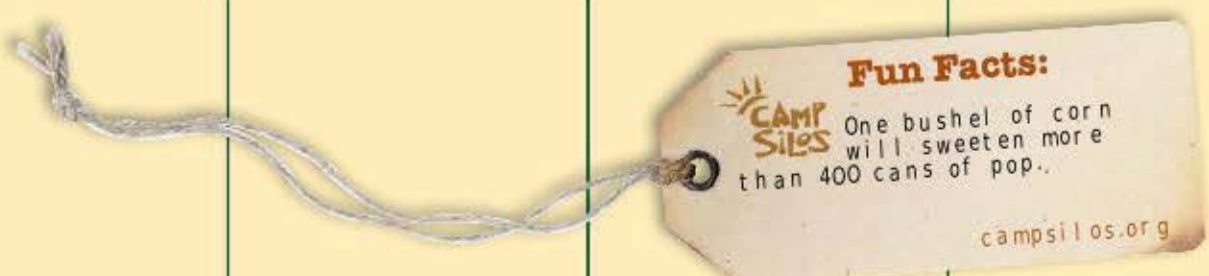
Hours: Mon-Tues 8-12, Wed-Fri 8-4:30, Sat & Sun 1-5. Winter hours: Mon-Tues 8-12, Wed-Fri 8-4:30, Sat-Sun 1-4.
Admission: Free. ♣ ♣ ♣

An 1840s federal military post, built to maintain order among various Indian tribes displaced by European-American settlers and to prevent settlers from trespassing on Indian land.

exploreiowaparks.com

Fort Atkinson State Preserve
Fayette
563-425-4161

Hours: Open daily, 24 hours.
Admission: Free. ♣



SITES & ATTRACTIONS

SITES F - F

Fossil & Prairie Park Preserve & Center



While searching to collect a Devonian fossil, wander through native prairie which made Iowa an agricultural leader. View the beehive kilns of the Rockford Brick & Tile Company and learn how they helped expand agriculture.

fossilcenter.com

1227 215th St
Rockford
641-756-3490

Hours: Memorial Day thru Labor Day daily, 1-4. May, Sept, Oct, Sat-Sun 1-4. Also by appointment.

Admission: Free. Fees for group tours. ♿



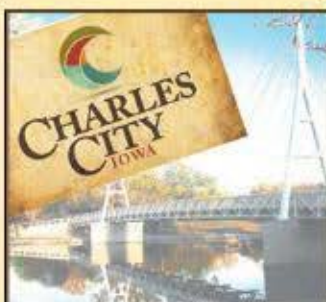
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500 Gilbert St, Charles City, IA
641-228-1099 | fchs@fai.net
floydcountymuseum.org
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641.228.4234

Organizing for Agriculture



Iowa farmers are true survivors, utilizing self-reliance and determination to sustain their way of life. This has often been extremely difficult due to dramatic fluctuations in the market value of the grains and livestock that are their livelihood. Farmers have a history of organizing their strength collectively through groups like the Grange and the Farm Bureau. These organizations have enabled farmers to lobby for policies that favor agriculture at the state and federal level, empowering them to influence the price of crops and livestock products.

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Four Mounds Inn & Conference Center





The Four Mounds Estate, a National Register Historic District and a City of Dubuque Landmark Site, is a remarkably intact 1908 gentleman's farm along the Mississippi River bluff line. The site features the farm and grounds, river view hiking trails, three options for bed and breakfast, a small conference center, challenge ropes course and more. Includes whole house rentals and is the perfect site for an intimate wedding.

fourmounds.org

4900 Peru Rd
Dubuque
563-556-1908

Hours: Sunrise-Sunset. Tours of the Historic Buildings as available.

Admission: Grounds: Free. Bed & Breakfast: \$95-\$155/night. Cabin: \$175/night.  

Franklin County Fair & Grandpa's Farm





A country fair featuring a large museum, Pleasant Hill (1900s town), and Grandpa's Farm, which has old-time farming demonstrations, including threshing and plowing with draft horses and steam engines.

franklincountyfair.com

1008 Central Ave W
Hampton
641-456-2049

Hours: July 16-20, 2014. July 15-19, 2015.

Admission: Free gate, free parking, free shuttles.  

Franklin County Historical Society Museum





Exhibits featuring local author and cartoonist, Bob Artley's experiences growing up on a farm; the story of Hampton native, Fleet Admiral William Leahy, Joint Chief of Staff to President Franklin Roosevelt, including an 11 foot replica ship, the USS Leahy. Across the highway is a typical 1900 home and dairy farm museum, which celebrates harvest festival the first Sunday in October.

fchsmuseum.org

1008 Central Ave W
Hampton
641-456-5777

Hours: Jan 15 -Nov 15, Mon-Fri 1-4, Memorial Day-Labor Day, Sun 1-4 or by appointment.

Admission: Free.  

Froelich 1890 Village Museum & First Tractor Invented



Froelich's 1890 Village: home to John Froelich's 1892 invention of the first gasoline tractor to propel itself forward and backward. Far reaching in its effect on modern agriculture throughout the world. This invention is forerunner of John Deere. Tour highlights: Froelich Tractor Replica, 1891 General Store, Post Office, 1866 One-Room School, Blacksmith Shop, Railroad Depot, Warehouse, Vintage Barn and Semi Building.

froelichtractor.com

24397 Froelich Rd
McGregor
563-536-2841

Hours: May 10-Sep 28 and first 2 weekends in Oct, Mon-Tues and Thurs-Sat 10-5, Sun 11-5.

Admission: \$5 adults, \$1 children ages 6-12. Large groups please call to schedule.

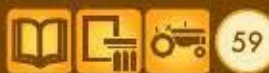


SITES & ATTRACTIONS

SITES F - G

George Maier
Rural Heritage
Center of Clayton
County

Gilbertson
Conservation
Education Area



A historic treasure appropriately situated in a 1919 restored sales barn, the George Maier Rural Heritage Center's vast collection of artifacts takes you on a journey showing how rural life evolved in the Midwest since the mid-1800s.

elkader-iowa.com

Elkader City Park
1000 Mascara Rd
Elkader
563-245-2377

Hours: Mid Apr-Mid Oct,
Sat-Sun 8-5 or by appointment.
Admission: \$3 adults, children
under 12 yrs free. ♿

A 565-acre Recreation & Education Area includes: Gilbertson Nature Center; Mavis Conner Dummermuth Historical Building; Hart Dummermuth Historical House; petting zoo; maize maze. This area has: canoe access to the Turkey River; fishing in a pond or Turkey River; a paved 1/4 mile wheelchair accessible trail; playground; shelter houses; modern, primitive, and equestrian camping areas; and over five miles of trails.

[elginiowa.org/
Gilbertson.html](http://elginiowa.org/Gilbertson.html)

22580 A Ave
Elgin
563-426-5740

Hours: Nature Center, Historical Buildings and Petting Zoo: Memorial Day weekend thru Labor Day, Wed-Sun 11-7 including Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day or by appointment. Petting Zoo also during May by appointment.
Admission: Free. ♿



Iowa Rise Up

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To join, or to learn more
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Grout Museum District

Grundy County Heritage Museum



The Grout Museum District offers four distinct museums to discover our past, present and future. Reach for the stars in the only public planetarium in Northeast Iowa. Experience Victorian elegance in Iowa's finest example of Italianate architecture. Step inside the stories of Iowa Veterans. Pet a 12-foot python or watch a science demonstration to satisfy your curiosity about science.

groutmuseumdistrict.org

Grout Museum of History and Science/Sullivan Brothers Iowa Veterans Museum, 503 South St; Bluedorn Science Imaginarium, 322 Washington St; Rensselaer Russell House Museum, 520 W 3rd St
Waterloo
319-234-6357

Hours: Tues-Sat 9-5. Please call for current Rensselaer Russell House Museum Hours.

Admission: Grout Museum/Iowa Veterans Museum: \$10 adults, \$5 children 14 yrs & under; Rensselaer Russell House Museum: \$5; Bluedorn Science Museum: \$5; Explorer Passes: Two sites: \$13 adults, \$8 children. Veterans half-off at all sites.

Explore the changes in agriculture through the life of American Indians and pioneers on the prairie. Also discover the 1931 National Corn Husking Contest held in Grundy County.

grundycountry.org

204 4th St
Morrison
319-345-2688

Hours: Tues-Thurs 8:30-4 or by appointment.

Admission: Free.



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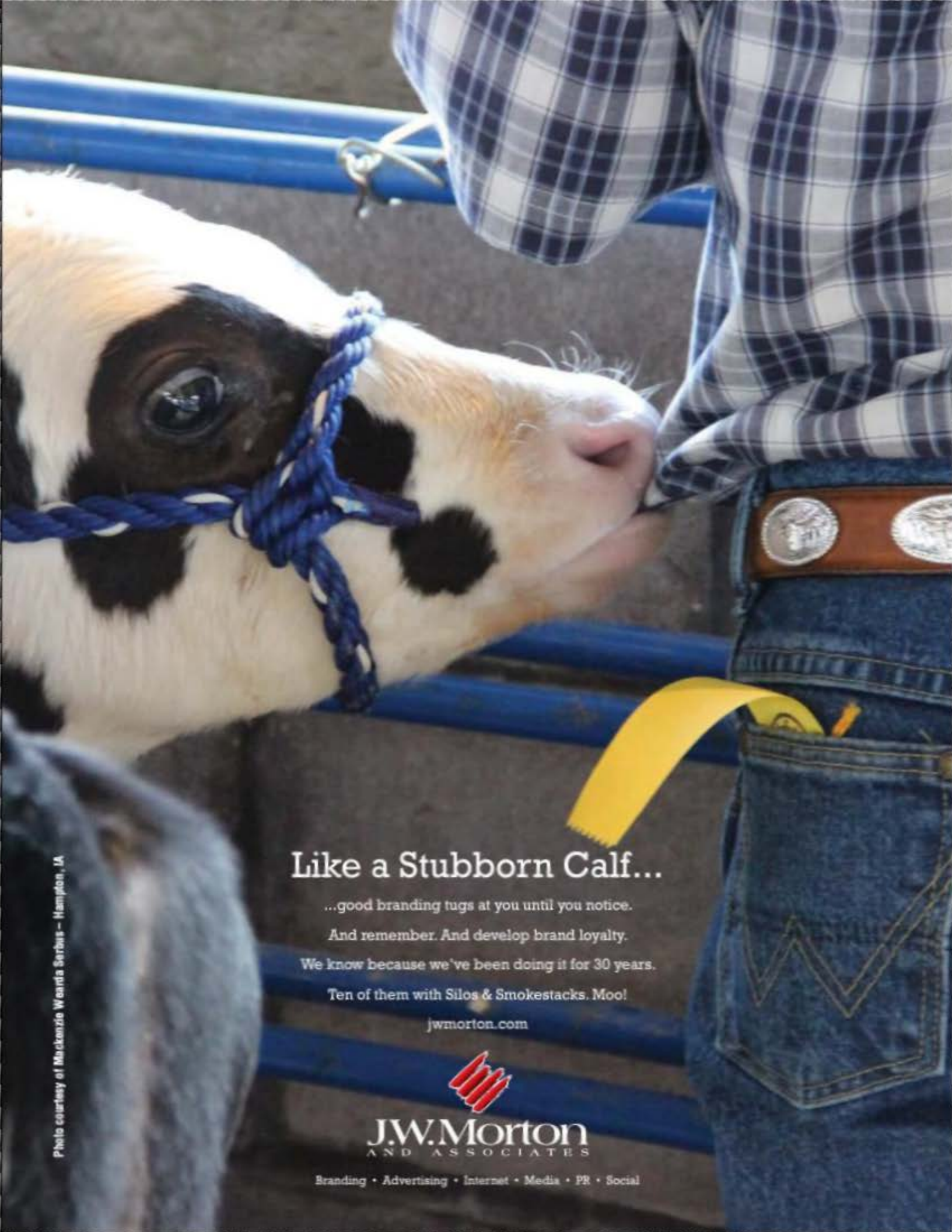


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hansendairy.com

8461 Lincoln Rd
Hudson
319-939-2187

Hours: Mar-Nov, by appointment only.

Admission: Hands-on tour: \$12, 3 yrs & under free. Walk-thru tour: \$8, 3 yrs and under free. School groups: \$5 per child, teachers/chaperones free. Bus tours: \$7 per person, guides/drivers free.

Hardin County Farm Museum



A farm site depicting the diversified family farm from the time of the settlement (late 1800s) through 1950.

eldoraiowa.com

203 Washington St
Eldora
641-939-7107

Hours: During scheduled events or by appointment.

Admission: Free. Donations welcome.

Hartman Reserve Nature Center



This over 300-acre wooded isle boasts the Hartman Interpretive Center and six miles of trails leading to lakes, prairies, forest, the Cedar River and the American Discovery Trail.

hartmanreserve.org

657 Reserve Dr
Cedar Falls
319-277-2187

Hours: Trails: Daily, Sunrise-Sunset. Interpretive Center: Mon-Fri 8-4:30, Sun 1-5.

Admission: Free.

Hawkeye Buffalo Ranch



Join our family on a wagon tour into the woods to hand feed the buffalo. Our tours include history and facts about bison, as well as the history of our farm which has been in operation for over 150 years. Reservations strongly recommended, we are a working ranch.

hawkeyebuffalo.com

3034 Pembroke Ave
Fredericksburg
563-237-5318

Hours: Sunrise-Sunset.

Admission: \$10 adults, \$8 seniors, \$5 children, \$30 family pass.



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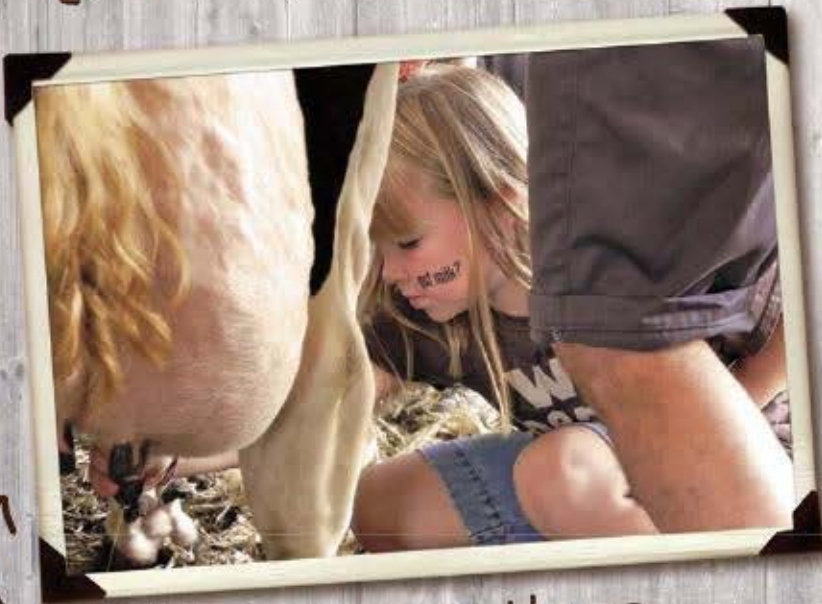


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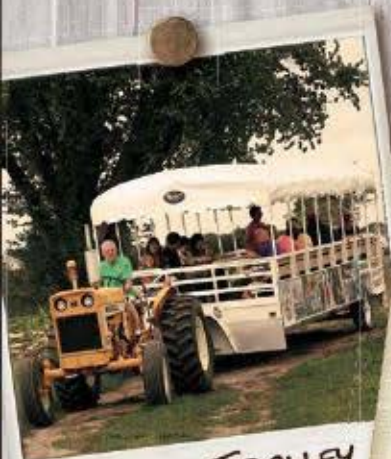


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Hawkeye Community College Farm Laboratory



Provides student laboratory activities and cooperative work experiences in farm production and management techniques with 250 acres for crop and livestock production and modern facilities for cattle, sheep, swine, as well as the Fennemann Center, which houses the office, a classroom and a livestock pavilion.

hawkeyecollege.edu

5503 Hammond Ave
Waterloo
319-296-4251

Hours: By appointment only.
Admission: Free.

Heartland Acres Agribition Center



Hearthland Acres Agribition Center is located off Highway 20, Exit 252, in Independence, Iowa. Dedicated to exhibiting the past, present and future of agriculture in the National Heritage Area, Heartland Acres has something fun and educational for people of all ages. Heartland Acres has seasonal livestock, new and antique farm equipment, classic car museum, events center and a one-room schoolhouse.

heartlandacresusa.com

2600 Swan Lake Blvd
Independence
319-332-0123

Hours: Apr 1-Oct 31, Mon-Sat 9-4:30, Sun 12-4:30. Nov 1-Mar 31, Mon-Fri 9-4:30.

Admission: \$10 adults (\$2 discount for groups of 10 or more), \$4 children age 5-17, children 4 yrs & under free, \$3 school tours.

Heartland Museum



Presents Iowa's agriculture and rural life through farm machinery, toys and displays in downtown streetscapes representing the Victorian, 1930s and 1950s eras. Large meeting room available.

heartlandmuseum.org

Hwy 3 W & 9 St SW
Clarion
515-602-6000 or
515-532-2901

Hours: Memorial Day thru Labor Day, Wed & Sat 1:30-4. Year-round by appointment.
Admission: \$6 adults, \$3 children 11 yrs and under. Season passes available. Group rates.



Herbert Hoover Presidential Museum



Learn about Iowa's only president at the Herbert Hoover Museum. Hoover campaigned on the platform to restore prosperity to American farmers. His first action as President was to call a special session of Congress to pass the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1929. The Museum is one of the 13 such institutions operated by the National Archives and Records Administration.

hoover.archives.gov

210 Parkside Dr
West Branch
319-643-5301

Hours: Daily 9-5, closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.
Admission: \$6 adults, \$3 seniors (62+), children 15 yrs and under free.

SITES & ATTRACTIONS

SITES H - I

Historic Limestone Insane Asylum



The Jackson County Insane Asylum, once known as the County Poor Farm, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and also has an Iowa Great Places Designation. The Insane Asylum is located north of Andrew on 250th Ave. Adjacent to the Insane Asylum are five acres of crop ground farmed by the Horse and Harness Association.

jacksoncountyiowa.com

250th Ave (County Hwy 61)
Maquoketa
563-652-3181

Hours: Daily 9-5. Guided tours available by appointment.

Admission: Free. ♿

Hurstville Interpretive Center



Explore the links between Iowa's prairies, wetlands, the rocks beneath your feet and agriculture. A butterfly garden and a working beehive allow visitors to see pollinators at work. Exhibits help visitors understand how Iowa's early communities, such as Hurstville, developed around the resources that were available and were a focal point for farm families.

jacksonccb.com

18670 63rd St
Maquoketa
563-652-3783

Hours: Apr-Oct, Mon-Fri 9-4, Sat & Sun 12-5. Nov-Dec, Sat & Sun 12-4.

Admission: Free. ♿ ♻️ ♻️

Hurstville Lime Kilns



Built in the 1870s, the four kilns heated limestone rock mined from nearby quarries. The process formed lime mortar used in the construction of homes, farm buildings and public buildings throughout the Midwest.

jacksonccb.com

Intersection of Hwy 61 and
Hurstville Rd
Maquoketa
563-652-3783

Hours: Year-round, tours available upon request.

Admission: Free. ♿

Indian Creek Nature Center



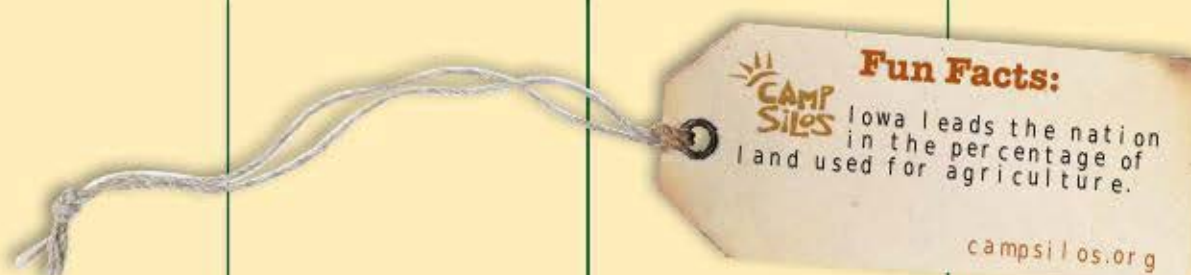
A renovated 1932 dairy barn houses the visitor center, where maple syruping, beekeeping, prairie restoration, and other programs are used to interpret the natural environment and our cultural and agricultural heritage. The Nature Center has several miles of trails that wind through prairies, oak/hickory savannas and a wetland.

indiancreeknaturecenter.org

6665 Otis Rd SE
Cedar Rapids
319-362-0664

Hours: Center: Mon-Fri 9-4, Sat 11-4. Trails: Sunrise-Sunset.

Admission: Free. ♿ ♻️ ♻️



Ion Exchange, Inc.



Ion Exchange nursery specializes in the production, harvesting, cleaning and marketing of wildflowers, grass seeds and plants native to Iowa and the Midwest.

ionxchange.com

1878 Old Mission Dr
Harpers Ferry
563-535-7231

Hours: Tours by appointment.

Admission: \$10 adults, children under 10 yrs free.



Iowa Gold Star Military Museum



Iowa's premier military museum, honoring Iowa Veterans of all services, plus the Iowa State Patrol. Indoor and outdoor exhibits include equipment, uniforms, 150+ weapons, flags, trench art, vintage military vehicles and aircraft. The library includes soldier records and over 5,000 military reference books for genealogical research.

[iowanationalguard.com/
Museum](http://iowanationalguard.com/Museum)

7105 NW 70th Ave, Camp Dodge
Johnston
515-252-4531

Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30-4:30,
Sat 10-4.

Admission: Free.

Iowa Masonic Library & Museum



The Iowa Masonic Library is recognized as the oldest special library in Iowa. Included in its collection are reports, transactions and papers of the Iowa Department of Agriculture, Horticultural Society and year-books of agriculture. The Library also maintains early records of the State Agricultural College, now Iowa State University.

gl-iowa.org

813 1st Ave SE
Cedar Rapids
319-365-1438

Hours: Mon-Fri 8-12 & 1-5.

Admission: Free.

Iowa River Gazebo



Past, present and future meet at the Iowa River Gazebo located on the Iowa River in Coralville. The 14 interpretive panels and eight plaques celebrate the people, early history and events that have influenced the area and development of Coralville. The gazebo exhibit is a trail system focal point and an entrance and exit to the pedestrian bridge spanning the Iowa River Dam.

johnsoncountyhistory.org

1st Ave & 5th St
at Iowa River Dam
Coralville
319-351-5738

Hours: Outdoor exhibit.

Open year-round.

Admission: Free.





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Iowa River Greenbelt Scenic Drive



The Iowa River Greenbelt Scenic Drive winds through a picturesque landscape of valleys, woods and streams tucked in the midst of flat, fertile farmland. Extending from Alden to Eldora, this designated scenic drive takes visitors along the Hardin County segment of the Iowa River and through a number of small farming communities. Call for detailed map.

hardincountyconservation.com

See map at the back of this guidebook.
Ackley
641-648-4361

Hours: Open 24 hours
Admission: Free

Iowa State Fair



Nothing compares to the annual August extravaganza that inspired the novel *State Fair* and is featured in the New York Times best-seller *1000 Places to See Before You Die*. The Iowa State Fair features mouth-watering food, fabulous free entertainment, one of the world's largest livestock shows and countless zany contests. Join us August 7-17, 2014 and August 13-23, 2015.

iowastatefair.org

Hours: Iowa State Fair:
Aug 7-17, 2014 and Aug 13-23, 2015. Fairgrounds: Open year-round.
Admission: \$10 adults, \$4 children 6-11 yrs, children 5 yrs and under free. Advance tickets: \$7 adults, \$3 children 6-11 yrs when purchased before Aug 7. ♿ ♻️ ♻️

Iowa's Dairy Center



Iowa's Dairy Center is not only a working farm, but a tourism facility where you can learn about modern dairy farming. On your tour you will see the milking parlor, NEW robotic milking facility, freestall barn for housing the milk cows, special needs barn for calving, calf barn and Iowa's Dairy Museum. Visit today!

iowadairycenter.com

1527 Hwy 150 S
Calmar
563-534-9957

Hours: Mon-Fri 8-4, or by appointment for a guided tour. Viewing platform for the milking parlor and robotic milking facility is open 24 hours a day.
Admission: Guided tours: \$5 adults, \$3 children. Groups seeking guided tours should call ahead. ♿ ♻️ ♻️

Jackson County Historical Museum



The county museum includes 22,000 sq. ft. of local exhibits including period rooms, a country school, boot maker shop, general store, an authentic replica of a McCormick Reaper and a wildlife display. There is a large machine shed with a fine collection of vintage agricultural equipment, as well as 1850s log cabin.

jciahs.com

1212 E Quarry St
Maquoketa
563-652-5020

Hours: Tues-Fri 10-4, Sat & Sun 12-4; closed major holidays.
Admission: \$3 adults, children 10 yrs and under free. Members free. ♿ ♻️ ♻️

SITES & ATTRACTIONS

SITES I - J

Jasper County Historical Museum



Featured areas include our 1875 Barn, Engine House, and Ag Building that houses a variety of early equipment, much of it made locally. The Ag Building also includes our “Wonderful Tales” exhibit that tells the story of wind power in the county. Other features include Maytag exhibit, new Washing Machine Center of the World exhibit and Victorian and 1930s rooms.

jaspercountymuseum.com

1700 S 15th Ave W
Newton
641-792-9118

Hours: May-Sept 30, daily 1:00, last tour at 4:00, Oct-May 1, Groups of 6 or more by appointment.

Admission: \$5 adults, \$2 children, admission also includes free re-entry pass to allow an additional day to complete the full tour.

Jenison Meacham Memorial Art Museum & Farm



This site is comprised of an art center/museum, prairie farmstead, rural schoolhouse, working farm and machinery museum featuring educational programs and demonstrations. Prairie Homestead Show: Third full weekend in August, Fri-Sun.

belmondartscenter.org

1179 Taylor Ave
Belmond
641-444-4635

Hours: May-Oct, Sun 1:30-4:30 or by appointment.

Admission: Free. Donations welcome.

John Deere Tractor Cab & Assembly Operations



See John Deere tractors being made from start to finish on this one-of-a-kind tour. John Deere has long been known as the world’s leading manufacturer of agricultural tractors. John Deere is the sole tractor manufacturing plant left in the world that retains its founder’s name.

johndeere.com

3500 E Donald St
Waterloo
319-292-7668

Hours: Year-round, Mon-Fri, subject to availability pending manufacturing. Tour reservations required. Must be 13 yrs or older to tour. Wear comfortable walking shoes; no open-toe shoes are allowed. No cameras or cell phone videos allowed.

Admission: Free.

Johnson County Historical Society Museum



The JCHS Museum’s permanent and temporary exhibits and interactive displays show how the land, people, transportation and businesses, including agriculture, evolved to create today’s Johnson County community. The museum’s newest permanent exhibit “A Home on the Farm” explores the changes in the lives of Johnson County farm families from 1930-1990.

johnsoncountyhistory.org

860 Quarry Rd
Coralville
319-351-5738

Hours: Tues-Sat 10-5, Sun 12-5.

Admission: \$5 adults. Members and children 12 and under free.

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Kinney Pioneer Museum



Kinney Pioneer Museum is a historical museum that preserves and displays the pioneer way of life in rural North Central Iowa. The museum includes exhibits and displays on early agricultural artifacts, amenities and social practices of the past, as well as their relationship to the growth of industry, education and the cities and towns of the area.

9184 265th St (Hwy 122 W at entrance to Mason City Airport)
Mason City
641-423-1258

Hours: May-Sept, Tues-Sun 1-5.
Admission: \$3 adults, \$1 children (school tours \$.75 per child). ♣ ♣ ♣

La Porte City FFA Historical & Ag Museum



Our museum has over 8,000 sq. ft. of innovative and educational exhibits that celebrate the history, art and culture of our community, state and nation. Our lower level is dedicated to our agricultural heritage. It documents the role of agriculture and rural America in building our nation. Visit our website or Facebook page for more information.

lpcmuseum.com

408 Main St
La Porte City
319-342-3619

Hours: May-Nov, Tues & Thurs 10-4, Sat 10-2 or by appointment.
Admission: \$3 per person, parties of 10 or more \$2 per person, family membership/season pass \$25. Dollar Day every 3rd Sat. ♣ ♣

Laura Ingalls Wilder Park & Museum



Tour the only childhood home of "Little House" author Laura Ingalls Wilder that still remains on its original site. Learn the fascinating story of America's agricultural frontier through the Ingalls family stories of hardship and joy. See where this farm family lived when they left the farm and came to the town of Burr Oak in 1876 with nine-year-old, Laura.

lauraingallswilder.us

3603 236th Ave
Burr Oak
563-735-5916

Hours: May, Mon-Sat 10-4, Sun 12-4; Memorial Day thru Labor Day, Mon-Sat 9-5, Sun 12-4; Sept thru mid-Oct, Tue-Sat 10-4, Sun 12-4; Nov-Apr by appointment.
Admission: \$8 adults, \$6 children 6-17 yrs, 5 yrs and under free, family tour \$30.
♣ ♣ ♣

Living History Farms



A 500-acre open-air museum. Travel at your own pace through 300 years of agricultural history, including a 1700 Ioway Indian Farm, 1850 Pioneer Farm, 1900 Farm and 1875 Town. On-site interpreters, activities and demonstrations.

livinghistoryfarms.org

11121 Hickman Rd
Urbandale
515-278-5286

Hours: 2014: May 1-Aug 21, Mon-Sat 9-4, Sun 12-4, Aug 27-Oct 12, Wed-Sat 9-4, Sun 12-4.
Admission: \$14 adults, \$8.50 child (2-12 yrs), seniors or military \$1 off. ♣ ♣ ♣

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641-324-3184

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Pie & Coffee Shoppe

Interstate 35, Exit 214—Northwood
4705 Wheelerwood Road, Northwood, Iowa 50459

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Mamie Doud Eisenhower Birthplace



Tour the restored birthplace of First Lady Mamie Doud Eisenhower. Restored Victorian home with summer kitchen, barn and exhibits. Mamie's family was active in Boone's flour milling and meat packing business.

boonecountyhistory.org

709 Carroll St
Boone
515-432-1907

Hours: June-Oct, Mon-Sat 10-5.
Also by appointment.

Admission: \$5 adults, children 17 yrs and under free. ♿

Mathias Ham House Historic Site



This stately villa is a living reflection of its owner, Mathias Ham, one of Dubuque's earliest lead mining entrepreneurs. Living history demonstrators and interpreters share the rich history of Mathias Ham and lead mining in Dubuque. Venture the grounds to explore a one-room schoolhouse, original 1833 log cabin, windlass, miner's "badger hole" and a new lead mine structure.

rivermuseum.com/features_historicsites_ham.cfm

2241 Lincoln Ave
Dubuque
563-557-9545

Hours: Memorial Day weekend thru Labor Day, Wed-Sun 11-4.

Admission: \$5 adults, \$3.50 youth 7-17 yrs, 6 yrs and under free. ♿

Matthew Edel Blacksmith Shop



Once an establishment in every community, the Matthew Edel Blacksmith Shop preserves the story of the ingenuity and role the local blacksmith played in rural Iowa. The shop preserves the inventions patented by Edel, including dehorning clippers, wedge cutter, nut pliers and garden hoes.

iowahistory.org

214 1st St
Marshalltown
641-475-3299 or
641-752-6664

Hours: Memorial Day thru Labor Day, daily 12-4.

Admission: Free. ♿

Mines of Spain Recreation Area



The Mines of Spain consists of 1,439 acres of forest and prairie along the Mississippi River. The park is a National Historic Landmark and a state preserve. The E. B. Lyons Interpretive Center, a Scenic Byway Center, has displays on the park's historical sites of farming, prairies, lead mining, Native Americans and wildlife. Trails connect visitors to a farm site, forests, prairies, archaeological sites and wetlands.

minesofspain.org

8991 Bellevue Hts
Dubuque
563-556-0620

Hours: Park: 4 am-10:30 pm.
Interpretive Center: Apr-Oct, Mon-Fri 9-4, Sat & Sun 12-4:30; Nov-Mar, Mon-Fri 9-4, Sat & Sun closed except for programming, call for program schedules.

Admission: Free. ♿

SITES & ATTRACTIONS

SITES M

Miss Effie's Country Flowers & Garden Stuff



AU-pick flower farm in Northwest Scott County, Miss Effie's invites you to relax and enjoy the beautiful Grant Wood countryside. Our gardens are perfect for strolling and picking the newest blossoms. Fresh eggs, homemade jams, hand-sewn aprons will remind you of days gone by. Your grandmother's lifestyle is alive and well at Miss Effie's.

misseffiesflowers.com

27387 130th Ave
Donahue
563-282-4338

Hours: June 1-Oct 1, Thurs-Fri 9-5, Sat 9-3, Sun 12-3; June 15-Aug 15 open Thurs evenings until 8. Oct-Apr, Fri 10-5.
Admission: Free. 1 gallon bucket of flowers is \$20. ♣ ♣

Montauk Historic Site



Journey into the past at the home of Iowa's 12th governor, William Larrabee. Enjoy a guided tour where you will see and hear how the Larrabee family furnished and maintained this 1874 mansion and estate for more than 100 years, adapting with the changing agricultural life.

iowahistory.org

26223 Harding Rd, Hwy 18 E
Clermont
563-423-7173

Hours: Memorial Day thru Labor Day, Daily 12-4; Labor Day thru Oct 31, Fri-Sun 12-4 and by appointment.

Admission: Free. ♣ ♣

Motor Mill Historic Site



Motor Mill, built in 1869, preserves the story of flour milling and wheat production in Northeast Iowa. The mill also demonstrates the struggles farmers, businessmen and laborers faced in a remote rural river setting, as well as the challenges faced in the development of a large agri-business.

motormill.org

23002 Grain Rd
Elkader
563-245-1516

Hours: Buildings may be viewed year-round. Tours: May-Sept, two weekends a month. Call for tour schedule.

Admission: Free. ♣ ♣

Museums of Story City



The four museum sites in Story City share the unique and rich heritage of an agrarian community settled largely by Scandinavian immigrants. Experience the past by visiting a pioneer schoolhouse used as a polling location for the Lincoln presidential election of 1860. Explore a restored Victorian home and tour exhibits that tell the story of historic rural life.

storycityhistory.org

619 Grand Ave
Story City
515-460-1749

Hours: Year-round; Carriage House Museum: Wed-Fri 12-5, Memorial Day-Labor Day, all 4 museums open Sun 1-3.
Admission: By donation. Fee for guided tours. ♣ ♣ ♣



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National Cattle Congress



The National Cattle Congress (NCC) is committed to benefit the youth of Iowa, to support educational programs and institutions, to expand agricultural horizons and to preserve and honor Iowa agricultural heritages. We provide quality, affordable and entertaining learning experiences to spectators and the general public by conducting our annual fair and events throughout the year.

nationalcattlecongress.com

257 Ansborough Ave
Waterloo
319-234-7515

Hours: Mon-Fri 9-4; occasional weekends. Fair: Sept 9-14, 2014.
Admission: Varies by event.



National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library



Located in historic Czech Village! Features the inspiring new permanent exhibition "Faces of Freedom: The Czech & Slovak Journey." The exhibition includes the history of Czech settlement in America, as well as the fight for freedom and culture in Europe. New museum store! Tour packages include tours of Czech neighborhoods, authentic food, folk art classes and entertainment.

NCSML.org

1400 Inspiration Place SW
Cedar Rapids
319-362-8500

Hours: Exhibit Galleries & Museum Store: Mon-Sat 9:30-4, Sun 12-4. Skala Bartizal Library: Tues-Sat 9:30-4. Both locations closed Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas & New Year's Day.
Admission: \$10 adults, \$9 seniors, \$5 active military & students 14 yrs + (with ID), \$3 youth 6-13 yrs, free for members & children under 5.



National Farm Toy Museum



Take a small scale adventure into the history of agriculture! Discover the National Farm Toy Museum and revel in displays of farm toys, pedal tractors, dioramas, and unique exhibits on agriculture's amazing history. The whole family will enjoy unearthing how farming has changed throughout the years and the history behind the tractors that continue to help make successful harvests happen.

nationalfarmtoymuseum.com

1110 16th Ave Ct SE
Dyersville
563-875-2727 or
877-475-2727

Hours: Mon-Sun 8-6, closed New Year's Day, Easter, Thanksgiving & Christmas.
Admission: \$5 adults, \$4 seniors, \$3 children 6-17 yrs, 5 yrs and under free. Group tours and rates available.

National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium



The highly interactive museum and aquarium includes the Mississippi River Center and the National River Center. Experience dynamic state-of-the-art exhibits, a 3D/4D theater, animal programs, a National Landmark vessel, and more! The National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium is a Smithsonian Institution Affiliate and is accredited by the American Association of Museums and the Association of Zoos and Aquariums.

rivermuseum.com

350 E 3rd St
Dubuque
563-557-9545 or
800-226-3369

Hours: Memorial Day thru Labor Day, daily 9-6; Labor Day thru Oct 31, daily 9-5; Nov 1 thru Memorial Day, daily 10-5; closed Thanksgiving & Christmas.
Admission: \$10 to \$15, please visit website for more information.

SITES & ATTRACTIONS

SITES N

Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge



The Refuge is a tallgrass prairie/oak savanna reconstruction project in the heart of Iowa, with several nature trails and an auto tour route through the bison and elk enclosure. The Prairie Learning & Visitor Center offers interactive exhibits, a bookstore and the award-winning movie "Return to Wildness."

fws.gov/refuge/Neal_Smith/

9981 Pacific St
Prairie City
515-994-3400

Hours: Mon-Sat 9-4, Sun 12-5.
Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas
& New Year's Day.

Admission: Free. 

Northern Iowa River Greenbelt Scenic Drive







Enjoy a scenic drive of 50+ miles following the course of the Iowa River as it winds through Franklin and Wright counties. Oak savannas, rolling hills, glacial moraines and much more await you! Maps available at the Dows Welcome Center.

See map at the back
of this guidebook.
Belmond
515-571-3264

Hours: Open 24 hours.
Admission: Free.

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www.nationalfarmtoymuseum.com



Looking For Places To Ride? Bikes Are Welcome in Iowa!

Iowa is the home to the largest, oldest, longest bicycle touring event in the world. But that's not all. While you are here, you can ride some of the best singletrack trails, enjoy 1,600 miles of scenic paved trails, and attend organized bicycling events every weekend. Cross into Iowa on the Bob Kerry Bridge in Council Bluffs, ride to the High Trestle in Madrid, and cross the Government Bridge in Davenport. There is something for everyone.

Visit www.iowabicyclecoalition.org:

- * Interactive Bike Map
- * List of Iowa Bike Dealers
- * Compiled Iowa Bike Laws
- * Bicycle Rental Outfitters
- * Bikes Welcome Here Directory

Also, check out www.bikeiowa.com for news/events,

and www.iowadot.gov/lowabikes for a free bike map.



www.iowabicyclecoalition.org

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Park Farm Winery



This family farm uses their Iowa grown grapes to produce Iowa wines, both red, white and limited fruit. Park Farm Winery educates the public on varieties of wines and grapes, the establishment of a vineyard in a cold climate, harvesting grapes and much more.

parkfarmwinery.com

15159 Thielen Rd
Durango
563-557-3727

Hours: Dec-May, Sun, Mon, Thurs 12-5, Fri-Sat 12-6; June-Nov, Mon-Thurs 12-7, Fri-Sat 11-8, Sun 11-5.

Admission: \$3 for wine tasting, includes 5 samples for adults over 21. ♣ ♣ ♣

Plum Grove Historic Home



Plum Grove is the home of Iowa's first territorial governor, Robert Lucas, and his wife Friendly. Once a 360-acre farm, the home is now on a four-acre tract gently surrounded by Iowa City. The home is furnished to the period of the Lucas occupation from 1844-53. Site includes three period gardens and archaeology exhibits.

johnsoncountyhistory.org

1030 Carroll St
Coralville
319-351-5738

Hours: Memorial Day thru Labor Day, Wed-Sun 1-5; Labor Day thru Oct 31, Sat & Sun 1-5.
Admission: Free. ♣ ♣

Prairie Bridges Park



With 101 acres of wildlife, woodlands and prairie, the park offers opportunities for visitors to enjoy nature at its best. Camping with electrical hookups, fishing in six ponds, three miles of trails for walking, biking or driving, disc golf course, restrooms, showers and shelter house provide a fun family experience. The park offers 24-hour services within city limits, just 1/4 mile from downtown.

ackleyiowa.net

310 N Franklin
Aplington
641-485-1623

Hours: Park: Year-round. Call ahead to reserve campsite.
Admission: Park: Free. RV Camping \$15, Primitive \$8. Monthly/seasonal camping rates available. ♣ ♣

Putnam Museum & Giant Screen Theater



The 115,000 sq. ft. museum includes changing and permanent exhibits: Black Earth/Big River; Hall of Mammals; River, Prairie and People; Asian Gallery; Unearthing Ancient Egypt; Ocean Experience; ViewSpace; and Giant Screen Theater.

putnam.org

1717 W 12th St
Davenport
800-435-3701 or
563-324-1933

Hours: Mon-Sat 10-5, Sun 12-5. Show times vary.
Admission: Exhibit halls: \$7 adults, \$6 seniors, \$5 youth 3-12 yrs, 2 yrs and under and museum members free. Giant Screen Theater: Call museum or visit website for ticket prices. ♣ ♣ ♣

SITES & ATTRACTIONS

SITES P - R

REA Power Plant Museum



The REA Power Plant Museum depicts “before and after” eras of electricity in rural areas. The Plant was the first to receive a generation and transmission loan from the Rural Electrification Administration and the first plant west of the Mississippi River to generate electricity for rural areas. The Plant became operational in 1938, providing electricity until 1950 and stand-by service into the 1970s.

fchsmuseum.org

1450 110th St
Hampton
641-456-5777

Hours: By appointment only.
Admission: Free. ♿

Reiman Gardens – Iowa State University



Since 1914, a “garden laboratory” has been an essential teaching tool at Iowa State University. Today, the 17-acre Reiman Gardens incorporates academic and practical concepts with lessons from crop rotation to floriculture, entomology to water resource management. Inspiring future generations as environmental stewards is accomplished with tours, classes, lectures, articles and videos enjoyed by youth, students and 100,000 visitors annually.

reimangardens.com

1407 University Blvd
Ames
515-294-2710

Hours: Daily 9-4:30; extended hours Memorial Day thru Labor Day.

Admission: \$8 adults, \$7 seniors age 65+, \$4 youth 4-17 yrs, children age 3 yrs and under free. Group rates available.



Richardson-Jakway Historic Site



The Richardson-Jakway Historic Site provides a look back at a 19th century home, farmstead and community. The site features the 1851 Richardson-Jakway House and the now defunct pioneer community of Mudville.

buchanancountyparks.com

2791 136th St
Hazelton
319-636-2617 or
319-634-3378

Hours: House: By request.
Outside displays open daily.
Admission: Free. ♿

Riegel Blacksmith Shop



Burkard Riegel, “The Faithful Village Blacksmith,” had a solid background for his efficiency in work. A native of Germany, he came to Clermont in 1931 to set up a business that was exclusive in many fields. The shop was recently restored, to preserve this unique building for future generations. As restoration efforts are finished up, visitors to the site before August may get the rare experience of viewing the final phases of restoration.

clermontia.org

210 Mill St
Clermont
563-423-7295

Hours: May-Oct 31, Daily 8-8.
Admission: Free. ♿

Scenic City Empress Boat Club



The Empress Boat Club, a 1937 log cabin, is situated on the Iowa River and is home to the Empress Riverboat. Come enjoy our public cruises or book a private event. Soak in the beautiful scenery of the limestone bluffs, while listening to our captain's monologue. From agriculture to industry you will be entertained by our Iowa River interpretation!

empressboatclub.com

1113 Union St
Iowa Falls
800-873-1936 or
641-648-9517

Hours: Jan-Dec, Mon-Fri 9-12; May-Oct, Mon-Fri 9-12, Sat-Sun 1-4.

Admission: Public cruise: \$7 adults, \$5 children, 2 yrs and under free. Group cruises and tour prices vary, call for more information.

Seed Savers Exchange



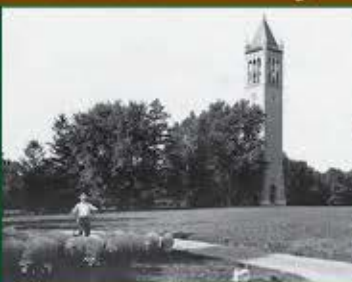
The headquarters of Seed Savers Exchange Heritage Farm is an 890-acre living museum of our garden heritage. Display gardens surrounding the Visitors Center grow hundreds of heirloom fruits and vegetables, while eight miles of hiking trails connect sparkling trout streams, wooded bluffs, pastures of heritage cattle, and historic apple orchards.

seedsavers.org

3094 N Winn Rd
Decorah
563-382-5990

Hours: Mar-Dec, daily 10-5.
Admission: Free. Group tours available by appointment only, \$5/person.

Special Collections Department, Iowa State University



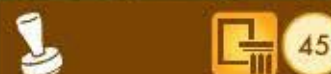
The Department helps to identify, select, preserve, create access to, provide reference assistance for, and promote the use of rare and unique research materials that support major research areas of Iowa State University. The Department contains nearly 15,000 linear feet of archival materials documenting agriculture, natural history, statistics, veterinary medicine, and women in science and engineering.

[add.lib.iastate.edu
/spl/index.html](http://add.lib.iastate.edu/spcl/index.html)

403 Parks Library
Ames
515-294-6672

Hours: Mon-Fri 10-4.
Admission: Free.

State Historical Building



The museum features a variety of permanent and temporary exhibits on Iowa's rich history, including our use of the land. The historical library and state archives provide many sources including newspapers, manuscripts, county records, photographs and government documents useful in researching many aspects of Iowa's agricultural history.

iowahistory.org

600 E Locust St
Des Moines
515-281-8741

Hours: Museum: Tues-Sat 9-4:30, Sun 12-4:30 (closed on state holidays). Library Reading Room: Tues-Fri 12:30-4:30, Sat 9-4:30 (closed on state holidays).
Admission: Free.



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FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO PLAN A TOUR — IOWAAGTOURS.COM



AMES

Home to the first land-grant university, Iowa State University boasts a beautiful campus as well as a rich agricultural background with an academic emphasis.

The Iowa State University BioCentury Research Farm has on-site plots of biomass crops and biorenewable processing facilities. With more than 1,200 acres of intensive plot research, ISU Agricultural Engineering and Agronomy Research Farms contain corn, soybeans, oats, sorghum and biomass perennial crop demonstrations. Stop at the ISU Horticulture Research Station to experience a broad variety of research, including vineyards, fruit and vegetable plantings, fish, shade trees, putting greens and turf grass. Complete your trip with a visit to Reiman Gardens, which includes a 2,500-square foot Butterfly House and five supporting greenhouses.



DUBUQUE

Iowa's oldest city is often called the "Masterpiece on the Mississippi."

Enjoy a two-hour cruise along the river including an up close view of Lock and Dam #11 and narration of Dubuque's history. Visit the National Mississippi River Museum and Aquarium to enjoy the history of American rivers, Gulf of Mexico Aquarium and tour national landmark steamboat, the William M. Black. Ride the world's shortest and steepest railway, the Fenelon Place Elevator, and prepare to see breathtaking views of the river and tri-state area. Wrap up your trip with a visit to the Dubuque Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.



QUAD CITIES

The Quad Cities region is filled with rich culture and agricultural history.

Founded in Moline, IL, John Deere is one of the world's leading agricultural manufacturers. Visit the John Deere Headquarters, the John Deere Pavilion and store and the John Deere historic site and blacksmith demonstration. The Quad Cities is home to many family and commercial farms including wind farms, family farm museums and robotic dairy farms. Learn about the process from grain harvest to loading barges on the Mississippi River at the River Gulf Grain barge facility. Finish your day with a sunset dinner cruise on the Mississippi River.



WATERLOO

Home to the John Deere Waterloo operations and the only U.S location that manufactures John Deere tractors.

Visit the John Deere Tractor & Engine Museum (opening soon) and the John Deere Tractor Assembly and Engine Works. See antique tractors, steam engines and gasoline engines at the Kenny Kass private tractor collection. Visit the Hawkeye Community College Farm Lab with 400 acres of farmland and research plots showcasing the latest technology and farm equipment. Get a history lesson by visiting the Heartland Acres Agribition Center to see early farming implements and artifacts from the late 1800s through the Great Depression.

Strawberry Hill Farm & Garden



Be a farmer for a day: Learn the history of the farm, play in the Story Time Pine's playground, visit the working dairy goat farm, meet all the animals by helping feed the rabbits, gather eggs, milk the 500+ goats, and give hay to the horse, donkey, or llama. There is always something to do, join us for some fun on the farm!

strawberryhillstrawberry.com

12173 Amission Rd
Strawberry Point
563-920-4531

Hours: Year-round by appointment.

Admission: Guided Walk-thru Tours: 2 years and older \$8/ 1 Hour, School/Daycare Guided Tours: \$6/45 min, Working Farm Tour: 2 years and older \$10/2 Hour Tour, Pumpkin Patch Fall Frenzy Tour: 2 years and older \$8.

Sugar Grove Vineyards and Gatheringplace



In this 1870s rejuvenated Grange Hall, framed by rolling hills, vineyard, pond and elk, visitors may learn the history of the Grange Movement and social significance of the local club. Iowa wine and beer are featured along with public summer concert series, fall dinner show and private events.

sugargrove.com

6602 Ginger Ave
Newton
641-831-3843

Hours: Apr-Dec by appointment and during public events.

Admission: Free

Tabor Home Vineyards and Winery



Tabor Home Winery, Iowa's oldest estate winery is located on our family's 1860s Jackson County farmstead. Tabor Home is renowned for distinguished wines that are defining the federally-established Upper Mississippi River Valley viticulture area. Wine festivals, Sunday music in the vineyards with Iowa singer-songwriters, demonstration vineyards and winemaker tours offer unique experiences and inform visitors about Iowa's exciting wine industry.

TaborHomeWinery.com

3570 67th St
Baldwin
563-673-3131

Hours: Jan-Apr, Tues-Sun 11-5; May-Dec, daily 11-6.

Admission: Free.

Traer Historical Museum



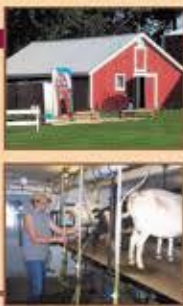
Featuring artifacts of Northern Tama County and Traer, this museum highlights the life of "Tama Jim" Wilson, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture from 1897 to 1913, record holder for the longest-serving U.S. Cabinet member, and one of only three Cabinet members to serve in the same post under three consecutive Presidents. Antique agricultural implements also exhibited.

traermuseum.com

514 Second St
Traer
319-478-2346 or
319-478-8660

Hours: Please call ahead.

Admission: Free.



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Day 1

- Be a Farmer for a Day! Feed the animals, milk the goats, tour the farm & gardens at **Strawberry Hill Dairy Goat Farm & Gardens**. Have a sack lunch from Subway or the deli at Strawberry Foods.
- Enjoy an old fashioned soda & shop unique gifts at **Clayton Drug**.
- Take your photo with the **World's Largest Strawberry**.
- Get in touch with nature on an evening stroll at **Campbell City Park** or cool off at the city pool.
- Dine & Stay at the **Historic Franklin Hotel** before turning in for the night. For you campers, pull in at **Lil Country RV Park** where the sites offer an overlook into the beautiful hills of NE Iowa. Call ahead if you want to enjoy award winning BBQ!



Day 2

- Spend the morning exploring **Wilder Museum** one of the top tourists spots in NE Iowa. Check out all you can see at <http://wildermuseum.org/>
- Explore the animals and exhibits at **Osborne Welcome Center**.
- Grab lunch at **Lil Jacks** with ice cream to finish off the meal.
- Shop the **Quilted Strawberry** for fabric & notions, plan an afternoon quilting class.
- Dine at **Back Home Country Cookin'** and enjoy a piece of pie.
- Sleep at **Strawberry Inn & Motels** with a peaceful whirlpool tub.

Day 3

- Rise & shine with coffee & a fresh pastry at the local **Casey's**.
- Get your walking shoes on explore the trails at **Backbone State Park**. Cool off in the fresh water streams or the lake. Go for a canoe ride or paddle boating, enjoy snacks at the **Beach Concessions**.
- Fish the **Backbone State Park Trout Streams**. Try the Maquoketa River or Backbone Lake for other fishing. Shop at **Nading's Sporting Goods & Convenience** for your fishing & hunting supplies.
- Spend the night camping at **Backbone's** many camping sites – primitive or modern. Check out the cabins for an extended stay <http://iowastateparks.reserveamerica.com/>
- Golf nine holes on the scenic course of **Backbone Golf & Country Club**.
- Grab supper at **Rod and Cal's** with a cold beverage.

Plan a visit with us today!

www.strawberrypt.com/

Area Sponsors - Here to make your visit great!

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Back Home Country Cookin'	563.933.4663
Quilted Strawberry	563.920.1449
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Lil' Bit of Country Stoves	563.933.2081
Rodas Chevrolet, Inc.	563.933.6200
Strawberry Inn & Motel	563.933.4485

For more information call Economic Development — 563.933.4417

Area Attractions

Wilder Memorial Museum	563.933.4615
City of Strawberry Point	563.933.4482
Campbell Park (Swimming & Tennis)	
Inger Park (Playground Equipment & Band Shell)	
Osborne Welcome & Nature Center	563.245.1516
Backbone Golf & Country Club	563.933.4545
Backbone State Park	563.924.2527
Beach Concession	563.924.2273
Strawberry Hill Dairy Goat Farm & Gardens	563.920.4531

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Tyden Farm No. 6 Tours



Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, this farmstead was originally owned by Emil Tyden, a Swedish immigrant and mechanical genius holding 200 patents during his lifetime. The sixth of eight farms, Tyden No. 6 was built between 1936 and 1941 and is still in use today by the Pfitzenberger family. No. 6 features a massive 40' x 140' barn and a 26,000-bushel concrete-block corncrib, both an unheard of size at that time.

tydenfarm.com

1145 300th St
Dougherty
641-426-5277

Hours: Tours: July-Sept, typically last 3 hours.
Admission: Dependent on group size. Please call ahead.



University of Iowa Museum of Natural History



Explore your world at the University of Iowa Museum of Natural History – Iowa's gateway to the global environment. Take a trip back in time through 500 million years of our natural and cultural heritage, culminating in the landscape we live on today and the story of agriculture from the first Native American farmers through to modern day Iowa.

uiowa.edu/mnh

17 N Clinton St
Iowa City
319-335-0606

Hours: Tues, Wed, Fri & Sat 10-5, Thurs 10-8, Sun 1-5, closed National Holidays.

Admission: Free.

University of Northern Iowa Marshall Center School



The Marshall Center School is a one-room school museum located on the campus of the University of Northern Iowa that has been restored as it was in the early 1920s, including original furnishings and period artifacts. An active reminder of Iowa's historically prominent role in quality education, the school shares the story rural schools played in shaping 19th century America.

uni.edu/museum/mcs/index.html

23rd St & Indiana St
Cedar Falls
319-273-2188

Hours: Outdoor exhibits open to the public. Tours by appointment.

Admission: Free.

Ushers Ferry Historic Village



Ushers Ferry Historic Village interprets life in a small Iowa town at the turn of the 20th century. The 10-acre site features 20 historic homes and businesses that range in age from 1855-1919. Ushers Ferry offers many special events and programs throughout the year that explore the lives of farmers and townspeople in the community 100 years ago.

uffhv.com

5925 Seminole Valley Trl NE
Cedar Rapids
319-286-5763

Hours: June-Aug, Mon-Fri 9-3:30.

Admission: \$2 adults, \$1 children 3-14 yrs, 2 yrs and under free.





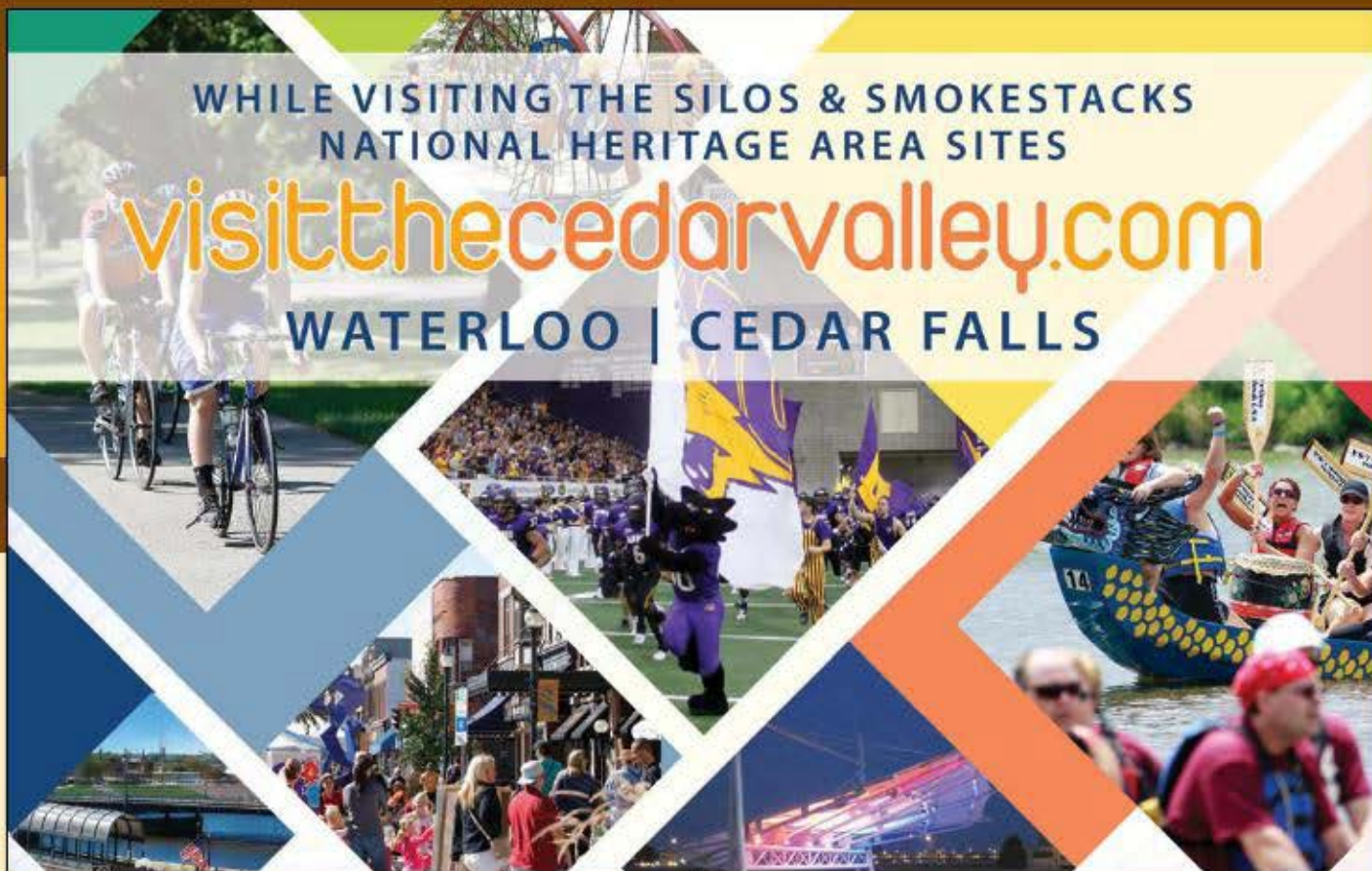
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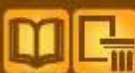
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Vesterheim Norwegian - American Museum



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With over 24,000 artifacts and an Open Air Division of 12 historic buildings, this national treasure showcases the best in historic and contemporary Norwegian folk and fine arts, and the agricultural history of Norwegian immigrants. By telling the story of Norwegian immigrants, Vesterheim explores the experience of all immigrants in America. Come for festivals, special group tours or any time.

vesterheim.org

502 W Water St
Decorah
563-382-9681

Hours: May-Oct, daily 9-5.
Nov-Apr, daily 10-4.
Admission: \$10 adults, \$8 seniors 65+ and \$5 children 7-18 yrs. Free on first Thursday of every month.

Vinton Railroad Depot



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Located in Vinton, Iowa, this 1900 railroad depot tells the industrial stories of how the railroad provided the infrastructure to allow industry to grow in Benton County. The railroad provided essential accessibility for businesses like the Iowa Canning Company, Vinton Produce Company, Vinton Steel Works and Vinton Pearl Button Company. The Depot, once the sales office for Hawk Bilt farm implements, now tells the story of that company and highlights the railroad's rich local history with artifacts and memorabilia. Visitors can step back in time in the authentic depot agent's office, which includes the original telegraph complete with sound.

iagenweb.org/benton/bchs/bchs.htm

612 2nd Ave
Vinton
319-472-3918

Hours: June-Sept, Thurs 5-7.
Any time by appointment.
Admission: Free, donations welcomed.

Wagaman Mill & Museum



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Wagaman Mill was built in 1846 by John R. Sparks as a paddle wheel sawmill on the North Skunk River. In 1848, the mill was converted into a grist mill with the construction of a wooden dam across the river. The 1868 addition of a hydraulic turbine allowed for year-long operation and the mill has since been utilized to produce flour, animal feed, meal and electric power.

jaspercountyconservation.com

200 East St
Newton
641-527-2766

Hours: Memorial Day thru the end of Sept, Sun 1-4, June 2 - August 8 Mondays: 9-12, Tuesday: 1-4, Thurs: 1-4 Fri: 9-12. Also available for tours, special events and groups by appointment.

Admission: Free-will donation.

Wallace Centers of Iowa



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The restored home of Uncle Henry Wallace, founding editor of *Wallace's Farmer*, highlights the most influential family of American agriculture. Group reservations available for programs including Hearts & Homes Historic Teas.

wallace.org

756 16th St
Des Moines
515-243-7063

Hours: Mon-Fri 9-2 or by appointment. Please call ahead.
Admission: Self-guided or group tours by donation. After hours or guided group tours \$2 per person.

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Wapsipinicon Mill Museum



The Wapsipinicon Mill is one of Iowa's largest grist mills, towering six stories above the Wapsipinicon River. This museum interprets the grist milling process from 1870 to the 1940s and features original buhrstone stones, milling equipment, early agricultural artifacts and hands-on exhibits. Within walking distance to beautiful river side parks, specialty shops and eating establishments in historic downtown Independence.

buchanancountyhistory.com

100 1st St W
Independence
319-334-4616

Hours: Mid May-mid Sept, Tues-Sun 12-4 or by appointment.

Admission: Free self-guided tours, donations welcome. Group/bus tours \$3/person, call 319-334-6914 for reservations.



Waterloo Center for the Arts



Something creative for the entire family: gallery exhibits, classes, ceramics and digital art studios, special events, gift store, ArtHouse Café, and the Phelps Youth Pavilion (interactive children's museum focused on cultural and agricultural exploration). The Center also holds the largest public collection of Haitian artwork in the U.S., Midwestern works by Grant Wood and Thomas Hart Benton, American Decorative Art, and International Folk Art.

waterloocenterforthearts.org

225 Commercial St
Waterloo
319-291-4490

Hours: Tues-Sat 10-5, Sun 1-5, 3rd Thurs of each month 10-8.

Admission: Galleries: Free, donations welcome. Phelps Youth Pavilion: \$5/person; Dollar Days: \$1/person; School Groups: \$1/person; Groups of 12 or more: \$3/person. Children 12 yrs and under must be accompanied by adult.



Watson's Grocery Store Museum



Watson's Grocery Store was built in 1895 and continued, virtually unchanged, until 1989. Soon after, the State Center Historical Society was formed to save Watson's Grocery as a landmark and museum. Step inside to see stocked oak shelves, roll-top bins and ice box. Sturdy benches and chairs still await customers who trade farm fresh produce for grocery items.

106 W Main St
State Center
641-483-3002 or
641-483-3546

Hours: Memorial Day thru Labor Day, Sat & Sun 1-4.

Also by appointment.

Admission: Free.

Wickiup Hill Learning Center & Area



The 683-acre complex includes the interpretive center and surrounding wetlands, reconstructed prairie, savanna, timber and five miles of trails. Numerous outdoor recreation opportunities such as hiking, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, bird-watching and wildlife observation are available. Educational displays in the center highlight Wickiup Hill's natural resources and its archaeological past. Center includes Native American exhibits that depict the beginning of gardening and farming in Iowa.

LinnCountyParks.com

10260 Morris Hill Rd
Toddville
319-892-6485

Hours: Interpretive Center: Mon-Fri 8-4:30, Sat 10-4, Sun 1-4.

Admission: Free.


Winneshiek
County Historical
Society-Locust
School Museum

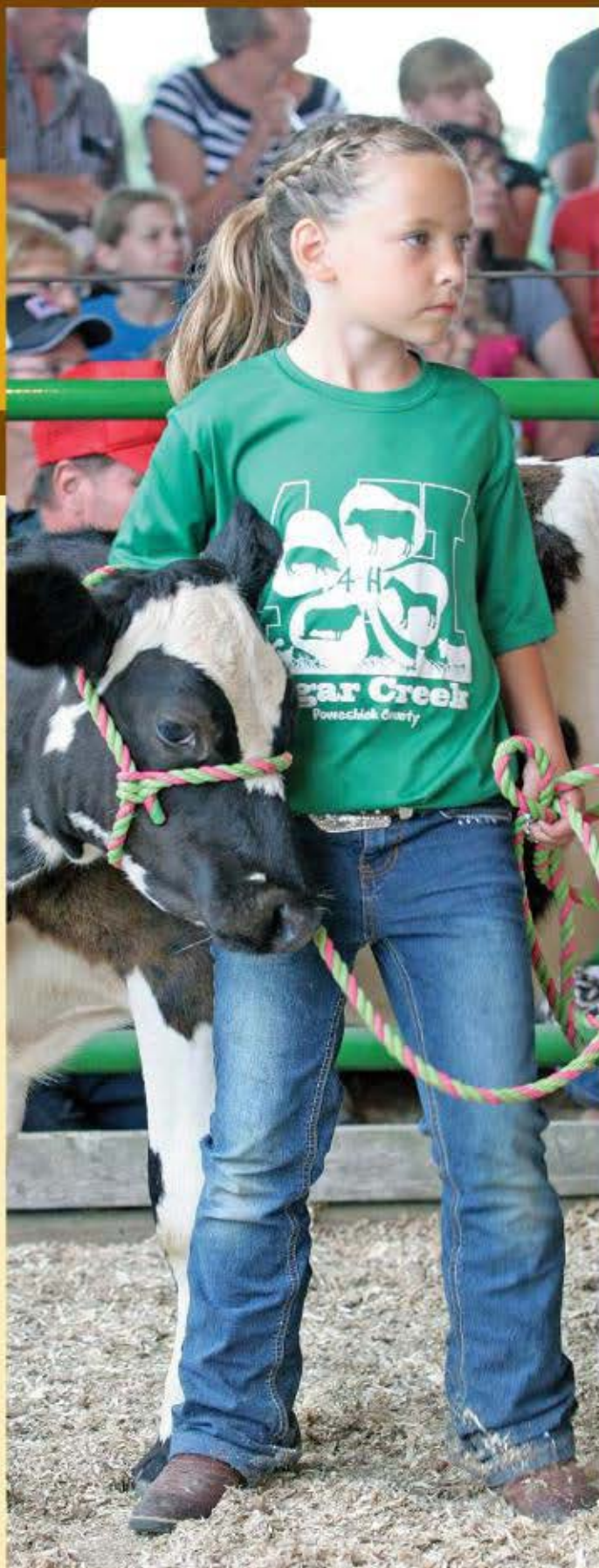


Locust School was built in 1854 and operated continuously for 108 years. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Locust School Committee of the Historical Society was founded in 1965 to preserve the one-room school so generations of students would be able to see a reminder and symbol of all former rural school days.

1640 Big Canoe Rd
Decorah
563-382-4166

Hours: June thru Labor Day,
Sat-Sun 1-4 or by appointment.

Admission: Free, donations
accepted. 



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SPOTLIGHT SITE

Shoemaker Mill
Historic Site

A multi-million dollar investment of 150,000 pounds of steel and iron being returned to Northeast Iowa's agricultural heartland.

FEATURED EVENTS

Piero Pig Show
June 6-7

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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 18, 2014
The Sunshower Boy

May 18, 2014
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May 23, 2014
Summer Farm Toy Show

May 23, 2014
D-Day Remembrance and Spirit Walk

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Free Webinar on Silos & Smokestacks' General Grant Application

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Silos & Smokestacks Grants Available to Help Share America's Agricultural Story

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The site is a great planning guide and includes:

- Expanded Partner Site listings
- Maps to show you the way
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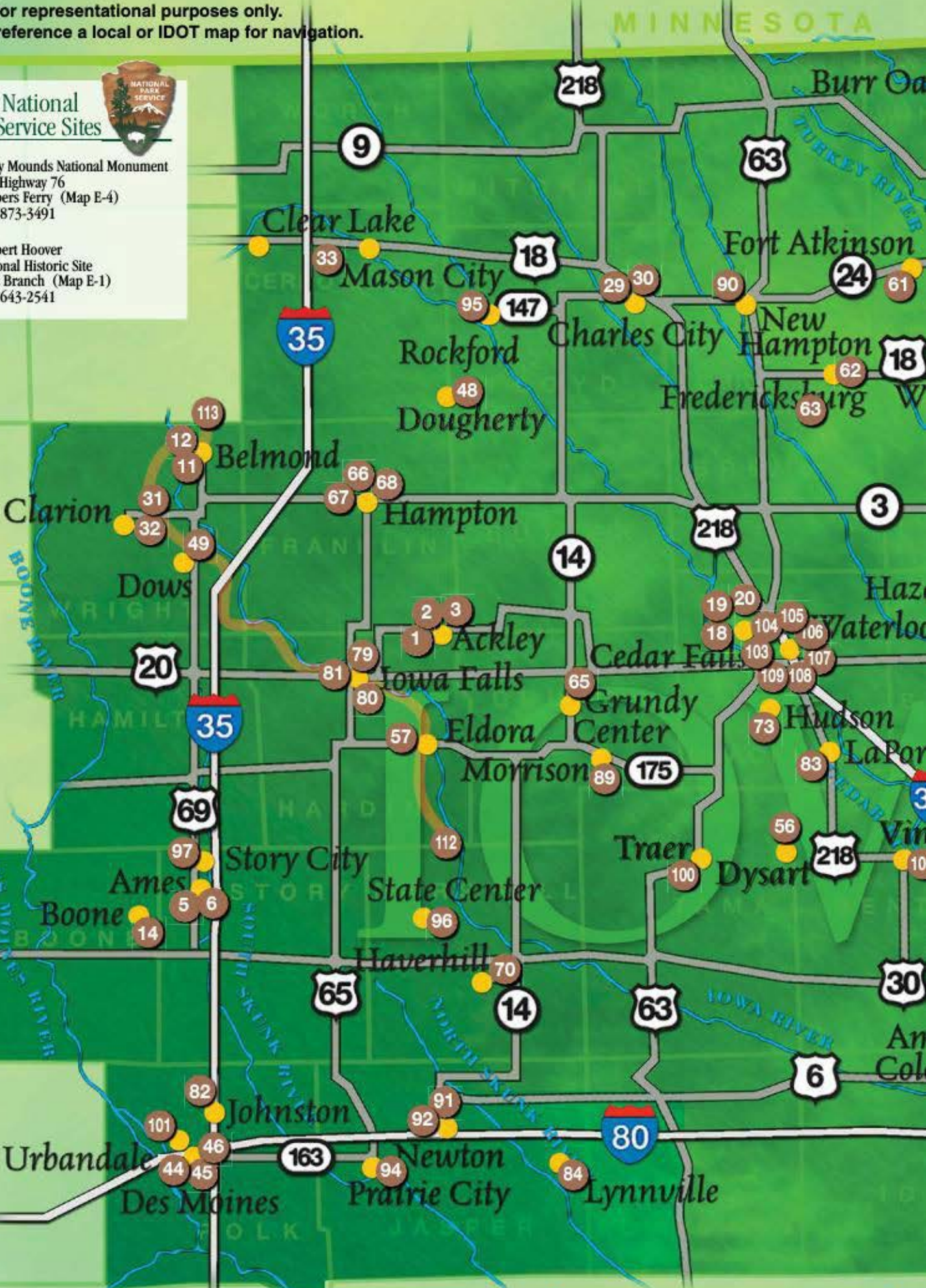
1 D-3	Ackley Heritage Center	Ackley	39 D-1	Johnson County Historical Society Museum	Coralville	77 D-1	Plum Grove Historic Home	Iowa City
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3 B-3	Prairie Bridges Park	Ackley	41 D-4	Seed Savers Exchange	Decorah	79 B-2	Calkins Nature Area	Iowa Falls
4 D-1	Amana Heritage Society Museums	Amana Colonies	42 D-4	Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum	Decorah	80 B-2	Eagle City Winery	Iowa Falls
5 A-2	Reiman Gardens - Iowa State University	Ames	43 D-4	Winnesiek County Historical Society-Locust School Museum	Decorah	81 B-2	Scenic City Empress Boat Club	Iowa Falls
6 A-2	Special Collections Department, Iowa State University	Ames	44 A-1	Iowa State Fair	Des Moines	82 A-1	Iowa Gold Star Military Museum	Johnston
7 F-2	Historic Limestone Insane Asylum	Andrew	45 A-1	State Historical Building	Des Moines	83 C-2	La Porte City FFA Historical & Ag Museum	La Porte City
8 D-3	Richardson-Jakway Historic Site	Aurora	46 A-1	The Wallace Centers of Iowa	Des Moines	84 C-1	Wagaman Mill and Museum	Lynnville
9 E-2	Tabor Home Vineyards and Winery	Baldwin	47 E-1	Miss Effie's Country Flowers & Garden Stuff	Donahue	85 E-2	Hurstville Interpretive Center	Maquoketa
10 E-3	Park Farm Winery	Bankston	48 B-3	Tyden Farm No. 6 Tours	Dougherty	86 E-2	Hurstville Lime Kilns	Maquoketa
11 A-3	Belmond Historical Society Museum	Belmond	49 A-3	Dows Historic District	Dows	87 F-2	Jackson County Historical Society Museum	Maquoketa
12 A-3	Jenison Meacham Memorial Art Museum & Farm	Belmond	50 E-2	Dubuque Museum of Art	Dubuque	88 E-3	Eagles Landing Vineyard & Winery	Marquette
13 F-1	Family Museum	Bettendorf	51 E-2	Four Mounds Inn & Conference Center	Dubuque	89 C-2	Grundy County Heritage Museum	Morrison
14 A-2	Mamie Doud Eisenhower Birthplace	Boone	52 E-2	Mathias Ham House Historic Site	Dubuque	90 C-4	Carnegie Cultural Center	New Hampton
15 D-4	Laura Ingalls Wilder Park & Museum	Burr Oak	53 E-2	Mines of Spain Recreation Area	Dubuque	91 B-1	Jasper County Historical Museum	Newton
16 D-4	Iowa's Dairy Center	Calmar	54 E-2	National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium	Dubuque	92 B-1	Sugar Grove Vineyards & Gatheringplace	Newton
17 E-2	Cascade Historic Limestone Silo	Cascade	55 E-3	National Farm Toy Museum	Dyersville	93 D-1	F. W. Kent Park	Oxford
18 C-3	Cedar Falls Historical Society	Cedar Falls	56 C-2	Dysart Historical Center	Dysart	94 B-1	Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge	Prairie City
19 C-3	Hartman Reserve Nature Center	Cedar Falls	57 B-2	Hardin County Farm Museum	Eldora	95 B-4	Fossil & Prairie Park Preserve & Center	Rockford
20 C-3	University of Northern Iowa Marshall Center School	Cedar Falls	58 D-3	Gilbertson Conservation Education Area	Elgin	96 B-2	Watson's Grocery Store Museum	State Center
21 D-2	African American Museum of Iowa	Cedar Rapids	59 D-3	George Maier Rural Heritage Center of Clayton County	Elkader	97 A-2	Museums of Story City	Story City
22 D-2	Brucemore	Cedar Rapids	60 D-3	Motor Mill Historic Site	Elkader	98 D-2	Strawberry Hill Farm & Garden	Strawberry Point
23 D-2	Carl & Mary Koehler History Center	Cedar Rapids	61 D-4	Fort Atkinson State Preserve	Fort Atkinson	99 D-2	Wickiup Hill Learning Center and Area	Toddville
24 D-2	Cedar Rapids Museum of Art	Cedar Rapids	62 C-3	Farm House B&B/Engelbrecht Family Winery	Fredericksburg	100 C-2	Traer Historical Museum	Traer
25 D-2	Indian Creek Nature Center	Cedar Rapids	63 C-3	Hawkeye Buffalo Ranch	Fredericksburg	101 A-1	Living History Farms	Urbandale
26 D-2	Iowa Masonic Library & Museum	Cedar Rapids	64 E-3	Froelich General Store & Tractor Museum	Froelich	102 D-2	Vinton Railroad Department	Vinton
27 D-2	National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library	Cedar Rapids	65 C-2	Barn Quilts of Grundy County	Grundy Center	103 C-3	Bennington No. 4 School	Waterloo
28 D-2	Ushers Ferry Historic Village	Cedar Rapids	66 B-3	Franklin County Fair & Grandpa's Farm	Hampton	104 C-3	Cedar Valley Arboretum & Botanic Gardens	Waterloo
29 C-4	Carrie Lane Chapman Catt Girlhood Home	Charles City	67 B-3	Franklin County Historical Society Museum	Hampton	105 C-3	Grout Museum District	Waterloo
30 C-4	Floyd County Historical Society Museum	Charles City	68 B-3	REA Power Plant Museum	Hampton	106 C-3	Hawkeye Community College Farm Laboratory	Waterloo
31 A-3	4-H Schoolhouse Museum	Clarion	69 D-4	The Ion Exchange, Inc.	Harpers Ferry	107 C-3	John Deere Waterloo - Tractor Cab & Assembly Operations (TCAO)	Waterloo
32 A-3	Heartland Museum	Clarion	70 B-2	Matthew Edel Blacksmith Shop	Haverhill	108 C-3	National Cattle Congress	Waterloo
33 B-4	Kinney Pioneer Museum	Clear Lake	71 D-3	Fontana Interpretive Nature Center	Hazleton	109 C-3	Waterloo Center for the Arts	Waterloo
34 D-3	Montauk Historic Site	Clermont	72 E-2	Delaware County Historical Museum	Hopkinton	110 E-1	Herbert Hoover Presidential Museum	West Branch
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36 F-2	Clinton County Historical Society Museum	Clinton	74 D-2	Cedar Rock the Walter House	Independence	112 B-2	Iowa River Greenbelt Scenic Drive	See Map
37 D-1	1876 Coralville Schoolhouse	Coralville	75 D-3	Heartland Acres Agribition Center	Independence	113 A-3	Northern Iowa River Greenbelt Scenic Drive	See Map
38 D-1	Iowa River Gazebo	Coralville	76 D-3	Wapsipinicon Mill Museum	Independence			

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Other National Park Service Sites



- A** Effigy Mounds National Monument
151 Highway 76
Harpers Ferry (Map E-4)
563-873-3491
- B** Herbert Hoover
National Historic Site
West Branch (Map E-1)
319-643-2541



Distance From Major Midwest Cities



Chicago to Dubuque	171 miles
Milwaukee to Dubuque	173 miles
Minneapolis to Decorah	157 miles
St. Louis to Cedar Rapids	297 miles
Kansas City to Des Moines	210 miles
Omaha to Des Moines	135 miles

FEATURED FESTIVALS & EVENTS



Maple Syrup Festival

1st weekend in March
Hartman Reserve Nature Center, Cedar Falls

Hoover's Hometown Days

1st weekend in August
Herbert Hoover Presidential Museum, West Branch

Oktoberfest

1st weekend in October
Amana Heritage Society Museums, Amana

Festivals



Franklin County Fair

3rd weekend in July
Franklin County Fair & Grandpa's Farm, Hampton

Iowa State Fair

Eleven days in August, ending the Sunday two weeks prior to Labor Day - Iowa State Fair, Des Moines

National Cattle Congress Fair

2nd or 3rd weekend in September
National Cattle Congress, Waterloo

Fairs



Heartland Acres Tractor Ride

2nd weekend in June
Heartland Acres Agribition Center, Independence

Prairie Homestead Antique Power & Country Craft Show - 3rd weekend in August
Jenison-Meacham Memorial Art Museum & Farm, Belmond

National Farm Toy Show

1st weekend in November
National Farm Toy Museum, Dyersville

Shows



Breakfast on the Farm

3rd weekend in June
Iowa's Dairy Center, Calmar

Living History Farms Off Road Race

Saturday before Thanksgiving
Living History Farms, Des Moines

Norwegian Christmas

1st weekend in December
Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum, Decorah

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From a summer filled with fairs to the harvest festivals of fall, the agricultural heritage of the region is celebrated year-round. Whether it be tasting farm fresh foods or finding product made by local artisans, nearly every weekend holds a different adventure.

Above is just a sampling of the annual events in the Heritage Area.

Please visit our website for an up-to-date listing of all the festivals and events in our 37-county area.



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