

Middleton, Idaho

YEAR INCORPORATED: 1910 POPULATION: 9,336

DRIVING DISTANCE TO BOISE: 28 Miles COMMUTE: 0:30



Location: Blazing Hope Youth Ranch





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»» MODEST MIDDLETON

MIDDLETON, IDAHO - Middleton is an authentic Idaho farm town, only 45-minutes removed from the hustle and bustle of downtown Boise. Middleton has a small-town culture where horses and farmland are the norms, and getting directions to the best old-fashioned ice cream shake seems like a natural conversation. (It's the Burger Den on Main Street if you were wondering.)

People choose Middleton for its charm and reasonably priced property. Buying acreage is more affordable, and many older homes in Middleton come with land, barns, and outbuildings. Purchasing acreage and building

your dream home can quickly become a reality here. And while the town hasn't escaped the urban growth the Treasure Valley has seen in recent years, it remains a small town of more than 9,000 residents, retaining its rural feel and down-home hospitality.

FAMILY ORIENTED

Family is a big deal in Middleton, so the school district is one of the best in the valley. The student-to-teacher ratio is small, giving kids one-on-one attention typically only provided in a more expensive private-school education. Showing their commitment to the future of Middleton and its children, the city built a new



high school that is one of the most elite in the state of Idaho concerning technology and safety.

The parks in this rural community rival those of larger neighboring cities. This town is so committed to family recreation that it has two parks departments—the City of Middleton Parks & Pathways Department and the Greater Middleton Parks & Recreation Department.

The City of Middleton owns four beautiful parks in this small town. Piccadilly Park is the largest park. It hosts a farmer’s market throughout the summer, offers an interactive splash pad, and features a new, progressive Grindline Skatepark, attracting locals and visitors to this top-of-the-line skatepark.

Dedicated to developing and preserving open

space in this scenic country town, Greater Middleton Parks and Recreation Department offers free movies at Foote Park throughout the summer. Residents enjoy community plays and partake in a pickleball, basketball, or volleyball game at Middleton Community Center, an old elementary school gym GMPRD renovated. It has become a daily gathering spot for seniors and retirees, and the community center offers an after-school recreation room for middle school and high school students.

Yes, Middleton may be the most modest small town city in the Treasure Valley area, but it’s big on heart, family, and community. And that is just how the locals want to keep it.