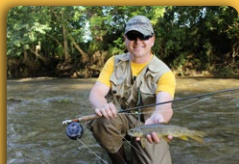




TRAVEL GUIDE



NATURAL RESOURCES



HISTORY, ART & CULTURE



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DINING & LOCAL FOODS

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NATURAL RESOURCES AND OUTDOOR RECREATION



Turkey River Water Trail
Fayette & Clayton County

NATURAL AREAS TO EXPLORE ●●●



Midwest Living named Pikes Peak one of the best Midwestern free attractions.

Backbone State Park 1347 129th Street, Dundee

Dedicated in 1920 as Iowa's First State Park, Backbone State Park is one of the most geographically unique parks in the parks system. Located 3 miles south of Strawberry Point, this 2002 acre park features wildlife, woodlands, campsites, cabins, cold water streams, trails, CCC Museum, and rock rappelling. Nestled along the Maquoketa River it is named for its narrow and steep ridge of bedrock carved by the river, and named the "Devil's Backbone." 563-924-2527

Big Springs Fish Hatchery 16212 Big Springs Road, Elkader

This trout hatchery is located along the Turkey River 10 miles northwest of Elkader in Clayton County at the base of the largest springs in Iowa. Home to Iowa's first and only "kids fishing pond," children can try their hand at fishing for rainbow trout. Discover how water is "the ultimate barometer for the condition of the land." Admission is free and fishing license and trout stamps can be purchased on site. Largest coldwater spring in Iowa. 563-245-2446

Brush Creek Canyon State Preserve 2 mi N of Arlington

This preserve is located on the western edge of the Paleozoic Plateau land form region and showcases the ridge running through northeast Iowa known as the Silurian Escarpment. The 217 acre preserve was

dedicated as a biological and geological state preserve in 1968. A total of nearly 270 plant species have been found and more than 75 species of birds, including many neotropical migratory birds can be seen at this preserve. Open to hiking and picnicking. 563-425-4161

Decorah City Parks System

Dunnings Springs, Ice Cave, Twin Springs, Malanaphy Springs, Phelps Park and Decorah Prairie are included in more than 500 miles of city parks. Decorah has more high quality park acres per capita than any other community of its size in the Midwest. Pick your adventure and take off to enjoy dramatic overlooks of the Upper Iowa River or Iowa's best-known waterfalls by foot, bike or water! 563-382-4158 or www.visitdecorah.com/parks.html

Decorah Fish Hatchery 2321 Siewers Spring Road, Decorah

This state-of-the-art hatchery raises rainbow, brown and native brook trout. Kids will love feeding the fish for only a quarter! The hatchery features a beautiful new shelter equipped with drinking fountain, restrooms, picnic tables and bike racks. Also home to the famous Decorah Eagle's Nest and Siewers Spring waterfall, this is a must-stop when visiting Decorah. Open daily. 563-382-8324 or www.decorahfishhatchery.com

Driftless Area Wetland Centre 509 Hwy 18, Marquette

This area houses a shared environmental education and community gathering space and feature a newly constructed wetland with viewing platform. The centre features wetland habitat, native trees, wet and dry prairie

mixes, and it acts as a eco-tourism must-see for visitors to the Driftless Area. 563-873-3537

Effigy Mounds National Monument **729 State Forest Road, Harpers Ferry**

Iowa's only National Monument, Effigy Mounds is home to 210 known prehistoric mounds within the border of the park, 31 of which are shaped in the likeness of bears or birds. These burial mounds were built by Native Americans from 100 BC to 650 AD. The 2,526-acre park is divided into two units by the Yellow River. Walking trails provide modest to extended routes. Free admission for everyone. Open year-round. After you've enjoyed Effigy Mounds, visit Fish Farm Mounds State Preserve, north on the Great River Road, this three-acre prehistoric cemetery (mound group) contains a cluster of 30 conical mounds. 563-873-3491 or www.nps.gov/efmo

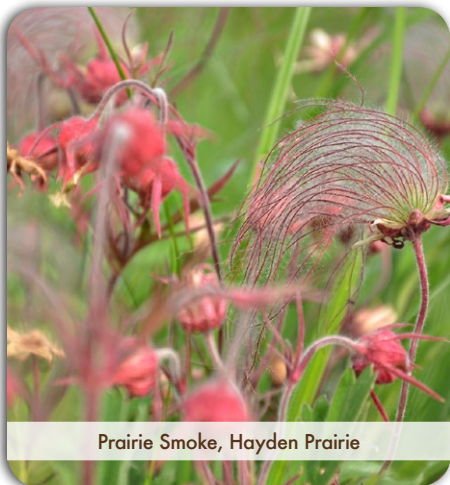
Fontana Park & Interpretive Nature Center **1883 125th Street, Hazleton**

Fontana Park offers fishing, hiking trails, camping, and a playground. The Fontana Interpretive Nature Center contains meeting and classroom areas, a variety of exhibits, a nature library and observation deck, and staff offices. 319-636-2617 or www.buchanancountyparks.com/fontanapark.php

Hayden Prairie

Located near the town of Chester

This 242 acre tall-grass untouched gem is the largest prairie in Iowa and is a National and State Natural Landmark. More than 200 plant species, including 100 species of wildflowers, 46 species of birds and over 20 species of butterflies have also been identified in Hayden Prairie. 563-547-3634 or www.howard-county.com



Prairie Smoke, Hayden Prairie



Yellow River State Forest

Mount Hosmer City Park

E on Hwy 9 (Main St) Turn left on 6th Street, Lansing

This 104-acre park includes a bluff that rises 450 feet to provide a spectacular panoramic view of 50 miles of the Mississippi River Valley and Blackhawk Bridge in Lansing, Iowa. 563-538-9229

Osborne Nature Center

29862 Osborne Road, Elkader

Osborne Nature Center includes a campground with opportunities for fishing and hiking. Visitors can also explore an arboretum that has more than 50 species of trees. The live animal exhibit is the only one of its kind in the region and a small pond north of the nature center is open year-round for fishing. 563-245-1516 or www.claytonconservation.org

Pikes Peak State Park

15316 Great River Road, McGregor

Pikes Peak State Park is located on the highest bluff in northeast Iowa and rests 500 feet above the Mississippi River. The park features a majestic view from the overlook where the Wisconsin and Mississippi river joins. Pikes Peak offers camping, trails, a playground, shelters for picnics, and historic information about 1673 when Louis Joliet and Father James Marquette were the first white men to see what is known today as the Mississippi River. 563-873-2341 or www.iowadnr.gov



Saddle Clubs Explore Northeast Iowa

Thelman Wildlife Area

Located just off State Hwy 18, or 230 Street, on State Road 193, or W Ave.

This three hundred acre public hunting area features native grass plantings, a wetland, timber, and crop ground for wildlife to grow and prosper.

Twin Ponds Nature Area

1811 240th Street, Ionia

157 acre area split by the Wapsipinicon River, forming an East Park and a West Park. A picnic shelter is provided on each side, and primitive camping is allowed. This is also the home of the Twin Ponds Nature Center. The area has a variety of habitat including woodland, prairie and wetland. Wildlife includes deer, hawks, turkey, amphibians and reptiles. 641-394-4714

Upper Mississippi River Wildlife & Fish Refuge 401 Business Hwy 18, McGregor

Touted by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service as “an angler’s paradise, a wonderful hunters dream and a birdwatchers bounty,” the refuge meanders through limestone bluffs that are blanketed by hardwood forests. The 240,000-acre refuge hosts the largest concentration of eagles nests and blue heron rookeries. Catch a glimpse of frolicking river otters or marvel at the largest migration of North American birds. Spend the day boating or fishing for any freshwater fish you can imagine. 563-873-3423

Volga River State Recreational Area (VRR)

10225 Ivy Road, Fayette

This man-made natural area not only has hunting, fishing and camping, but also has 22 miles of multi-use trails designated for hiking, mountain bike riding, equestrian users, and snowmobile and cross country skiing in the winter. Float for hours down the meandering Volga River and take out at the end of the day only two miles from where you started or go for a swim in nearby Frog Hollow Lake. www.iowadnr.gov

Yellow River State Forest

151 Hwy 76, Harpers Ferry

This hardwood forest is the largest single block of timber in Iowa. It is part of a National Audubon Society designated “Important Bird Area”-the highest designation of any of the sites along the Mississippi River. Enjoy bird watching, canoeing, equestrian trails, primitive & RV campsites, hiking, fishing year-round or hunting season. 563-586-2254

Hunting Morel Mushrooms

Morels are America’s mushroom, more so than any other. It may be because they’re widespread, they’re easy to identify, and they come up in the spring, giving people a reason to get out and enjoy warm weather after a long winter. Or, it could be they’re popular simply because they taste so good. The ascocarps, or fruity body of the mushroom, are prized by gourmet cooks, particularly for French cuisine and can sell for up to \$20 a pound.

Commercial value aside, morels are hunted by thousands of people every year simply for their taste and the joy of the hunt. To identify this fungi, morel mushrooms appear honeycomb-like in that the upper portion is composed of a network of ridges with pits between them. Many are found near ash, aspen, elm and oak trees on south facing slopes.



Edible Yellow Morel Mushroom

BIRD WATCHING ●●●



The Decorah Eagles
Decorah Fish Hatchery

Allamakee County and Clayton County rank first and second in the state respectively for number of nesting eagles. There are 100 eagle nests along the Mississippi River.

Guttenberg's Annual Bald Eagle Watch is the second full weekend in February. You can view nearly a hundred eagles feed on fish from the Mississippi River. Viewing scopes are provided along the 2-mile Guttenberg Riverwalk; Binoculars at restaurants and at the welcome center.

Iowa's first Globally Important Birding Area, **Effigy Mounds-Yellow River Forest Bird Conservation Area** covers more than 14,000 acres of public land including Yellow River State Forest, Effigy Mounds National Monument, Pikes Peak State Park and the Bloody Run and Sny Magill-North Cedar State Wildlife Management Areas. An increase in rare cerulean warblers in the canopy of tall trees on the remote bluffs and in the ravines was a deciding factor in the designation.

An Annual Hawk Watch Weekend is held at Effigy Mounds National Monument each year in October, giving visitors an opportunity to enjoy programs, get close-up views of live raptors, have their photo taken by a life-size replica of an eagles nest, watch for hawks as they migrate south and see an Indian effigy mound in the shape of an eagle.

Shhh...if you're quiet and bring your binoculars you can see many different birds at **Lylah's Marsh** in Elma and the Nature Center in Cresco!

Join more than 300 million fans world-wide who have fallen in love with our feathery friends. The Decorah Eagle's can be watched live online year-round via the web cam located at www.raptorresource.org.

The Mississippi River is a major flyaway & migration route for millions of birds annually. If you time it right, you can view hundreds of thousands of canvasback ducks, flocks of pelicans, swans, blue heron rookeries or see and hear sandhill cranes.

Lansing is the home of the annual **Rivers & Bluffs Birding Festival** each November.

Federal, state and local public accesses along the Mississippi River provide bird viewing from shore but visitors can also catch a river cruise out of Lansing or McGregor to get closer to birds and nests in the Mississippi River backwaters.

Northeast Iowa was the headquarters for reintroduction of the **Peregrine Falcon**. Thanks to the Raptor Resource Project, we now have more natural nesting sites on cliffs than man-made sites on buildings, including 17 nesting pairs in Iowa.

Typically birds use the **Mississippi River Flyway** route because no mountains or ridges of hills block the path over its entire extent. Good sources of water, food, and cover exist over its entire length of the Mississippi Flyway. About 40% of all North American migrating waterfowl and shorebirds use this route.

WATER TRAILS & LAKES ●●●



Whitewater Park
Elkader

Northeast Iowa is home to the state's most popular water trails, including some with national recognition.

Cedar Lake **Town of Nashua**

Beautiful Cedar Lake is formed by the dam on the Cedar River. The lake covers 470 acres and is approximately 9 feet deep. Enjoy boating, water skiing, jet skiing, tubing and fishing. 641-435-4156

Whitewater Park **Downtown Elkader**

Located at the low-head dam in downtown Elkader, the 100 foot white water course features large and small habitat boulders and a wave catalyst structure for kayakers, tubers, fishermen and others who just want to enjoy the rush of the rapids. 563-245-2201

Johnson Slough Canoe Trail - 6 miles **Town of McGregor**

This moderate trail will take paddlers out onto the main channel of the Mississippi River near the Sny Magill Unit of Effigy Mounds National Park. For additional information, please refer to the online canoe trail map at www.fws.gov/refuge/Upper_Mississippi_River/canoe_trails.html

Lake Hendricks **9850 Addison Ave, Riceville**

Howard County's largest and most popular park includes a 54-acre man-made lake that serves as a multiple use area offering a wide variety of outdoor opportunities. The 234-acre park features a 150-foot

beach for swimming (unsupervised), 3 miles of nature trails, cross-country ski trails, archery range, softball diamond, fishing docks, boat access and playground equipment. Open May-Oct, 6am-10:30pm daily. www.co.howard.ia.us/offices/conservation

Lake Meyer **2546 Lake Meyer Road, Fort Atkinson**

Year-round recreation is found on this 38-acre lake setting. The campground includes 27 electrical and 8 non-electrical campsites, restrooms (flush toilets), picnic tables, shelters, playground equipment, ball diamond, fishing docks, walking and cross country trails, showers and dump station. Lake Meyer also has a nature center with interpretive displays that is open April to mid-October and Sunday afternoons. 563-534-7145 or www.winneshiekwild.com



Lake Meyer Ice Fishing Derby, Calmar

Lansing to Harpers Canoe Trail - 17 miles **Allamakee County**

Paddlers can put in at Lansing and work their way 17 miles downstream on the Mississippi or put in at Heytman's Landing and go 9 miles downstream to Harpers Ferry. The trail portages over the spillway at Lock & Dam No. 9.

Reno Bottoms Canoe Trail - 14 miles **Reno, MN to New Albin, IA**

Currently from Reno, MN to New Albin, IA the Reno Bottoms Canoe Trail is 14 miles. Plans are to extend the canoe trail to Harpers Ferry/Effigy Mounds National Monument. For more information please refer to the Reno Bottoms (Pool 9) canoe brochure at www.lacrosserrivers.info/images/reno.pdf.

Rock Arch Rapids

Under bridge located on Valley Ave, Cresco

The first-in-the-State of Iowa rock arch rapids includes 280 feet of pools and rapids that reconnects miles of river habitat allowing seasonal migration on the Turkey River. The outdoor enthusiast can fish, view, and enjoy the rapids up close and personal. 563-547-3434 or www.howard-county.com

Turkey River Water Trail - 98 miles **Fayette & Clayton County**

The 98 mile water trail begins on the Little Turkey River at Gouldsburg Park and flows southeast through Fayette and Clayton Counties toward the Mississippi River. The Water Trail features beautiful scenery, diverse wildlife species, and numerous historic landmarks. The trail is connected through

signs, maps, and river access points that provides an enjoyable, scenic and educational experience for recreational users. www.turkeyrivercorridor.com

Upper Iowa River Water Trail - 136 miles **LeRoy, MN to New Albin, IA**

Canoeing the Upper Iowa River was recognized by National Geographic Adventure magazine as one of the top 100 adventures in North America. It is best known for the sections with towering limestone bluffs, Chimney Rock and Calendar Corner. One of the most striking waterfalls in the state, Malanaphy Springs, is a popular site on this river.

Wapsipinicon River Water Trail - 43 miles **Buchanan County**

This trail has one of the longest continuous stretches of natural and scenic river corridor in Iowa, traveling 43 miles in Buchanan County. Its greenbelt corridor encompasses a variety of natural features ranging from floodplain wetlands to steep bluffs. Recreational activities include picnicking, hiking, fishing, viewing wildlife and camping.

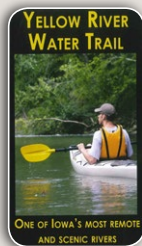
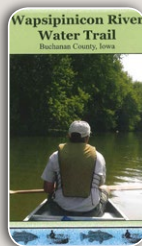
Yellow River Water Trail - 53 miles **Allamakee County**

The longest cold water trout stream in Iowa, the Yellow River also has the highest gradient of any canoeable stream in Iowa. The lower 35 miles offer challenging rapids, limestone cliffs, towering bluffs, mature hardwood forests, combined with high clarity water make this a superior experience. The history of this river is rich with prehistoric Indian mounds, French fur traders and the first sawmill in Iowa.

Water Trail Maps & Brochures

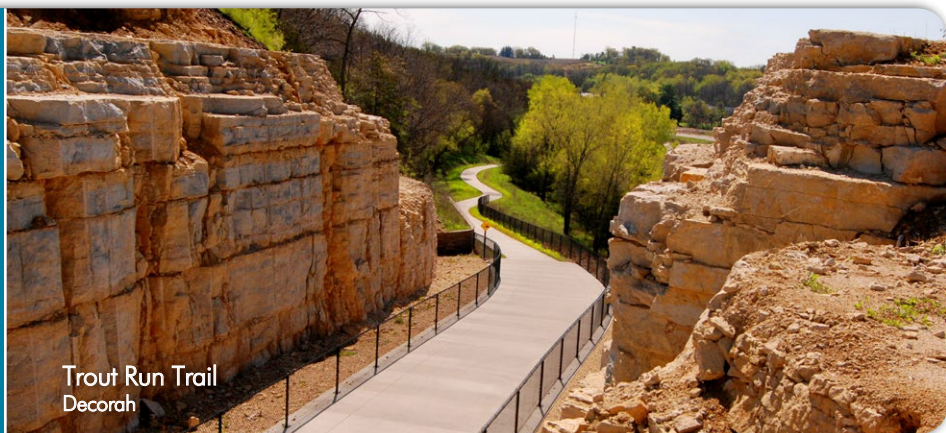
Northeast Iowa is home to the state's most popular recreational rivers and streams, including the State of Iowa Water Trails that have been recognized nationally. These designated routes provide additional opportunities for visitors to slow down and enjoy the forested hills, limestone bluffs, prairies, rivers, lakes and small towns from a canoe or kayak.

For additional information, visit any of the tourism or chamber offices in the region or go to www.visitiowa.org. Water Trail guides feature information about local outfitters as well as highly detailed topographic maps and descriptions of what you are likely to experience along your float.



Upper Iowa River Canoe Guide

LAND TRAILS ● ● ●



Trout Run Trail
Decorah

Land trails provide an opportunity to slow down & enjoy Northeast Iowa's geographic features.

Amish Boulevard Trail - 15 miles **Northeast Buchanan County**

Located in the center of one of the largest Old-Order Amish settlements, the 15-mile Amish Boulevard Trail features more than 30 Amish businesses that provide baked goods, handmade quilts, woodworking, and many other items along the trail.

Decorah Mountain Bike Trails - 20 miles

More than 20 miles of off-road, single track trails are groomed, marked and ready for you. The limestone bluffs and rugged terrain of Palisades, Ice Cave and Van Peenan Parks make these trails an exhilarating challenge. Several national events are held on these trails annually. www.visitdecorah.com

Echo Valley Environmental Nature Trail - 2.5 miles **9680 Echo Valley Road, West Union**

This two and half mile trail is located in the heart of Echo Valley State Park located two miles southeast of West Union. Here, visitors can explore the 100-acre natural area that features historical structures like keystone archways, lime kilns and dam. The main trail is gravel based suitable for walking, jogging, or biking. Visitors will also discover side trails perfect for hiking or off-road biking. Along the trail tourists will see a petting zoo, wildflowers, and ample opportunities for bird watching. The park also provides visitors with picnicking areas, primitive camping, and two trout streams; Otter Creek and Glovers Creek Fishing and Wildlife Area. 563-422-3459

Fayette Recreational Trail - 2.8 miles **Klock's Island Park in Fayette**

The Fayette Recreational trail begins at Klock's Island Park and runs along the scenic Volga River. Experience the changing seasons while hiking, biking or cross-country skiing the 2.8 mile trail. www.fayettecountya.com

Guttenberg Historic River Walk - 2 miles

Stroll down the longest river walk on the Upper Mississippi River. Access a new modern marina, shop or dine in a historic downtown, camp or spy an eagle through a telescope along the trail. Primitive hiking in the Upper Mississippi National Wildlife & Fish Refuge can also be accessed from this paved trail. www.guttenbergiowa.net/ThingsToDo.html



Hey Dad are we there yet?

Mississippi River Trail (MRT) - 280 miles

The MRT in Northeast Iowa provides an opportunity for you to safely share one of the nation's most spectacular roadways, the Great River Road. Although this trail does not yet stretch the length of Iowa, you can access the MRT in New Albin and ride all the way to Lansing and then hop on again just south of McGregor and ride to Guttenberg. It provides opportunities for you to enjoy bluff top views of the Mississippi or get up close and personal with the river.

Plum Creek Bike & Nature Trail - 4.3 miles Fredericksburg, IA

The 4.3 mile scenic biking trail winds along the Plum Creek, through the City Park, past the Old Country School House and through the Engelbrecht Vineyards!

Pony Hollow Trail - 6 miles

Elkader to Motor Mill Historic Site

Stroll, bike or hike along this 6-mile trail through beautiful countryside landscape along the Turkey River on the Pony Hollow Trail. The trail is located along Elkader's campground, city park and Deer Run Resort. Canoe, kayak or fish the Turkey River, then enjoy a stroll along the trail in the moonlight.

Prairie Farmer Recreational Trail - 20 miles

Access the Trail in Calmar, Ridgeway or Cresco

This 20 mile asphalt trail travels the abandoned Milwaukee Railroad line and rides the backbone of the Upper Iowa River and Turkey River Watersheds. Passing through forested canopies you will enjoy vistas of some of the most beautiful farmland in Northeast Iowa. Access the trail in Calmar, Ridgeway, or Cresco! www.winneskiekwild.com/recreation-trails

Prairie Springs Recreational Trail (PSRT) - 3 miles Cresco to Prairie's Edge Nature Center

Truly a trail for all seasons, the Prairie Springs Recreational Trail is a three-mile hard surface route winds from Cresco to Prairie's Edge Nature Center along the Turkey River. Breathtaking beauty and glorious displays of nature can be seen the entire length of the trail surprising the delighted recreational enthusiast with prairie grass, birds, flowers, animals, rolling farmland and shaded woods. www.howard-county.com

Trout Run Trail of Decorah - 11 miles

This 11 mile paved loop trail encircles Decorah's most scenic areas. The family friendly, four season trail is complete with handicapped accessible fishing points, canoe access and nationally recognized artwork. Varying difficulty levels make hiking, biking or cross-country skiing a great experience for guest of all ages and skill levels. www.troutruntrail.com

Turkey River Recreational Land Trails - 5 miles Between Elgin and Clermont

Enjoy a two-mile trail located near Eagle Rd in Clermont or a three mile trail connecting Clermont to Elgin. www.turkeyrivercorridor.com

Volga River-Fayette Multi-Use Trail - 5 miles Fayette, IA

Beginning at the intersection of the City's Sports Complex and Main Street bridge, the Fayette-Volga River Multi-Use Trail connects the city of Fayette with the Volga River State Recreation Area. The trail passes by 150 acres of restored Native Prairie, an Oak and Hickory Savanna, and beautiful hardwood forests and some of the highest quality, diverse and beautiful land present in northeast Iowa. 800-477-5073



Cross Country Skiing Trails

Wapsi-Great Western Line Trail - 33 miles Riceville, IA

Following the vacated Chicago Great Western Railway, this 33-mile trail travels from Iowa into Minnesota. Along with Iowa's largest wind farm and an Old Order Amish community, you'll experience history, folklore, a butterfly garden and natural resources along this captivation trail. www.wgwtrail.com

Waukon Recreational Trail - 2 miles Waukon City Park

There are over two miles of trail within Waukon City Park. Future plans are being made to extend this trail back around to 11th Ave SW so that it creates a three mile loop. For a free map of the Waukon Recreational Trail please visit www.allamakeecounty.com/uploads/PDF_File_63595944.pdf. 563-568-2624

Did You Know?

Mountain biking in Northeast Iowa is named one of "52 Great American Weekends under \$200" by Men's Health Magazine.

CANOE, TUBE & BOAT RENTAL ● ● ●



Turkey River Water Trail
Historic Motor Mill

Rent a canoe, kayak or tube from area outfitters to experience northeast Iowa's pristine rivers & streams.

Big Foot Canoe Rental 419 Big Foot Road, Monona

Big Foot Canoe Rental is located along the Yellow River and offers 32 canoes, 32 kayaks and 47 large innertubes along with shuttle service. Open weekends 8am-5pm and weekdays by reservation. 563-539-4272 or www.bigfootcanoerental.com

Boatels Houseboat Rentals and Marina Business Hwy 18, McGregor

BOATELS is located in McGregor, Iowa, across the Mississippi River from Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, in the heart of the Upper Mississippi River bluff country. It is the second oldest houseboat rental agency in the United States and offers several different house boats for your Mississippi River adventure. 800-747-2628 or www.boatelshouseboatrentals.com



Houseboat Rentals on the Mississippi

Chimney Rock Canoe Rental & Campground 3312 Chimney Rock Road, Cresco

Located along the towering "Chimney Rocks," of the Upper Iowa River, Chimney Rock offers an exceptional camping experience along with canoe, kayak and cabin rentals. Campground amenities include picnic tables, fire rings, shower house, rec room, dump station, volleyball court and playground equipment. Ice, firewood and bait are also sold on the premises. Chimney Rock is open year-round. 877-787-2267 or www.chimneyrocks.com

Double J's 413 Spring Street, Clermont

Canoe and kayak rental by appointment only, shuttle service available. 563-380-3652

Hutchinson Family Farm 2299 Scenic River Road, Decorah

Hutchinson Family Farm offers canoe, kayak and tube rental along with equestrian trails, natural riverside camp sites and cabin rental along the Upper Iowa River. Their shuttle service will bring you upstream to drop off points of 2, 4 or 6 hours of paddle time. For a fun day out on the water, call 563-382-3054

River & Trail Outfitters 212 Pulpit Rock Road, Decorah

River & Trail Outfitters is a full service canoe and inner tube rental facility located in Decorah, Iowa along the Upper Iowa River. They are also next to next to Pulpit Rock Campground and Tout Run Trail. Open Saturdays, Sundays and Summer Holidays. Shuttle service available. 563-382-6552 or www.canoeDecorah.com

Randy's Bluffton Store & Campground **2619 Ravine Road, Decorah**

Located in Bluffton and along the Upper Iowa River, Randy's offers canoe and kayak rental plus shuttle service and river trip planning assistance. Their full-service campground has shower and restroom facilities, picnic shelters, beautiful scenery along the steep bluffs, a bar and grill where you can grab lunch, a drink with friends, candy bars and firewood and ice. 563-735-5738 or www.bluffcountry.com/randy.htm

Rollin' River Canoe and Tube Rentals **215 Guyer Street, West Union**

Enjoy the great outdoors with canoe and tube rentals from the Alcorns. 563-422-5531

S & S Houseboat Rentals **990 S Front Street, Lansing**

S&S Houseboat Rentals is located in the heart of the Upper Mississippi River Fish & Wildlife Refuge. Watch bald eagles soar, fish and enjoy this natural beauty all while being on a fully furnished, luxury houseboat. In addition to our popular houseboats, S&S also has fishing boats, pontoon boats, and kayaks available for rent. 800-728-0131 or www.ssboatrentals.com

JR's Canoe Rental at Skip-A Way Resort **3825 Harding Road, Clermont**

Skip-A-Way's Jr's Canoe rental at Skip-A Way Resort offers both canoes and tubes for rent to float down the Turkey River! In addition to that, they also offer a shuttle. Call for summer hours. For more information, give Steve or Terri a call at 563-423-7338 or skipawayresort.com.

Wapsi Canoe **2408 Nelson Ave, Independence**

Canoe & kayak rental by appointment, shuttle service available. Open May 15th - Sept 10th. 319-334-4933

Turkey River Outfitters **117 S Main Street, Elkader**

Turkey River Outfitters allows you to enjoy the water and woods of northeast Iowa. Daily canoe and kayak trips ranging from 2-7 hours or for the more adventurous, overnight trips or longer are available. Canoe and kayak rentals include life jackets and paddles. Shuttle service is available. 563-245-3802

Upper Iowa Resort & Rental **578 Lonnings Drive, Dorchester**

Nestled in a quiet valley between Waukon and Dorchester, right on the banks of the Upper Iowa River. Upper Iowa Resort & Rental is a 29-acre private campground and recreational facility offering swimming, canoeing, inner tubing and fishing supply rental. Within five miles of the campground you will find five trout streams and more than 1,000 acres of state DNR land. 563-568-3263 or www.upperiowaresort.com

Did You Know?

Canoeing the Upper Iowa River was recognized by National Geographic Adventures as one of "The Top 100 Adventures in North America." For more information on Northeast Iowa water trails, contact Northeast Iowa RC&D at 563-864-7112.

Watch for Wildlife

River valleys provide habitat for diverse wildlife species. Be on the lookout for several raptor species including the bald eagle and red-shouldered hawk. Great blue herons and belted kingfishers are often heard and seen by paddlers. On limestone outcroppings, five-lined skinks can be found foraging for crickets. Keep your eyes open as the surrounding forests contain deer, coyote and wild turkey, while beavers, muskrats and river otters can be seen in the water.



Experience Wildlife Watching from the River

SCENIC BYWAYS • • •



Great River Road near McGregor
River Bluffs Scenic Byway

Northeast Iowa is home to the three most scenic roadways in the state.

Driftless Area Scenic Byway - 100 miles Allamakee County



Rated as the most scenic state byway in Iowa, the Driftless Area Scenic Byway zigzags its way across the distinctive landscape of Allamakee County. As the last glaciers passed over Iowa centuries ago, this corner of the state remained untouched, resulting in a striking region of gashed and furrowed terrain known as the "Driftless Area." The panoramic vistas along the byway include views of the majestic limestone bluffs, forested valleys and winding river bottoms carved by the Mississippi, Yellow and Upper Iowa rivers. These natural wonders also provide many outdoor recreation opportunities. The towns along the byway offer opportunities to shop, enjoy the hospitality of a bed & breakfast, relive history or dine on local cuisine, all while experiencing the exquisite scenery along the route.

Great River Road - 328 miles in IA Lake Itasca, MN to Gulf of Mexico



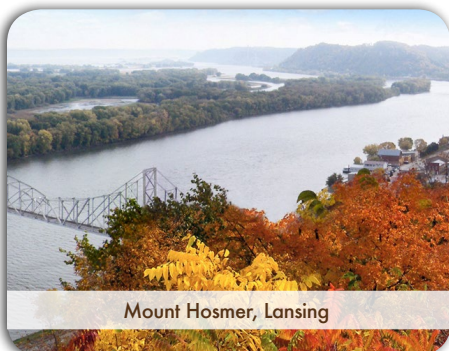
The Iowa Great River Road is a trip like no other. Follow the Mississippi River between Iowa's southern and northern borders and you will find world-class landscape formed of high rocky bluffs as well as deep and narrow limestone gorges. The route travels through steep-sided, rolling hills that are covered with oak, hickory, maple and basswood trees that burst into a palette of bright colors each fall. Soaring eagles,

hawks and other natural wildlife will awe you as they frolic against a spectacular scenic backdrop. The river is an enormous recreational source, offering easy access and diverse resources to accommodate a variety of activities. One constant as you travel this world-renowned route, is the stories you'll hear of the Mighty Mississippi and the nation it helped build.

River Bluffs Scenic Byway - 109 miles Fayette & Clayton County



The River Bluffs Scenic Byway is a 109-mile scenic driving route with hiking & water trails, trout streams, wildlife management areas & recreational parks. Nestled within the scenery are 13 small, historic towns that provide wonderful opportunities to experience local foods, entertainment & shopping. This byway is rated the second most scenic state byway and travels through Fayette and Clayton County in northeast Iowa.



Mount Hosmer, Lansing

SNOWMOBILE TRAILS ●●●



Winneshiek Trail Twisters
Winneshiek County

Allamakee County Snowmobile Trails - 200 miles

The Allamakee Sno-Blazers maintain approximately two hundred miles of groomed snowmobile trails, including Yellow River Forest (State Park) in Allamakee County. Scenic trails connect with Winneshiek County, Clayton County, and Minnesota trails near Dorchester & New Albin, IA. www.snoblazers.ltwbservice.com

Buchanan County Snowmobile Trails - 140 miles

The Wapsipinicon Snowmobile Association maintains approximately 140 miles of trails in Buchanan County, IA. The trail system connects the communities of Independence, Jesup, Littleton, Oelwein, Winthrop, Masonville, Quasqueton, Rowley and Brandon. The WSA trail system also connects with neighboring snowmobile club trail systems to the North, South, East and West. www.wsaiowa.com/dnn

Clayton County Snowmobile Trails - 165 miles

Experience a “cool” ride through the hilly and often wooded terrain of Clayton County. The Clayton County Snowbirds maintain approximately 165 miles of snowmobile trails throughout the northern half of Clayton County. www.claytoncountysnowbirds.com

Fayette County Snowmobile Trails - 140 miles

Located in the heart of Northeast Iowa, Trails Unlimited Snowmobile Club serves Northern Fayette and Southern Winneshiek counties. With 140+ miles of trail across the heartland, timber and river bottoms, the club takes pride in offering safe trails for local riders and all passers-bys. For additional information, riders may contact our club about current trail conditions during the season. www.trailsunlimited.net

Chickasaw County Snowmobile Trails- 200 miles

The Chickasaw Sno-Riders are a non-profit snowmobile club located in region 4 of Iowa. For additional club information or trail maps you can contact Chris at 641-330-8875.

Howard County Snowmobile Trails - 450 miles

The Howard County trails wind around trees, across streams and through rolling fields creating some of the most beautiful and scenic rides throughout Iowa. Check out Driftrunners Snowmobile Club on facebook for up-to-date conditions, information, and all about the ever-popular Snowfest the last full weekend January!

Winneshiek County Snowmobile Trails

The Winneshiek Trail Twisters maintain miles of groomed and well-marked snowmobile trails around the Decorah area. Bring your friends and family on a ride they will never forget. Stop by the Visitors Center in Decorah or numerous other outlets for a trail map. www.winneshiektrailtwisters.com

Did You Know?

For a snowmobile experience unlike any in Iowa, plan a trip to Howard County the last week in January for Snowfest. This event features four days of activities that include: Poker Runs, Trail Rides, Bean Bag Tournament, Live Music, unique Torchlight Parade, Bonfire, Fireworks, Snowball Dance, Scavenger Hunt, Raffles, Silent Auction, Food, and much, much more! Driftrunners proudly contributes financially to two charities: Spina Bifida and Breast Cancer.

CAMPGROUNDS • • •



Fontana Park
Independence

Spend time outdoors in your RV, travel trailer, camper or tent at any one of Northeast Iowa's campgrounds.

Airport Lake Park

2047 190th Street, New Hampton

Airport Lake Park is a 57-acre semi-modern campground with 18 electric sites, 20 non-electric campsites and a 9-acre lake. Amenities include: beach, two shelters, fishing, hiking, pit toilets, trails, and upland areas with restored prairie. 641-394-4714

Andy Mountain Campground

2335 Andy Mountain Lane, Harpers Ferry

New log cabins sleep up to seven! Located in Harpers Ferry, next to Mississippi River, right on the snowmobile trails. Harpers Ferry offers the best winter sports, including ice fishing, snowmobiling, snow shoeing, winter hunting, and birding in the upper Midwest. 563-586-2123 or www.andymountaincabins.com

Backbone State Park

1347 129th Street, Dundee

Iowa's first state park and remains one of the most significant, consisting of 2,002 acres. The South Lake Campground contains 49 non-electric sites, 49 electric sites, 2 shower buildings, a playground and a dump station. The Six Pine Campground, near the west entrance of the park, contains 27 non-electric sites and provides pit latrines. Amenities include: 21 miles of hiking and multi-use trails, picnic areas, trout fishing, several open shelters and a swimming beach. 563-924-2527 or www.reserveiaparks.com

Bear Creek Cabins, Highland General Store & Campground - 3497 Highlandville Road

The general store and campground are located right along the majestic South Bear Creek in Winneshiek County. The campground features 14 campsites with electricity and approximately 10 primitive sites. Amenities include: fishing, picnic area, restrooms, shower, shelter, trails and public hunting. 563-546-7722 or www.bearcreekcabinsia.com

Cedar View Park

330 Charles City Road, Nashua

Situated alongside picturesque Cedar Lake, beautiful Cedar View Park offers RV camping with 37 sites. Amenities include: boat access, picnic areas, two picnic shelters, playgrounds, two sand beaches offering a pleasant place to swim and sunbathe, horseshoe pits and a skate park. 641-435-4156

City Park Campground

South side of Oelwein

Oelwein City Park Campground offers 40 electrical and water camping sites. There is also a dedicated area for tent/primitive (no electrical or water) camping. Lake Oelwein offers great scenery, good fishing and is also a "no wake" lake. Amenities include: a shelter, playground, restrooms, shower facility and volleyball courts. 319-283-5440 or www.oelwein.com

Clayton Hills Campground

31846 Clayton Road, Garnavillo

Family campground located along the Great River Road two miles from the town of Clayton, which is on the banks of the mighty Mississippi. 563-964-2236

Deer Ridge Campground **13762 D Ave, Wadena**

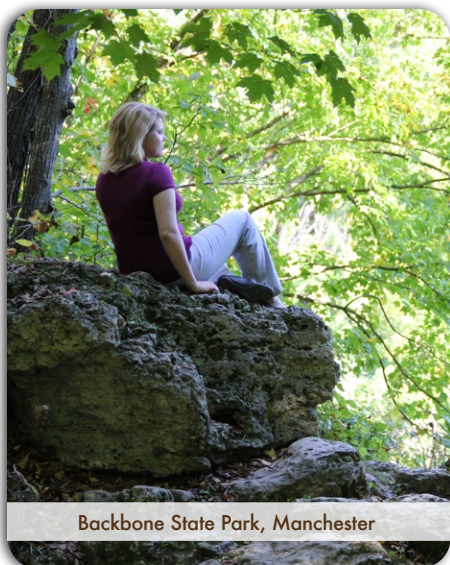
Located one mile south of Wadena, Deer Ridge campground features 42 campsites. Amenities include: on-site stocked fishing pond, playground equipment, picnic areas, restrooms and a shower facility. All sites include full hook-ups (water, electricity & sewer). 563-774-2067 or www.deerridgecampground.net

Deer Run Resort & RV Campground **501 High SE, Elkader**

Deer Run resort is the perfect destination for campers to sit back, relax and enjoy the great outdoors. Stroll around Three Sister's lake or go biking or hiking on the Pony Hollow Trail. All 81 spacious campsites have 30/50 amp electricity with water & sewer on a concrete pad and patio, along with your own picnic table and fire ring. Handicap-accessible shower house has in-floor heat, air-conditioning and laundry facilities. The city swimming pool, playground, sand volleyball, tennis courts, basketball, horseshoe pits, and golf course are all close. Open April 15 - Oct 15. 563-245-3337 or www.deerrunresort.net

Dutton's Cave **25218 Ironwood Road, West Union**

This 46-acre park features two campsites with electricity and several more without electricity hook-up. Amenities include: a shelter house, playground, picnic area, hiking trail, cave, water and pit toilets. 563-426-5740 or www.fayetteducountyiowa.org/CONSERVATION



Backbone State Park, Manchester

Echo Valley State Park & Glovers Creek **9672 Echo Valley Road, West Union**

Echo Valley is a one hundred-acre natural area, which was built by the Civilian Conservation corps in the 1930's. The park contains many hand-built historical structures such as a dam, keystone archway, lime kiln, and shelter house. The Echo Valley Environmental Nature Trail and other hiking trails lead through this historical park. Amenities include: picnicking areas, primitive camping, bird watching, and trout fishing in two separate streams. Located right next to this park is the 187-acre Glovers Creek Fishing and Wildlife Area. This Wildlife Area is open for public fishing and hunting. 563-426-5740 or www.fayetteducountyiowa.org/CONSERVATION

Fontana Park **Nine miles N of Independence on Hwy 150**

Fontana Park located a mile south of Hazleton, off Highway 150, is the county's most popular camping destination. The campground has its own shower house with flush toilets, and a dump station. Fishing is popular both above the dam and in the creek that winds along the campground below the dam. The nature center is open on weekend afternoons, and campers can walk to the live animal display, which is open throughout the day. Also in walking distance from the campground are nature trails, shelter houses, and a playground. 319-636-2617

Gilbertson Conservation Education Area **22580 A Ave, Elgin**

This 565-acre park offers something for everyone. The park features a canoe access, paved 1/4 mile trail that is wheelchair accessible, a playground, a shelter house, a modern campground with dump station, sinks, showers, flush toilets, 28 electrical hook up sites, and 8 primitive camping sites. There are over 5 miles of trails for hikers, non-motorized bikes, horseback riders, and in the wintertime, cross-country skiing. Visitors can also hunt, fish, or enjoy bird watching. 563-426-5740 or www.fayetteducountyiowa.org/CONSERVATION

Did You Know?

Backbone State Park, Iowa's first state park is one of the most geographically unique parks in the park system. Backbone is named for the steep and narrow ridge of bedrock cut by a loop of the Maquoketa River and forming the highest point in Northeast Iowa - the Devil's Backbone. If you enjoy bicycling, boating, camping, climbing, fishing, hiking or picnicking, this is the place for you.

Goeken Park

28191 Lincoln Road/Hwy 150, Eldorado

The highlight of this 6.5-acre park is the beautiful panoramic view of the village of Eldorado which is said to be the most photographed view in Iowa. This area contains one electrical hook up and many non-electrical hook up camping areas. The park also has two shelter houses, a playground, pit toilets and water. 563-426-5740 or www.fayettecountyiowa.org/CONSERVATION

Gouldsburg Park

18649 Sunset Road, Hawkeye

This park consists of 64-acres at the confluence of the Little Turkey River and Crane Creek. These streams provide good fishing, tubing, and canoeing. The park features 26 electrical hook up sites and several primitive campsites with picnic places, dump station, showers, flush toilets, a playground, shelter house, hiking trails, and bird watching. 563-426-5740. www.fayettecountyiowa.org/CONSERVATION

Heritage Farm Park

26411 Harding Road, Clermont

Features RV campsites with electrical and water hook ups, primitive and even equestrian camping with 10 miles of wooded trail. 563-419-8534 or www.heritagefarmpark.webs.com



Yellow River State Forest, Harpers Ferry

Hutchinson Family Farm & Campground

2299 Scenic River Road, Decorah

Located on the banks of the Upper Iowa River, this campground features both electric and primitive campsites, rustic cabins canoe and kayak rentals (shuttle service included) fishing and playground equipment. 563-382-3054 or www.hutchff.com

Ion Exchange/The Natural Gait

1878 Old Mission Drive, Harpers Ferry

The Natural Gait offers beautiful scenic electrical and primitive sites near the Yellow River or on the bluff top at The Natural Gait. This campground is a haven for natural experiences as it features fishing, hiking, horse trails, or hammock time. Log cabin lodging or bunk rooms are available as well. Amenities include: restrooms, a shower facility and a playground. 877-776-2208 or www.thenaturalgait.com

Kendallville Park & Campground

2643 W Ravine Road, Kendallville

Campground featuring 28 electric and 10 primitive campsites with dump station, flush toilets, showers and drinking water. Amenities include: Upper Iowa River canoe and fishing access, picnic shelters, baseball diamond and a playground. 563-547-2897 or www.winneshiekwild.com

Jakway Park

Two miles S of Aurora

Jakway Park is a picturesque, shaded campground featuring stately oak trees. The campground is nestled in the vast Jakway Forest, and campers can walk the self-guided and forest trails. Buffalo Creek winds through the forest. Campers can try fishing in the creek, or in the old quarry pond. Also at Jakway, campers can walk to the playground, use the shelter house, and view the historic Richardson-Jakway House and grounds. A wildlife observation blind is located in the woodland. Buffalo Creek Golf Course is a 10 minute drive from the campground. 319-636-2617

Klock's Island Park

1000 West Water Street, Fayette

This beautiful city park offers shelter houses and camping. Electric, water and a dump station available. It is located along the Volga River in Fayette. 563-425-4316

Lake Shore RV Park and Campground

1418 Q Ave, Oelwein

Lake Shore RV Resort & Campground has over 100 full hook-up sites with 30 and 50 amp service. Wi-Fi access is available. Amenities include: swimming and beach, sand volleyball, a playground, miniature golf as well as hiking & biking trails. 319-283-5234 or www.lakeshoreiowa.com

Lakeside RV Park & Campground **503 Kosciusko, Guttenberg**

This campground features 70 full hook-up sites and is the perfect getaway for RV travelers. The location offers the balance of being close to local attractions, while enjoying a relaxed country atmosphere at the same time. Amenities include: restrooms, shower & laundry facility, fishing and a boat launch on the Mississippi River. 563-252-4151

Lidtke Mill Park and Campground **1 mile N of Lime Springs between Hwy 63 & V36**

Lidtke Park offers campers 30 electric/non-electric camping sites, water, a shelter, a boat ramp, playground equipment, modern restrooms, and the Upper Iowa Canoe Access just across the road. The campground is also within walking distance of Lidtke Mill, one of the few remaining examples of an old flour mill. 563-547-3634 or www.co.howard.ia.us/offices/conservation

Lime Creek Park **NE of Brandon**

Not far from the Cedar Valley Trail, campers at Lime Creek may want to bring their bicycles. Also just a couple miles away is Koutny Pond - the county's largest public fishing lake. As its name implies, Lime Creek meanders through the park. A playground and shelter house are available right in the campground. 319-636-2617

Little Turkey Campground **206 3rd Street SE, Waucoma**

The Little Turkey Campground features 23 RV and tent sites with electricity. 319-334-0135 or www.littleturkeycampground.com

Morwood Campground **1865 150th Street, Hazleton**

Morwood Campground is located in Amish County, three miles south of Hazleton. Includes 107 modern campsites with water and electricity, clean shower and restrooms, heated pool, sand volleyball, miniature golf, a playground, hiking and walking trails as well as cabins for rent. Open April 17 - Oct 1. 319-636-2422 or www.morwoodcampground.com

New Hampton Campground **Adjacent to Mikkelson Park and Pool, New Hampton**

The New Hampton Campground has electricity, water and sewer available for campers, along with a dumping station, picnic area and playground. There are pull-through and grass spaces. Restrooms with showers are provided. No reservations accepted. Open April - Oct. 641-394-2758 or www.newhamptoniowa.com/campground.htm

Osborne Nature Center Campground **29862 Osborne Road, Elkader**

The Osborne Campground is located along the scenic Volga River next to the Osborne Nature Center. No reservations required; water, restrooms and firewood are available. 563-245-1516 or www.claytoncountyconservation.org

Paradise Valley Campground & Resort **19745 Keystone Road, McGregor**

Paradise Valley Campground & Resort is located 5 miles south of McGregor. Amenities provided at the campground include a swimming area, fishing pond and playground. The campground is very family friendly, quiet, and clean. 563-873-9632

Pine Creek Cabins & Campground **284 Old Spruce Drive, Decorah**

Located approximately 15 miles NE of Decorah overlooking the Upper Iowa River valley. The campground is minutes away from several trout streams and includes grassy sites with water and electricity, tent sites, restrooms with showers and laundry room, a dump station, picnic shelter with electricity, fire rings and picnic tables. Five modern cabins will comfortably sleep 5 to 16 guests. Each features a kitchen, bath/shower and outdoor decks with fantastic views. Each cabin has window air conditioning. 563-380-6962 or www.visitiowa.org/pinecreekcabins

Pulpit Rock Campground **505 Pulpit Rock Road, Decorah**

Located in Decorah along the Upper Iowa River, it includes 75 gravel sites, 79 grass sites, 15 pull through, and electrical hook-ups with 20, 30 and 50 amps. Just steps away from the campground you'll find Trout Run Trail access and nearby canoe, kayak or bike rentals! Amenities include: restrooms, showers, playground equipment, canoe landing and one of the area's best trout streams at Twin Springs. 563-382-9551 or www.decorahia.org

Red Barn Resort & Rental **2609 Main Street / Hwy 9 W, Lansing**

Red Barn Resort & Rental features 125 full hook-up RV campsites, an on-site 18-hole miniature golf course and is adjacent to a trout stream. The converted 1900's barn offers a rustic environment, an arcade as well as a bar and restaurant. 563-538-4956

River Ranch Camping **2575 Cheyenne Ave, Nashua**

Campground situated along the Little Cedar River, wonderful for swimming and other water activities. The campground offers both full hook-up RV and tenting areas. Amenities include: modern restrooms, picnic tables, playground equipment, sand volleyball and dump station. 641-435-2108 or www.riverranchcamp.com

Sampson Springs Campground **2271 133rd Ave, Decorah**

Located 8 miles east of Decorah and across the street from a state stocked trout stream and wildlife area, this campground features primitive sites, water and electric hook-ups, restrooms, picnic tables, firewood and a recreation area. There is also a fully furnished farm house available for rent year round. Deer and turkey hunting packages available. 563-382-4849 or www.sampsonspringscampground.com

Skip-A-Way Resort RV Park & Campground **3825 Harding Road, Clermont**

Offers over 200 campsites for RVs, trailers and tents. Fish in the Quarry Lake or Turkey River, which border the campground. Canoe and tube rental on-site. Amenities include: a playground, dump stations, trails, swimming, and a full-service restaurant with entertainment during summer months. 563-423-7338 or www.skipawayresort.com

Split Rock Park **3090 Pembroke Ave, Fredericksburg**

Modern campground with 42 electric sites & 30 non-electric sites. Amenities include: beach, 3 shelters, hiking trails, lake fishing, a playground with volleyball area, pit toilets & modern toilet with showers, upland areas with restored prairie, woodlands and wetlands. 641-394-4714 or www.chickasawcoia.org/conservation/camping.asp

Spook Cave & Campground **13299 Spook Cave Road, McGregor**

Extend your stay in our fully modern campground located on 93 acres around the cave. Besides all types of camping sites and cabins, activities include hiking trails, swimming and fishing lake, trout stream, sand volleyball, and a waterfall as you first enter the campground. 563-873-2144 or www.spookcave.com

Turkey River Campground **11562 Valley Ave, Cresco**

The campground offers 46 camp sites. Each campsite is equipped with water and its own 50-30-110 amp electrical hook-up. Playground equipment, modern shower/restroom and dump station can also be found. 9-hole golf course and Prairie Springs Fitness Trail nearby. 563-547-3634

Twin Bridges Park & Campground **13112 O Ave and 14650 130th Street, Maynard**

This 17-acre park is located on paved county road W 25, or Neon Road, three miles north of Maynard at the confluence of the south and west branches of the Volga River. The stream is shallow with bed rock bottom, ideal for fishing. This area also contains a shelter house, playground, a primitive camping area, and pit toilets.

Upper Iowa Resort & Rental **578 Lonnings Drive, Dorchester**

29-acre private campground and recreational facility. Offering swimming, canoeing, tubing and fishing. The scenic area is ideal for families, anglers, and avid outdoorsmen. Fish the Upper Iowa for walleye and small mouth bass. Or, within five miles of the campground, you'll find five of Iowa's best trout streams, and over 1,000 acres of state DNR land. Other amenities include: shower facility, picnic shelter, game room, miniature golf, volleyball, basketball and RV dump station. 563-568-3263 or www.upperiowaresort.com

Village Creek Bible Camp **1588 Drake Road, Lansing**

VCBC has many retreats and summer camps open to the public and are able to accommodate groups from 20 to 200. The swimming blob, kayaking, fishing and the beach are some of the highlights at the lake. VCBC also has an extensive paintball program, archery, high and low ropes challenge course with one of the longest zip-lines in the Midwest. Trail-riding, horsemanship instruction, as well as horsemanship camps, are a core program of VCBC utilizing the beautiful surroundings. The Bungee trampolines and 100' waterslide are two camp favorites as well. 563-535-7320 or www.villagecreek.net

Volga River State Recreation Area **10225 Ivy Road, Fayette,**

Volga River State Recreation Area has two campgrounds. The Albany Equestrian Campground has 34 equestrian sites with electricity and hitching posts for each site. There are also 10 non equestrian sites without electricity for tent campers. There are 2 pit vault toilets in this campground. The Lakeview Campground is a modern campground with a shower building, restrooms and a dump station. There are 41 campsites with most having full hook ups (electric, water, & sewer). This campground has 12 pull through sites, 2 buddy sites, and the rest are back in sites. Reservations are encouraged for this campground. 563-425-4161

Waukon City Park & Family Aquatic Center **1013 Rossville Road, Waukon**

Forty-six acres of open park makes this a great stopping point for all travelers. Picnic shelters, hiking trails, disc golf, and camping facilities make this an attractive resting place and the multiple playgrounds offer fun for the whole family. The park also features an Aquatic Center. 563-568-6420 or www.cityofwaukon.com/iowa/park-and-recreation.html

GOLF COURSES ● ● ●



Big Rock Country Club
Fayette

Backbone Golf & Country Club
1244 400th Street, Strawberry Point
563-933-4545

Hickory Grove Golf Course
1509 Outer Road, Oelwein
319-283-3258

Riceville Country Club
402 W Main Street, Riceville
641-985-2447

Big Rock Golf & Country Club
Big Rock Road, Fayette
563-425-3687 *18 hole course

Jackson Heights Golf Course
3249 Golf Course Ln Jackson Junction
563-776-9181

River Ridge Golf Course
1749 Golf Course Blvd, Independence
319-334-6576

Buffalo Creek Golf Course
1925 Slater Ave, Winthrop
319-935-3697

Jesup Golf & Country Club
530 North Street, Jesup
319-827-1152

Silver Springs Golf Course
1392 County Road W42, Ossian
563-532-8904

City's Edge Golf & Grill
10280 Echo Valley Rd, West Union
563-422-3482

Maple Heights Golf Course
200 E Wood Street, Elma
641-393-2120

Silvercrest Country Club
2772 College Drive, Decorah
563-382-5296

Cresco Country Club
22005 115th Street, Cresco
563-547-2374

Nashua Town & Country Club
2898 Asherton Ave, Nashua
641-435-4466

South Winn Golf & Country Club
2585 175th Street, Calmar
563-562-3191

Edgewater Golf Course
1432 Q Ave, Oelwein
319-283-3258

New Hampton Golf Course
2074 Panora Ave, New Hampton
641-394-4340

Three Elms Golf Course
2074 3 Elms Park Rd, Independence
319-334-4235

Elkader Golf & Country Club
24361 Gunder Road, Elkader
563-245-2230

Oneota Golf & Country Club
1714 Golf Road, Decorah
563-382-4407 *18 hole course

Tri City Golf Club
16739 Diplomat Road, Luana
563-539-4435

Green Valley Getaway
78 16th Ave NW, Waukon
563-5684866

Pleasant Valley Golf Course
24749 Canoe Road, Clermont
563-423-7396

Waukon Golf & Country Club
308 1st Street SE, Waukon
563-568-9939

Guttenberg Golf & Country Club
28126 Hwy 52, Guttenberg
563-252-1423

Plum Creek Golf Course
2689 Country Club Rd Fredericksburg
563-237-6401

Woods Edge Golf Course
Hwy 3 W, Edgewood
563-928-6668

GUIDE SERVICES ●●●



Guide services offer a huge wealth of knowledge for visitors to experience all there is to do in Northeast Iowa.

Bear Creek Anglers Decorah, IA

Whether you're brand new to the sport, want to learn the basics or ready to improve your skills, Bear Creek Anglers offers amazing experiences for all levels of fishermen and women. Bear Creek Anglers will "hook you up" with rods, flies, transportation to and from Decorah plus lunch and snacks. Check out their website for links to excellent fly fishing resources, bios on the professional guides, pricing and their outings page that includes photos and stories of the guests who have come to fish Northeast Iowa. 563-419-4433 or www.bearcreekanglers.com

Chase the Adventure Lodge 1838 Middle Calmar Road, Decorah

The ultimate outdoor experience-offering guided fishing trips, hunts and clay target shooting plus overnight accommodations in a beautiful renovated barn. 563-532-9821 or www.chasetheadventure.com

Driftaway Hot Air Balloon Tours 204 East Main, Waukon

Experience the beauty of scenic Northeast Iowa from the basket of a hot air balloon! Join us as we fly over the Mississippi River Valley with a view of Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. Celebrate the end of each flight with a traditional champagne toast. Open year round by appointment. 800-643-9229 or www.driftawayhotairballoons.com

Fish Decorah Winneshiek County

Your Winneshiek County water recreation resource - FishDecorah.com provides fishing reports for the Upper Iowa River, trout streams and Mississippi River. Information about guided fishing trip and walking tours that uncover Winneshiek County's scenic beauty are its newest service. Receive additional information by sending an email to bigfish@fishdecorah.com.

NEI Fly Fishing Decorah, IA

Let NEI Fly fishing show you some of their favorite Northeast Iowa streams. Every guided trip is for your personal skill level, ensuring that you have a positive and enjoyable learning experience. If you are a first time fly fisher, a casting lesson may precede your trip to ensure you feel confident before stepping into the water. Check out their website for a great blog, stunning photos, water reports, prices for trips and info on Iowa fishing license. www.neiflyfishing.com

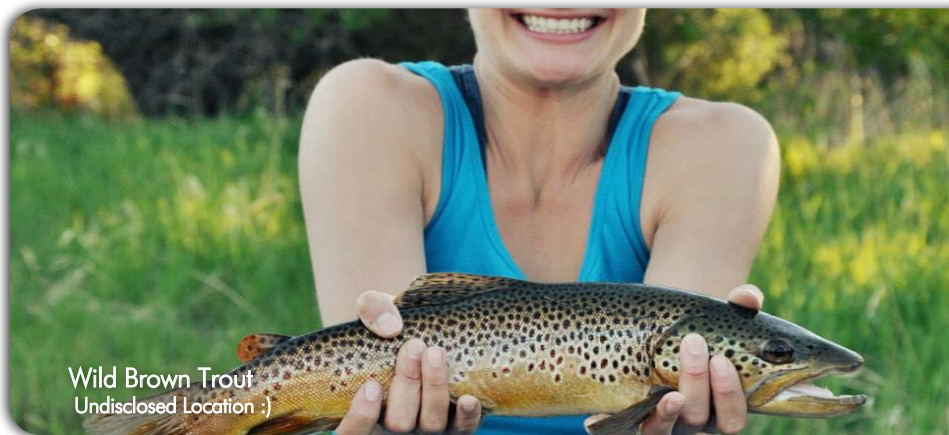
Peck's Pool 9 Guide Service 2709 High View Lane, New Albin

Spend a Day on the water with Cap'n Ted who offers 6 hour and 8 hour day trips out on Mississippi River Pool 9. Cap'n Ted specializes in bass, walleye, northern pike, catfish and panfish. 563-544-4611 or www.lake-link.com/fishing/guide.cfm/128/Pecks-Pool-9-Guide-Service

Up North Adventures 1431 Bakkum Road, Waukon

From guided fishing trips to dog sledding, call to book an outdoor experience. 563-535-7296

TROUT FISHING ● ● ●



Wild Brown Trout
Undisclosed Location :)

Match the following streams below for what they are best known for. Additional information about trout streams can be found at www.iowadnr.gov.

1. Classic example of Driftless Area terrain.
2. Premier angling streams in the Midwest with natural reproduction of brown trout, hidden fishing spots along frosted bluffs and near the famous Highland General Store.
3. Longest publicly owned trout stream in Northeast Iowa.
4. Highest trout population ever recorded in Iowa - 4,000 brown trout per mile!
5. In a DNR wildlife Area that boasts 1,713 acres of public land.
6. Most universally accessible trout stream in the Midwest.
7. Harbored the last native brook trout in the state.
8. Remote walk-in areas where you can catch wild brown trout.
9. Located in a beautiful wooded valley, this trout stream also features a gorgeous waterfall.
10. Longest trout stream in Iowa and only one designated an Iowa Water Trail.

Northeast Iowa provides anglers with access to over 75 streams filled with rainbow, brook and brown trout.

- A. Trout Run
- B. South Pine
- C. Waterloo Creek
- D. North & South Bear Creek
- E. French Creek
- F. Bloody Run
- G. Sny Magill
- H. Coon Creek
- I. Yellow River
- J. Grannis Creek

Did You Know?

Northeast Iowa has more than 75 streams that have free public access for anglers to catch rainbow, brown or native brook trout. Some of the streams are stocked by the Iowa DNR; dozens have natural reproduction. These trout are hungry all year long! Visit the Iowa DNR website at www.iowadnr.gov/Fishing/Wheretofish/TroutStreams.aspx for additional information.

Answers: 1 F, 2 G, 3 D, 4 B, 5 A, 6 H, 7 C, 8 E, 9 J, 10 I

HUNTING & FISHING ● ● ●



Cardinal Marsh State Wildlife Area
Winneshiek County

Northeast Iowa contain what is said to be the best trout fishing in the Midwest. Likewise, the area features more public land to explore than in any other region of Iowa.

Northeast Iowa has dozens of public areas that together comprise thousands of acres of opportunities for wildlife watching, hunting and fishing. It is a popular region for deer, turkey, duck, pheasant and goose hunting as well as trapping. But before you head out there are a few things to remember:

1. If you are hunting for wildflowers, mushrooms, wildlife watching or hiking these are great most of the year but just be careful during the spring turkey season and the fall general hunting season. Consider avoiding public areas during those periods or wear a blaze orange vest so you are not mistaken for a deer.
2. Every year, Iowa has free fishing days the first full weekend in June for Iowa residents. The rest of the year you will need a fishing license and possibly a trout stamp. Some streams and rivers require you release certain fish species to help build healthy populations.
3. Private landowners deserve respect. Ask permission if you want to cross private land to reach public land or water and remember, the water in the river is public, allowing you access to high quality fishing, but unless it is posted as public, the land under the water is private, as is much of the land on either side of the river or stream. You need to have the permission of landowners to walk in the streams.
4. Iowa Fishing and Hunting Regulations can be found at www.iowadnr.gov and information about US Fish and Wildlife Service lands can be found at www.fws.gov.

5. The Upper Mississippi Fish & Wildlife Refuge is the longest river refuge in the Continental US, stretching from Wabasha, Minn. to Princeton, Iowa, and encompassing 240,000 acres of water, marsh, wooded islands and forest prairie along 261 river miles. This includes all eastern Iowa boarder counties including the Northeast Iowa counties of Allamakee and Clayton.

PUBLIC AREAS TO EXPLORE		
Wildlife Preserve	Acres	Primary Counties
Bloody Run	710	Clayton
Cardinal Marsh	1,170	Winneshiek/Howard
Coon Creek	1,713	Winneshiek
French Creek	1,674	Allamakee
Hayden Prairie	240	Howard
Lansing Wildlife Area	1,927	Allamakee
North Cedar/Sny Magill	1,904	Clayton
Oterville	176	Buchanan
Pine Creek	694	Allamakee/Winneshiek
Troy Mills	323	Buchanan
Upper Wapsi	557	Chickasaw
Volga River Rec. Area	5,820	Fayette
Wapsi Flats	535	Chickasaw
Waterloo Creek	1,980	Allamakee
Yellow River Forest	8,500	Allamakee

NORTHEAST IOWA TROUT STREAMS

County	Easy Access Available	Handicap Universal Access	Stream Name	Trout Stocked		Special Regulations
				Catchable	Fingerling	
Allamakee	●		Clear (Lansing)	Rainbow/Brook		
			Clear			
			French			YES
			Hickory	Rainbow/Brook		
	●	●	Little Paint	Rainbow/Brook		
	●	●	Paint	Rainbow/Brook		
			Patterson	Rainbow	Brown	
			Pine		Brown	
	●		Waterloo	Rainbow/Brook		YES
			West Branch French			
			Wexford	Rainbow/Brook		
Clayton			Bear Creek		Brown	
	●	●	Bloody Run	Rainbow/Brook	Brown	YES
	●		Buck	Rainbow/Brook	Brown	
			Ensing Hollow			YES
			Joy Springs	Rainbow/Brook	Brown	
	●		Big Springs Kids Pond	Rainbow/Brook		
			Maquoketa River	Rainbow/Brook	Brown	
			Mossy Glen		Brown	
			North Cedar	Rainbow/Brook	Brown/Brook	
	●	●	Sny Magill	Rainbow/Brook		
			South Cedar	Rainbow/Brook	Brown	
	●		Turkey River	Rainbow/Brook		
Fayette			Bear Creek	Rainbow/Brook		
			Brush		Brown	
	●		Glovers	Rainbow/Brook	Brown	
	●	●	Grannis	Rainbow/Brook		
			Mink	Rainbow/Brook	Brown	
	●		Otter	Rainbow/Brook	Brown/Rainbow	
Howard	●		Bigalk	Rainbow/Brook	Rainbow	
Winneshiek	●		Bohemian	Rainbow/Brook	Brown	
	●		Coldwater	Rainbow/Brook		
			Coon	Rainbow	Brown	
	●		Dunning Springs		Brook	
	●		North Bear	Rainbow/Brook		
	●		South Bear	Rainbow/Brook	Brown	
			South Pine			YES
			Trout River	Rainbow/Brook		
	●	●	Trout Run	Rainbow/Brook	Brown	
	●		Twin Springs	Rainbow/Brook	Brown	
	●		West Canoe	Rainbow		

POWER SPORTS ●●●



Motorcycle Roads & Rides
Driftless Area Scenic Byway

Allamakee Power Sports

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Arctic Cat 4-wheelers, snowmobiles and UTVs as well as parts, accessories and clothing. 563-568-6908

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Gary's Ski-Doo

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Can-Am ATVs, Ski-Doo snowmobiles and ATVs, Triton trailers, parts and restoration. 319-334-3731

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New and used bikes, parts, service, gear, and storage. 563-568-3471 or www.waukonharley.com

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CAVES ● ● ●



Dutton's Cave
West Union

Ice Cave at Bixby State Preserve **2 mi N of Edgewood along Fortune Ave**

Although it's only 30 ft to the back of the cave, this cave contains ice all year-round. Today the cave entrance has been gated shut due to rocks falling from the ceiling, but you can still follow the trail up to the cave and enjoy a cold rush of air. Visitors also appreciate the diversity of plants found within this preserve, as Bixby contains over 380 native species of plants, making it the highest diversity of plants per acre found in any Iowa woodland park.

Dutton's Cave **25218 Ironwood Road, West Union**

Picnic, hike and camp at this 46-acre park that features a fifty-foot vertical limestone wall directly above the cave opening. The cave was discovered in 1848 by Lorenzo Dutton and was explored for several hundred feet. The explorable portion of the cave has been reduced over the years due to the siltation of the cave floor. The park also contains two electrical hook up camping sites and several non-electrical hook up sites, a shelter house, a hiking trail, water, and pit toilets. www.fayettecountyiowa.org/CONSERVATION

Ice Cave

Ice Cave Road, Decorah

Decorah's Ice Cave State Preserve is one of the largest known ice caves in North America. It consists of a 3-acre piece of land on the edge of the Barbara Barnhart Van Peenen Memorial Park. This is not a commercial cave, and visitors explore it at their own risk. This cave is for experienced spelunkers only. Ice appears on the cave walls beginning in March and remains through September. Located minutes north of downtown Decorah.

Northeast Iowa caves are a destination for spelunkers from around the world.

Spook Cave & Campground **13299 Spook Cave Road, McGregor**

Enjoy a leisurely ride and learn about cave formations such as stalactites, stalagmites, limestone walls, sink holes and mineral deposits. Water inside the cave ranges from two to six feet deep and the caves perpetual temperature is 47 degrees. When your tour concludes, share your stories as you sit around a warm campfire. Open daily May 1 - October 31st from 9 am to 5:30 pm. 563-873-2144 or www.spookcave.com



Spook Cave & Campground

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Alum-Line, Inc.

802 2nd Ave SW, Cresco

The most complete line of aluminum products in the industry. Find canoe & kayak, ATV, motorcycle trailers and more. 800-446-1407 or www.alumline.com

Anthem Archery

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Anthem Archery is a Pro Shop offering an extensive range of archery equipment and arguably the top two bow brands in the market, Hoyt and Mathews. The indoor shooting range, as well as the techno-hunt simulator, will allow customers to hone their skills in a controlled environment, aided by professional staff of dedicated hunters and archers. 563-382-4755 or www.anthemarchery.com



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Decorah Bicycles

101 College Drive, Decorah

This one-stop shop specializes in top quality bicycles, parts, accessories, clothing, helmets and dependable repair service. Decorah Bicycles also rents bicycles and ice skates! Open daily, except for Tuesday's. 563-382-8209 or www.decorahbicycles.com

Decorah Chick Hatchery

406 W Water Street, Decorah

The Decorah Chick Hatchery sells fine summer and winter wear and outdoor/adventure gear. The Hatchery also carries Teva sandals, Kavu Bags, Leki hiking poles, Smartwool, Patagonia, Marmot, Ex-Officio, fly fishing flies and their world-famous "Quality Chick" t-shirt. 563-382-4103 or www.decorahhatchery.com

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Gansen Autos & RV**104 East Main Street, Riceville**

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Hibbett Sports**915 Short Street, Decorah**

Hibbett Sports is a sporting goods retailer specializing in men's, women's and youth footwear, equipment and apparel. Featuring such brands as Nike, Under Armour, Adidas, Reebok and New Balance. 563-382-6115 or www.hibbett.com

J&L Marine**903 South Hwy Street, Guttenberg**

J & L Marine provides sales and services for fishermen and pleasure boaters. Selling and servicing boats, outboard motors and trailers. Additionally, they sell and install trilling motors, depth finders, shorestations and boat accessories. 563-252-2020 or www.jandlmarine.com

Murray's Outdoor Store**1402 S Hwy 52, Guttenberg**

Large selection of fishing supplies and gardening plants can be found here as well as camping and picnic supplies. 563-252-1838

Nub's Bait, Tackle & More**303 Main Street, Nashua**

Nub's bait, tackle and more offers a wide variety of fishing rods, reels and accessories as well as live and artificial bait. A few camping and boating items are also available. 641-435-4868

Oneota River Cycles**220 E Water Street, Decorah**

Oneota River Cycles has been serving the tri-state area since 2001 with bicycles from Marin, Surley and Niner. The store features a full-service bike shop complete with a sales and service department. 563-382-0421 or www.oneotacycles.com

The Sports Shop Inc.**218 West Water Street, Decorah**

Retail clothing & sporting goods store. We also offer screen printing & embroidery services. Brands carried include Nike, Adidas, Under Armour, JanSport, Puma, Saucony, Asics, Speedo and TYR. 563-382-2634

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Trout Fishing, Yellow River

HORSEBACK RIDING ● ● ●



Yellow River State Forest
Harpers Ferry

Several horse stables and equestrian centers give horseback-riding enthusiasts numerous places to enjoy a ride in Northeast Iowa.

Bar H Trail Rides

Hutchinson Family Farm & Campground
2299 Scenic River Road, Decorah

Experience guided horseback trail rides through beautiful Upper Iowa River valley and hills. The Hutchinson family has years of horse related experience in trail riding. Trail rides are approximately 1 hour in length with a 10 minutes instructional period at the beginning of each ride. Each rider is fitted with equipment personalized to their size. Longer rides are available upon request. [Horse rental available.](#) 563-382-3054 or hutchff.com/?page=barh

River Ranch Horse Adventures

2475 Cheyenne Ave, Nashua

Enjoy riding in and along the sandy banks of the Little Cedar River or beat the heat by riding through meadows, rivers and shady wooded trails while you discover wildlife along the way. Trail rides are approximately 1/2-2 hours in length. [Horse rental available.](#) 641-435-4280

The Natural Gait

1878 Mission Drive, Harpers Ferry

The Natural Gait offers over 20 miles of groomed horse trails for you to enjoy on a daily basis. Riders can take a short 2 hour ride or spend the entire day riding the hills, rivers and meadows. Day Riders are welcome 7 days a week from 8am to dusk. 877-776-2208 or thenaturalgait.com

Village Creek Bible Camp

1588 Drake Road, Lansing

Trail-riding, horsemanship instruction, as well as horsemanship camps, are a core program of Village Creek Bible Camp utilizing the beautiful surroundings. VCBC has numerous trails throughout the 220 acres that the camp sits on. The arena is a great place to start with riding lessons given each day. Once you feel comfortable on horseback, you can enjoy a beautiful trail ride. The horse trails curve through the woods and offer some fabulous nature views. There is even a trail for experienced riders that will take you to the top of the ridge. The horses are all very well behaved and ready to take you on an awesome ride! [Horse rental available.](#) 563-535-7320 or www.villagecreek.net

EQUESTRIAN TRAILS

Trail	Location	Mileage
Backbone State Park	Dundee	21
Gilbertson Park	Elgin	5
Heritage Farm Park	Clermont	10
Hutchinson Family Farm	Decorah	25
Pony Hollow Trail	Elkader	4
River Ranch Horse Adventures	Nashua	N/A
The Natural Gait	Marquette	20
Van Peenan	Decorah	10
Village Creek Bible Camp	Lansing	N/A
Volga River Recreation Area	Fayette	22
Yellow River State Forest	Harpers Ferry	25

HISTORICAL, CULTURAL AND ART EXPERIENCES



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Decorah, IA

VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS ●●●



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Allamakee Wood Fired Pottery & Glassworks

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ArtHaus

508 West Water Street, Decorah

ArtHaus is Decorah's home for the visual and performing arts. It serves as an arts education center and a community gathering place offering live storytelling events, poetry slams, concerts, art exhibitions, and other public arts events. Classes are offered year round, with after-school programming, summer and winter art camps for kids or evening classes and special workshops for adults. ArtHaus engages professional teaching artists who facilitate programs for energetic kindergartners and create space for adults to pursue their own artistic explorations. 563-382-5440 or www.arthausdecorah.org

Carnegie Cultural Center

7 North Water Ave, New Hampton

Kids of all ages will enjoy the 23-foot long diorama "Main Street Circus Parade" where elephants shuffle in brightly colored advertisements and circus wagons parade through New Hampton circa 1910. This eclectic museum also has exhibits about toy steam engines, dollhouses, license plates, tractors, and farms. It is a rich collection of local history, local talent and local hobby. Downstairs in the Railroad Room a large interpretive model of Chickasaw County has three operating train lines that the visitor can turn on and off. 641-394-2354 or www.carnegieculturalcenter.org

Creativity Center

214 S River Park Drive, Guttenberg

Housed in a 200-year old, historic Albertus building in Guttenberg, Iowa, Shepherd Gallery and the Creativity Center provide a community center, art gallery and art studio. Shepherd Gallery is on the main floor and plays host to art shows, artisan retail, classes, workshops, special events, private parties, and community networking. 563-252-2787

Cresco 1914 Opera House

115 2nd Ave W, Cresco

The Opera House is on the National Register of Historic Places and today continues to have nightly 'moving pictures' and live performances throughout the year as well as tours, rentals, private parties, free Holiday movies, community productions and special events. 563-547-4292 or www.crescotheatre.com

Cresco Fine Arts Council

Since 1961, this juried show is one of the oldest in State of Iowa, held the first Sunday In August, featuring artists from around the Midwest showcasing and selling their artwork. 563-547-3434 or www.howard-county.com

Elkader Opera House

207 N Main Street, Elkader

The beautiful renovated 1903 Elkader Opera House, on the National Register of Historic Places, is known as Northeast Iowa's entertainment leader. With its rich cultural heritage the Elkader Opera House provides a charming and unique setting for any event. 563-245-2098 or www.elkaderoperahouse.com

Eckheart Art Gallery & Antiques

107 W Water Street, Decorah

The gallery features original oils, drawings, & watercolors by Professor Doug Eckheart, well-known regional artist. The gallery showcases Luther College Alumni work in watercolor, woodblock prints, oils, pottery, & mixed media. Art workshop classes are offered on weekends. 563-387-6782 www.eckheart.com

Luther College Center Stage Series

700 College Drive, Decorah

The Center Stage Series is a mix of live theatrical performances of song, dance and drama. Enjoy performances Sept - May. The series draws critically acclaimed acts from all over the world. Dinner theater option is available. 800-458-8437 tickets/luther.edu

McGregor-Marquette Center for the Arts

330 Main Street, McGregor

This is a place to explore your creativity and share in the creative experience with others is dedicated to the many forms of creative expression. It will provide everyone a place to experience a wide variety of arts activities. 319-389-8912 or www.mcgre-marq.org/ArtsCenter.htm

New Minowa Players

906 Mill Street, Decorah

Decorah's theater company wows with its year-round series of plays and musicals. Call for schedule and ticket information. 563-382-5174

Steel Cow Gallery

15 Allamakee Street, Waukon

Steel Cow gallery is the working studio of artist Valerie Miller. A retail gallery for original paintings and popular STEEL COW branded merchandise. Stop by to pick up a trademarked Mini Moo Canvas Print which can also be found at the finest galleries and contemporary craft retailers nationwide. 563-568-2477, 866-670-2477 or www.steelcowgallery.com

Oelwein Design & Gallery of Art

7 South Fredrick Ave, Oelwein

This gallery features paintings, pottery, jewelry, sculptures and metal works from 34 Northeast Iowa Artists. 319-283-5966

Reve Art Gallery & Wine Cellar

24 E Main Street, New Hampton

Features the talented work of Iowa artists. Rêve has paintings, jewelry, pottery, photography, fiber and sculpture. Also nestled in the lower level is The Wine Cellar featuring Iowa wines. 641-394-3377

StoryPeople

113 East Water Street, Decorah

Brian Andreas is internationally known for his brightly painted wooden sculptures made from recycled barn wood and tin from old homesteads in Northeast Iowa. Stories and poems are hand-stamped on each piece. StoryPeople art may be purchased or ordered at Agora Arts. 800-476-7178 or www.storypeople.com

The Clay Studio

207 Washington Street, Decorah

The Clay Studio is a community pottery studio with a mission to create memories, educate, & provide an artistic outlet through clay. The studio is open to the public during studio hours and their knowledgeable assistants are happy to get you started on a creative project. Call ahead to set up an appointment. 563-517-1022 or www.theclaystudiodecorah.com



Steel Cow Mural, Waukon

The Art Gallery and Home Accents

301 Mill Street, Clermont

This Gallery features local artisan's crafts, home décor and Iowa wines. Discover unique art and home décor. The Art Gallery offers a huge selection of jewelry, pottery, blown glass, sculptures, paintings, photographs, music, Beanpod Candles made in Iowa and wines from five Iowa wineries. We even have homemade truffles made in Iowa. You can sample Iowa wines and our flavored coffees while you shop! We have a Bridal Registry to make your guests shopping convenience. 563-423-2213 or theartgalleryandhomeaccents.com

The Exchange Cresco & The Smoldering Bowl

105 2nd Ave SW, Cresco

This retail destination showcases over 80 entrepreneurs, from clothing to jewelry to barn quilts and more under one roof. The Exchange also offers an interactive pottery experience for all ages. 563-203-8017

Upper Iowa University

605 Washington Street, Fayette

Located in Edgar Hall, the Bing Davis Memorial Gallery at Upper Iowa University hosts national and international artists along with student exhibition in the spacious 1,130 sq ft gallery renovated in 2007. Exhibitions change every 4-6 weeks from August thru May. The Upper Iowa University Sculpture Collection is a collection of sculptures on the Fayette campus. 563-380-4764

Waterloo Workshop

369 Waterloo Creek Drive, Dorchester

In a log home with no electricity, the Stephenson's live as the settlers did 150 years ago. Discover the old-time arts of woodworking, basket weaving and preserving home-grown

fruits and vegetables or sit a spell and sip fresh-brewed tea. The Stephenson's invite folks to their home the 2nd Sunday of every month from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm year round. Visitors share fresh, made-from-scratch rolls baked in their wood stove, sample country jams and sip tea or fresh well water.

Wildflower Art Gallery & Frame Shop

116 N Elm Street, Cresco

Comprehensive artwork services offered: custom picture framing, art gallery, local artwork sale, pottery creations, cards and other gifts - all under one roof. 563-547-4491 or wildflowerframing.blogspot.com

Williams Center for the Arts

318 8th Ave SE, Oelwein

The Williams Center annually presents an Artist Series of nine events. The Williams Center is used extensively by the Oelwein Community School, civic groups in the Oelwein area, State and National groups and arts related groups. This center includes a state-of-the-art auditorium and a multi-functional lobby. The Center has played host to the Governor of the State of Iowa. 319-283-6616 or www.williamscenterforthearts.com

Woodland Designs, Inc.

27491 Harding Road, Clermont

Peggy & Steve Kittelson have been creating fine handcrafted kaleidoscopes since 1986. They are known for their classic 2-mirror kaleidoscope imagery, and the highest quality optical illusions defined by the incredible display of miniature glass sculptures found in the object chambers. The exteriors of their scopes are of fused and slumped glass combined with finely machined metal turningends, and the wood scopes are hand-turned by Steve. 563-423-7336 or www.kittelsondesigns.com

Northeast Iowa's Art Festivals, Shows & Tours

Northeast Iowa is home to a variety of annual art events that attract thousands of visitors to the region. Some of the area's more popular art events include the Plum Creek Arts Festival (July), Cresco Fine Arts Show (August), McGregor Leaf Art Festival (May/October) and the Northeast Iowa Artists' Studio Tour (October).

Northeast Iowa Artist Studio Tour

The Northeast Iowa Artists' Studio Tour is Iowa's largest and longest running tour of artist studios! Participants will spend three days exploring the culture, art techniques and tools of local artists who allow visitors to sneak a peek into their personal studios. Artists at more than 50 private studios share their secrets while they demonstrate techniques and converse passionately about their work. Visitors may

purchase original works of pottery, jewelry, paintings, basket weaving and much more. The event is held annually in early October at locations within a 30 mile radius of Decorah. Call or email for a Northeast Iowa Artists' Studio Tour brochure in advance. The brochure features a description of each artist along with a detailed map to help navigate to each studio. Visitors may also learn about lodging, dining and specially scheduled entertainment options by checking out visiting

www.iowaarttour.com.



VINTAGE FINDS ●●●



Horsfall's Lansing Variety Store
Lansing

Visit one of Northeast Iowa's unique antique stores or shops to find a treasure, capture a memory or take home a piece of Northeast Iowa.

The **Antique Mall** in Waukon serves up their treasures by color. Visit the blue room, the red room, the green room or any of the other monochromatic rooms to expand your collections.

What's New Antiques? This antique store in northern Winneshiek County is a must-see as part of a triune of antiquing, wine tasting at Winneshiek Wildberry Winery and exploration of world-renown Seed Savers.

Get down and dirty sorting through boxes of hundreds of vinyl records on the floor at **Curt's Hometown General Store** in Limes Springs.

You can study three floors of furniture, dishes, jewelry, memorabilia and other vintage finds at **Schoolhouse Antiques** in Marquette.

The **Painted Lady & Lansing Tea Company** welcomes you to sip fresh brewed coffee and teas while you shop for treasures.

Like dressing in a turkey, five floors of treasures pack the **Turkey River Mall** in Elkader.

The **Paint Creek Soap Shop** in Waterville creates hand-made soaps using the cold-processing techniques.

Stranded Memories in Waukon features jewelry, shabby chic furniture, antiques and collectibles.

You say Junk Shop; I say antiques!

Paper Moon in McGregor a three story building that hosts a unique array of gifts, toys, kitchen accessories and books for every age and interest.

Goodwill Industries in Decorah offers a department store approach to retail customers with everything on one floor. Goodwill stores represent the best in gently used donated items.

Lil Brick School House Antiques in New Hampton features a large selection of stoneware and art pottery. They also refinish and restore furniture.

Visit **Turkey Bottom Haven** in Oelwein for rusty, chippy, repurposed & refunked junk, alongside Grandma's antiques from yesteryear.

Horsfall's Lansing Variety Store is known for its unique, quirky store layout, Horsfall's stocks modern amenities as well as items that you may have thought were impossible to find. Over one million items in inventory!

The Depot in Decorah changes inventory every day so there is always something new to check out. Gently-used clothing, books, sports equipment, kitchen items, home decor and household goods.

Check the NEITA calendar of events at www.visitiowa.org/calendar-of-events.html for antique shows and flea markets

MUSEUMS & HISTORICAL SITES • • •



Discover charming people making unique works of art throughout this entire region.

Allamakee County Historical Museum **121 Allamakee Street, Waukon**

The interior of this two-story 1861 building is built of white pine. Within the Museum, one will discover rooms furnished to reflect the 19th and early 20th centuries, displays of farm tools, military items, medical room, and the court room-complete with the judge's bench, chair and gavel. There is a \$2.00 charge which is admission to both the Museum and Genealogy Center. Open June, July and August, Mon - Fri, 8am - 4pm, open any other time by appointment 563-568-2954 or www.allamakeehistory.org

Bily Clocks Museum and Antonin Dvorak Exhibit **323 South Main Street, Spillville**

Get a closer look at dozens of hand carved clocks built by two brothers, Frank and Joseph Bily in the early 1900's. Their imagination spurred them to create the Apostle Clock from which the Twelve Apostles appear on the hour, the American Pioneer History Clock, a memorial clock to Charles Lindbergh and a clock carved like a violin to honor the famous Czech musician Antonin Dvorak. 563-562-3569 or www.bilyclocks.org

Brown Opera Block Stage Paintings **307 Woodland Ave, Riceville**

Five restored hand-painted stage curtains used for live performances during the early 1900s are on display at the Riceville Public Library. 641-985-2273

Cedar Rock - Frank Lloyd Wright House **2611 Quasqueton Diagonal Blvd, Independence**

Cedar Rock near Quasqueton is an example of a simplified style of house Frank Lloyd Wright developed and called "Usonian." Nearly everything at Cedar Rock bears the Wright's imprint. He designed the furniture, selected the carpets, chose the draperies and even picked out the accessories. Completed in 1950, it's roof and floors are concrete; the walls are brick, glass and walnut. Cedar Rock is one of nine Wright designed residences in Iowa. Open May - October. 319-939-3572

Carter House Museum **101 High Street SE, Elkader**

The Carter House Museum gives visitors a glimpse into the lives of Iowans of 150 years ago. Built in 1855 as a "mirror" or double house for pioneer brothers Henry and Ernest Victor Carter and their families, it is a Neoclassic Greek revival mansion of 18 rooms now used as an historic museum to display furniture, clothing, and artifacts from the 19th and 20th centuries. An adjoining annex contains military uniforms from past wars, primitive farm tools, early fire-fighting equipment, and a display of 19th century drug store supplies. Open Memorial Day through Labor Day: Sat & Sun 10am - 4pm. www.carterhousemuseum.com

Clermont Historical Society Museum **Mill Street, Clermont**

Built in 1913, this former location of Clermont State Bank was converted into a museum to showcase significant items collected through Governor Larrabee's world travels. Find everything from geological collections and prehistoric fossils to ancient artifacts and weapons of war. Open by appointment. 563-423-5561

Connor and Mavis Dummermuth Museum
22580 A Ave, Elgin

This home is a showcase of interesting antiques that would have been found in a farm home between 1890's to 1900's. See furniture, household items and cooking utensils that shows how a family lived at the turn of the last century. Open Mid-May-Labor Day. 563-426-5740 or elginiowa.org/GILBERTSON.html

Cresco 1914 Opera House
115 W. 2nd Ave, Cresco

Built in 1914, the historic gem and architectural beauty has spanned the entertainment world through two centuries and is a must-see during your stay in northeast Iowa! 563-547-4292 or www.crescotheatre.com

Elgin Historical Building
231 Center Street, Elgin

The Elgin Historical Society was started in 1984. Their large archive includes photographs, school information, historical records, furniture, Elgin memorabilia and detailed Genealogy and Obituary records. 563-423-7126 or www.elgin.org

Fairbank Amish Boulevard
County Road W13, Buchanan County

Experience a slower pace as you are welcomed to one of the nation's largest Old Order Amish communities. Nearly 50 small Amish country stores are open to the public and sell everything from baked goods to hand-made furniture to quilts, and flowers. The community is near Kalona, Bloomfield, and in northeast Buchanan County just west of Hazleton. Hours of business are typically 8-5pm Monday through Friday. www.growbuchanan.com/tourism.htm



Quilt Shop, Fairbanks Amish Blvd, Buchanan County

Fayette County Historical Center
100 N Walnut Street, West Union

Preserving and interpreting Fayette County's History. Tour the museum, research your genealogy, and get copies of ancestral obituaries. View the display of military memorabilia, and see our area devoted to Native American history. 563-422-5797 or www.fayettecountyiowa.org/HistoricalCenter.html

Fayette Opera House
301 S Main Street, Fayette

Fayette is fortunate to have a historic Opera House which has been lovingly restored. In addition to being used for community events, the Opera House is available for rental purposes. 563-422-5797

Fort Atkinson State Preserve
303 2nd Street NW, Ft Atkinson

Fort Atkinson was built in 1840 to protect the Winnebago Indians from the Sioux, Sauk, Fox and White intruders. Fort Atkinson Rendezvous Days celebrate this history the last full weekend in September. 800-463-4692

Froelich Foundation Historical Tractor Museum
24397 Froelich Road, McGregor

Come and see the very first gasoline powered tractor that propelled itself forward and back that was invented in 1892, bringing the village's claim to fame. Explore the General Store and Post Office, One Room Store, 1920 Warehouse, Train Depot and Cars, Vintage Barn, One Room School House with original relics on display. Barn Reception Rental is available for weddings, dances, graduations & family reunions. 563-536-2841 or www.froelichtractor.com

Hub City Heritage Railway Museum
26 Second Ave, Oelwein

Open May-September: every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 12-4 pm or by appointment. Tour the old railroad express building and yard office with its refurbished cabooses and engines. There is a gift shop. The museum is handicapped accessible. Group tours are welcome. 319-283-1939 www.cgwoelwein.org

Howard County Historical Museum
314 W 7th Street, Cresco

One-of-a-kind displays featuring an authentic 1861 Civil War flag, Ellen Church; world's first stewardess and world renowned Norman Borlaug, a restored player piano from the early 20th century, a Swenson stump puller, an enclosed Milk House and much more! Open during Howard County Fair and by appointment. 563-547-3434 or www.howard-county.com

Independence Train Depot **1111 5th Ave NE, Independence**

The Illinois Central Depot in Independence was relocated to a spot along Highway 150. It was restored and is used as a tourism center. Some former trainmen purchased a caboose and the Tourism Bureau purchased an engine to accompany the depot. Train memorabilia has been donated for display. 319-334-3439

Iowa Wrestling Hall of Fame **101 2nd Ave SW, Cresco**

Established in 1970, the Iowa Wrestling Hall of fame honors Iowa natives who have made significant contributions to amateur wrestling. We invite you to spend time with George Flanagan, Dan Gable; the 1972 Olympic Gold Medalist, and many others who have played a role in making wrestling one of our state's proudest sports. www.iowawrestlinghalloffame.com

Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum **3603 236th Ave, Burr Oak**

Explore the house where Laura Ingalls Wilder and her family worked, lived and played. The museum, located in the Master's hotel, is Laura's only childhood home still on its original site. Enjoy the nearby historic church, jail, playground and picnic facilities in the adjacent park. 563-735-5916 or www.lauraingallswilder.us



Little Brown Church, Nashua

Lidtkke Mill & Mill House **Mill Street & Miller Street, Lime Springs**

Constructed in 1860 by Melvin Marsh, Lidtkke Mill in Lime Springs is one of these few. Offering visitors a rare look into the past, the mill's interior is preserved in its entirety. The rollers, silk bolter, fanning mill, grain elevators and complex belt system remain exactly as they were in 1960 when Herman Lidtkke closed up the business. The integrity of this special structure is credited to one of the millers named D.W. Davis, who built a brick veneer over the mill in 1915. The mill is open for tours Memorial Day-Labor Day, Friday-Sunday, 1pm-4pm and by appointment. 563-566-2827

Little Brown Church in the Vale **2730 Cheyenne Ave (Hwy 346), Nashua**

Built in 1860 and made famous by the song "Church in the Wildwood." Over 40,000 visitors come to the Little Brown Church each year, and over 400 weddings are performed annually. 641-435-2027 or www.littlebrownchurch.org

Lockmaster's House Heritage Museum **Lock & Dam #10, Guttenberg**

The history of the lock and dam system are preserved along the Mississippi at Lock & Dam #10. Explore the last remaining lockmasters house on the Upper Mississippi River to see how the lockmasters and their assistants lived. Open daily from Memorial Day - Labor Day, weekends in September or by appointment. 563-252-2323

Montauk Historic Governor's Mansion **26223 Harding Road, Clermont**

Journey into the past at the home of Iowa's 12th governor, William Larrabee and Anna Larrabee, his wife. Enjoy a guided tour to see and hear how the Larrabee family furnished and maintained this 1874 vintage brick and natural limestone mansion situated on 46 acres among 100,000 pines overlooking the Turkey River. Open Memorial Day - Sept 6th and select hours Fri, Sat and Sun until Oct 31. 563-245-1516 or montaukiowa.com

Motor Mill Historic Site **23002 Grain Road, Elkader**

Gaze 90 feet up through six-stories of the Motor Mill, imagine the sound of the paddle wheel turning and the mill workers moving about. Motor Mill is just one of several historic limestone buildings locate along the Turkey River. The park includes an inn cooperage, ice house & livery stable. The site has an annual civil war reenactment and is open year round for exploration. 563-245-1516 or www.motormill.org



Lidtke Mill, Lime Springs

Museum of River History and Commercial Fishing 60 S Front Street, Lansing

An eclectic mix of items make up the displays at this museum, which highlights early settlement along the Mississippi River. Unique displays will take you closer to understanding the Mississippi River, steam-boating, commercial fishing, the pearl industry, and ice harvesting. Limited hours of operation. 563-538-4641 or 563-538-3943

Norman Borlaug Boyhood Home and Farm 19518 200th Street, Cresco

Dr. Norman Borlaug, one of only seven people to receive the Nobel Peace Prize, Presidential Medal of Freedom, and Congressional Gold Medal, is renowned throughout the world and credited with saving millions of people from starvation through his research in wheat genetics and subsequent programs. Visit the 1921 home & farm where he was born and raised west of Protivin or the one-room schoolhouse he attended. 563-547-3434, 563-569-8300 or www.normanborlaug.org

NE IA Farm Antique Show Plagman Barn Days Hwy C7X E Box 79, Garber

Third weekend in September, hosting an Old time power show with a thrashers demonstration, draft horse pulls, steam engine log sawing, antique show, butter churning, and live music for a barn dance bringing back an era of 1900's - 1950's. 563-252-3646

Oelwein Area Historical Society Museum 900 2nd Ave SE, Oelwein

View a furnished country school room, parlor, bedroom, and kitchen. Other displays include farm equipment, railroad memorabilia, newspaper clippings, a general store, a medical area, and an extensive Delft collection. Handicapped accessible. Group tours welcome. Fee, open 1-4 pm every Sunday June-September, or by appointment. 319-283-3001 or www.rootsweb.com/iaoaahs

Old Bradford Pioneer Village & Museum Highway 346, 2 mi E of Nashua

Stroll through the village to learn what life was like in the pioneer days. Visit a log cabin, one-room school, cottage, general store, Dr. Pitts Office, toy shop, church and even the jail. Open May 1st - October 31st, 9am - 5pm, Mon - Sat & noon - 5pm on Sun. 641-435-2567

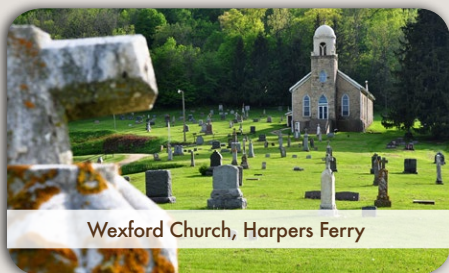
Old Stone Church 3300 240th Street, Ridgeway

St. John's German Lutheran Church also known as the "Old Stone Church" was constructed in 1873. What is left today is a beautiful structure full of history. Seeing this stone church set against a blue sky is a beautiful and photo worthy experience. While viewing the church, you can stroll through the old cemetery that dates back to the time of the congregation's existence.

Historic Churches & Cemeteries

Most roads in Northeast Iowa will take you past a church or two, but what you may not notice is the rich historical backdrops these churches and cemeteries originate from. Some of these churches were formed by the very first settlers to this area, before the state of Iowa existed. They were created using the materials in the surrounding wilderness with settlers' hands, hard work and a few tools. Each church and cemetery boasts a unique characteristic. You might choose to kneel in the "Smallest Church" which was built to keep a promise for an answered prayer or you may want to visit Indian mounds. Wander the beautiful cemeteries and photograph unusual tombstones. Realize that the sense of community felt in Northeast Iowa began with small churches and big hearts. Whether you are

looking for a Sunday service on vacation or a look into history, the churches and cemeteries are a wonderful place to begin feeling the heart of Northeast Iowa.



Wexford Church, Harpers Ferry



Wapsipinicon Mill & Museum, Independence

Porter House Museum 401 W Broadway, Decorah

At this 1867 Italianate villa, visitors explore the travels, art, and collections of a turn-of-the-20th century gentleman naturalist and his wife. Please call ahead for groups over 10 people. Open daily June-August, weekends in May, Sept, and Oct. 563-382-8465 or www.porterhousemuseum.org

Richardson-Jakway House & Forest Located 2 mi S of Aurora

An experienced woodsmen named Abiathar Richardson built himself a small log cabin when he arrived in 1849. Today the Richardson-Jakway house is all that remains of Mudville. It is listed on the NRHP and decorated with furnishings from 1850-1890 that tell many stories of pioneer life. The area is owned by the Buchanan County Conservation. You can visit the park anytime and walk the Historic Loop Trail around the house. Tours of the home's interior are by appointment only. 319-636-2617

Rural Heritage Center 400 Mascara Road, Elkader

Come and visit this 1919 sale barn and see the wonderful array of collectibles that have been carefully acquired by George Mair to share with the visitors that want to taste a little history while on their Iowa vacation. The collection will take you all the way back to how life was in the 1800's in rural Iowa. Open Sat-Sun 8am to 4pm, mid-April through mid-October. 563-245-2377

Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum 502 W Water Street, Decorah

This national museum and heritage center showcases the most comprehensive collection of authentic Norwegian-American artifacts in the world. "USA Today" named Vesterheim one of "Ten great places in the nation to admire American folk art." Group tours welcome. Free admission on the first Thursday of every month. Open daily all year. 63-382-9681 or www.vesterheim.org

Wapsipinicon Mill & Museum Downtown Independence

Nestled along the Wapsipinicon River, this 1870 mill is one of Iowa's finest surviving grist mills. The mill towers six stories above the river and is a unique example of how Iowans captured the power of the rivers for commercial development. View photo exhibits, interactive displays and interpretive exhibits plus original millstones, belt and bucket elevators, grain storage bins, shafts and gearing, milling machines and various milling equipment & artifacts. Open mid-May thru mid-September, Tues - Sun 12pm - 4pm. 319 334-4616

Wexford Immaculate Conception Church 1416 County Hwy X52, Harpers Ferry

The Immaculate Conception Church at Wexford is reportedly the oldest Catholic Church site between Dubuque, Iowa and St. Paul, Minnesota. Located 9 miles south of Lansing just off the Great River Road, this little stone church is perfectly perched above a charismatic Allamakee County valley. Contact the pastor at the church office 563-538-4171 to request a guided tour. www.icwexford.org



Richardson-Jakway House, Aurora

HISTORIC & EDUCATIONAL TOURS • • •



Historical Walking Tour
Guttenberg

Barn Quilt Tours

Buchanan County, 319-334-3700

Clayton County, 563-933-8280

Fayette County, 800-477-5073

Howard County, 563-547-3001

Take a barn quilt tour and see the creativity of local artists in a country setting. Each quilt block design is a 8'x8' wooden square that has a burst of vibrant color mixed in with a unique or traditional quilt pattern. While you're en route to your Northeast Iowa destination, travel the barn quilt tour and enjoy the artistic scenery! Contact each county for information about their Barn Quilt Tour.

Cassville Car Ferry

Great River Road C9Y E of Hwy 52, Guttenberg

Ride the Cassville Car Ferry across the Mississippi River between Northeast Iowa and Southwest Wisconsin. The car ferry runs between Cassville, Wisconsin and the Turkey River Landing on the Iowa side of the Mississippi River. It is located along the Great River Road C9Y six miles south of Guttenberg. This is the only Mississippi River Car Ferry crossing in Iowa or Wisconsin. 877-252-2323 or www.cassville.org

Clermont Historical Walking Tour

Downtown Clermont

This amazing little town packs a large historical punch. Clermont – the hometown of Iowa's 12th governor, William Larrabee – is home to Montauk, the limestone mansion residence of William Larrabee and his family, which features the original furnishings of the 1870s. Step back in time at the Burkhart Reigel Blacksmith Shop. While in Clermont, visit The Church of the Saviour, the Larrabee School and the Union Sunday School, home of the largest Kimball Pipe Organ in the U.S. Concerts

Celebrate Northeast Iowa's history one community at a time through a variety of educational tours.

held in the Sunday School from April through November. Visit local tourism or Chamber offices in Fayette County for a self-guided historic walking tour publication and map. 563-423-4171

Decorah Historical Architecture Tour Downtown Decorah

Take a self-guided stroll (or drive) of downtown Decorah to view gorgeous midwestern architecture dating back to 1850. Homes and buildings are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Call or stop by the visitor Center for a tour map. 800-463-4692

Elkader Historical Walking Tour Downtown Elkader

Explore scenic Elkader's past by taking a self-guided tour that features over 25 historic structures. Visit local tourism or Chamber offices for map and brochure. 563-245-2201

Guttenberg Historic Walking Tour Downtown Guttenberg

Located on the banks of the Mississippi River, Guttenberg has more buildings on the historic register per capita than any other town in the region. Stroll the river walk and view the historic limestone buildings built by German immigrants. These pre-civil war majestic buildings, used for both residential and commercial purposes, are in excellent condition. Call for a self-guided historic walking tour publication and map. 877-252-2323 or www.guttenbergiowa.net

Hazleton Amish Store Tour **Town of Hazleton, Buchanan County**

Buchanan County features one of the largest Amish communities in the United States. Tour information and "Amish county" maps are available from the Independence Chamber of Commerce at 319-334-7178 or the Tourism Office at 319-334-3439

Iowa's Dairy Center **1527 Hwy 150 S, Calmar**

Learn about "Iowa's Dairy Story" and explore the dairy industry from pioneer days to present day. See cows being milked in the state-of-the-art facility, dairy artifacts, nutrition displays and more. Guided and self-guided tours available. 563-534-9957 #107

McGregor Historical Tour **Downtown McGregor**

Enjoy a self-guided historic walking tour of more than 100 places of interest. When on your walking tour, most of the buildings will have numbered posters in their windows or affixed to their buildings to help you find your way. Call for a self-guided historic walking tour publication and map. 563-873-2186

Maiden Voyage Mississippi River Boat Tours **Boat Dock, McGregor**

Dive into the world of the commercial fisherman and clammers on the Maiden Voyage, a 49-passenger fully licensed tour boat. Meander through the beautiful backwaters of the Upper Mississippi River and relax while a knowledgeable guide points out eagle's nests, great blue herons, beavers, river otters and other wildlife. This unique hands-on experience is open to groups of all kinds. Youth fishing trips, youth overnight camping trips and open boarding every Sunday morning. 563-880-8970 or maidenvoyagetours.com

Mississippi Explorer Cruises **On the Riverfront, Lansing**

Enjoy a uniquely tailored riverboat excursion down the Mississippi River with magnificent scenery, abundant wildlife, waterfowl and bald eagles that welcome you around every bend. Tours take passengers off the beaten path of the river's main-channel and into the backwaters of the Mississippi. 877-647-7397 or www.mississippiexplorer.com

Old Amish and Mennonite Community Tour **Howard County**

Purchase everything from produce and baked goods to furniture or a log cabin from these communities that use traditional woodworking and agricultural methods. Working without electricity to craft quilts, furniture, buggies and other items, they sell directly to visitors through their rural country stores. Contact Howard County Tourism to learn more at 563-547-3434.

Oelwein Chamber and Old Order Amish Tours **25 West Charles Street, Oelwein**

Our bus will take you on a tour through Amish Country. The tour includes watching the everyday life of our Amish Community. Stops include shopping at many of their rural country stores. From there we will take you to see other attractions, and stop for lunch in Oelwein. 319-283-1105 or www.oelwein.com

Wood Center Amish Community Tour **County Road C7X, between Garber & Edgewood**

View an Amish community flourishing in Clayton County as you travel through the scenic countryside along County Road C7X. Then make plans to do a little shopping for locally hand-crafted Amish furniture and goods. Contact Clayton County Development Group at 563-245-2201 for more information.

Amish & Mennonite Greenhouses

For many Iowans, a trek to the Mennonite Greenhouses in [Chickasaw County](http://www.chickasawtourism.com/mennonite.html) provides lush and vibrant flower arrangements for a great price. Located on family farms north of New Hampton, these greenhouses are famous for their volume & artistic touch. Visit these greenhouses between April 1st and November 1st. Spring flowers are at their peak around Mother's Day and many greenhouses have mums available in the fall. Greenhouses include the Fruit & Flower Farm, Deerfield Greenhouse, Hoover's Greenhouse, Oak Grove Greenhouse, Windy Hill Perennials and Zimmerman's Greenhouse & Produce. Maps available at the Welcome Center in Nashua or www.chickasawtourism.com/mennonite.html.



Mennonite Greenhouses, Chickasaw County

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS & ENTERTAINMENT

SECTION THREE



Lawnchair Night
Decorah Courthouse

ATTRACTIONS & ENTERTAINMENT ●●●



Chuck Wagon Races
Nashua

Check the NEITA calendar of events at www.visitiowa.org for annual festivals

Best Rodeo Action in Northeast Iowa **305 N Franklin Street, Edgewood**

Enjoy 3 nights of PRCA Pro Rodeo action with bull riding, calf roping, bull dogging, bronc riding and barrel racing. Dig out your cowboy hat and cowboy boots for Edgewood's Annual Rodeo Days, the last weekend in June. 563-928-7036 or www.edgewoodiowa.com

Cassville Car Ferry **Town of Millville, Clayton County**

The Cassville Car Ferry is the oldest operating ferry service transporting vehicles from Millville, IA to Cassville, WI across the Mississippi River. Open Memorial Day - Labor Day seven days a week. 877-891-8298



Petting Zoo at Pinter's Gardens & Pumpkins

Chuck Wagon Races **Big 4 Fairgrounds, Nashua**

Horse racing at its wildest. Eight Chuck Wagon outfits and it's a race to the finish line and such spills and mix-ups you have never seen before. Chuck Wagon Races are held as part of the Big 4 Fair (Labor Day Weekend). 319-276-4421 or www.chuckwagonracers.com

Fish Aquarium & Hatchery **331 South River Street, Guttenberg**

The aquarium exhibits a variety of Mississippi River fish common to the area such as walleye, northern pike, sunfish, blue gill, bullheads and trout. Open 8am-4:30pm daily from May - September. 563-252-1156

Ryumonji Zen Monastery **2452 Ryumon Road, Dorchester**

Ryumonji is a Soto Zen Buddhist temple located in the beautiful rolling hills of Northeast Iowa. Forty acres of land were donated in 2000 for establishing a monastery. We welcome anyone interested in learning about the teachings of the Buddha. There are public meditation sessions offered every Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. and every Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. 563-546-1309

Lady Luck Casino **100 Anti Monopoly, Marquette**

Feel the excitement of Lady Luck Casino as you play your favorite game of slots, video poker, table games or the players club. Enjoy a great dining experience or take in free Las Vegas Style entertainment every Friday and Saturday. Stay at the Lady Luck Hotel and enjoy the scenic view of the Mississippi River. 800-843-4753 or www.ladyluckmarquette.com

Heartland Acres Agribition Center **2600 Swan Lake Blvd, Independence**

Heartland Acres Agribition Center is an exhibition of agriculture's past, present, and future. Your experience begins in "The Barn" complete with a theatre and interactive displays. Feel and smell what a day on the farm is like as you pet live cows and pigs, learn how to use corn grinders and water pumps and shuck your first ear of corn. Experience a day-in-the-life of a late 1880's student at the Once-Room Schoolhouse. 319-332-0123 or www.heartlandacresusa.com

Lock & Dam No. 10

5 Lock & Dam Lane, Guttenberg

Originally constructed and placed in operation in 1937, this site has recently been reopened to visitors after a major rehabilitation project. An observation platform and restrooms are open for visitors daily from dawn to dusk during the months of April and Nov. Contact Guttenberg Tourism at 563-252-2323 for information.

Maize Maze

Town of Elgin

The Maize Maze is located across from the Gilbertson Nature Center outside of Elgin on County rd. B64. The maze is a great opportunity to learn about corn and its uses and the story of agriculture's past. There are mailboxes along the 3.4 acre maze that include facts about the land, wildlife and history of northeast Iowa. July-Oct/Sat-Sun 1pm-5pm. \$5 admission. 563-419-1133

Main Feature Theatre & Pizza Pub

38 West Main Street, Waukon

The "eat while watching a movie place!" Combination theatre & restaurant offering unique entertainment and dining experience with first run movies and seating for 120 plus. Recently renovated with a digital 3D projection system! Open 7 days a week. 563-568-6134 or www.mainfeaturetheater.com

Pinter's Gardens & Pumpkins

2475 Hwy 9, Decorah

Pinter's is northeast Iowa's fantastic destination shopping and activity zone. Complete with garden and landscaping center and gift shop. Their bakery features lunch specials, homemade fudge and specialty cupcakes and party room for gatherings. Pinter's is also the place for fall fun. When autumn arrives families, friends and groups enjoy the pumpkin patch, corn maze, hay rides, vast playground and giant jumping pillow. See website for seasonal hours. 563-382-0010 or www.pintersgardensandpumpkins.com



Seed Savers Exchange

3074 North Winn Road, Decorah

Come explore this 890-acre heritage farm, featuring heirloom display gardens, historic apple orchard and vineyard, heritage livestock and poultry, and miles of hiking trails. Find unique varieties of vegetables, herbs and flowers for your own garden, and get expert gardening advice from their friendly staff. Seed Savers Exchange (SSE) is a non-profit organization dedicated to saving and sharing heirloom seeds. Open to the public from March 1 through December 23. Learn more at www.seedsavers.org or 563-382-5990.

Stone Man

1 mi W of Fayette on Hwy 93 & 1 mi N on M Ave

The Stoneman is a weathered, granite, glacial erratic who came to Fayette County over 500,000 years ago in a glacier. During the late 1800s until the 1920s, it was a hub for activity, serving as a meeting place and directional marker. Contact Fayette County Tourism at 800-477-5073 for more information.

World's Smallest Church

Little Church Road, Festina

Johann Gaertner's mother vowed to her son, who was drafted into the French army and served under Napoleon that a chapel would be built if he returned safely from the Russian campaign. Upon his return, in 1885 nearby landowners quarried stone and built the little chapel with room for only eight people. Located on Little Church Road west of Festina, the dimensions are 12x16 ft. with a steeple that extends 40 ft. tall. This charming location also includes a picnic area and river access. 563-532-9366

ETHNIC & CULTURAL FESTIVALS . . .



Check out the regions calendar of events at www.visitiowa.org to learn about local festivities.

Battle of Old Bradford Civil War Re-enactment Nashua, IA

Dressed in vintage-style military uniforms and equipped with antique firearms, the Civil War reenactors at the Battle of Bradford look like they stepped right out of a time machine. Event held the third weekend in May one mile east of Nashua on Highway 346. 641-435-2567

Czech Days Protivin, IA

Howard County's sixth festival of the season takes place the third weekend in August! This town celebration features games for young and old, tournaments, live music, food, dancing and the Czech Choir. 563-547-3434

Fall-de-All Days Froelich Froelich, IA

Last full weekend in Sept exhibits an agricultural history tour in Froelich of the forerunner of the John Deere tractor that was invented by John Froelich in 1892 and was the World's first gasoline traction engine that could propel itself forward and backward. Event held at the Froelich Tractor Museum at 24397 Froelich Rd. 563-536-2841

Fine Arts Show & Flight Breakfast Cresco, IA

Since 1961, this juried show is one of the oldest in State of Iowa, held the first Sunday in August, featuring artists from around the Midwest showcasing and selling their artwork. 563-547-3434

GermanFest Celebration Guttenberg, IA

Guttenberg hosts an annual GermanFest a heritage celebration held to honor the German Heritage is held the third week in September. Bring your appetite for some of the best German cuisine and native activities from the community home town. 563-252-2323 or www.germanfestguttenberg.com

Independence Day Celebration

1st Ave NE & 6th Street NE, Independence

Best 4th of July Celebration in Northeast Iowa. Musical entertainment, activities for people of all ages, great food, drink and Iowa's most awesome and awe inspiring fireworks over the beautiful Wapsipinicon River.



Osborne Heritage Days

Elkader, IA

Heritage Days at Osborne Nature Center is a great place to be hungry. It's also a great place to do some hand's on learning about what things used to be like. Event highlights include iron works performed by a blacksmith and opportunities to shop for handcrafted items. Attendees may also watch basket weaving and yarn spinning, learn about the printing press and how Guttenberg's moveable type revolutionized the printed world, make and take home a length of your own rope, hand dip your own wax candle or reinvent a handkerchief into a doll. This is a great event for kids! Event held the second weekend on October. 563-245-1516

Lawler Irish Festival

Lawler, IA

Community event honoring Irish heritage. Event is held the third weekend of June and features a parade, Irish band/dancers, vendors, tournaments, games, food and fun. 563-238-7731

Nordic Fest

Decorah, IA

For nearly 50 years millions of visitors from all over the world have flocked to Decorah for Nordic Fest, one of the largest Norwegian festivals in the country. Guests enjoy delicious traditional Norwegian foods, traditional crafts, colorful downtown parade, lively entertainment, sporting events and fireworks display. The event always takes place the last full weekend of July and begins with Thursday night's opening ceremonies at 6:45 p.m., followed by two full days of fun activities for the whole family. 800-382-FEST or www.nordicfest.com

Norman Borlaug Harvest Fest

Cresco, IA

Howard County's seventh festival of the season takes place the third weekend in September! Inspire Day kicks off the fest with tours and interactive activities at Borlaug Farm followed by the famous Quilt Auction, Cruise to Cresco featuring over 100 antique vehicles, 5K run/walk, parade, food, live music, games for kids and adults, crafts, flea, and farmers market and much more. For more information on all 7 festivals. 563-547-3434

Oelwein Heritage Days

Oelwein, IA

The 3rd weekend in August, Oelwein celebrates Heritage Day at Red Gate Park, in appreciation of the contributions Italian settlers and their descendants have made to Oelwein. Festivities include traditional Italian fare, bocce ball contests and other outdoor activities. An open-air Mass is held that includes a procession to the cemetery's altar followed by a festive banquet. 319-283-3300



Czech Days, Protivin

Rendezvous Days

Fort Atkinson, IA

In 1977, the Iowa DNR and the Fort Atkinson community, organized a frontier rendezvous to re-enact life as it was in the 1840s. Participants, dressed in authentic costumes worn in the 1840s, recreated the time period in regards to general military life at the Fort as well as when hunters, trappers, & traders displayed their furs & supplies for barter and trade at a frontier rendezvous as existed further west in the Rocky Mountains. Re-creation of the frontier rendezvous and the 1840s military life at Fort Atkinson has continued every year since. The annual Fort Atkinson rendezvous occurs during the last full weekend in the month of September, with "school day" on Friday, and open to the public on Saturday and Sunday. 800-463-4692

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Waukon, IA

Come and enjoy the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in Waukon the Sunday after St. Patrick's Day. There will be activities involving food, music and fun following the parade. 800-824-1424

Thunder in the Park

Waukon, IA

Annual Civil war historical reenactment held in June at the Waukon City Park. The event is free and begins Friday night and runs through Sunday afternoon. Activities include demonstrations of military camp life, infantry drills, period fashion show, Faire Wynds traveling medicine show, two battle reenactments, dance, cannon firings, children's games and much more. Visit their Facebook page for details.

LIVE MUSIC ● ● ●



General B & The Whiz
Highlandville School House

Enjoy an evening listening to or dancing to live, local music.

During the week or on the weekend, small bars, outside courtyards, opera houses, festivals, and farmers markets, are stages for local musicians, bands, poetry slams and plays. Locally born and celebrated, bands like the Bread and Butter Band, Footnotes, Buck Hollow Band, and Big Blue Sky Band light up these venues. Many of the bands encourage dancing; some are family oriented. Check out www.decorahnow.com, www.dishntunes.com, www.arthausdecorah.org, www.elkaderoperahouse.com, www.luther.edu and any of the county tourism websites to find out when and where you can enjoy local performances. Larger venues include the following:

Clermont

Brick City Bar & Grill and Montauk Historic Mansion

Cresco

Cresco Opera House

Decorah

ArtHaus, Hay Market, Hotel Winneshiek, Inwood Ballroom, Luther College, McCaffrey's Dolce Vita, Nob Hill, Summer Lawn Chair Night on the Courthouse Lawn, T-Bocks, Toppling Goliath, The Courtyard & Cellar (Old Army BBQ), The Elks, The Oaks, Winneshiek Farmers Market and Winneshiek Wildberry Winery.

Elkader

Elkader Opera House

Fayette

American Legion Hall Upper Iowa University

Highlandville

Highlandville School House

Lansing

Summer Music on the Plaza

Marquette

Lone Wolf Bar and Grill at The Lady Luck Casino and Eagles Landing Winery

Marquette

Eagles Landing Winery and Uncle Sam's Saloon

Volga

Volga City Opera House

Waukon

Summer Music on Main

West Union

West Union Outdoor Pavilion



Charles Kime Memorial Bandshell, New Hampton

DIRT TRACK RACING & RALLIES ●●●



Stock Car Races
Cresco Speedway

Cresco Speedway 220 7th Street W, Cresco

Special events held throughout the racing season, from May to September on the 4/10 mile high-banked clay track. Races held Sunday evenings. Classes run at the Cresco Speedway include USRA Modified, USRA Stock Car, USRA B-Mod, USRA Hobby Stock and Outlaw Hobby Stock. For more information on Hot Laps and race times, please visit www.mhcfair.com/speedway or call 563-547-3400.

Fayette County Speedway 504 South Vine Street, West Union

Racing around a 3/8 mile semi-banked oval begins at 7 pm each and every Friday night. Kids 11 and under are FREE. Classes run at the Fayette County Speedway include B-Modified, Hobby Stock, Stock Car, Flyer, and the new Road Runner class. Hot laps begin at 6:30pm and races begin at 7pm. 319-327-2733 or visit the Fayette County Speedway Facebook page.

Independence Motor Speedway 204 12th Street NE, Independence

This Speedway hosts some of the best dirt track drivers in the region. Located at the Buchanan County Fairgrounds, Independence Motor Speedway remains the longest-running IMCA sanctioned track in the country, having over 30 consecutive season as a sanctioned facility. IMCA sanctioned Late Models, Modifieds, Stock Cars, Northern SportMods, Hobby Stocks and Sport Compacts race during Saturday night programs. Gates open at 4pm, hot laps 6pm and racing begins at 6:30pm. 319-334-9287 or www.independencemotorspeedway.com

The racing season in Northeast Iowa is from May-Sept, with speedways hosting a variety of events.

Upper Iowa Speedway 900 East Main Street, Decorah

Join us for "Saturday Night Racing at its Best!" The Upper Iowa Speedway features racing on a 1/3 mile semi-banked clay oval located in Decorah on the Winneshiek County Fairgrounds. There are five classes of great racing action at the Upper Iowa Speedway. Racing B-Mods, Stock Cars, Hobby Stocks and Hornets, 600 Mod-Lites. Hot Laps at 6:00 pm - Racing at 6:30 pm. 563-382-9984 or www.upperiowaspeedway.com

Volga City Truck Cruise & Rally Volga City Park, Volga

One of the best and biggest truck event in the midwest! Volga City Truck Cruise allows anyone with a pick-up to participate in competition events like Burn-Out, Tug-A-Truck, Donut, Figure 8 and Mud Bog. All activities happen during the last weekend in August. 563-880-3673



POOLS & RECREATION CENTERS . . .



Community Swimming Pool
Postville

If you're looking for a way to cool off this summer or are wanting a family activity, check out a community pool.

Calmar Public Pool

601 Pool Park Drive, Calmar

Large pool, diving boards, kids' wading pool, snack bar and restrooms/showers. 563-562-3148

Chickasaw Wellness Complex

1050 W. Hamilton, New Hampton

State-of-the-Art community fitness center that offers cardio equipment, basketball and volleyball courts, racquetball court, rubberized track, batting cage, golf cage, free weights, circuit training, locker rooms and steam rooms for both men and women. There is also a supervised children's area. Visitors can purchase a one day pass or a 10-punch pass. 641-394-5433 or www.wellnesscomplex.com



Aquatic Center, Monona

Cresco Fitness Center & Thomson Pool

316 3rd Ave E, Cresco

Golf driving range, batting cages, walking track, sport courts, aerobics/dance facilities, and an in-door swimming pool. 563-547-3443 or www.cityofcresco.com

Decorah Municipal Swimming Pool

701 College Drive, Decorah

Outdoor leisure concept pool with 8 race lanes and diving boards, water slide, zero depth entry, concessions and playground equipment. 382-2055

Elkader City Pool

600 High Street, Elkader

Located in City Park, the pool features diving boards, snack shack and swimming lanes. 563-245-1510

Fairbank Family Aquatic Center

5th and Main Street, Fairbank

This center has a large slide, kiddie pool, picnic area and a large lap pool. 319-635-2533

Independence Swimming Pool

609 5th Street SE, Independence

Outdoor community pool with diving boards open to the public. 319-334-6711

Lansing City Pool

490 Bench Street, Lansing

Outdoor community pool with sloping area and diving boards. 563-538-4343

Lime Springs Swimming Pool

5th and Main Street, Fairbank

Only outdoor pool in Howard County. 563-566-2606

Meinerz Dairyland Swimming Pool**111 Schult Ridge Road, Fredericksburg**

Outdoor public swimming pool with diving board.

563-237-5725

Monona Family Aquatic Center**601 W Davis Street Monona**

Outdoor pool with kiddie area, lanes for lap swimming, two slides & concession stand. 563-539-4516

New Hampton Swimming Pool**Mikkelson Park on E Main Street, New Hampton**

Large pool with slide, kiddie pool, shallow-end, sloping area and diving boards, located within Mikkelson Park, which includes tennis courts, skateboard park, numerous playgrounds, picnic shelters. 641-394-3037

Northeast Iowa YMCA**313 West Post Street, Postville**Northeast Iowa YMCA programs include health & fitness, family, community development, arts and sports. The facility is open seven days a week and includes gym, fitness center, indoor pool, aerobics and a dance studio. 563-864-9622 or www.ymca.net**Oelwein Aquatic Center****400 4th Street NE, Oelwein**

Large outdoor swimming pool with diving boards & kiddie area. 319-283-4047

Oelwein Wellness Center**318 8th Ave SE, Oelwein**

This facility includes a fitness center and a physical therapy suite. 319-283-2312

Postville Hall Roberts Swimming Pool**402 Wilson Street, Postville**

Outdoor public swimming pool with diving boards and lanes for lap swimming. 563-864-7690

Team Rehab**516 Montgomery Street, Decorah**Team Rehab has combined a Physical Therapy Clinic with a Wellness Center, taking advantage of the benefits that the combination entails. Both physical therapy patients and wellness center members are able to utilize a full line of state-of-the-art equipment and a therapeutic pool - and enjoy the professional expertise on staff at Team Rehab. 563-382-4770 or www.teamrehab.org**Therapy & Wellness Connection****1600 First Street E, Independence**

TWC is a medical fitness facility open to the public which provides personal training, message therapy, CPR training and private swimming lessons. 319-332-0999

**Aquatic Center Complex, West Union****Waukon Family Aquatic Center****Rossville Road, Waukon City Park**Take a splash to cool off or catch some rays at the Waukon Family Aquatic Center! The entire family will enjoy the twisting water slide, diving board, and designated children's area, which includes geysers and a raindrop structure. A sizable intermediate swimming area with water from two-to three-foot depths and a series of competition lanes provide swimming opportunities for persons of all skill levels. 563-568-6420 or www.cityofwaukon.com/iowa/aquatic-center.html**Waukon Wellness Center****1220 3rd Ave NW, Waukon**Providing wellness opportunities for people of all ages, WWC includes cardio & strength training, group exercise classes, sport courts, indoor track, batting and golf cages, a teen center and a senior center. 563-568-0074 or www.waukonwellness.com**West Union Rec Center & Aquatic Center Complex****800 North Pine Street, West Union**The West Union Rec Center is a beautiful area, complete with playground, two miles of walking paths, playing fields, and ponds for "catch and release" fishing. The West Union Aquatic Center boasts 7,775 square feet of fun! Enjoy its 132-foot water slide, competitive swim lanes, zero-depth entry, two diving boards, and a full-service concession stand. 563-422-3685 or www.westunion.com/aquatic-center.html**Winthrop Swimming Pool****334 2nd Street S, Winthrop**

Outdoor public swimming pool with diving board and water slide. 319-935-3306

DINING HIGHLIGHTS & LOCAL FOOD



Fennely's Irish Pub
Elkader

DINING HIGHLIGHTS



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Backwoodz Steakhouse & Lanes

303 4th Street, Elma

Steakhouse & Lanes features a full service Bowling Alley and a fine dining addition. Beautiful woodwork and inviting ambiance lets you grab a quick sandwich or a relaxing dinner with all the trimmings. 641-705-0277

Barney's Tavern

201 South Mill Street, Wadena

Famous for their "Barney Burger," an oversized double cheese beef patty sandwich. 563-774-2525

Beer & Brat Garden

101 Front Street, McGregor

If you are a brat lover check out the McGregor Beer and Brat Garden. This is a place with brats in the name of the establishment, so you know they're not messing around. Beer and Brat garden is located right on the Mississippi River and in addition to brats, has an extensive beer list, sandwich menu and broasted chicken. 563-873-9613



Cyndra's West Side Cafe, Waukon

Every small town has a restaurant that serves up food, drink and fun. Visit www.visitiowa.org to learn more.

Big Ed's Firehouse

680 West Milwaukee Street, New Hampton

Appetizers, smoked meats, hot wings and barbecue, specialty salads and sandwiches as well as steaks. Weekday daily lunch specials. All sauces prepared on the premises. 641-394-6067 or www.bigedsfirehouse.com

Bill's Pizza and Smokehouse

210 1st Street W, Independence

Offer an extensive menu that features appetizers, sandwiches, burgers, salads, soups, pasta, slow smoked BBQ, seafood, steaks, Chops, Bill's specialty pizza, Chicago Style pizza, kids menu, beverages, beers, and dessert. 319-334-2455 or www.billspizza.net

Dotzy's Restaurant and Saloon

240 Center Street, Elgin

This restaurant has a unique western atmosphere and great food and drink menu selections. Among Dotzy's featured dishes are steaks served "still cooking on a cast-iron skillet," ribs, pork chops, brisket, pulled pork sandwiches and an "awesome grilled cheese sandwich." The eatery is complete with a penny floor consisting of 275,000 pennies. 563-518-6061 or www.dotzys.com

Del Rio Restaurante

323 1st Street E, Independence

The finest Mexican eating establishment in Independence. Fast and friendly service, offering regular live entertainment as well. 319-334-7001

Em's Coffee Co**324 First Street E, Independence**

Choose from a wide range of sweets, drinks, coffee and teas as well as a delicious selection of Chocolate Shoppe Ice Cream. 319-332-1234 or www.emscoffeeco.com

Ede's & the Angry Pickle Deli**213 Water Street, Decorah**

This restaurant is dedicated to bringing "the unique to you" by providing the freshest, highest quality goods from local producers at reasonable prices. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner the menu is wholesome, healthy and diverse. Known for their deli sandwiches, Bergen fish chowder, salad bar and dinner specials. 563-382-9600

Franny's Restaurant**115 North Washington Street, Edgewood**

A hometown charm with a friendly smile that offers a variety of palette pleasing meals. Enjoy steaks, seafood, burgers and nightly specials with your family. 563-928-6233

Franklin Hotel**102 Elkader Street, Strawberry Point**

On the National Register of Historic Places, the Franklin Hotel offers excellent food in an unique setting to visitors. The Franklin Hotel serves breakfast, lunch, dinner, and has an amazing Sunday buffet. 563-933-4788

Grand Central Station**274 Main Street, Lansing**

Grand Central Station is known for its luxurious atmosphere and remarkable food to match. The extensive menu includes Mexican and Italian dishes, seafood, chicken, gourmet burgers, specialty sandwiches, desserts, a kids menu and a large breakfast menu which is served all day. 563-538-3333 or www.grandcentralstationlansing.com

Gus & Tony's Pizza & Steak House**508 West Main Street, Waukon**

Gus & Tony's Pizza & Steak House is a full service dine in restaurant serving sandwiches, pasta, beer, pizza and steak dinners available along with a meeting room for any special event. Carryouts welcomed. 563-568-6015

Hotel Winneshiek - Alberts Restaurant & The Tap Room**104 East Water Street, Decorah**

Join Chef Tom Skold and his culinary team as they provide fresh, house-made dishes featuring locally sourced ingredients. Within this beautifully restored historic hotel you will find an array of dining options for breakfast, lunch and dinner. The pub features weekly live entertainment and is open every night at 4 pm. 563-382-4164 or www.hotelwinn.com

Harmon's High Caparall Tavern & Restaurant**247 Ross Ave, New Albin**

Enjoy this small town pub and eatery, from home-made soups to quarter pound burgers. 563-544-4272

Klunder's Kafe**929 W. Milwaukee St, New Hampton**

Enjoy great home cooking, delectable desserts featuring mile-high meringue pies. Check out the larger than life Leghorn chicken in the parking lot! 641-394-4973

La Rana Bistro**120 Washington Street, Decorah**

This "New American" trendy restaurant is a great location for a fabulous lunch or dinner. Locals and visitors alike rave about La Rana, located in Decorah. Their extensive wine and beer selection, unique dishes like gourmet pizzas, Tapas, and Duck, and intimate atmosphere make this stop a home run. Open Mon-Sat 11-2 for lunch and 5-9 for dinner. Reservations are accepted and welcomed. 563-382-3067

Laddy's Bar & Grill**204 Main Street, Chester**

This restaurant and bar features daily lunch and supper specials, as well as drink specials. Famous for their beer battered fish, mouth watering steaks, fall-off-the-bone baby back ribs, and hand breaded chicken. 563-565-3030

Leo's Italian Restaurant**29 S Frederick Ave, Oelwein**

Delicious, authentic Italian cuisine. Homemade pizza, too! Open Mon-Sat 10am to close. 319-283-1655 or www.leositaliandining.com

Mabe's Pizza**110 East Water Street, Decorah**

Their "Regular" and "Around the garden" pizzas were named "Best of the Bluffs!" They also offer burgers, chicken, pasta, salads and sandwiches. Party rooms available. Open for lunch and dinner 7 days a week. 563-382-4297 or www.mabespizza.com

McCaffrey's Dolce Vita**2149 Twin Springs Road, Decorah**

USA Today named McCaffrey's wood fired pizza "Best in Iowa." Nestled into the hillside surrounded by beautiful Twin Springs park, it's truly a one-of-a kind setting featuring delicious Italian cuisine. Catering available. Check the website for their Summer Concert Series. Open Wed - Fri 4 - 9 pm, Sat 11 - 9 pm, and Sun 11-8 pm. 563-382-4723 or www.mcdolcevita.com

Mulligan's Irish Grill Pub
610 Rossville Road, Waukon

Mulligan's is a great place to stop with your family or just to relax and watch a game at the pub with friends. The restaurant features an all around menu with something for everyone, but a special treat may be a bowl of their old fashioned Irish stew. The pub features a variety of Irish beers along with a full service bar and free popcorn. 563-568-5400 or www.mulliganswaukon.com.

Old Armory BBQ
421 West Water Street, Decorah

Enjoy mouth-watering barbeque, made in-house and smoked daily. Platters, sandwiches, salads, and sides are served in a casual, down-home atmosphere with patio seating available. Old Armory is a counter-service style restaurant which features daily specials and homemade pie. Open daily for lunch and dinner. 563-382-6208 or www.oldarmorybbq.com

Old Rossville Store
851 Volney Road, Rossville

Bar and restaurant with a full menu including delicious steaks and seafood. Also rental space available for meetings and special events. 563-535-7272

Panda Garden
105 2nd Ave SE, Cresco

Authentic Cuisine of China. Obey General Tso's order and march to Cresco's Panda Garden for great made-to-order Chinese! 563-547-1044

Picket Fence Cafe
531 South River Park Drive, Guttenberg

Well-known for their flavorful BBQ'd meats prepared in a smoker. BBQ'd pork shoulder and Texas-style beef brisket are two regular menu items served with Jane's famous Calico Baked Beans. Saturdays are the day for sassy BBQ'd St. Louis-style spareribs. Authentic German Potato Salad and seven types of bratwurst are also staples on the menu. 563-252-3820



Klunder's Kafe, New Hampton

Pub at the Pinicon
2205 S Linn Ave, New Hampton

The Pup offers a full menu of steaks, chops, seafood, pastas, entree salads and delicious sandwiches. The full-service bar includes tap beers - Blue Moon, Fat Tire, Smithwicks, Stella, Bud Light and Guinness. 641-394-4430 or www.pubatthepinicon.com

Rubaiyat
117 West Water Street, Decorah

Ingredient-driven dishes reveal Rubaiyat's commitment to using the highest quality products, in season, and local when available. The New York Times calls Rubaiyat "The place to eat" when visiting Decorah. Enjoy Iowa's largest wine & beer list. Party room available and on-site wine shop. Open Wed-Sat at 5 pm and Sun brunch from 9am-1pm. 563-382-WINE or www.rubaiyatrestaurant.com

Safe House Saloon
359 Main Street, Lansing

Known for their delicious pizzas, unique atmosphere, and large selection of tap beers and drinks. Visitors may eat peanuts (don't forget to throw the shells on the floor!), play pool, or listen to live music. 563-794-0520 or www.safehousesaloon.com

Schera's Algerian Restaurant
107 South Main Street, Elkader

Drawing from Algerian, North African, and Mediterranean cuisines, along with a mix of Midwestern favorites, Schera's offers a healthy and exciting alternative to the usual diner fare. 563-245-1992 or www.scheras.com

St. Olaf Tavern
106 South Main Street, Saint Olaf

Home of the world's largest tenderloin. According to the Des Moines Register, the St Olaf Tavern is one of, "100 places in Iowa that you have to eat before you die." 563-783-7723

Taste of Mexico
142 South Lawler Street, Postville

Spice things up with an authentic Mexican meal. Taste of Mexico's innovative Mexican dishes make lunchtime and dinnertime extraordinarily exciting. Great fajitas, burritos, tacos, tortas and enchiladas. Every day and weekend specials, kid's menu, tropical drinks, beer and wine coolers. 563-864-3810

Teluwut Grille House & Pub
104 N Elm Street, Cresco

You'll find the best Flat Iron Steak in the region as well as a delicious menu of seafood, pasta, burgers, sandwiches, wings, appetizers, and salads. 563-547-3300 or www.teluwut.com



T-Bock's Sports Bar & Grill 206 W Water Street, Decorah

Family-friendly sports bar that is the perfect place to meet up and catch the game or socialize with friends. They serve the best burgers, sandwiches, wraps, salads, and appetizers around, plus offer a huge selection of tap beer (over 20 varieties) and specialty bottled beers and wine. 563-382-5970 or www.tborks.com

TJ Hunter's Pub & Grub 377 Main Street, Lansing

Offers the ultimate experience with a full food menu that allows you to satisfy any craving from breakfast to a full course dinner. For a challenge you may want to tackle the original "monster burger." TJ Hunter's also offer a full – service tiki bar located on the Mississippi River. 563-538-4544 or www.tjhunterslansing.com

The Coffee House - Escape the Daily Grind 109 E Main Street, New Hampton

Enjoy a cup of coffee, a latte or one of their specialty coffee drinks or smoothies. The Coffee House also offers soups, salads, deli style sandwiches and "homemade" ice cream. 641-394-9040

The Dam Bar & Grill 106 E Main Street, Lime Springs

This downtown Lime Springs hotspot serves up great food and fun. Nightly specials and Wolf Den pizzas are popular with everyone! 563-566-4443

The Irish Shanti 17455 Gunder Road, Gunder

The Shanti is the home of the one pound "Gunderburger." The Shanti also offers fresh pork loins, turkey tenders, boiled cod (Poor Man's Lobster), rib eye steaks and a variety of import beers. 563-864-9289 or www.thegunderburger.com

The Oaks Steakhouse 1101 State Hwy 9 West, Decorah

The Oaks Steakhouse features American style cuisine like their famous Angus Grilled Burger or The Rueben. Enjoy sides like homemade soups, scrumptious appetizers, and a full bar where you can enjoy classic cocktails. The restaurant and pub also features a variety of banquet spaces for group of 10-300. It's a great location for wedding receptions, rehearsal dinners, family brunches or even business meetings. 563-387-0300

The Train Station 202 Maryville Street, Calmar

The Train Station is a casual restaurant located right along Hwy 52 in Calmar and is the perfect pit stop. Breakfast, lunch and dinner menu items are made from scratch at a price that can't be beat. Try their famous "flash burger," which is a hamburger steak with hash browns, onions and melted cheese with fresh warm texas toast on the side. Other favorite menu items include their pizza, burgers, steaks and seafood. What about a slice of homemade pie? It's all good at the Train Station! 563-562-3082

TJ's Pizza 218 Mill Street, Clermont

The pizza makers at TJ's know people like their steaks cooked differently. They know people also have preferences for how they like their pizza. If you have never tried their pizza we recommend a trip to TJ's in Monona and Clermont soon! 563-423-7222

Whippy Dip 121 College Drive, Decorah

The Whippy Dip is a seasonal ice cream shop that opens the first day of spring and stays open through the middle of October. 563-382-4591

White House Supper Club 104 W Main Street, St. Lucas

One of the last true supper clubs remaining in northeast Iowa. This restaurant features a cocktail lounge, private party rooms, carry-outs, and a full menu. Favorite entrees include: filet mignon, ribeye, pork loin filet, lobster & steak, ham steak, shrimp, walleye, prime cut cod, and new york strip. 563-778-2291

Wings 606 Waterloo Creek Drive, Dorchester

Known for their one-of-a-kind hot wings and sixteen signature sauces plus a full menu. 563-497-3353.

Wolfey's Wapsi Outback 101 Water St, Quasqueton

Great place with great homemade pizza! 319-934-3445

LOCAL FOOD & FARMS • • •



Apples on the Avenue

3035 Addison Blvd, 2 miles S of Nashua

The orchard features 26 apple varieties and lots of local garden produce for sale. Enjoy special weekend activities in the fall; horse drawn wagon rides, kid's apple games, baked goods for sale. Open daily summer thru end of October. 641-210-5506

Calhoun Creamery

1456 Hwy 9, Churchtown

Fresh dairy products and homemade cheese curds. 563-538-4295

Country View Dairy

15197 230th Street, Hawkeye

This Dairy specializes in homemade all natural, creamy, and delicious farmstead yogurt. 563-422-8633



Stop by a farmers market, orchard, winery or co-op for one-stop shopping with local ties.

Down's Produce

17443 Lincoln Road, Fayette

Down's Produce is a roadside stand that offers a variety of local produce, homemade jams and Iowa wine. They welcome customers seven days a week during the growing season (May - October). 563-425-4099

East View Orchard

2355 Union Ave, Fredericksburg

Family owned and operated apple orchard with varieties too numerous to mention. Also sweet corn, pumpkins, squash, gourds, green beans, cucumbers, tomatoes, beets, onions, potatoes, rutabagas, cabbage, broccoli, zucchini, egg plant, and mums. 563-238-3871

Edgewood Locker

609 W Union Street, Edgewood

796 Main Street, Arlington (West - 2nd location)

Edgewood Locker, Inc. has been proudly serving northeast Iowa since 1966. This locker is well known for their large selection of award winning meat products, cheeses, sauces and rubs that they offer for sale, plus their custom processing. 563-928-6814 or www.edgewoodlocker.com

Great River Maple

796 Main Street, Garnavillo

Family owned farm that offers pure maple syrup, maple cream and maple crunch from the bluffs of the Mississippi River. 563-964-9139 or www.greatrivermaple.com

Hawkeye Buffalo Ranch

3034 Pembroke Ave, Fredericksburg

Located on 500 acres, it's where the buffalo roam. Be transported by wagon out into the herd where you can feed them by hand. We conclude by providing you with a taste of buffalo jerky. Please call for a reservation. 563-237-5318 or www.hawkeyebuffalo.com

Howard County Meat Lockers

Howard County features FOUR lockers. Elma Locker & Grocery, Town & Country Locker & Grocery (Lime Springs), Polashek's Locker (Protivin); featured on Bizarre Foods of America with Andrew Zimmern, and County Line Locker (Riceville). Each award winning locker offers meat processing and retail sales.

Koehn's Berries & Produce

13814 220th Street, West Union

U-pick or we-pick. Bulk pectin always on hand. We offer on a seasonal basis: asparagus, rhubarb, tomatoes, cucumbers, peas, strawberries, sweet corn, raspberries and blackberries. 563-422-3716

New Albin Meat Market

199 Railroad Ave NW, New Albin

If you love meat you will love the City Meat Market. The meat here is second to none. City Meat Market has bacon, rib eye, sweet pork jerky, fish, dried beef, and both hot and mild beef sticks that are all smoked with hickory. 563-544-4236

Northeast Iowa Farmers' Markets

Learn about Northeast Iowa farmers markets at www.iowafreshfood.com. The website highlights producers and provides information about locations and hours.

Oneota Community Food Co-op

312 Water Street, Decorah

In the heart of downtown Decorah you'll find a special place where community, visitors, local producers and hard workers all meet. The Co-op has been serving the area for over 35 years. Natural, organic and local foods can be bought individually or in bulk. They also offer a complete supplement and body care department plus fine wine and beers. A fresh deli serves breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. There is cozy indoor seating or a brand new downtown park where guests can enjoy a meal or coffee. 563-382-4666 or www.oneotacoop.com

Oran Locker

5001 Main Street, Oran

This locker is well known for processing as they offer over 43 specialty deer products. Pork and beef product list includes brats, sausage, chops, bacon and bologna. 319-638-6371 or www.oranlocker.com

Peake Orchards

319 North Line Drive, Waukon

Sample some of the best Honeycrisp, Redwell, Enterprise, Connell Red, Cortland, Regent, and Haralson apples available. Take a hayride through the orchard on Sundays from 2pm to 4pm in Sept & Oct. Orchard open weekends Sept thru Thanksgiving. 563-419-0449

Pedretti's Bakery

101 North Main Street, Elkader

This bakery bakes everything from gingerbread men and cookies to donuts and turnovers daily. Fresh bread is baked every Tuesday. Cinnamon rolls, danish rolls, bismarks, eclairs, creamhorns and crispies are readily available. Open Tues thru Fri 6am-5:15pm and Sat - 6am-4pm. 563-245-1280 or www.pedrettisbakery.com

Phillip's Honey

2378 Kenwood Ave, New Hampton

Sell pure raw Iowa honey. 641-394-3475

Tony's Locker

230 South Mill Street, Wadena

This locker is known for their award winning beef jerky, plus they have a variety of cheese/meat products and do custom meat smoking. 563-774-2725

WW Homestead Dairy

850 Rossville Road, Waukon

This creamery offers the freshest products with extraordinary flavors. Everything from homemade ice cream, cheese curds and milk to block cheese and ice cream cakes can be had. Visitors may also tour a local farm and the creamery to watch how each dairy product is produced. 563-568-4950 or www.wwhomesteaddairy.com

Zimmerman Produce

1105 Exeter Ave, Alta Vista

During the summer enjoy farm fresh produce, beans, strawberries, corn, potatoes, tomatoes, cucumbers, cabbage and much more. Mums available in the fall. Closed on Sunday. 641-364-7002



Phillips Honey, New Hampton

WINERIES & BREWERIES • • •



Cafe' Rose' Winery

119 North Washington Street, Edgewood

Sip the best "rodeo town" wines like 8 Second Red or Rodeo Clown Blush for a cowboy kickin taste. Stop in for a tantalizing wine taste and lunch or dinner. Visit their website for serving hours. 563-928-6908 or www.caferoseiowa.com

Eagles Landing Winery

127 North Street, Marquette

Sample award winning wines or take a tour of the winery. Tucked in the Bluffs of Marquette along the Mississippi River, Eagles Landing offers over 28 varieties of wine & free samples daily. Attached gift shop and historical display of Emma Big Bear's hand woven baskets. 563-873-2509 or www.eagleslandingwinery.com

Empty Nest Winery

1352 Apple Road, Waukon

Handcrafted wines made in small batches using grapes and several varieties of berries handpicked predominantly from their family farm and from the surrounding area. Sample up to 18 wines in the tasting room on Saturdays from 10-5pm and Sundays from 1-5pm. If you would like a private wine tasting just give them a call! 563-568-2758 or www.emptynestwinery.com

Engelbrecht Family Winery

2866 270th Street, Fredericksburg

Wander along the walking trail to see over 10 acres of grapes. Check out the winery, tasting room and some of the best wine in northeast Iowa. 563-237-5969 or www.thefarmhousebb.com/winery

Many of the wines produced here have received national recognition as well as international honors.

PromiseLand Winery

39053 Great River Road, Guttenberg

PromiseLand Winery is a family owned and operated business located in the southern hills of Guttenberg on the Great River Road. Harvest season involves the family to hand pick grapes that create a crisp flavor to their wines that is pallet pleasing for dry, semi-sweet or sweet wine lovers. 563-252-3088 or www.promiseilandwinery.com

Toppling Goliath Brewery

310 College Drive, Decorah

Toppling Goliath is a stealth brewery that bring exquisitely hand crafted beer to their loyal customers in bottles and draft. Brewed at a larger production facility, visitors can stop in to sample any one of their 30 plus beers at the tap room located on the west side of town. The tap room also features an outdoor patio with live music on select weekends. 563-387-6700 or www.tgbrews.com

Winneshiek Wildberry Winery

1966 337th Street, Decorah

The winery features award winning, Midwestern grape & fruit wines. Enjoy wine tastings, tours of the wine cellar and vineyard and browse the artisan wares at the gift shop. The event room is available for special events. Light lunch menu available. Open Wed. - Sat. 10 am - 5 pm, Sun. 12:30 - 5 pm. 563-735-5809 or www.winneshiekwinery.com

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REGIONAL TRAIL MAP

Howard County

- 1 Lake Hendricks Trail - 3 mi
- 2 Wapsi Great Western Line Trail - 33 mi
- 3 Upper Iowa Water Trail - 156 mi
- 4 Prairie Springs Recreational Trail - 3 mi
- 5 Rock Arch Rapids

Winnebago County

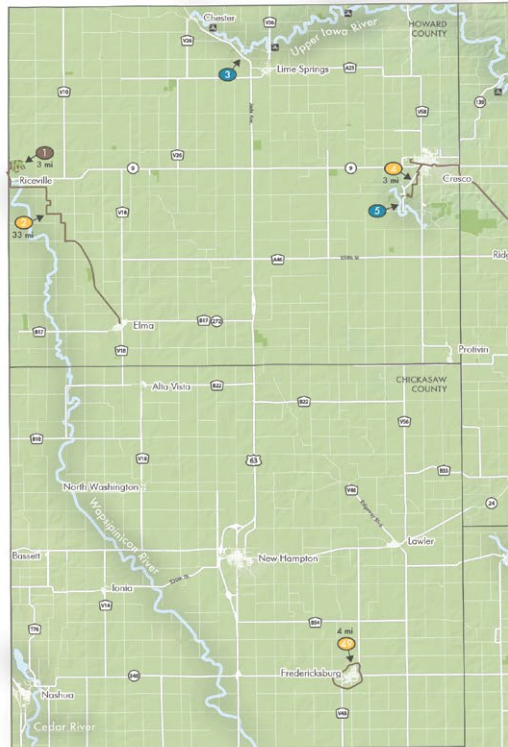
- 3 Upper Iowa Water Trail - 156 mi
- 6 Prairie Farmer Trail - 20 mi
- 7 Lake Meyer
- 8 Dry Run Trail - 8 mi
- 9 Twin Springs Loop - 1 mi
- 10 Pulpit Rock Trail - 1.5 mi
- 11 Luther College Nature Trails - 5 mi
- 12 Malanaphy Springs State Park - 1.5 mi
- 13 Seed Savers Heritage Farm - 8 mi
- 14 Dunning's Spring - 7 mi
- 15 Van Peenan - 10 mi
- 16 Pallisades - 5 mi
- 17 Trails from Freeport - 1.5 mi
- 18 Trout Run Trail - 11 mi

Allamakee County

- 3 Upper Iowa Water Trail - 156 mi
- 19 Yellow River Water Trail - 53 mi
- 20 Lulls Park Trail - 0.5 mi
- 21 Driftless Area Scenic Byway - 100 mi
- 22 Waukon Recreational Trail - 2 mi
- 23 Natural Gait Equestrian Trails - 25 mi
- 24 Yellow River State Forest - 25 mi
- 25 Johnson Slough Canoe Trail - 6 mi
- 26 Reno Bottoms Canoe Trail - 14 mi
- 27 Lansing to Harpers Canoe Trail - 17 mi
- 28 Mississippi River Trail (MRT) - 26 mi
- 29 Iowa Great River Road (GRR) - 140 mi

Clayton County

- 28 Mississippi River Trail (MRT) - 26 mi
- 29 Iowa Great River Road (GRR) - 140 mi
- 30 Effigy Mounds National Monument - 14 mi
- 31 Pikes Peak State Park - 13 mi
- 32 River Bluffs Scenic Byway - 109 mi
- 33 Guttenberg Historic Riverwalk - 2 mi
- 34 Turkey River Water Trail - 98 mi
- 35 Pony Hollow Trail - 4 mi



- 36 Elkader Whitewater Park
- 37 Elkader River Walk - 0.5 mi
- 38 Backbone State Park - 25 mi

Buchanan County

- 39 Wapsipinicon Water Trail - 43 mi
- 40 Amish Boulevard Trail

Fayette County

- 32 River Bluffs Scenic Byway - 109 mi
- 34 Turkey River Water Trail - 98 mi
- 41 Gilbertson's Nature Trail - 5 mi
- 42 Heritage Farm Park - 10 mi
- 43 Turkey River Recreational Corridor Trail - 4.8
- 44 Echo Valley Environmental Nature Trail - 2.5
- 45 Dutton's Cave Park - 1 mi
- 46 Volga River Recreation Area (VRRRA) - 22 mi
- 47 Volga River Multi-Use Trail (To VRRRA) - 5 mi
- 48 Fayette Recreational Trail - 2.8 mi

Chickasaw County

- 49 Plum Creek Bike & Nature Trail - 4 mi

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