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WHAT WE LOVE ABOUT

BOSE

OUTDOOR RECREATION

The Treasure Valley is surrounded by natural beauty, offering abundant opportunities for outdoor activities. We love hiking in the foothills, exploring scenic trails, and taking advantage of nearby rivers for fishing, exploring along the greenbelt, and floating the river.

COMMUNITY CHARACTER

The Treasure Valley maintains a friendly and close-knit community atmosphere. Idahoans often appreciate the strong sense of community and the welcoming nature of their neighbors. You'll always find a friendly face.

CULTURAL EVENTS

Boise hosts a variety of cultural events, festivals, and local fairs throughout the year. These events provide opportunities for residents to come together, celebrate, and enjoy the vibrant local culture.

LOCAL FOOD SCENE

From farmers' markets to food truck parks to diverse dining options, the Treasure Valley is known for its thriving local food scene. Residents enjoy access to fresh, locally grown produce and a range of culinary experiences.

QUALITY OF LIFE

The Treasure Valley offers a high quality of life with a relatively low cost of living compared to some other parts of the country. This, coupled with a strong job market and good schools, makes it an attractive place for families

BOISE'S URBAN AMENITIES

Boise, the capital city of Idaho located in the Treasure Valley, provides urban amenities without the congestion of larger cities. Residents appreciate the vibrant downtown, cultural institutions, and recreational opportunities Boise offers.

FOUR SEASONS

We enjoy experiencing all four seasons, from snowy winters, blooming springs, warm summers, and crisp autumns. Each season brings its own charm and a variety of outdoor activities, contributing to a well-rounded and enjoyable living experience.

PROXIMITY TO NATURE

The Treasure Valley is surrounded by natural wonders, including mountains, forests, and rivers. We value the easy access to outdoor adventures, whether it's a weekend camping trip or a day exploring scenic landscapes.

SENSE OF SAFETY

Many residents appreciate the overall sense of safety and security in the Treasure Valley. The area is known for its low crime rates and the feeling of being in a secure environment.

STRONG LOCAL ECONOMY

The area has experienced economic growth, and those living here appreciate the job opportunities and economic stability that come with it.

FACTS



ABOUT

Est. 1890

CAPITAL

BOISE

POPULATION

1.94 Million

Land Area

83,557

Sq. Miles



ELEVATION

Highest 12,662 ft. (Mt. Borah)
Lowest 738 ft. (Lewiston, ID)

STATE GEM

Star Garnet STATE FLOWER

Syringa

STATE BIRD

Mountain Bluebird

3,500 River Miles

STATE FRUIT

Huckleberries

STATE FOOD

Potato



STATE TREE
Western
White Pine



TALK LIKE A LOCAL

Despite the common misnomer "BOY-zee," locals lovingly correct it to "BOY-see," also known as The City of Trees. This moniker, rooted in its French etymology meaning "wooded" or "forested," encapsulates the lush landscapes and tree-lined streets.

Navigating the unique pronunciations of towns and streets can be a challenge. For instance, Ustick is pronounced "You-stick,", Chinden Boulevard, "Chin-din" a contraction of "CHINese garDEN," pays homage to the Chinese settlers and their bountiful gardens in what is now Garden City. The town of Kuna, contrary to intuitive pronunciation, sounds more like "O-na,".

COMMUNITY OF COURTESY

The Treasure Valley is characterized by its friendly and warm atmosphere, where manners, mutual respect, and kindness are deeply embedded in the community's culture. This welcoming nature is expressed through everyday interactions like smiles, eye contact, holding doors, and friendly conversations, reinforcing the Valley's reputation as being hospitable and congenial.

The area has experienced an influx of newcomers. As the population grows, it brings a shared duty to respect the environment. Keeping cities clean, preserving wildlife, and protecting natural habitats are not just civic duties but are also essential to sustaining the quality of life that Idaho offers.

TATER KINGS

Idaho isn't just famous for potatoes; it's the U.S. champion, producing a whopping one-third of the nation's spuds. Talk about being a potato powerhouse!



Driving culture is marked by courtesy and cooperation, evident in behaviors like smooth merging and efficient roundabout use.

For those residing in Boise or its surrounding areas, having a car is recommended, especially for those living outside the city. Public transit, mainly provided by Valley Regional Transit, is available but might not be sufficient for all travel outside of Boise city.

ALL ABOUT ROUNDABOUTS

In Boise's roundabouts, yield to traffic already in the circle. When entering, choose the correct lane early: right lane for right turns or straight ahead, left lane for left turns or U-turns. The essentials:

Lane Choice: Select your lane before entering and stick to it throughout.

Yield: Yield to both pedestrians and oncoming traffic when entering and exiting the roundabout. Don't stop once inside; incoming traffic should yield to you.

Caution and Speed: Slow down for safety, staying alert for pedestrians, unexpected lane changes, and large or emergency vehicles.

ZIPPERING 101: A QUICK OVERVIEW

The zipper merge, used correctly, counters the issues of early merging at "lane closed ahead" signs, which can cause traffic jams and frustration. Using both lanes fully until the merge point, then alternating turns to merge, much like a zipper's teeth. This technique balances lane speeds, cuts traffic backup by up to 40%, and smooths out congestion at freeway interchanges, ensuring a fair and efficient flow for all lanes.

- Use both lanes until the merge point.
- Alternate turns merging for fairness and efficiency.
- Best used in heavy, slow-moving traffic.

Soak in the Seasons

Boise experiences four distinct seasons, with blossoming springs, warm summers, colorful autumns, and serene snowy winters, each providing a varied and lively atmosphere throughout the year.











Welcome to Boise: A Year-Round Playground!

The Treasure Valley's diverse and vibrant seasonal activities reflect the community's spirit and the beauty of its surroundings! Whether you're looking for family-friendly adventures or cozy date night spots, Boise has something for everyone.

Spring

Expo Idaho Spring Lineup

Expo Idaho - March

Explore the Idaho Sportsman's Show, offering outdoor enthusiasts the latest in hunting and fishing gear. Discover classic cars at the **Annual** Roadster Show, find home inspiration at the Boise Home Show, and browse one-of-a-kind finds at the **Treasure Valley Flea Market**.

Fairy & Gnome House Exhibit

Idaho Botanical Garden - April Explore the enchanting world of the Fairy & **Gnome House Exhibit** where imaginative creations bring the garden to life. This annual event offers a magical escape for visitors of all ages, making it a delightful experience for families and nature enthusiasts alike.

Gem State Comic Con

Expo Idaho - April

Gem State Comic Con stands as Idaho's premier pop culture event, uniting enthusiasts from multiple fandoms. Recognized as Idaho's official and longest-running comic con and pop culture convention. This expansive event caters to fans of comic books, movies, celebrity guests, video games, cosplay, toys, games, anime, live entertainment, and more.

It has consistently built lasting memories for families and friends, fostering a sense of community through shared enjoyment. Anticipating the return of avid fandom friends, Gem State Comic Con 2024 is scheduled for April at Expo Idaho.

Speeding Through Spring

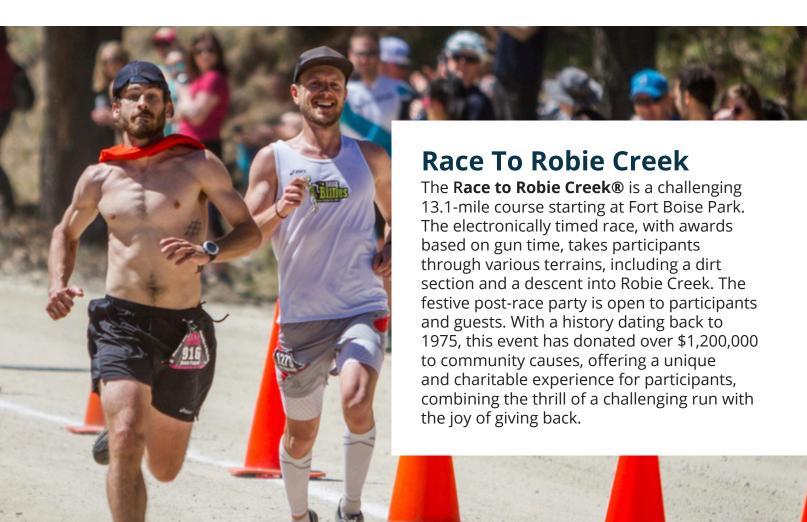
March - October

Firebird Raceway is a drag racing facility with a quarter-mile-long track. Along with multiple events and car shows, fans of all ages can come to watch the races at this National Hot Rod Association member track.

In the heart of the Treasure Valley, **Meridian Speedway** is a premier racing venue that draws enthusiastic crowds. Hosting a season of exciting events, this family-friendly speedway is a thrilling hub for motorsports enthusiasts in the community.







REEFORT MUSIC

Julia Davis Park and multiple venues in Downtown Boise



Treefort Music Fest was born out of the momentum of Boise's growing music and arts scene over a decade ago, and over the years that followed Treefort quickly grew and expanded to the five day multi-venue emerging artist festival it is today!

literally something for everyone!

Since its inception in 2012, Treefort Music Fest has undergone transformative growth, mirroring the dynamic nature of Boise itself. The lineup has blossomed from 120 to over 500 bands over the five days, both local and international, across various venues - from parking lots to coffee shops, abandoned storefronts to bars and even buses. The festival's forts, including Alefort, Yogafort, Filmfort, Kidfort, Storyfort, Hackfort, Comedyfort, Foodfort, Dragfort, and more, mirror the diverse communities

beer, wine, and cocktail offerings, film

accessibility even down to the type of

tickets and passes available -- there is

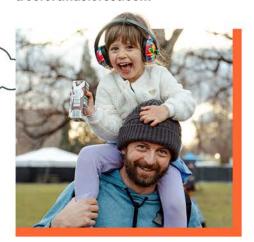
features and shorts, yoga classes,

Looking Back

of Boise.

S Tier Status

Right here in our backyards, Treefort Music Fest has found its place among the top indie festivals in the country, and brings together new and upcoming musical artists, local music, food, beer, yoga, film, comedy, drag, literature, tech, and so much more. Notable artists who have performed at Treefort over the years include Lizzo, Odesza, Charles Bradley, Liz Phair, Ani DiFranco, Run the Jewels, TV on the Radio, Sharon Jones, Unknown Mortal Orchestra, Lucy Dacus, Vince Staples, Jamila Woods, NEIL FRANCES and loads more. Find out the lineup for this year and easily get your passes at treefortmusicfest.com



Treefort is for Everyone

At Treefort there's not just one genre of music or one type of event. The lineup is always diverse and inclusive! And it's not just the music that represents various cultures, you'll see the same in the food selections.

A Festival of Discovery

Do as the locals do and get a five-day pass to Treefort Music Fest to tap into the incredible lineup. Even if you don't recognize a single band on the poster -- you'll soon discover loads of music from indie rock to hip hop and everything in between!





Clockwise from above: Lizzo performing on Treefort Main Stage in 2017, Treefort is for the entire family, Prism B*tch performing at Skatefort in 2021

Summer

Idaho Botanical Garden Concerts

All Summer

Immerse yourself in the cultural music scene of Boise at the Idaho Botanical Garden. The Outlaw Field Concert Series is a highlight, featuring internationally renowned artists in the picturesque setting of Idaho's historical Outlaw Field. This summer music series not only provides enchanting melodies but also serves as one of the Garden's major fundraisers. Additionally, the Great Garden Escape, a collaboration with Duck Club Presents, invites you to enjoy the ambiance of the garden while relishing performances by local and regional artists. This intimate gathering spot offers a perfect blend of music, local food, beer, and wine, creating a memorable summer experience.

Experience Idaho

Expo Idaho - May

It's a full-day event highlighting the incredible local companies, people, and products that only happen here in Idaho! You can learn about outdoor adventures, summer concerts and Ida(home) projects you didn't know you needed to know about, and shop locally produced apparel, art, crafts, food, and plenty more—all while you sip beer or wine and listen to live music.



Boise Music Festival

June

The **Boise Music Festival** in June is a mustattend event, featuring a spectacular music lineup of country, throwback, hip-hop, pop, and soul, carnival attractions, and exclusive experiences. With over 50 local bands and engaging headlining acts, it's the Treasure Valley's premier musical extravaganza, promising entertainment for all ages.

Emmett Cherry Festival

June

This annual event, held during the second full week of June, celebrates the region's cherry harvest with a variety of family-friendly activities, live entertainment, and delicious cherry-themed treats. Attendees can enjoy free admission, local crafts, and indulge in the flavors of the celebrated cherries during this festival. The traditional **Cherry Festival** events, concerts and carnival all happen in the **Emmett City Park**.



Alive After Five

The Grove - June-August

In the heart of Boise's energetic summer scene is Alive After 5, a free concert series at the Grove Plaza, presented by the Downtown **Boise Foundation**. From June to August on select Wednesdays, this all-ages event transforms the city center into a lively musical haven from 5 to 8 pm, featuring a mix of local talents and international artists. Beyond the music, enjoy free games, cold beverages, and a splash pad for cooling off. Dance and mingle with fellow concert-goers while supporting local nonprofits. Accessible bathrooms and parking options are available, but be mindful of hot pavement and leave pets at home. Dive into the rhythm of Boise's summer with Alive After 5, where the community spirit and musical joy converge in an unforgettable experience!



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Meridian Fine Arts Festival

June

The inaugural **Meridian Fine Art Festival** will take place at Kleiner Park in Meridian, near the Village. This outdoor art fair will feature over 75 artists and craftsmen from the Pacific Northwest, offering a wide range of works including painting, leatherwork, wood burning, and stained glass, alongside live entertainment, food vendors, and a splash pad for children.

Canyon County Fair

July

Held annually in Caldwell, Idaho, featuring thrilling carnival rides, live entertainment, agriculture showcases, and family-friendly activities. This fair offers residents and newcomers alike a fantastic experience of Idaho's lively traditions.

Twilight Criterium

Downtown Boise - July

Boise Twilight Criterium, a cycling event that is part of the American Criterium Cup series. Drawing top cyclists from across the country and beyond, the event features high-stakes races for both men and women, with a cash prize evenly split between the fields. The action-packed day includes professional road races, a family-friendly Kids' Ride, and an enhanced EXPO park with a regional beverage garden, vendors, food trucks, and activities. Recognized as one of the top 10 criteriums on the USA Cycling calendar, the Boise Twilight Criterium promises an electrifying experience for over 20,000 spectators.



San Inazio Basque Festival

Downtown Boise - July

The annual **San Inazio Basque Festival** in downtown Boise, held on the last weekend of July, is a lively celebration of Basque culture, featuring live music, dancing, sports, and delicious food and drinks. The festival, honoring the Patron Saint of the Basque people, Saint Ignatius, is a testament to Basque influence in Boise and is free for all.

Boise Soul Food Festival

July

The **Soul Food Festival**, held annually at Julia Davis Park, features African-American inspired soul food, music, dancing, and Black businesses. The event includes educational components such as workshops, demonstrations, and discussions on African-American history, culture, traditional dances, music, hair care, and social justice issues.

Independence Day Fireworks Spectacular

Lighting up the skies with these free community celebrations.

Boise

Ann Morrison Park

McCall

Payette Lake

Nampa

God and Country Festival; Ford Idaho
Amphitheater

Caldwell

4th of July; Brothers Park

Meridian

Independence Day Celebration; Storey Park

Middleton

Foote Park

Star

Hunter's Sports Complex



Gowen Thunder Air Show August

The **Gowen Thunder Air Show** in Boise, Idaho, is an exhilarating annual event that showcases the world of aviation. Spectators are treated to aweinspiring aerial performances by skilled pilots flying various aircraft, from high-speed jets to historic planes. This family-friendly air show offers an exciting experience, providing an opportunity to witness incredible aerobatics, static displays, and enjoy a day filled with aviation excitement.

Summer Traditions: Festivals & Parades

Meridian Dairy Days is held the third weekend of June at Storey Park celebrating the rich dairy heritage of Meridian with a full lineup of events, including a carnival, golf tournament, Meridian Speedway race, Dairy Days Parade, live shows, and much more.

Eagle Fun Days, a two-day extravaganza in early July, featuring Family Fun Night, live music, a car show, the Wet & Wild parade, cornhole tournament, and the unique Rocky Mountain Oyster Feed.

Kuna Days is in early August at Bernie Fisher Park, featuring live music, vendors, and a family movie night. Saturday includes the Boy Scouts Pancake Breakfast, Kuna Days Fun Run, a parade on Main Street, and a free kids carnival at the East Baseball Field. The festivities conclude with the Kuna Days Fireworks Show.





Western Idaho Fair August

Experience the rich heritage of Idaho at the Western Idaho Fair, a landmark event since 1897. Showcasing Idaho crops, agriculture, livestock, arts, and culture, the fair features judging competitions and free concerts on a first-come, first-serve basis. This annual event promises family-friendly entertainment, thrilling carnival rides, nostalgic food, and unique exhibits, creating an unforgettable experience for all ages.

The Nampa Festival of the Arts Nampa - August

A cultural event that started in 1986 at Lakeview Park, celebrates the creative talents and artistic expressions of the community, showcasing a variety of arts including fine arts, jewelry, and oldworld crafts. Initiated by the **Nampa Parks and Recreation Department** and the **Nampa Art Guild**, this festival provides a platform for local artists to exhibit and sell their work, and features entertainment and country crafts.

Hyde Park Street Fair *September*

Discover Boise's North End with a free event featuring 3 days of entertainment, 140+ vendor booths filled with art, clothing, jewelry, and more.

Rodeos and Professional Bull Riding



PBR (Pro Bull Riders) - Ford Idaho Center (March) **Eagle Rodeo** - Eagle, Idaho (June)

Treasure Valley Rodeo Meridian, Idaho (June)
Snake River Stampede - Ford Idaho Center (July)
Caldwell Night Rodeo - D&B Supply Arena (August)

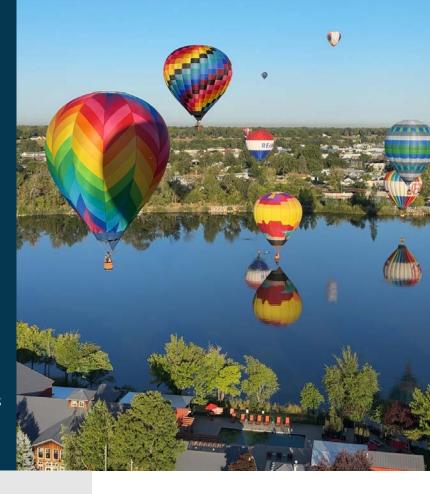
Spirit Of Boise Balloon Classic

September

The Spirit of Boise Balloon Classic has a distinguished history in Boise, drawing thousands of locals and tourists to Ann Morrison Park over multiple days. This annual event features a stunning display of colorful balloons, uplifting music, and local radio stations, creating an unforgettable experience.

Launches are typically early morning and dependent on weather conditions, with hot air balloons floating over downtown Boise, occasionally gracing historic landmarks like building rooftops, Broadway Avenue, and the Capitol building's front lawn.

The festival provides free tethered rides on Kid's Day, opportunities to meet pilots each morning, and an unforgettable Nite Glow spectacular.



Autumn

Art in the Park

September

Art in the Park is held at Julia Davis Park and is a highly regarded cultural event in the Northwest. Hosted by the Boise Art Museum, this free and open-to-the-public festival showcases over 200 artists' creations for purchase. The three-day event presents an array of contemporary arts and crafts, complemented by delightful food, live music, entertainment, and engaging hands-on activities for children.

Boise Entrepreneur Week

October

Held annually at JUMP, Boise Entrepreneur Week, is Idaho's premier event for entrepreneurship and innovation. Featuring a variety of activities, including keynote speeches from national figures in entrepreneurship, and interactive workshops. This event is a pivotal gathering for skill development, networking, and contributing to Idaho's economic growth.

Boise Baroque Summer Concerts

August-September

Summer concerts at the **Chateau des Fleurs** goes beyond music with lawn games, and interactive instruments and coloring pages for the little ones. Relax with available wine, beer, and drinks or bring your own picnic. Those with dinner reservations can savor a pre-concert meal at Roghani's Restaurant inside the Chateau. Seating options include lawn, concert row seats, and table seating.

Old Boise Oktoberfest

September

A lively celebration of German culture, featuring traditional Oktoberfest music, foods, a variety of beers, and a stein hoist competition. The festival caters to all ages with a dedicated kids' game area and face painting. This annual event offers a perfect blend of cultural celebration and fun in Old Boise District of Downtown Boise.



Witches Night Out October

Witches Night Out at The Village in Meridian, Idaho, is a Halloween event where participants don witch costumes and enjoy an evening of shopping, dining, and festivities. This annual tradition features costume contests, photo ops, and special promotions at The Village's stores and restaurants.

Boo At The Zoo October

A popular family-oriented Halloween event at **Zoo Boise**, features trick-or-treating in a unique zoo setting with themed stations, interactive activities, games, and entertainment. This annual celebration combines Halloween fun with wildlife fascination, providing a safe and engaging experience for visitors of all ages to enjoy the Halloween spirit in a captivating zoo environment.

Taste of Boise

Downtown Boise - October

Taste of Boise is a culinary showcase highlighting Boise's diverse food scene. Set in the city center, it features a range of dishes from top local restaurants, food trucks, and chefs. The festival offers a mix of gourmet and comfort foods, emphasizing local and international flavors.

Dogtober Fest

Indian Creek Plaza - October

Dogtober Fest at Indian Creek Plaza in

Caldwell, Idaho, is a festive gathering for dogs and their owners, featuring costume contests, talent shows, dog parades, and vendor booths with pet products and services. It's a beloved community event that brings together dog enthusiasts for a day of enjoyment and connection with their pets.

Small Business Saturday *November*

Small Business Saturday is an annual event supporting the city's local businesses. Held the Saturday after Thanksgiving, it encourages shopping at Boise's independent stores, boutiques, and eateries, particularly in areas like downtown. The event, featuring special deals and unique finds, not only bolsters the local economy but also strengthens community bonds.



Pumpkin Farms and Harvest Attractions

October - November

IDAHO BOTANICAL GARDEN

Fall Harvest Days Every Saturday in October

LOWE FAMILY FARMSTEAD

FLAMING ACRES FARM

SHINDIG FARMS

LOVELY HOLLOW FARM

Winter

Polar Bear Plunge

New Years Day

The Great Polar Bear Challenge, hosted at Lucky Peak Reservoir, is a thrilling and chilly event where participants take a dip in cold water to support Make-A-Wish Idaho. The event, which aims to raise funds for critically ill children, is a unique and meaningful way to start the New Year. It includes prizes for top fundraisers and offers an opportunity to make a lasting impact on the lives of local children.

The Nutcracker

December

Each holiday season Ballet Idaho and the Boise Philharmonic present The Nutcracker at the Morrison Center in Boise. This popular event is held over multiple weekends, and brings the lush sounds of Tchaikovsky's score to life. The production casts approximately 90 children from the Ballet Idaho Academy and utilizes every Ballet Idaho company member and trainee.

Festival of Trees

November

The Saint Alphonsus Festival of Trees is a cherished holiday tradition. For over 35 years, this event has transformed the Boise Centre into a winter wonderland filled with exquisitely decorated Christmas trees. Each tree is uniquely adorned by local businesses, community groups, and designers, ranging from traditional to avant-garde designs. Visitors can enjoy a variety of activities including silent auctions for the trees, live entertainment, and special themed nights.



Idaho Potato Drop

Downtown Boise - New Years Eve

The **Idaho Potato Drop** is a renowned New Year's Eve celebration in Boise, featuring the unique "GlowTato" drop at midnight and a spectacular fireworks display. This event has received national attention in recent years and is often featured on networks like, NBC, CNN, and more. The event includes live music, the Urban Air Ski and Snowboard Exhibition, local food and drink, and VIP options with exclusive amenities. It's also a charitable event, supporting local arts, businesses, and charities.



McCall Winter Festival

McCall, ID - February

The McCall Winter Carnival, a two-hour drive from Boise, Idaho, is an annual event known for its impressive snow sculptures, drawing over 60,000 visitors and being a tradition for over 50 years. The carnival features fireworks, parades, live music, and winter sports competitions, set against the picturesque backdrop of Payette Lake and surrounding mountains, offering a delightful celebration of winter in a quaint town atmosphere.

Discover Winter Wonder

Winters in the Treasure Valley truly shine bright with numerous places to get into the holiday spirit, see Christmas lights, visit Santa, and ice skate.

WINTER GARDEN AGLOW

Experience the magical Winter Garden aGlow at the Idaho Botanical Garden. This enchanting display features twinkling lights, delightful displays, and the aroma of cookies and hot chocolate. Children can explore a winter wonderland, while adults enjoy cozy moments by the fire pits and holiday drinks at the Snow Globe Bar. Don't miss the Gingerbread Village and the opportunity to write letters to Santa.

WINTER WONDERLAND AT INDIAN CREEK

Join the festive celebrations at Winter Wonderland in Caldwell, where over a million lights illuminate Indian Creek. Enjoy a variety of activities like ice skating, visiting Santa, and shopping from vendors. The lights display normally runs from mid-November through early January, turning on automatically at dusk each night.

SCENTSY COMMONS

With over 450 trees wrapped in 45 miles of 900,000 lights, including a 250-foot light tunnel and a towering 75-foot Christmas tree, Scentsy Commons in Meridian is a must visit destination during the holidays. The light show runs every evening through mid-January, transforming the Scentsy campus into a winter wonderland. Scentsy Commons is open to the public free of charge.

SANTA'S VILLAGE

The Village in Meridian transforms into a winter wonderland with various events throughout the season. Notable activities include tree lighting, Santa's arrival, and an ice skating rink available from November to January, weather permitting. The Village offers a charming and festive atmosphere, perfect for leisurely strolls to enjoy the holiday decorations, shopping, and dining experiences.

DOWNTOWN CHRISTMAS TREE & GLIDE ON GROVE

The Downtown Boise Christmas Tree Lighting is a beloved tradition, marking the start of the holiday season. The event features a 35-foot tree adorned with over 5,000 lights and custom decorations. An exciting addition is a seasonal skating experience with downtown Boise as the backdrop. It's a must-visit and the best part? It's free!







EAGLE COUNTRY CHRISTMASDowntown Eagle by Heritage Park

CANYON COUNTY FESTIVAL OF TREES
Ford Idaho Center

DOWN HOME COUNTRY CHRISTMAS
Kuna Downtown at 4th Street

GEM COUNTY FESTIVAL OF TREES
Emmett

NAMPA CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING
Nampa Downtown - 12th & Front



Discover the Active Side of Boise

Welcome to the Treasure Valley, a haven for outdoor enthusiasts and those seeking an active lifestyle!

This region is teeming with opportunities for adventure and relaxation, from the scenic trails of the Boise Greenbelt perfect for hiking, biking, and paddleboarding, to the tranquil fishing spots and bustling golf courses. If you're looking for excitement, the area's food truck events and local music gatherings offer a taste of local culture and cuisine.

Families, youth, and sports fans can engage in a variety of sports, while camping, skiing, tubing, and ice skating provide seasonal fun. And for those who love the water, boating on the serene lakes is a must. Whether it's indoor fitness at one of the many gyms or outdoor exploration, the Treasure Valley is a playground for all ages and interests.

First Thursday

First Thursday in downtown Boise is a lively monthly event that transforms the city's core into a bustling cultural hub. On the first Thursday of each month, local galleries, shops, and restaurants open their doors for an evening of art, music, and community engagement. Stroll through the streets, explore art exhibits, enjoy live performances, and savor the diverse culinary pairings. It's a fantastic opportunity for newcomers to experience the creative spirit of downtown Boise while connecting with the local community.

Disc Golf in Boise Parks

Disc golf players have a variety of courses to enjoy. Ann Morrison Park in Boise offers a well-maintained layout for all skill levels, while the course at Bogus Basin provides a more challenging, mountainous terrain. Eagle Island State Park combines natural beauty with strategic play. Additionally, Julius Kleiner Park in nearby Meridian adds to the options with its own distinct course, further enhancing the disc golf experience in the region.

Music on the Mountain

Experience a bustling summer scene with the Music on the Mountain concert series at **Bogus Basin**. Enhance your outdoor experience by bringing lawn chairs or a blanket to relax on the expansive lawn during this free family-friendly summer music series.



The Allure of Boise's Greenbelt

Explore Boise's extensive 25-mile Greenbelt path, lined with lush parks winding alongside the Boise River, is perfect for walking, biking, and various outdoor activities with multiple access points. Some prominent entry points include:

Lucky Peak State Park: The easternmost part of the Greenbelt begins at Lucky Peak State Park, near the Lucky Peak Dam.

Parkcenter Boulevard: In Boise, you can access the Greenbelt with convenient access to the trail.

Downtown Boise: The Greenbelt passes through the heart of downtown Boise, with several access points from parks, streets, and bridges spanning the Boise River.

Garden City: As you move west, Garden City provides additional entry points to the Greenbelt.

Veterans Memorial Park: Located on the north side of the river in Boise.

Eagle: The western terminus of the Greenbelt is in the city of Eagle, where you'll find parks and trailheads providing access.



Summer Activity at Bogus Basin Ski Resort

Bogus Basin transforms into a summer playground, from May-September. From scenic chairlift rides, hiking trails, and exciting disc golf course, to exhilarating mountain biking catering to various skill levels. Families can enjoy a day of fun at the **Mountain Adventure Park**, featuring the exhilarating Glade Runner mountain coaster and gem panning for the younger ones. With its many summer offerings, Bogus Basin becomes an adventurous attraction for warm outdoor recreation.



Explore the Exciting Boise Food Truck Scene

Explore the exciting food truck scene in The Treasure Valley.

Green Acres Food Truck Park, which hosts food lovers along with live music near a scenic riverside. The Southern Idaho Food Truck Association organizes multiple rallies and festivals, including the Southern Idaho Food Truck "Feastival", gathering a broad selection of mobile kitchens. The Switchback Boise in Harris Ranch, adding to the mix with its unique selections. Stone Crossing in Eagle, also hosts family-friendly Food Truck Nights complete with live music and adult beverages. You won't want to miss a single event, check local schedules across the Treasure Valley.

Splash Into Adventure

For those seeking an adrenaline rush, **Boise's Whitewater** Park situated along the Boise River, adjacent to Quinn's **Pond**, offers a thrilling urban water experience with engineered waves and chutes for kayaking, paddleboarding, and surfing, with three additional in-river wave structures catering to various skill levels, and a plaza area with scenic viewing spots. Rentals are available for those looking to embark on an exciting whitewater adventure. As a vital hub for water sports and community gatherings, it adds a refreshing dimension to Boise's lifestyle.

The area around Boise offers a variety of paddleboarding and kayaking spots, each with unique characteristics. The **Boise River** is ideal for a relaxing float through the city, while nearby Lucky Peak Reservoir, Quinn's Pond, and **Esther Simplot Park** have calm, easily accessible waters. **Lake Lowell**, in the Deer Flat National Wildlife Refuge, and Celebration Park on the Snake River offer scenic surroundings. Robie Creek Park provides a quiet retreat in a park-like environment for those seeking a blend of water and greenery.





SUP Tips All vessels must display the Idaho Invasive Species Sticker, contain a life jacket and whistle on board, and anyone under age 14 must wear a life jacket.





Floating the Boise River

Floating the Boise River is a summer tradition in the area. The float, which covers about 6 miles and lasts approximately 2-3 hours, allows individuals to enjoy a self-guided experience. The journey starts at **Barber Park**, offering convenient raft and tube rentals, along with a shuttle bus service for accessibility, concluding at Ann Morrison Park.

While the Boise River remains open throughout the year, the float season and Barber Park's services, equipment rentals, and shuttle operations are contingent on suitable river and weather conditions, typically available from late June through Labor Day. Persons 14 years-old and under must wear a life jacket.

Boating and Watersports

Boating, waterskiing, and wakeboarding are a popular summer activities. Lucky Peak Reservoir stands out for summer boating with unique boat-in areas, accessing over 45 miles of shoreline and 80 picnic/camping sites. These boat-in areas, offer spots for midday picnics, group camping, or stargazing.

Lake Lowell near Nampa has evolved into a popular recreation destination, with boating, swimming, and fishing activities amidst the oasis of southwest Idaho. Black Canyon Reservoir, northeast of Emmett, extends over 1,100 acres with 12 miles of shoreline, serving as a prime destination for boating, fishing, swimming, and camping, complete with amenities like restrooms, boat ramps, picnic tables, and accessible facilities.



Hunt & Cast: Boise's Prime Spots for Outdoor Adventure

In Idaho, hunting is a significant part of the culture, offering a range of game and outdoor experiences across various seasons. The state's terrain, including the Sawtooth Mountains and Clearwater **National Forest**, provides ideal settings for big game hunting in the fall, and bird hunting in late fall and early spring. Idaho also offers excellent fishing opportunities throughout the year in places like the Snake River and Henry's Lake, targeting trout, salmon, bass, and catfish.

For both hunting and fishing, the **Idaho Department** of Fish and Game provides essential information on regulations, licenses, and permits, accessible on their official website (https://idfg.idaho.gov/).



FUN FACT The Cutthroat Trout (Oncorhynchus clarkii) is the official state fish of Idaho, home to 3 distinct subspecies. The name "cutthroat" refers to the red coloration on the underside of the trout's lower jaw.

Whitewater Rafting

In the Boise area and its surroundings, there are several companies that are well-equipped and experienced, ensuring a safe and enjoyable rafting experience for both beginners and experienced rafters.

Cascade Raft & Kayak Located on the Payette River just 45 min from Boise, this company has been a favorite for whitewater rafting since 1985. They offer various levels of rafting adventures, including both thrilling and milder familyfriendly experiences, along with kayaking and ziplining. Their facility includes amenities like a café and gift shop.

Bear Valley Rafting Co. Conveniently located less than an hour from downtown Boise. They provide both half-day and full-day rafting trips on the Payette River, catering to a range of skill levels and preferences, with trips including guided services and meals.

Boise River Outdoor This outfitter provides guided, relaxing rafting trips on the Boise River, suitable for all ages, including children and seniors. Their services include essentials like helmets, life jackets, and snacks, making them a great option for family-friendly rafting.







Explore Boise's trails, ranging from easy and family-friendly to more challenging, for both casual walkers, avid hikers, and mountain bikers, many with dog-friendly options.

BOISE RIVER GREENBELT TRAIL Ann Morrison Park stretching 10.1 miles with a modest elevation gain, features a well-maintained path with varying surfaces from paved concrete to packed gravel. It's designed for accessibility, with a gentle grade and width of at least 8 feet, suitable for wheelchairs, mobility equipment, and strollers. This riverside trail is accessible throughout the year.

RED CLIFFS NATURE CENTER TRAIL is a 3.1-mile loop known for its moderate challenge and steady climb, taking about 1.5 hours to complete. Popular for hiking, mountain biking, and running, it's open year-round. The trail welcomes dogs, with designated off-leash areas.

VETERANS AND BIG SPRINGS LOOP TRAIL a 2.3-mile route near Eagle, offers a moderately challenging hike typically taking about 1 hour to complete. Popular for hiking, mountain biking, and running, it's a great trail for enjoying peaceful moments, dogs to be leashed.

TABLE ROCK TRAIL is a moderately challenging 3.9-mile loop trail, typically takes about 2 hours to complete. Popular for hiking and horseback riding from March to November, it allows leashed dogs but has limited shade and no water, so carrying your own water is essential. Notable landmarks like "the Cross" and the "quarry" with a city overlook, open during daylight hours only.

THE BETHINE CHURCH RIVER TRAIL at Baggley Park is a 2.7-mile out-and-back trail with an easy walking and birding route that takes about 47 minutes to complete. Great for hikers and walkers and welcomes dogs on leashes, though bikes are not allowed.

HULLS GULCH NATURE TRAIL is a 6.3-mile out-and-back trail accessed via a maintained 3-mile dirt road, recognized for its moderate difficulty, usually taking about 3 hours. The trail offers stunning views of Boise, a seasonal creek with waterfalls, and a canopy of pine trees. Open from March through November, perfect for hiking enthusiasts, with areas for dogs to roam off-leash.

BUCKTAIL, SHANE'S, CENTRAL RIDGE TRAILS, AND THE MILITARY RESERVE form a 6.9-mile loop, a moderately challenging hike typically completed in 3 hours. Open year-round, this system is popular for birding, hiking, and horseback riding. Dogs are allowed, with some off-leash areas. The Bucktail Trail is specifically for downhill mountain biking (riders should go counterclockwise), while the Two Point Trail accommodates dual-direction pedestrian traffic.

Trail Tact: Navigating Boise's Pathways

The 210-mile network, known as the Ridge to Rivers Foothills trail system, managed by the Bureau of Land Management, emphasizes trail etiquette for a peaceful, safe experience. Users, including hikers, bikers, and horseback riders, should practice courteous behavior such as announcing "on your left" when overtaking a fellow trail-goer, and yielding to uphill traffic. Being mindful of nature, avoiding wet trails, and following dog rules, ensures a positive environment for all.



Swing Into the Treasure Valley

You'll find an impressive collection of golf courses in and around the Boise area. **Shadow Valley Golf Course** in Garden City offers a meticulously designed course with engaging challenges. Pierce Park Greens is a par-3 course ideal for a casual round. Riverside **Golf Course** combines scenic beauty with a challenging layout, and **Hillcrest Country Club** provides a well-established course with traditional and modern features. **Crane** Creek Country Club offers a challenging and landscaped course. Indian Lakes Golf Club provides an 18-hole course surrounded by natural beauty. Boise Ranch Golf Course (boiseranchgc.com) is known for its well-designed layout. Warm Springs Golf Course offers a historic setting. Concluding the Boise options, Quail Hollow Golf Club is a picturesque course.

Lakeview Golf Course in Meridian provides a welcoming atmosphere and a familyfriendly environment for golfers.

Moving into Eagle, BanBury Golf Course features an 18-hole championship layout with water features. Eagle Hills Golf Course boasts a meticulously maintained course with beautiful views.

In Kuna, Falcon Crest Golf Club (falconcrestgolf.com) is renowned for its stunning views. **River Birch Golf Course** (riverbirchgolfcourse.net) in Star, offers an idyllic setting.

Stepping into Nampa's courses, you'll enjoy a perfect blend of challenge and enjoyment and well-maintained greens at Centennial Golf Course, while RedHawk Golf Course provides a championship layout with stunning Owyhee Mountain views. TimberStone **Golf Course** in Caldwell, known for its challenging design, hosts various events, and **Purple Sage Golf Course** welcomes golfers of all levels.



Top Golf in Meridian combines the excitement of a high-tech driving range with the convenience of varied restaurant options, catering to all tastes in a familyfriendly environment. It's a perfect destination for golf enthusiasts and novices alike, where families and friends can gather for a fun-filled day of golf, dining, and relaxation in a welcoming setting.







Skiing, Snowboarding, And Tubing

Bogus Basin Ski Resort is the closest ski resort to Boise, only 40 minutes away. Enjoy alpine skiing and snowboarding across 2,600 acres of terrain with 88 runs served by 10 lifts. If you're into Nordic skiing, the trails provide a serene connection with nature. Visitors can also enjoy the tubing hill or fat tire biking on the Nordic Trails.

Tamarack Resort, located 95 miles north of Boise, stands out with the largest vertical drop in the McCall area, runs for all skill levels, three terrain parks, fat tire biking, and snowshoeing in a picturesque setting. Exceptional amenities, including a quaint village retail area, convenient daycare services, varied dining options, and a selection of lodging accommodations. Guided ice fishing on Lake Cascade are also available.

Located just 9 miles north of McCall, Brundage Mountain features wide groomed runs, substantial snowfall, and a 1,921-foot vertical drop. Equipped with six lifts and varied ski runs, including two terrain parks, guided Snowcat tours across 18,000 acres of terrain, snowmobile tours & rentals, Snowshoeing on groomed trails for exploring the mountain. Family-friendly options include drive-up daycare, a children's center, and multiple dining options. Brundage also features the McCall Activity Barn, offering family-friendly snow tubing with a Magic Carpet conveyor belt for quick access to the top.

Little Ski Hill, just 2 miles north of McCall, may be small, but its charm and history, along with night skiing and an airbag-equipped terrain park for perfecting tricks. With approximately 180 inches of annual snowfall, a vertical drop of 405 feet, one lift, four named ski runs, and a terrain park.

Sun Valley Resort, a destination spot not to be missed, just a 2.5 hr drive from Boise. Features two mountains for skiing: Bald Mountain, offering 3,400 vertical feet and over 2,400 acres of varied terrain and challenging runs, and Dollar Mountain, perfect for beginners and children with gentle slopes and family-friendly amenities.

At Gateway Park in Eagle Island, enjoy a snow tubing adventure suitable for the whole family, with a convenient magic carpet lift and tubes available for use.





Boise

KATHRYN ALBERTSON PARK

A peaceful sanctuary in Boise, this park is known for its picturesque landscape, abundant wildlife, and scenic walking paths.

JULIA DAVIS PARK

As Boise's oldest park, it features cultural and educational facilities, including a zoo, art museum, rose garden, and greenbelt access.

ANN MORRISON PARK

A large, multi-use park in downtown, offering a variety of activities including sports fields, splash pad and playground, tennis, volleyball and disc golf course. On the S.W. corner of Ann Morrison you'll find an off-leash dog area with a pond for dogs to swim and play.

CAMEL'S BACK PARK

Located in the historic Hyde Park area, it offers hiking trails, fantastic views of Boise, outdoor gym, and a popular playground.

Meridian

SETTLERS PARK

Various sports fields, playgrounds, picnic areas, tennis and pickleball courts, splash pad, and fishing pond. The park hosts community events such as free family movies in the summer.

STOREY PARK

A playground, open spaces and picnic area. Storey is adjacent to the community pool, softball fields and Story Bark Park.

TULLY PARK

Tully offers sports fields, playgrounds, walking paths, and skateboarding features.

JULIUS M. KLEINER PARK

A hub for community events and amphitheater concerts. Water features, fishing ponds, paths, and extensive sports area and playground, picnic areas, sand volleyball, pickleball, basketball, and disc golf. Makes for a great sledding area in winter.

DISCOVERY PARK

Enjoy sports fields, a skatepark, basketball and pickleball courts, an extensive playground, pumptrack, splash pad, a sand and water play area, shelters with WiFI, walking paths, and an offleash dog park.









Garden City

ESTHER SIMPLOT PARK

Known for its scenic water features, including ponds and wetlands, and offers recreational opportunities like fishing, boating, and paths for walking and biking.

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

Near the Boise River, this park is a tribute to veterans and features a memorial plaza, large open areas, play equipment, fishing, and picnic areas.

WILLOW LANE ATHLETIC COMPLEX

This complex caters to sports enthusiasts with facilities for soccer, softball, and baseball. Includes a playground and access to the Boise River Greenbelt, making it ideal for both athletic events and family outings.

Nampa

LIONS PARK

Features a swimming pool, sports fields, tennis and basketball courts, playgrounds, and picnic shelters across its 15-acre area.

OPTIMIST PARK

A 15-acre facility with football, soccer, baseball fields, a picnic shelter, a playground, and hosts free summer movie nights.

WEST PARK

Features a softball complex, inclusive playground, sand volleyball court, basketball court, horseshoes, and a fitness path.

LAKEVIEW PARK

Nampa's oldest park, with a swimming pool, sports fields, basketball court, duck pond, horseshoe pits, open play areas, fitness equipment, picnic shelters, playgrounds, rose garden, and volleyball courts.

Eagle

ORVAL KRASEN PARK

A family park with open areas, playground, covered picnic shelter and restroom facilities.

REID W. MERRILL SR. COMMUNITY PARK

Basketball courts, playground, splash pad, footpaths, observation gazebo, an open playing field, picnic areas, a pond, volleyball courts, and wetland/riparian areas. It is a versatile space for various outdoor activities, and picnic shelters.

STEPHEN C. GUERBER PARK

A large playing field, little league facilities, playground, splash pad, and picnic shelters.

ADA/EAGLE BIKE PARK

A premier biking destination with trails, courses, and terrains suitable for all skill levels, including skills areas and a BMX course.

PETIQ DOG PARK

Two dog runs, public bathrooms, a picnic shelter, and a drinking fountain for people and dogs.

Kuna

WINCHESTER PARK

Close to downtown Kuna, includes walking paths, tennis courts, picnic areas, playgrounds, and is home to abundant wildlife such as herons, hawks, and deer.

BUTLER PARK

With sports fields, playground, walking trails, picnic areas, and a pond with a pier.

KUNA PARK

Features a splash pad, summer movie screenings, disc golf, shelters, and a Greenbelt walking path. Kuna skatepark and BMX dirt bike park are nearby.



Caldwell

BROTHERS PARK

A sports complex with soccer fields, walking paths, playground equipment, and drinking fountains.

MALLARD PARK

With views of Lake Lowell, this facility provides a handicap-accessible playground, six picnic shelters, an amphitheater, restrooms, walking paths, a basketball court, and an 18-hole disc golf course.

MEMORIAL PARK

Featuring playgrounds, tennis courts, the Roberts Recreation Center, Van Slyke Settlers Museum, a bandshell, basketball courts, skateboard park, picnic areas, three lighted ballfields, and restrooms. Including the Memorial Park Classroom, a popular site for local events.

Middleton

MIDDLETON PLACE PARK

Park includes restrooms, a playground, walking paths, tennis courts, a baseball field, sand volleyball, and a sledding hill.

PICCADILLY PARK

Situated across from Middleton Middle School, featuring a skate park, splash pad, playground, zip line, farmers market, and amphitheater.

ROADSIDE PARK

This park features restrooms, a playground, walking paths, a shelter, and horseshoe pits.

Star

BLAKE HAVEN PARK

Playgrounds, swings, horseshoe pits, open spaces, a gazebo, shaded areas with electricity, and restrooms.

HUNTER'S CREEK SPORTS COMPLEX

Facilities for baseball, soccer, football, a skatepark, and picnic areas. Hosts the city's annual Hometown Celebration Fireworks Show.



Lucky Peak State Park

Lucky Peak is a popular recreational area comprising three distinct units.

Discovery Park, at the base of Lucky Peak Dam, offers a peaceful setting for fishing and picnics, while **Sandy Point** is known for its sandy beach, perfect for swimming and sunbathing. **Spring Shores**, at the reservoir's upper end, caters to boating and water sports enthusiasts with its marina and rental services. The park as a whole provides stunning views and opportunities for wildlife observation.

Hot Springs

Idaho has the most natural soakable geothermal pools than any other state. Experience one of the many springs, from establishments of constructed pools catering to family-friendly experience and optional lodging, to trekking through nature to a more remote natural springs along mountain trails. Here are a few favorite spots (some are closely guarded local secrets).

THE SPRINGS

This luxurious hot spring is known for its high-class soaking experience. It offers private tubs and stunning scenic views, and overnight stays are available. The springs require reservations and are open Friday through Sunday.

MIRACLE HOT SPRINGS

Located about 1 hour and 45 minutes east of Boise near Hagerman, this resort offers geothermal pools and 21 VIP private pools. It's a great spot for camping, events, and workshops.

HAVEN HOT SPRINGS POOL

Just 20 minutes outside of Boise, this hot spring offers a retreat-like experience with private booking options. It opened in 1951 and features fresh mineral water and scenic views.

TRINITY HOT SPRINGS

About 100 miles from Boise, this destination has mineral rich emerald green water, mountain side views, and an attached resort. The pool temperatures typically stay above 90 degrees Fahrenheit.

TOP INSIDER TIPS

When visiting hot springs, especially non-commercial springs, consider the following:

- 1. Wear sturdy sandals or water shoes for river crossings, as the rocks can be sharp.
- 2. Exercise caution on slippery rocks.
- 3. Hot springs are popular, expect some company.
- 4. Be aware that clothing is optional; nude bathers may be present.
- 5. Dogs should not soak in the hot springs.
- 6. Bring essentials like a towel, water bottle, dry bag, and snacks.
- 7. Download a map beforehand. Cell service might be unreliable.
- 8. Always clean up after yourself and avoid leaving any trash behind.
- 9. Glass bottles should be avoided.
- 10. Do not use soap or shampoo, even biodegradable types.

Primitive Springs

Pine Flats Hot Springs is unique for its location right underneath a waterfall with a series of cliffside pools.

Kirkham Hot Springs is a popular destination with pools that maintain a temperature of 95-110 degrees in the Boise National Forest.

Trail Creek Hot Springs located in the Payette National Forest, features pools made from boulders and cement next to the river.







FUN FACT Idaho has the

population in the United

States, mostly residing in Boise.

second largest Basque

A Journey through Local **Museums and Centers**

In downtown Boise, the **Boise Art Museum** stands as a hub for visual arts, showcasing contemporary and historical exhibits. The **Idaho State Museum** offers a journey through the state's past, featuring exhibits on Native American cultures, pioneer life, and more.

The **Idaho Black History Museum**, housed in the historic St. Paul Baptist Church building within Boise's Julia Davis Park. This museum serves as a foundational pillar to the state and community, presenting exhibits and hosting various educational and community outreach programs. The Basque Museum & Cultural Center, situated on the historic Basque block in downtown Boise, is dedicated to educating and preserving the rich culture of the Basque community in Idaho and the broader American West.

Nampa's **Warhawk Air Museum** exhibits a collection of military aircraft and artifacts, honoring veterans and educating visitors about aviation history.

Igniting Young Minds

For science enthusiasts, the **Discovery Center of Idaho** in Boise is an engaging hub for families and curious minds, featuring hands-on exhibits and interactive displays. This indoor family-friendly destination encourages a love for STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) fields through innovative and enriching learning experiences. With changing exhibits, the center caters to various age ranges, creating an environment where discovery and exploration know no bounds.

Families enjoy checking out the **Children's Museum of Idaho**, a dynamic space where kids can learn through play and exploration, featuring interactive exhibits, hands-on activities, and sensory stimulation to inspire young minds.





Discovering Wildlife & **Animal Education**

Nature lovers can explore the World Center for Birds of Prey, dedicated to raptors, predatory birds, and their habitats. The Morrison-Knudsen Nature Center, nestled along the Boise River Greenbelt, educates visitors about Idaho's aquatic ecosystems through interactive displays and aquariums.

Explore the wonders of marine life and enjoy an interactive experience at the **Boise Aquarium**, where captivating exhibits and engaging activities await visitors of all ages.

LIBRARIES

Gateways to Knowledge and **Community Engagement**



The Treasure Valley has a network of libraries that cater to multiple interests, providing educational resources and family-friendly spaces for the community. The **Boise Public Library** is centrally located downtown, with a vast collection of books, multimedia resources, and a dedicated children's area with events, storytimes and educational programs. The Hillcrest branch in Boise, for instance, features a colorful children's section, interactive learning spaces, and regular story hours.

Additionally, The **Garden City Public Library** presents itself as a bustling community space, far from the traditional quiet library, it offers a comfortable and inviting atmosphere for a range of activities.

In Meridian, the **unBound Library** stands out as a unique interactive space, offering cutting-edge technology, maker spaces, and family-friendly events. It's a hub for innovation, digital literacy, and collaborative learning. The **Orchard Park** branch features a sensory room with calming installations and an interactive early learning area for children. It also offers a reservable community room, self-checkout kiosks, dedicated children's spaces, a storytime room, and a versatile learning

lab for STEAM education. Further afield, the **Nampa Public Library** in Nampa offers a wide range of materials for all ages and frequently hosts family-friendly events. These libraries collectively contribute to the educational and recreational needs of residents, promoting literacy and community engagement across Boise and its surrounding areas.





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If you're planning a family adventure, with interactive fun, suitable for all ages, these destinations ensure something enjoyable for every member of the family. Whether it's exploring the wonders of the sea, enjoying the thrill of go-karting or a water slide, or unleashing your creativity in art and cooking, the Treasure Valley is packed with opportunities for family

Planet Kid at Wings Center is Idaho's largest indoor soft playground, offering a variety of physical activities for children up to 12 years old. From climbing and sliding to exploring, there's plenty to keep the young ones engaged and active.

A delightful spot for both kids and parents, Jabbers offers a 5,000 square foot indoor play area with a multi-level structure perfect for climbing, swinging, and crawling. There's a separate area for toddlers, and parents can relax in a lounge with free wifi and a cafe.

Urban Air Adventure Park is a modern adventure park with thrilling activities. It's not just a trampoline park – it includes climbing walls, obstacle courses, and more, making it an excellent choice for active families.

Dive into an underwater adventure at the **Aquarium of Boise**. It's a wonderful place to learn about marine life and interact with various aquatic species.

Explore the animal kingdom at **Zoo Boise**, in Julia Davis Park, a must-visit destination. The zoo's mission is to connect visitors with animals, offering both education and entertainment with a variety of animals and exhibits. It features a variety of animals from around the world, providing a unique and interactive experience for visitors of all ages.

For those with a need for speed, **K1 Speed** offers an exhilarating indoor go-karting experience. It's a perfect spot for some friendly family competition.

Pojos is an area-classic indoor amusement option, from carnival games to rides. It's an ideal spot for a fun-filled family

Big Al's is a large entertainment venue offering a variety of activities. It features bowling lanes, a large arcade, and a sports bar. It's a destination for families seeking an engaging mix of leisure and fun activities, suitable for all ages.



Treasure Valley Skate is a traditional roller skating rink that offers a wholesome family experience. Ideal for those who love active

entertainment.

Nerfed is an indoor Nerf gun arena that offers a unique and exciting experience for both children and adults. The facility features two 4,000-square-foot arenas outfitted with a variety of hand-built obstacles and barriers, creating an ideal environment for thrilling Nerf battles. Participants have the option to bring their own Nerf guns or choose from the arena's extensive collection, which includes a wide range of Nerf-branded weapons.

Get creative at **A Way with Clay Studio**. This is a great venue for families to engage in pottery and clay art, making it both a fun and educational experience.

Spice up your culinary skills with family-friendly cooking classes at **Season + Taste.** It's a unique way to bond and learn something new together.

Wahooz Family Fun Zone

Open year-round

outing.

Wahooz Family Fun Zone provides an all-weather entertainment experience with activities like minigolf, laser tag, and an extensive arcade. Whether enjoying indoor games at Wahooz or splashing under the sun at Roaring Springs, both venues cater to families looking for an enjoyable

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promised in the coming years. For more indoor

family adventures, be sure to check out the

neighboring Wahooz Family Fun Zone.

Satisfy Your Sweet Tooth

A look into our local dessert scene.

Frozen Favorites

STELLA'S ICE CREAM Known for its fresh, locally-sourced ice cream in unique flavors, including vegan, gluten-free, and dairy-free options.

THE STIL The shop specializes in unique, small-batch, all-natural ice cream flavors, including vegan choices, and booze-infused options.

GOODY'S SODA FOUNTAIN A classic favorite for over 33 years in Hyde Park, providing a nostalgic experience with homemade ice cream and chocolates.

DELSA'S ICE CREAM PARLOUR Delsa's parlor has a rich history and offers over 130 flavors, renowned for its classic recipes and extensive variety.

SEA SALT CREAMERY + BAKESHOP: A cozy, family-owned dessert spot in Star featuring small-batch ice cream, daily baked goods, homemade pies a la mode, and coffee.

Bakery Bliss

Each of these bakeries offers a unique selection of baked goods and pastries, making them must-visit destinations for anyone with a sweet tooth.

Some impressive bakeries in Boise include **Gaston's Bakery, Granny C's Bakery, and Certified Kitchen + Bakery.** Garden City boasts **Wildflour Bakery and Flourish Bakery.** In Eagle, **The Perks of Life** and **One Haute Cookie** are well-known, while Meridian features
Great Harvest with its fresh baked goods, soups and
sandwiches, and **Cookie Co.** in Meridian. Nampa has **Suarez Bakery**, and **Unruly Rum Cakes**, a cottage
bakery with delivery. In Caldwell, you can find **Rose Hill Bakery.**

Doughnut Delicacies

DK Donuts, known for classic treats like apple fritters and maple bars, **Duck Doughnuts**, offers customizable flavors and ice cream.

Guru Donuts in Boise and Eagle, stands out for its all-natural ingredient donuts, coffee and breakfast toast.

Sweet Sensations Doughnuts in Meridian and Boise is celebrated for its creative and fluffy doughnuts, while the long standing **Pastry Perfection** a is known its wide variety of doughnuts, baked goods and welcoming atmosphere.



Coffee Culture

Boise's local coffee scene is as rich and varied as the beans they brew. Each cafe offers a unique experience, catering to varied tastes and preferences. Here's a glimpse into some of the local favorites.

FLYING M COFFEEHOUSE has three iconic shops that stand out with its quirky style and inclusive vibe. Known for its exceptional beans and eclectic gift shop, it's a place where you can enjoy smooth, rich coffee and maybe even make a new friend.

PUSH & POUR Popular among students and remote workers, with a comfortable atmosphere and on-site roasted coffee. With multiple locations, it's ideal for brunch or a relaxed coffee session.

BROADCAST COFFEE is the go-to for unique creations where you can enjoy both traditional coffee options and inventive drinks in an inviting setting.

ALCHEMIST COFFEE is known for its spacious setting and vintage, old-world renaissance aesthetic, specialty drinks and in-house roasts. With multiple locations, it's a perfect spot for work or social gatherings.

FORM & FUNCTION: A modern, two-story shop in downtown Boise, passionate about their coffee journey from farm to cup. Offering educational coffee classes and a food menu, making it more than just a coffee shop.

JAVA has two cozy locations in Downtown Boise and Hyde Park, with a warm, inviting atmosphere and a selection of rich, flavorful coffee blends and tasty food choices.

COFFEE MILL found in Boise's Barber Valley specializing in house-made chai with ample outdoor seating. It's a great spot for grabbing a to-go beverage and snack.

SLOW BY SLOW COFFEE serves beautifully crafted espressos and lattes. This retro shop pairs delightful coffee art with delicious pastries, making it an ideal stop for a coffee break.

THE DISTRICT COFFEEHOUSE is a community-focused cafe that not only serves great coffee and all-day breakfast sandwiches, but also supports environmental initiatives with sustainably sourced coffee.

HYDE PERK COFFEE HOUSE, a family-owned gem in Boise's north-end neighborhood, is celebrated for its inventive drink menus and freshly baked treats.

COFFEE AND SUPPLY CO. in Eagle is celebrated for its fun atmosphere and delicious food, making it a great spot for both socializing and working.

JOVINOS, a unique coffee/wine shop with a cute ambiance, great for enjoying coffee, wine, and small plates.

CAFFEINA COFFEE ROASTING offers unique organic and fairtrade coffee blends, fresh treats and eats, and a cozy atmosphere with patios across its two locations in Boise, perfect for a relaxing and enjoyable visit.





The Treasure Valley is home to a selection of unique venues that cater to a wide range of events, from concerts and sporting events to theatrical performances. Each venue brings its own special flavor to the city's cultural and entertainment scene.

FORD IDAHO CENTER

A large multipurpose complex that hosts concerts, sporting events, and rodeos, offering a vast and versatile space for large-scale events.

EXTRAMILE ARENA

Located on the Boise State University campus, this arena is a prime location for sporting events, concerts, and university activities.

MORRISON CENTER

A premier performing arts venue, hosting Broadway shows, concerts, and local performing arts events in a sophisticated setting.

THE KNITTING FACTORY

This celebrated venue with its exceptional acoustics and cozy ambiance, making it a top choice for live music enthusiasts seeking an up-close and personal concert experience.

REVOLUTION CONCERT HOUSE

This venue stands out for its spacious interior and versatile stage, making it a popular spot for larger concerts and events, attracting both national and local acts in Boise's thriving music scene.

IDAHO CENTRAL ARENA

A key destination for sports fans, this arena is home to the Idaho Steelheads hockey team and hosts various other sporting, concerts and trade show events.

THE EGYPTIAN THEATRE

A historical venue that hosts a mix of events, including movies, live performances, and community gatherings.

LOUNGE AT THE END OF THE UNIVERSE

A unique spot featuring an eclectic mix of live entertainment ranging from comedy shows to musical performances, creating a one-of-a-kind experience for visitors.



TREEFORT MUSIC HALL

722 W Broad St, Downtown Boise



Welcome to Treefort Music Hall - a versatile, all-ages venue nestled in the heart of downtown Boise. Designed with state-of-the-art audio and visual capabilities, a spacious stage, and artist greenrooms, topped off with a vibey rooftop lounge, Treefort Music Hall is the go-to spot for live music in Downtown Boise.

Conceived as a haven for discovery and community, Treefort Music Hall embodies the essence of Duck Club's flagship festival, Treefort Music Fest. The vision was to create a space that feels like a second home for the Boise community, a place where the spirit of connection thrives. And, of course, it's the perfect spot to host an unforgettable party.

Vist Hap Hap Lounge on the rooftop!

Join us at Treefort Music Hall, where the magic of music meets the warmth of community, creating an inviting space that's destined to be the pulse of Boise's live music scene. Visit treefortmusichall.com for all rocking shows.







SHRINE SOCIAL CLUB

1118 W. Idaho St. Downtown Boise

Step into the legendary Shrine Social Club, formerly known as the El Korah Shrine, and experience the epitome of a premier music venue that has solidified its reputation since its collaboration with Treefort Music Fest in 2014. Duck Club has now evolved the Shrine into a full-time music haven, it proudly features two distinctive stages: the dynamic upstairs Ballroom and the pulsating downstairs Basement.

With an old-school feel and rockin' shows nearly daily (and don't get us started on that dope, frilly ladies room!) you'll come to catch some of your favorite artists or discover new music, but you'll stay for the great vibes and even better times! Visit shrinesocialclub.com for all events.

HOTTEST SHOWS IN THE COOLEST CITY

Chase your love of live music all over the Treasure Valley with Duck Club Presents bringing you a variety of quality concerts in various venues, clubs and bars throughout the city. Whether you are into dreamy indie vocals or crowdsurfing in the pit, Duck Club brings touring artists from around the world directly to Boise!

Visit theduckclub.com now for all upcoming shows.





A collection of songs from active, local Treasure Valley artists, curated by Duck Club Presents. It sounds like Boise because This Is Boise.



SPEAKEASIES

From upscale craft cocktail locations to hidden speakeasies, the Boise area is home to innovative and unique cocktail destinations, with mixologists pushing the boundaries of flavors and spirits.

Thick as Thieves

A speakeasy in downtown Boise known for its dark, intimate atmosphere and "secret" cocktail menus. You'll need to use the rotary phone to get in.

Ampersand

Known as the highest bar in Idaho, Ampersand provides an intimate atmosphere with a unique approach to cocktails, where patrons don't choose from a menu but receive bespoke drinks crafted based on preferences.

Gatsby

Gatsby is a prohibition-era themed speakeasy with a hidden entrance and daily password to access, creating an authentic 1920s speakeasy experience.

Suite 104

Suite 104 is a slightly hidden craft cocktail bar, located off 8the Street in downtown Boise, and known for it's rotating menu of top-tier cocktails.

Water Bear Bar

Water Bear Bar offers classic and modern blends on cocktails, also featuring fresh oysters and bar snacks.

Press and Pony

Press and Pony is a small craft cocktail bar that prides itself on handcrafted cocktail from start-to-finish, featuring house-made tonics and sodas. Great for those seeking unique and creative mixology.

The Mode

A popular downtown Boise cocktail bar known for its lively atmosphere and rotating menu of crafted cocktails.

Craft Lounge (Nampa & Caldwell)

Craft Lounge stand out for its inviting atmosphere, house-made syrups, and personalized cocktail experiences, often engaging with guests in conversation to tailor drinks to their preferences.

The Roosevelt (Meridian)

A highly-regarded whiskey bar known for its rustic charm and prohibition speakeasy atmosphere, praised for its knowledgeable staff and mixologists who create memorable libations.

Syringa (Nampa)

A newer cocktail lounge that offers a unique and upscale atmosphere, creating a space for locals to enjoy a variety of spirits.

HAP HAP LOUNGE



Perched above the popular Treefort Music Hall in Downtown Boise, Hap Hap Lounge is known for its music-inspired cocktails. The lounge offers a cozy space to grab hand crafted drinks and tasty snacks, plus locally sourced zero proof options; all while playing board games or catching a vinyl set.

The lounge is a popular place for those seeking a cocktail with a view, opportunities for live music and DJ sets, plus daily happy hour specials. Hap Hap Lounge: a gathering space for your pre-show, preparty, postshow, afterparty or just plain party hangs.





BOISE STATE BRONCOS

For college sports fans, the Boise State Broncos have grown into a nationally-recognized program. The Broncos' football team, particularly, has garnered attention for its successes over the years.

The Broncos are a part of the Mountain West Conference, playing home games at Albertsons Stadium in Boise. The team has a proud history and very passionate fan base, the Broncos' games are more than just sporting events; they are a celebration in the community. You will find tailgating parties and a lively downtown area to go along with each BSU game.

The Boise State Broncos men's basketball team has picked up steam in recent years, with a string of winning seasons and an NCAA Tournament birth. Attending basketball games at ExtraMile Arena is a raucous time with an excited crowd.



BOISE HAWKS BASEBALL

The Boise Hawks offer a classic American baseball experience in the spring and summer, playing their home games at Memorial Stadium in Garden City. The team is known for its engaging atmosphere and community involvement. A Hawks game is the perfect outing for the family!

IDAHO STEELHEADS HOCKEY

The Idaho Steelheads bring high-energy hockey to Idaho Central Arena in Boise. Known for their competitive style, the Steelheads have a history of success, including advancing to the Kelly Cup finals and consistently making playoff appearances.

IDAHO HORSEMEN - PROFESSIONAL INDOOR FOOTBALL

The Idaho Horsemen is a professional indoor football team that brings fast-paced and high-energy football action to Idaho. Playing in the Idaho Center in Nampa, the Horsemen offer an intense and exhilarating indoor football experience. Their games are a perfect blend of speed, strategy, and athleticism, making it a unique sporting event for families and fans.



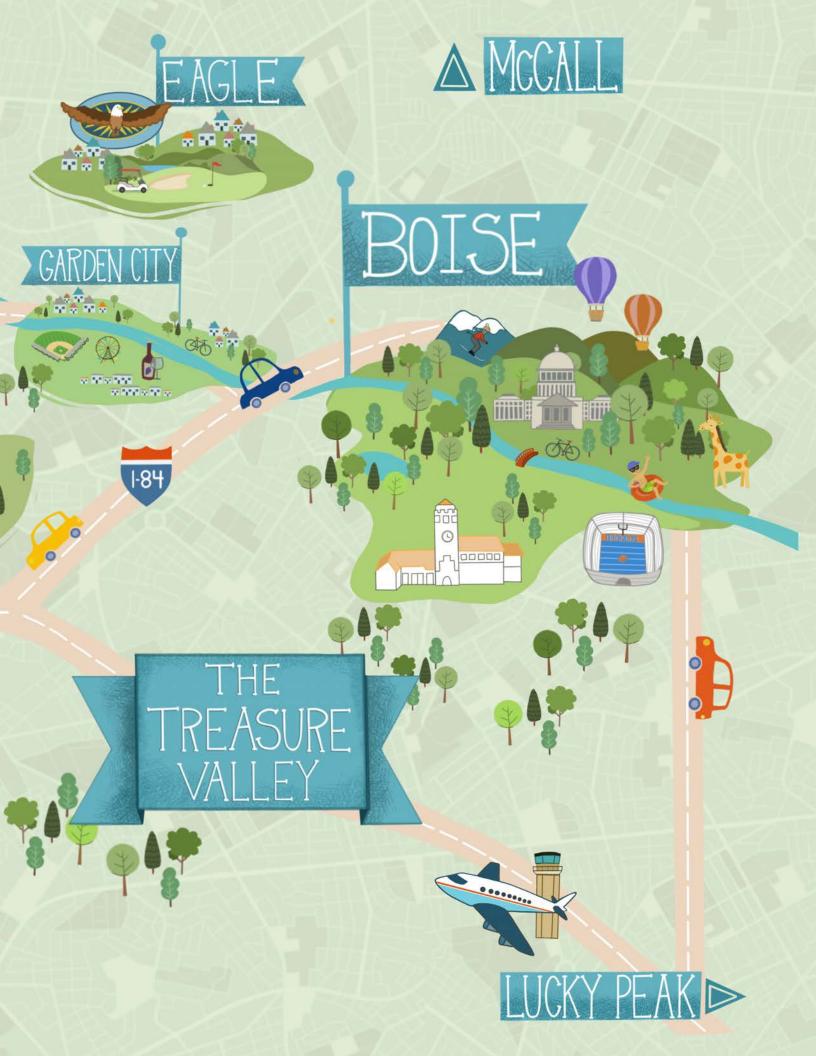
IDAHO FC PRO - SEMI-PRO SOCCER

Idaho FC Pro is a semi-professional soccer team in Idaho, providing an avenue for soccer players to showcase their talents, and is a testament to the growing popularity of the sport in the region. They offer an opportunity for local soccer fans to experience the game at a competitive level.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

In Boise, high school sports are also a big deal, with significant local support for football, baseball and softball, lacrosse, soccer, and basketball teams. These games are a great way to experience the community spirit and support young athletes in their sporting endeavors.







A Hidden Gem of the Northwest

Boise, Idaho, is a hidden gem in the heart of the Pacific Northwest. As the state capital, it offers a unique blend of urban amenities and outdoor recreation opportunities that make it an ideal place to live, work, and play. Boise is home to a variety of excellent restaurants, from classic American diners to international cuisine, and there are plenty of options for health-conscious eaters as well.

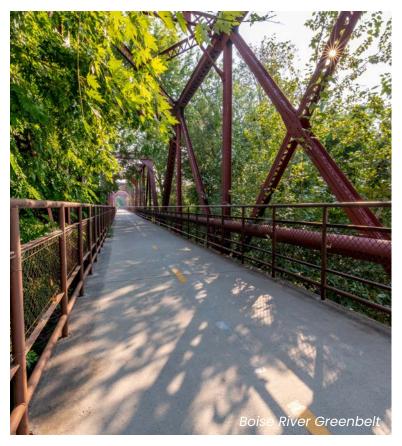
The city is surrounded by mountains, rivers, and forests, making it a prime destination for hiking, biking, kayaking, and fishing. There are also several world-class ski resorts within a short drive, making winter sports a popular pastime. In addition, Boise is home to several parks and green spaces, including the **Boise River Greenbelt**, a 25-mile trail that runs through the heart of the city.

With several top-rated hospitals and medical centers located in the area, quality healthcare is right out your front door. Education is a top priority in Boise, with a variety of public and

private schools available for students of all ages, including opportunities for higher education.

The city has a strong economy, with a low unemployment rate and range of industries, including technology, healthcare, and agriculture.





Boise is also considered one of the safest cities in the country, with a low crime rate and a strong sense of community.

For families, Boise has plenty of attractions and activities to keep everyone entertained. There are several museums, including the **Idaho State Museum** and the **Discovery Center of Idaho**, as well as multiple theaters and performance venues. The city also has a thriving arts scene, with several galleries and public art installations located throughout the city.

Dog lovers will enjoy several dog parks and trails, pet-friendly restaurants and businesses. Shopping is also excellent, with malls, shopping centers, and local retailers located throughout the city. Boise is a great place to live for anyone who loves the outdoors, values education and healthcare, and wants to live in a safe, friendly community with plenty of amenities and attractions.

With its excellent quality of life, and natural surroundings, it's no wonder that so many people are choosing to relocate to Boise.



Major Employers in the Boise Area

Micron Technology: A leading semiconductor company, Micron is a major employer in Boise, contributing to the city's technology sector.

St. Luke's Health System: As a prominent healthcare provider, St. Luke's plays a crucial role in the region's medical industry and is a significant employer.

Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HP): The Boise campus of HP is a key player in the IT industry, providing job opportunities in technology and innovation.

Albertsons Companies: With its headquarters in Boise, Albertsons is a major player in grocery retail, offering employment opportunities in various roles.

Boise School District: Employing a significant number of educators and administrative staff, the Boise School District is a major employer in the education sector.

City of Boise: The municipal government is a substantial employer, offering diverse job opportunities in public administration and services.

State of Idaho: The state government, with its various agencies and offices, is a significant source of employment for residents.

J.R. Simplot Company: A multinational agricultural company headquartered in Boise, Simplot contributes to the region's agribusiness industry.

Boise State University: As a major educational institution, Boise State University is a key employer, providing jobs in academia and administration.

North End

The North End is one of Boise's charming and oldest residential and mixed-use neighborhoods. It's known for its tree-lined streets, historic architecture, and a strong sense of community. Hyde Park, located in the North End, is a must-see spot with local shops, restaurants, and coffee shops.

Highlands

The Highlands neighborhood, east of Bogus Basin Road, features well-tended mid-century homes. Offering beautiful views, proximity to downtown, Ridge-to-Rivers trails, and a network of kind neighbors, it's a hilltop haven with convenient access to outdoor recreation and local amenities.

Southeast Boise (Warm Springs and Harris Ranch)

Southeast Boise, particularly the areas around Warm Springs Avenue and Harris Ranch, is known for its upscale homes, proximity to the Boise River, and outdoor recreational opportunities. The Greenbelt, a scenic pathway along the river, is a major attraction here.

Barber Valley

Southeast of downtown Boise, with foothills access, scenic parks, and proximity to the Boise River Greenbelt. A sought-after neighborhood with its central location, community atmosphere, and ongoing expansion provide a balance of urban amenities and natural beauty.

East End

The East End neighborhood is known for its views of the Boise Foothills and the city. It offers a mix of historic homes and newer developments. This area provides easy access to hiking and biking trails in the foothills.

Downtown Boise

The cultural and economic heart of the city. It offers a vibrant mix of restaurants, shops, theaters, and art galleries. Many events and festivals take place downtown, and there are various housing options, including apartments and condominiums.







The Bench

Boise Bench, situated just south of downtown, is a well-established neighborhood known for its elevated position and panoramic views. A mix of housing styles, including mid-century homes, bungalows, ranch-style houses, and new developments. "The Bench" is an attractive location for residents seeking a balanced urban-suburban environment with easy access to transportation and schools.

Hidden Springs

A distinctive community in Boise's northern outskirts, promoting an active lifestyle with extensive trails, parks, and open spaces connecting to foothills, while the village center serves as a hub for community events. Hidden Springs strikes a balance between urban amenities and natural beauty.

West Boise

Southeast Boise, particularly the areas around Warm Springs Avenue and Harris Ranch, is known for its upscale homes, proximity to the Boise River, and outdoor recreational opportunities. The Greenbelt, a scenic pathway along the river, is a major attraction here.

Southwest

A serene residential ambiance with a mix of wellestablished homes and new subdivisions. Tree-lined streets, easy access to local amenities, parks, schools, and shopping, creating a comfortable and family-friendly environment.





Must Try Restaurants

TAVOLATA A lively Italian eatery by Ethan Stowell, Tavolata Boise brings an energetic atmosphere and delectable handmade pasta dishes to the heart of the city.

RED FEATHER LOUNGE A trendy spot in downtown Boise, Red Feather Lounge provides a varied menu, craft cocktails, and a chic ambiance, making it a popular choice for both dining and socializing.

FORK Known for its farm-to-table approach, Fork delivers a seasonal menu with an emphasis on locally sourced ingredients, creating a culinary experience in a stylish setting.

THE LIVELY With a special focus on regional flavors, The Lively offers a unique dining experience and a cozy, well-designed setting that invites guests to enjoy and return.

THE MODERN The Modern Hotel and Bar seamlessly blends classic and contemporary flavors, providing an upscale yet cozy environment for guests to enjoy carefully crafted dishes and cocktails.





JUMP

(Jack's Urban Meeting Place)

The Boise IUMP building is a unique community hub in downtown Boise that provides engaging workshops, hands-on experiences, and educational opportunities across a range of subjects, from culinary arts to technology. With its interactive exhibits, play areas, and event spaces, JUMP serves as an enriching gathering place for individuals and families looking to explore new skills and connect with the community.

Boise Train Depot

The elevated location of **The Boise Depot** provides a scenic vantage point to enjoy the cityscape and natural beauty of the region. The Depot stands as an iconic and historic landmark, showcasing exquisite Spanish-style architecture against the lush backdrop of the Boise foothills.

Old Idaho Penitentiary

Situated at the eastern edge of Boise, the **Old Idaho Penitentiary**, operated from 1872 to 1973, stands as a historic site with wellpreserved buildings and exhibits that provide insight into the state's penal history. Self-guided tours are offered during operating hours or guided tours with a small fee.

Zoo Boise

Situated in downtown Boise's Julia Davis Park, is a captivating wildlife destination featuring a variety of fascinating wildlife exhibits, family-friendly activities, and engaging animal encounters. With a commitment to conservation, the zoo provides an enriching experience for visitors, while supporting global efforts to protect and preserve endangered species.

Idaho Botanical Garden

The **Idaho Botanical Garden**, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is passionately dedicated to connecting people, plants, and nature. Whether you visit the Garden's extensive range of flowers and foliage during the beautiful winter, spring, or summer months, the Garden serves as a gathering space in the Boise community through plant collections, educational programs, workshops, concerts, and various cultural and community events for all ages.

The Egyptian Theatre

The Egyptian Theatre on Main St., featuring Egyptian Revival architecture with gilded detailing, stands as Idaho's most cherished historical landmark, and the city's oldest theater. The Egyptian has been a center for concerts, opera performances, guest speakers, film festivals, and movie premieres since its erection 96 years ago in 1927.



Idaho State Capitol Building

Characterized by its neoclassical architecture and distinctive dome, the Capitol stands as the seat of Idaho's government, exuding historical significance and serving as a symbol of the state's political heritage. Guided tours are offered, allowing visitors to explore its historical and architectural features.

Freak Alley

Freak Alley Gallery, in downtown Boise, is an intriguing outdoor art space that transforms regularly, showcasing a mix of unique murals and street art created by local and international artists. Grab a coffee after the farmers market, or head over after a fantastic dinner, and stroll through this urban canvas. You'll encounter a continually evolving collection that adds a distinct flair to Boise's artistic scene.

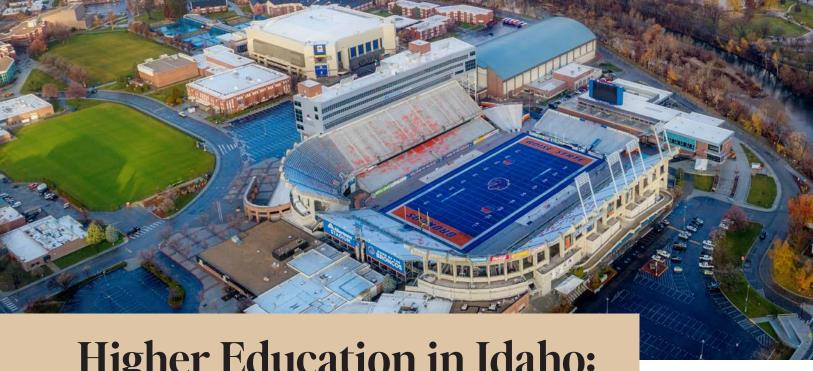




Boise Airport / Gowen Field

The Boise Airport is a convenient travel hub, served by nine airlines and offering nonstop flights to 25 destinations, along with connections worldwide. This accessibility and strategic location enhances Boise's appeal as a travel destination within the USA, underscoring its importance in connecting the city globally.

Located southeast of the city, **Boise Air Terminal/Gowen Field** is a versatile joint-use airport catering to air carrier, cargo, military, and general aviation needs. With its convenient accessibility, Boise's airports play a pivotal role in making the city a preferred destination for travelers from across the USA.



Higher Education in Idaho: A Comprehensive Guide







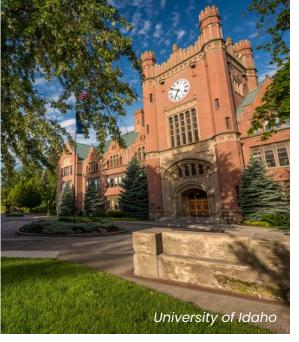
Boise State University

Boise State University, situated along the Boise River is the largest public university in Idaho.

The university is home to over 26,000 students from a wide range of states and more than 60 countries, contributing to its rich cultural and intellectual environment. With over 200 academic programs, Boise State caters to a wide spectrum of academic interests, making it a significant center for higher education in Idaho. It stands out for its extensive graduate programs and commitment to innovative research.

Beyond academics, the university is famed for its **Boise State Broncos** athletic teams, especially the football team. The Broncos, known for their distinctive blue turf field at **Albertsons Stadium**, are a central part of the university's identity and culture. The football team has garnered national attention and acclaim, contributing significantly to the university's spirit and community engagement. The sports programs at Boise State play a vital role in unifying students and faculty, fostering a sense of pride and camaraderie.

Boise State University represents an ideal blend of comprehensive academic offerings and a lively campus life, set against the backdrop of Boise's natural beauty, making it an attractive option for those considering higher education in Idaho.







University of Idaho

The University of Idaho, is located in Moscow, and features a spacious campus in the scenic Palouse region. It offers a wide range of academic programs for both undergraduate and graduate students. Additionally, the university is home to the Idaho Vandals, participating in NCAA Division I athletics, contributing to an energetic campus life. With its main campus in Moscow and additional campuses across the state, the University of Idaho provides various educational opportunities.

Idaho State University

Idaho State is a comprehensive institution offering a range of programs from technical certificates to graduate and professional degrees. Located primarily in Pocatello with additional campuses in Meridian, Idaho Falls, and Twin Falls, ISU is known for its strong focus on healthcare education, pharmacy, and business programs.

The College of Western Idaho

The College of Western Idaho is Idaho's largest community college. It offers a variety of academic and technical programs, including Associate of Arts, Science, or Applied Science degrees, with online learning options. CWI caters to a range of educational needs, including GED preparation, dual credit for high schoolers, and career training, across various campus locations in western Idaho.

Northwest Nazarene University (NNU)

Founded in 1913, is a comprehensive Christian university located in Nampa, Idaho. The university offers a range of academic programs, including over 60 bachelor's degrees, 11 master's degrees, and doctoral programs in fields like education and clinical psychology. NNU's campus extends beyond Nampa with online programs and branches in Boise, Twin Falls, and Idaho Falls.

College of Idaho

This Caldwell college offers a comprehensive liberal arts education through its PEAK program, fostering academic diversity in a supportive community. It also features a competitive NAIA sports program, including successful basketball, soccer, and skiing teams, known as the Yotes, with strong community support.

Idaho College of Osteopathic Medicine (ICOM)

Idaho's first medical school, in Meridian, is dedicated to training osteopathic physicians with a focus on primary care and rural medicine. It emphasizes hands-on learning and communitybased experiences to prepare graduates for successful healthcare careers.



An Urban Retreat by the River

A charming city located just north of Boise along the Boise River. Known for its eclectic mix of residential, commercial, and industrial areas, Garden City has undergone revitalization in recent years, transforming into a vibrant community. The city embraces a unique blend of urban and natural elements, with a mix of local businesses, art galleries, and recreational spaces. With a resurgence in local craft breweries and wineries, creating a jovial atmosphere for socializing. Its commitment to sustainability and community engagement is evident in initiatives such as community gardens and efforts to enhance the riverfront.

There is no shortage of family-friendly activities. The **Boys & Girls Club** offers various after-school programs and public events. **The Reuseum** focuses on STEM workshops. **Westy's Garden Lanes** is a long-standing bowling alley with modern features and family-oriented entertainment, including a restaurant and bar.

The Boise River, flowing along Garden City's border, contributes to the city's appeal, offering impressive views and recreational activities. A small but dynamic community known for being welcoming and inclusive. Additionally, the area offers attractive housing options, making it a desirable place for families and individuals alike.



Cruise the Craft Beverage Corridor

A highlight of Garden City is its impressive concentration of wineries, cideries, and breweries. With its high density of such establishments, Garden City boasts the most per square mile in Idaho, providing a unique opportunity to taste and enjoy locally-produced drinks.

Barbarian Brewing, Bert's Brewing, Western Collective, Powderhaus, and Twisted District are just a few of the many breweries in the area. For cider lovers, Merriweather Cider is a must try location. Wineries such as Cinder Wine, Coiled Wines, Telaya Wine Company, and Split Rail satisfy any connoisseur.

Garden City is perfect destination for those looking to spend a day exploring and savoring some of the best beers, ciders, and wines the region has to offer.

Artisans and Makers

Garden City is a hub for artisans and makers, including those specializing in visual arts, bespoke furniture, sculptural glass, and ceramics. Key attractions include the **Visual Arts Collective** for contemporary art and events, **Studio 1212's** bespoke furniture, **Zion Warne Studios'** glass sculptures, and the artistic hub **Surel's Place**.

From galleries showcasing visual arts, to studios where visitors can witness the creation of handcrafted pieces, Garden City provides an immersive artistic journey.



New Communities to Explore

Crescent Lake

A community offering spacious, elegant homes in a serene setting.

Stonehaven

A community that combines modern comfort with spacious living areas.

Cascade Hills

This exclusive community offers luxurious homes reflecting a blend of elegance and spacious living.

Must Try Restaurants In Garden City

BARRIGAS MEXICAN RESTAURANT A festive spot known for its traditional Mexican dishes and a lively atmosphere.

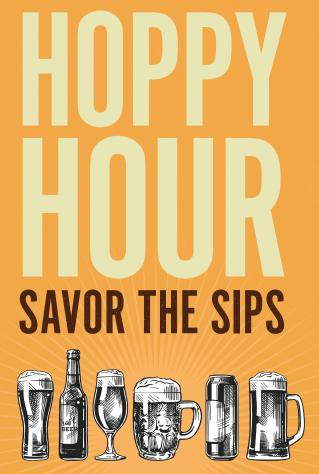
CAFFÈ LUCIANO'S Offers a scenic riverside setting with Italian-inspired cuisine, perfect for casual dining.

THE SANDBAR PATIO BAR & GRILL Located at the Riverside Hotel, this eatery is famous for its relaxed outdoor dining experience and live music.

THE LOCAL A cozy and intimate venue, known for its locally-sourced menu and craft cocktails, ideal for a refined dining experience.

WEPA CAFE An authentic restaurant celebrating Puerto Rican cuisine with Influences of Spanish, Taino Indian and Afro-Caribbean foods.





These breweries are just a glimpse of what Treasure Valley has to offer for beer enthusiasts and visitors looking for a taste of local craft beverages.

LOST GROVE BREWING provides a personal beer-drinking experience with views of their brewing facility. They have a large taproom and an outdoor patio bar, complemented by a daily rotation of food trucks.

MAD SWEDE BREWING, a Viking-themed, family-run brewery, kid and dog friendly, featuring year-round and seasonal ales, lagers, and stouts, including award-winning beers.

PAYETTE BREWING is known for its selection of ales, IPAs, stouts, porters, and seasonal beers, tap room, Beer Garden, and food truck, with various family and pet-friendly activities and events.

Known for their variety of craft beers, hearty pub grub and a lively atmosphere, **EDGE BREWING CO.** was also featured on the TV show Man v. Food for one of its burgers.

Originally from Bend, Oregon, **10 BARREL BREWING** has a popular brewpub known for its full food menu and beers like the Apocalypse IPA and Profuse Juice hazy IPA.

A recent addition in Eagle, **GEM STATE BREWING** is quickly becoming known for its exciting range of craft beers with a focus on quality and innovation in the craft beer scene.

BOISE BREWING is a community favorite, known for its range of handcrafted beers that reflect the local taste and culture.

SOCKEYE BREWING has been a Boise fixture since 2002, offering a compelling selection of over 20 craft beers on tap, complemented by a menu of delicious bites.

Bridging the gap between wine and beer, **MERIWETHER CIDER CO.** offers fizzy and refreshing ciders, including award-winning hopped cider and ginger offerings.

WESTERN COLLECTIVE offers a menu of beers, hard seltzers, and cocktail slushies in a spacious taproom with a patio. They also host food trucks and festive events.

MOTHER EARTH BREW CO. is known for its commitment to sustainable brewing practices, delivers a range of thoughtfully crafted beers, embodying a blend of traditional techniques and modern flavors.

Not only does **BERT'S BREWING** excel in crafting German-influenced, well-balanced beers, but it also stands out with its retro artistic design vibe, creating a memorable and visually appealing experience for visitors.

With two locations, **CLAIRVOYANT** is led by experienced Idaho-native brewers. They offer a straightforward selection of craft beers.

At **WHITE DOG BREWING** visitors enjoy a unique, pet-friendly atmosphere along with an inventive selection of beers, making it a go-to spot for both residents and tourists.

VOODOO BREWING CO. in Boise offers an intriguing and whimsical beer experience, with a variety of unique brews that showcase their creative approach to beer-making.



Where Serenity Meets Sophistication

Eagle, Idaho, is a charming city located 9 miles from Boise. Known for its smalltown comfort blended with upscale living, Eagle offers a picturesque setting with a mix of suburban and semi-rural landscapes. The city is nestled along the Boise River, providing riverfront views and a variety of outdoor recreational activities, including fishing, biking, and hiking along the Boise River Greenbelt.

Eagle's downtown area exudes an inviting atmosphere, characterized by boutique shops, local restaurants, breweries, and cafes. Architecturally, the city showcases a range of styles, from modern homes to more traditional and rural housing.

The community is known for its high quality of life, excellent schools, and numerous parks and recreational areas, which contribute to its family-friendly reputation.

Take a stroll through **Heritage Park** to experience the **Eagle Farmers Marke**t, local music and lunch at one of the many dining options on E. State St.

Be sure to check out the annual summer Eagle Fun Days for more local vendors, music, food, Wet & **Wild Parade**, car show, and the can't-miss firework show in the summer, and the majestic **Winter** Wonderland Holiday Festival every year.



Notable Neighborhoods

Two Rivers is a premier residential community with upscale homes, known for its amenities, including a golf course, clubhouse, and walking paths.

BanBury Meadows is a golf course community with luxury homes, and waterfront properties and scenic views.

Legacy is a newer development with a mix of custom and semi-custom homes, featuring a golf course, parks, and waterfronts.

Ashbury is a neighborhood with a range of home styles, including larger estates to patio homes. Known for its spacious lots and a sense of community.

Eagle Hills is an established neighborhood with a mix of home styles, next to Eagle Hills golf course and close to downtown Eagle, offers a more traditional suburban feel.

Castlebury is known for its larger homes and welllandscaped properties, a family-friendly neighborhood with a peaceful atmosphere.

The Preserve is a luxury community with custom-built homes attracting residents seeking a high-end living experience.

Stillwell Estates tucked into the Foothills, offers larger lots and custom homes, known for its spacious properties and a more rural ambiance.

Lakemoor is a gated contemporary community, featuring attractive homes, a community pool, parks, and convenient proximity to shopping and dining.

Mace River Ranch, situated along the Boise River, is a newly developed, planned community with singlefamily homes and townhouses with access to the greenbelt.

Avimor is a charming village, fostering connection with its Community Center and main street events, over 100 miles of trails, and thousands of acres of open space. Home styles blend traditional and modern designs, featuring open-concept layouts and contemporary amenities.

Remember to check with local real estate professionals for the latest information on neighborhoods and to consider your specific preferences and needs when choosing a place to live.





Major Employers in the Eagle Area

City of Eagle: The local municipal government, providing essential services to the community and serving as a significant employer.

PetIQ Headquarters: A notable employer in the area, contributing to the pet care industry.

Lamb Weston Global Headquarters: Serves as an innovative and sustainable epicenter for the company's international operations in the food processing industry.

Connect Wireless: An established company in the telecommunications industry.

Cold Clean Mold Removal Services, Inc: Specializes in advanced mold remediation, abatement, and prevention.

Eagle Island State Park

Eagle Island State Park offers a variety of activities year-round: enjoy horseback riding and picnicking any time, with summer bringing beach excitement with swimming and paddleboarding, plus adventurous options like a zipline and water slide. Winter transforms the park, offering tubing and skiing opportunities at nearby Gateway Park.



Heritage Park

Heritage Park in Downtown Eagle stands out as a delightful year-round spot. The gazebo is not only open for public use but also becomes a destination for summer activities, hosting a range of entertainment events, including markets, concert series, and annual events, with a ground-level water feature - a favorite among children. Winter activities like the Eagle Country Christmas with crafts, carriage rides, and a tree lighting ceremony, makes the Park an essential part of the local community.

Eagle Sports Complex

Eagle Sports Complex and Bike Park offers 250 acres of terrain with features like jumps and pump tracks, while the Boise Foothills provide miles of scenic paths for a calmer ride. The Park includes various trails, a BMX track, and a pump track over 200 acres, suitable for all skill levels and connected to the **Ridge to Rivers** system. This area also has a skateboard park, basketball courts, and picnic areas, accommodating E-Bikes on its multi-use trails.

Must Try Restaurants

There is no shortage of great restaurants to choose from, many of which also offer a relaxing patio for the warmer months.

Bardenay Restaurant & Distillery
A unique spot offering house-distilled
spirits and a Northwest-inspired menu,
with a sunny patio, nestled between the
Boise River Greenbelt and one of Eagle
River's scenic ponds.

Oak Barrel of Eagle A cozy establishment known for American cuisine and a welcoming lounge atmosphere, perfect for a relaxing dining experience.

Coyne's A popular local restaurant combining a casual bar setting with a menu of hearty and tasty dishes, ideal for a laid-back meal. A favorite for weekend brunch.

Tavern at Eagle Island A friendly tavern offering a great selection of drinks and classic pub fare.

Bacquet's French Restaurant An elegant restaurant providing exquisite French cuisine, suitable for special occasions and fine dining.



Focus on Families and Future

Meridian is the second largest city in Idaho. It is an excellent option for those looking for a mix of small-town charm and urban amenities. With an abundance of education choices, outdoor recreational opportunities, healthy economy, and friendly community, it is an ideal place for families, professionals, and retirees who are looking for a safe and affordable place to call home.

Outdoor recreation is a major draw to Meridian, with many parks, trails, and outdoor spaces to explore. The city features **Julius M. Kleiner Memorial Park**, a 60-acre park that includes a fishing pond, playgrounds, and picnic areas. **The Storey Bark Park**, is a great place for dog owners to socialize and exercise their pets.







Downtown Meridian

Downtown Meridian, Idaho, is an active area central to local commerce and community activities. Main Street and Idaho Avenue are lined with a variety of businesses and restaurants. **Generations Plaza** stands out as a key gathering space in the heart of downtown. This plaza is known for hosting a range of events, including outdoor concerts and public celebrations, live music and a water feature. It also features art installations and seasonal decorations, making it a popular spot.

Meridian City Hall adds a civic dimension to downtown. For those interested in shopping and cultural experiences, The Initial Point **Gallery** offers a window into local art and creativity. Downtown Meridian is also home to regular community events like the Meridian **Farmers Market**, combining everyday practicality with entertainment and making it an appealing destination.

Major Employers in the Meridan Area

Major employers include **St. Luke's Health** System, Blue Cross of Idaho, Scentsy, and West Ada School District. The city also has a thriving small business community, with many local shops and restaurants.

The Village at Meridian in Idaho's Treasure Valley is a popular destination for shopping, dining, and entertainment. It features upscale retail stores, fine dining options, a cinema, and luxury office space, all set in a Europeanstyle architectural setting. The Village's streets encircle a park with a children's play area and a choreographed show fountain. It's a prime spot for various activities including movies, concerts, and local entertainment, making it a frequent choice for families and friends. There's always something going on at The Village, so make sure to keep an eye on the events calendar so you don't miss out on the fun.

Must Try Restaurants

Tin Roof Tacos

A lively spot known for its delicious taco varieties, eat in or grab to-go.

Lucky Fins

Features a varied seafood menu with a mix of Asian, Mexican, and American influences.

Kona Grill

Known for its contemporary American cuisine with an emphasis on sushi and cocktails.

Broken Yolk

A breakfast and brunch restaurant with a wide variety of egg-based dishes and more.

Notable Neighborhoods In Meridian

Meridian neighborhoods are known for family-friendly environments, amenities, and convenient locations.

Settlers Bridge

Known for its walking paths, playgrounds, and community pool. The neighborhood has a strong community feel with mature landscapes.

Lochsa Falls

Recognized for its water features, including stunning waterfalls and a central pond. It offers a blend of nostalgic and modern quality living.

Spurwing Greens

This neighborhood surrounds one of Idaho's largest golf courses and offers amenities like clubhouses, restaurants, fitness rooms, and tennis courts.

Bridgetower

Known for its landscaping and community facilities like pools, bike trails, and walkways. It's close to schools and has a variety of home sizes.

Paramount

A village within a city, offering parks, pools, walking paths, and community events.

Tuscany

A mix of large family and stylish single-level houses, patio homes, amenities like swimming pools, a clubhouse, lakes, and parks.

Century Farm

Modern Farmhouse-style homes, community feel and amenities like pools and playgrounds.





Workspaces for Productivity and Connection

The Treasure Valley, with its modern and inviting workspaces, has become a desired destination for remote workers, offering innovative co-working options. These settings cater to a wide range of work styles, designed for contemporary professionals and entrepreneurs.

Kiln with its airy space perfect for a creative co-working environment with unique amenities like a fitness room, podcast studio, and events. Regus is known for its modern co-working spaces that encourage networking and growth among professionals. The CommonWell has two welcoming locations and is a notable collaborative workspace, fostering a community of innovation and entrepreneurship for remote workers and artists.









A CELEBRATION OF LOCAL FOOD

CAPITAL CITY PUBLIC MARKET Saturdays, April-October

Located in downtown Boise near 8th & Main St, this market offers a variety of fresh produce, artisanal goods, art, and local crafts. Featuring live music and entertainers, and a curated selection of delicious food from regular and guest vendors, the Boise Farmers Market supports over 100 local Idaho small businesses.

BOISE FARMERS MARKET Saturdays, April-October

Located of off Shoreline Drive, this vibrant marketplace featuring locally grown and crafted products, including fresh seasonal produce, proteins, baked goods, honey, jams, sauces, coffee, and ready-to-eat foods, emphasizing the best of what is local and in season. Mobile Market brings fresh produce from the Boise Farmers Market to various Boise neighborhoods on multiple days and times throughout the week. www.theboisefarmersmarket.com/mobile-market.

EAGLE SATURDAY MARKET Saturdays, May-October

A handmade market located in the heart of downtown Eagle in Heritage Park. Explore an assortment of arts and crafts, local produce, herbs, flowers, woodwork, specialty food items, and freshly prepared dishes at this lively market.

MERIDIAN MAIN STREET MARKET Saturdays, April-October

A charming and bustling marketplace on Main Street at Meridian City Hall, featuring a variety of local produce, handmade crafts, and specialty goods. Proudly offering unique opportunities for youth involvement providing a platform to supporting young entrepreneurs.

CALDWELL FARM TO FORK FARMERS' MARKET

Tuesday evenings, May-September

Enjoy an evening of award-winning fruits, vegetables, grains, and spices at Indian Creek Plaza in Caldwell. Obtain the freshest produce for exceptional home-cooked meals or discover the ideal gift from local craftsmen and specialty food producers. The Market coincides with the Tuesdays on the Creek Concert Series.

NAMPA FARMERS MARKET Saturdays, Spring-late November

A cherished downtown tradition since 1989, offers a lively community-driven experience in Lloyd Square Park, featuring locally grown and locally made products within a 100-mile radius.



Small-Town Charm Meets Natural Splendor

For those looking to enjoy a small-town lifestyle while still being close to all the amenities of a bigger city, Kuna is a wonderful place to call home. With a nearly two-mile greenbelt ideal for running and cycling along the popular **Indian Creek**. South of the town, the **Kuna Caves** are a fascinating feature, consisting of underground lava tube caves that plunge over 50 feet deep. Swan Falls Dam, known for its local fishing opportunities, attracts many visitors from the surrounding Valley.

This hydroelectric dam, the oldest on the Snake River, is a notable landmark. Additionally, Kuna houses the **Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation** Area, open year round, and is home to various species of waterbirds, raptors, and shorebirds. Kuna has excellent healthcare facilities, such as Primary Health Medical Group, and St Alphonsus Family Medicine, and top-rated schools, the Kuna School

District is highly regarded in the Treasure Valley for its size and performance.

The city is surrounded by the **Owyhee Mountains** and the **Snake River**. There are numerous parks and hiking in the area, Bernie Fisher Park is a favorite and **Kuna Butte Trail** has amazing views.



Affordable Kuna Housing

One of the key benefits of moving to Kuna is the affordable cost of living. Housing prices are significantly lower than in many other parts of the country, which makes it an ideal place for families or those looking to start out on their own. Additionally, the city's low crime rate and excellent schools make it a safe and welcoming community for people of all ages.

Kuna is known for its affordable housing, making it an attractive destination for home buyers seeking both value and an evolving community atmosphere. Neighborhoods like **Ledgestone**, **Patagonia**, **and Caspian** feature a range of housing styles that cater to various lifestyles and preferences, all set within a welcoming and growing environment. This balance of cost-effectiveness and quality living positions Kuna as a compelling choice for prospective homeowners.

Ledgestone is community with new homes offering 3-5 bedrooms and 2-3 bathrooms, spread across 61 acres, featuring green spaces and a central park.

Patagonia is a new neighborhood with stylish modern homes, lush green spaces and water features. A luxurious lifestyle with affordable pricing.

Caspian new subdivision with spacious homes in a serene rural setting with amenities like pools, green space and walking paths.

For comprehensive details on Kuna's housing market consult your area Realtor to receive more specific information.

Must Try Restaurants In Kuna

ENRIQUE'S A Mexican restaurant that delights diners with its modern Mexican kitchen and tequileria. This restaurant prides itself on its fresh ingredients and family recipes and has been named the Best of the Treasure Valley and Best of Boise.

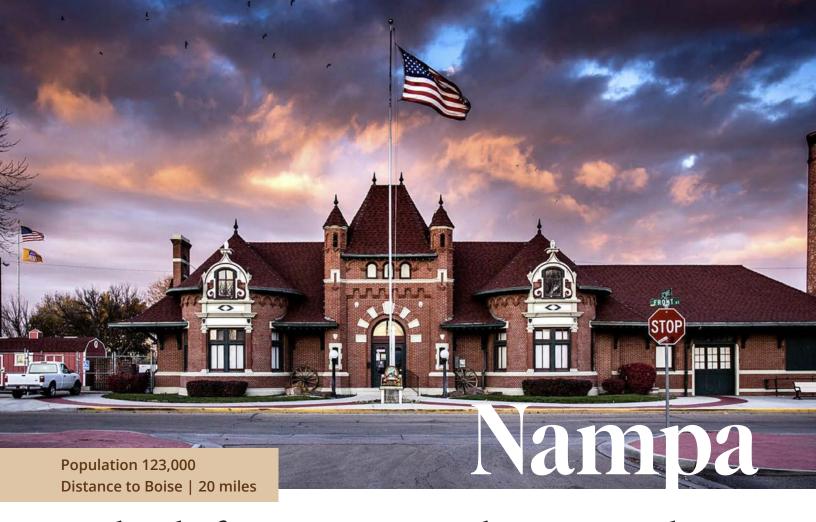
BIG MIC'S SALOON & BBQ A family friendly restaurant with slow-cooked BBQ, craft and domestic beers, cold-smoked whiskey bar; live music, karaoke, and sports viewing featuring a fireplace, pool table and darts.

IDAHO PIZZA COMPANY A staple in the area, offering a variety of pizzas that cater to all tastes.

HUDSON BAKING CO. Hudson adds sweetness to Kuna's culinary landscape. Slow fermented sourdough baked goods, from bread to cinnamon rolls, make sure to stop in for a sandwich during shop hours.







A Blend of Community and Countryside

Nampa is the largest city in Canyon County and the third most populous in Idaho. The city was founded in the late 19th century along the Oregon Short Line Railroad.

Nampa's scenic outdoors and variety of recreational activities make it a welcoming place to reside. The city's healthy economy, supported by sectors such as agriculture, manufacturing, and healthcare. Additionally, Nampa's low cost of living presents it as an economical choice for those seeking a new home.

You'll find a wide spectrum of housing options, ranging from perfect starter homes to custom-built residences. The city has numerous appealing neighborhoods with a large selection of K-12 schools, particularly in the eastern section, which is buzzing with new commercial activities. This area is in demand for its convenient access to shopping and dining, as well as its proximity to Interstate 84; Northeast Nampa is a rapidly evolving

area of the city, known for its central location. South Nampa's appealing location is becoming popular due to recent developments in shopping and dining options.

Nampa offers an excellent environment for living and working, highlighted by its natural beauty, cultural institutions, and recreational opportunities.



Nampa Recreation

Nampa is home to several parks and recreational areas, including the Lake Lowell Recreation Area. Enjoy an engaging lifestyle with a variety of activities and destinations. Golf enthusiasts can hit the greens at local courses like Ridgecrest Golf Club, RedHawk Golf Course, and Centennial Golf Course, while the Nampa Harward Recreation Center provides a space for fitness and fun.

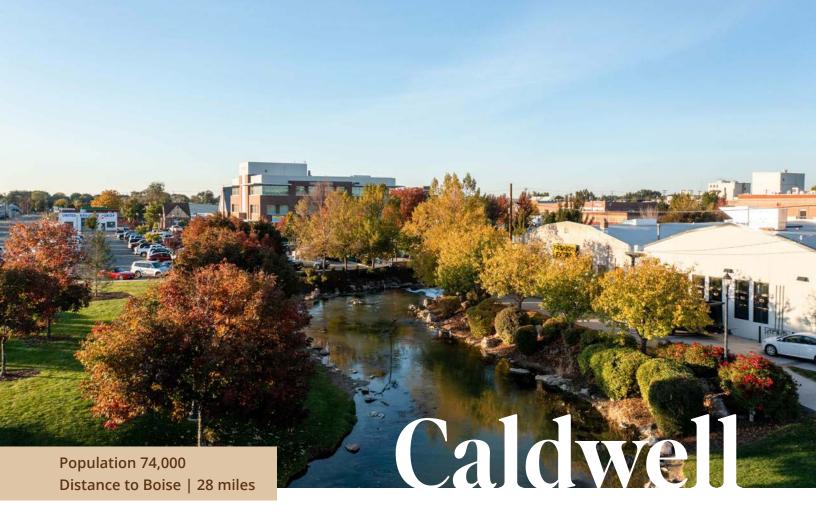
The Nampa Library offers cultural resources for all. For a spin on classic entertainment, the Rollerdrome Nampa and The Reel Theater offer skating, and movie-going experiences. Nampa Bowl is perfect for a fun game night. For outdoor adventure, Pyrrhic Paintball offers an exhilarating experience, while Jabbers creates a playful environment for kids. These activities collectively enrich the community life in Nampa, catering to a variety of interests and ages. And don't forget the weekly Nampa Farmers Market.



Major Employers in the Nampa Area

When it comes to major employers, Nampa has several companies that provide job opportunities, including Amalgamated Sugar, Sorrento Lactalis, Plexus Corp. GoGo Squeez, and St. Alphonsus Medical Center.





Culture and Country Charm

Caldwell is well known for its strong agricultural roots and is home to numerous orchards, vineyards, and farms. The strong economy of the area is supported by a variety of industries, including food processing, manufacturing, and healthcare. The city has a great public school system, with colleges and universities in the area, including The College of Idaho. The Boise River runs through the city, along with numerous parks and trails throughout the area. The city also hosts the Caldwell Night Rodeo.

Caldwell is more than just its quaint smalltown atmosphere. It's also the location of the **Sunnyslope Wine District**, which includes over 13 wineries, appealing to even the most selective wine enthusiasts. The region's excellent growing conditions and rich volcanic soil contribute to producing flavorful grapes. The landscape is adorned with vine-covered rolling hills and orchards, providing stunning views of the Snake River.







Indian Creek Plaza

Discover downtown Caldwell and its historic charm, showcased through its old brick buildings now housing a variety of shops and local businesses. This area is home to community festivals, Farmer's Markets, the Indian Creek Festival-complete with cardboard boat racing, and Caldwell's Winter Wonderland during the holiday season. Year-round family-friendly activities at Indian Creek Plaza include summer night concerts, splash pads and outdoor seating. The plaza transforms into a frosty ice skating experience with an outdoor ice ribbon, along with holiday activities and fire pits, makes it a popular destination during the colder months. Surrounding Indian Creek Plaza are various eateries and shops that add to the atmosphere of the area.

Notable Neighborhoods in Caldwell

Caldwell's **Stuenenberg Historic District** showcases homes with significant history in styles like Prairie, Tudor, Victorian, and Colonial. Moving southward, the homes vary in age with newer residences built in the last two decades. This variety in housing provides options for different preferences and eras, adding to Caldwell's unique character. Here are a few modern neighborhoods.

Huntington Ridge neighborhood offers a variety of single and two-story homes, It's a great location for enjoying Idaho's outdoor beauty and is convenient for schools and local amenities.

Pennsylvania Park features modern living with easy access to key areas in Caldwell, including nearby parks and recreational facilities.

Oakridge Estates is a small development with rare one-acre lots and a tranquil rural lifestyle.



Must Try Restaurants In Caldwell

Caldwell's culinary scene includes Casa **Añejo** with modern Mexican cuisine, **Indian Creek Steakhouse** for a classic steakhouse experience, Stewart's Bar and **Grill** offering a relaxing grill atmosphere, and **AMANO** with artisanal Mexican dishes.

A Tour of Wine Country

The Treasure Valley is a prominent wine region, with Caldwell, in the Snake River Valley AVA, being renowned for its vineyards and traditional wineries. Garden City offers an urban winemaking experience near Boise, blending modernity with wine culture. Boise itself is a hotspot for urban wineries and wine bars, showcasing local and regional varieties. From rustic estates to contemporary tasting rooms, the area caters to both wine connoisseurs and casual visitors.

HUSTON VINEYARDS

16473 Chicken Dinner Road, Caldwell Idaho

KOENIG VINEYARDS

21452 Hoskins Road, Caldwell Idaho

STE. CHAPELLE WINERY

19348 Lowell Road, Caldwell Idaho

SAWTOOTH WINERY

13750 Surrey Lane, Nampa Idaho

INDIAN CREEK WINERY

1000 N McDermott Road, Kuna Idaho

BITNER VINEYARDS

16645 Plum Road, Caldwell Idaho

HELLS CANYON WINERY

18835 Symms Road, Caldwell Idaho

3 HORSE RANCH VINEYARDS

5900 Pearl Rd, Eagle Idaho

DUDE DEWALT CELLARS

5446 ID-16, Eagle Idaho

CINDER WINES

107 E 44th Street, Garden City Idaho

COILED WINES

3408 W Chinden Blvd., Garden City Idaho

SPLIT RAIL WINERY

3200 W Chinden Blvd., Boise Idaho

TELAYA WINE CO.

240 E 32nd Street, Garden City Idaho

BODOVINO

404 S 8th Street, Boise Idaho



Star, Idaho, is a welcoming town with a tranquil lifestyle and a sense of close community engagement. The town provides a perfect balance between rural peace and suburban conveniences. Its residents relish in various outdoor activities, local dining options, and engaging community events, all within a beautiful natural setting. Star's friendly community and proximity to Boise make it a great choice for families and individuals seeking a relaxed living environment with easy access to city amenities.

There are plenty of recreational opportunities in Star, including hiking, biking, and fishing. Some of the most popular outdoor destinations in the area include the **Boise River Greenbelt**, which stretches for miles along the river, and the Star River Walk, along the undeveloped banks of the Boise River, provides wilderness-like scenic trails with opportunities for bird watching and picnics.

Gym goers will be quick to make **THE GYM**, their new local favorite, with a complete range of fitness equipment, including cardio machines, weights, and a functional training room. Additionally, the local wine scene includes the Sol Invictus Vineyard, a recent addition, producing a variety of quality wines. There are also several grocery stores and supermarkets in the area, such as **Albertsons** and **Ridley's**.



Must Try Restaurants

From quaint cafes to welcoming restaurants and charming cocktail bars, the dining scene in Star features unique appeal:

Rustic Table A restaurant known for its cozy ambiance, offering a menu that combines classic comfort with a touch of culinary sophistication.

Sea Salt Creamery + Bakeshop A family-owned dessert spot in Star, known for its small-batch ice cream, daily baked goods, and homemade pies a la mode.

El Mariachi Loco This spot brings a taste of authentic Mexican cuisine to Star, featuring traditional dishes in a lively and welcoming setting.

Star Country Cafe A classic diner that provides a homely feel, serving hearty American breakfasts and lunches.

Helina Marie's An old-world, European-style bar, offering an extensive wine selection, craft cocktails, appetizers, and other beverages.



Rustic Beauty and Community Spirit

Middleton is a charming small town with easy access to the whole Treasure Valley and rests along the north side of the Boise River. It is a peaceful community that offers a wide range of amenities and activities that make it an ideal place to live and raise a family. The town is growing fast due to its excellent quality of life.

The town is surrounded by beautiful mountains, rivers, and lakes, providing ample opportunities for hiking, horseback riding, camping, and other outdoor activities. The town also boasts several beautiful parks, including **Foote Park**, which features a playground, picnic tables, walking path, and splash pad.

Middleton Public Library, a hub for family and community events. Residents enjoy seasonal festivities like the Fourth of July celebration, featuring a parade, carnival, and fireworks.

Dining options range from local favorites like **Casa Mexico** and **Garbonzo's Pizza** to cozy cafes like **The Original Sunrise Cafe**, and **Middleton Espresso Cafe**.

Middleton's real estate market offers a mix of ready-to-move-in and newly constructed homes, making it an appealing destination for those seeking a friendly, close-knit community living experience.



Notable Neighborhoods

Crescent Lake

A community offering spacious, elegant homes in a serene setting.

Stonehaven

A community that combines modern comfort with spacious living areas.

Cascade Hills

This exclusive community offers luxurious homes reflecting a blend of elegance and spacious living.



Emmett is a charming small town located in Gem County, 5 minutes from Boise. It's known for its rich agricultural heritage, primarily centered around fruit orchards, particularly cherries, apples, and peaches. The town exudes a quaint, rural atmosphere with a strong sense of community and a slower pace of life.

The landscape surrounding Emmett is characterized by rolling hills and fields, offering opportunities for outdoor activities like hiking, fishing, and bird watching. The nearby **Black Canyon Reservoir** is a popular spot for boating, fishing, and picnicking.

Emmett's downtown area, while small, is dotted with historic buildings, and local businesses, from cozy cafes to antique shops. The community hosts several events throughout the year, including the renowned **Emmett Cherry Festival**, which celebrates the region's agricultural roots and draws visitors from all over.



Mountain Home is a smaller city located in Elmore County, roughly 45 minutes southwest down I-84 from Boise. It is home to the **Mountain Home Air Force Base**, a significant part of the city's identity and economy. The demographic in Mountain Home is diverse, with military personnel and their families, long-time residents, and newcomers alike.

The influence of the military base is evident in the community events and the overall spirit of the city, fostering a strong sense of camaraderie and support among residents.

Mountain Home hosts several community events throughout the year, including the Mountain Home Air Force Base Air Show, a major attraction drawing visitors from across the region to witness aerial displays and demonstrations.



In-State Vacation Destinations

Idaho is home to world famous resorts, renowned recreational activities, and nationally-recognized mountain reserves and outdoor spaces.

Coeur d'Alene is located in Northern Idaho, and sits on the shores of Lake Coeur d'Alene. It's a haven for water sports enthusiasts, offering boating, fishing, and swimming. The city is surrounded by pineforested hills, making it a popular destination for hiking, biking, and nature exploration.

Downtown Coeur d'Alene is charming and lively, with a variety of shops, restaurants, and cafes that reflect the city's friendly, small-town vibe. The city is also known for its art scene, with numerous galleries and cultural events, including the annual Art on the Green festival.

A highlight of Coeur d'Alene is the famous Coeur d'Alene Resort, a luxury destination known for its world-class amenities, including a renowned golf course with the famous floating green.

Stanley, Idaho / Sawtooth Mountains

For those in search of unspoiled wilderness and natural beauty, Stanley is waiting to be explored. Outdoor enthusiasts will find their paradise in Stanley. Surrounded by the breathtaking landscapes of the **Sawtooth National Recreation Area**. Visitors are treated to pristine lakes, rugged peaks, and lush forests, a perfect setting for hiking, camping, and wildlife viewing.

The area offers plenty of recreational activities, including hiking, fishing, kayaking, and rock climbing. The nearby **Salmon River** provides excellent opportunities for rafting and fishing. Just south of Stanley is **Redfish Lake**, one of Idaho's largest and most scenic alpine lakes, which is perfect for swimming, boating, and picnicking. The surrounding trails offer hiking options suitable for both beginners and experienced hikers.

The **Central Idaho Dark Sky Reserve** is also near Stanley, and provides an unparalleled opportunity for stargazing.





McCall, Idaho

If you're looking for a relaxing escape from city life, McCall is the perfect destination. The drive from Boise to McCall is a scenic one that offers beautiful views of the Idaho countryside. The journey covers approximately 110 miles and takes about two hours, depending on traffic and weather conditions.

McCall sits on the edge of **Payette Lake**, which offers opportunities for swimming, boating, fishing, and kayaking. The surrounding mountains provide excellent hiking, mountain biking, and skiing trails, as well as stunning scenic drives. In the winter, nearby **Brundage** is a popular ski resort and the area is perfect for winter recreation of all kinds.

McCall's downtown area has a variety of shops, restaurants, and galleries. McCall is also home to a number of festivals and concerts, including the annual Winter Carnival, annual Folk Festival and the Payette Lakes Fine Arts and Crafts Fair.

Sun Valley, Idaho

Sun Valley, Idaho, is a resort town famous for its world-class skiing and upscale amenities. During winter, skiing and snowboarding opportunities abound on **Bald Mountain and Dollar Mountain**. In the summer, the area transforms into a playground for hiking, mountain biking, fishing, and horseback riding. Surrounded by snow-capped peaks and pristine rivers, visitors are treated to beautiful views.

Home to the **Sun Valley Resort**, this destination offers luxurious accommodations, fine dining, and recreational amenities. The resort features a challenging golf course, a spa, and an arts and culture scene. Visitors can enjoy ice skating at the iconic outdoor rink, a favorite pastime for locals and tourists.

Annually the town attracts a global audience with the **Sun Valley Film Festival**. Downtown Sun Valley features luxurious boutiques, gourmet restaurants, and a mix of rustic and modern architecture.





EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS

BOISE SCHOOL DISTRICT

(208) 854-4000 BoiseSchools.org

WEST ADA SCHOOL DISTRICT

(208) 855-4500 WestAda.org

NAMPA SCHOOL DISTRICT

208-468-4600 NSD131.org

CALDWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT

(208) 455-3300 CaldwellSchools.org

VALLIVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT

(208) 454-0445 Vallivue.org

MIDDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT

(208) 585-3027 MSD134.org

KUNA SCHOOL DISTRICT

(208) 922-1000 KunaSchools.org

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

BISHOP KELLY HIGH SCHOOL

(208) 375-6010 BK.org

CHALLENGER SCHOOL

Grades Pre K-8 208-846-8888

CALDWELL ADVENTIST ELEMENTARY

(208) 459-4313

COLE VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

Grades K-12 (208) 947-1212

FOOTHILLS SCHOOL OF ARTS

Grades PreK-9 208-331-9260

GEM STATE ADVENTIST ACADEMY

Grades 9-12 208-459-1627

GEM STATE ADVENTIST ACADEMY

Grades 9-12

HEROES ACADEMY

Grades PreK-12 208-991-4453

INNOVATE ACADEMY

Grades K-12 208-954-7671

MONTESSORI ACADEMY

Grades PreK-6 208-939-6333

NAMPA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Grades Infant-12 208-466-8451

RIVERSTONE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Grades Pre-K-12 208-424-5000

SAINT MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Grades K-8 (208) 342-7476

NAMPA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Grades Infant-12 208-466-8451

THE AMBROSE SCHOOL

Grades K-12 (208) 323-3888

VIRTUAL EDUCATION

IDAHO TECHNICAL CAREER ACADEMY

Grades 9-12 877-654-4854

IDAHO CONNECTS ONLINE SCHOOL

Grades 6-12 208-475-3093

INSPIRE CONNECTIONS ACADEMY

Grades K-12 800-382-6010

IDAHO VIRTUAL ACADEMY

Grades K-12 866-339-9065

ISUCCEED VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL

Grades 7-12 208-375-3116

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Grades 7-12 208-375-3116

GEM PREP ONLINE

Grades K-12 866-447-1047

HOMESCHOOLING RESOURCES

HOMESCHOOL IDAHO

HomeSchoolIdaho.org

SELAH IDAHO

SelahIdaho.org

HIGHER EDUCATION

BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

(208) 426-1000

COLLEGE OF IDAHO

(208) 459-5011

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO BOISE

208-334-2999

NORTHWEST NAZARENE

UNIVERSITY

(208) 467-8011

IDAHO COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

208-696-4266

COLLEGE OF WESTERN IDAHO

208-562-3000

NORTHWEST LINEMAN

COLLEGE

888-546-3967

UTILITIES

IDAHO POWER

208-388-2323

INTERMOUNTAIN GAS

208-377-6840

BOISE

CITY OF BOISE

Boise City Sewer, Trash, Irrigation ctyofboise.org 208-608-7460

CAPITOL WATER CORPORATION

208-375-0931

UTILITIES & CONTACTS

VIOLIA WATER

(208) 362-7304

GARDEN CITY

WATER & SEWER

208-472-2930

EAGLE

EAGLE SEWER DISTRICT

208-939-0132

HARDEN SANITATION

(TRASH)

208-642-2629

CITY OF EAGLE WATER

208-489-8777

VEOLIA WATER

(208) 362-7304

MERIDIAN

WATER, SEWER & TRASH

208-888-4433

REPUBLIC SERVICES INC.

208-345-1265

IRRIGATION

208-466-7861

SETTLERS IRRIGATION

DISTRICT

208-344-2471

KUNA

WATER. SEWER & TRASH

208-922-5546

BOISE / KUNA IRRIGATION

208-922-5608

STAR

STAR SEWER & WATER

208-286-7388

REPUBLIC SERVICES (TRASH)

208-345-1265

NAMPA

NAMPA WATER WORKS

208-468-5711

REPUBLIC SERVICES (TRASH)

208-345-1265

IRRIGATION

208 468-7861

CALDWELL

WATER & SEWER

208-455-3000

REPUBLIC SERVICES (TRASH)

208-345-1265

MIDDLETON

CITY OF MIDDLETON

208-585-3133

REPUBLIC SERVICES (TRASH)

208-585-3133

INTERNET / TELEPHONE

Century Link 866-963-6665

Sparklight 855-463-8414

Quantum Fiber 833-706-2227

HughesNet 866-379-6320

DISH Network 888-605-9563

DirecTV 833-664-2612

Starlink 855-753-2495

Anthem Broadband 208-331-9822

HOSPITALS (911 FOR EMERGENCIES)

SAINT ALPHONSUS REGIONAL

MEDICAL CENTER BOISE

208-367-2121

SAINT ALPHONSUS EAGLE -EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

208-367-5355

SAINT ALPHONSUS NAMPA -

GARRITY EMERGENCY

208-205-1100

SAINT ALPHONSUS NAMPA - 12TH

AVE EMERGENCY

208-205-0700

ST. LUKE'S MERIDIAN EMERGENCY

208-706-5000

ST. LUKE'S BOISE EMERGENCY

DEPARTMENT

208-381-2222

ST. LUKE'S NAMPA EMERGENCY

208-505-2000

WEST VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER

ER CALDWELL

208-455-3789

POLICE (911 FOR EMERGENCIES)

IDAHO STATE POLICE

208-884-7200 (Patrol)

ADA COUNTY SHERIFF

208 577 3000 (Primary) 208 377 6790 (Non-Emergency

Dispatch)

BOISE POLICE

(208) 570-6000 (Primary)

(208) 377-6790 (Non-Emergency

Dispatch)

MERIDIAN POLICE

208-888-6678

EAGLE POLICE

208-938-2260 (Administration) 208 377 6790 (Non-Emergency

Dispatch)

KUNA POLICE

208-577-3860 (Administration) 208-377-6790 (Non-Emergency

Dispatch)

STAR POLICE

208 577-3840 Administration) 208-377 6790 (Non-Emergency

Dispatch)

CANYON COUNTY SHERIFF

208-454-7510 (Primary)

208-454-7531 (Non-Emergency

Dispatch)

NAMPA POLICE DEPARTMENT

208-465-2257

CALDWELL POLICE DEPARTMENT

208-455-3115 (Primary)

208-454-7531 (Non-Emergency

Dispatch)

MIDDLETON POLICE

DEPARTMENT

208-585-0008 (Non-Emergency)

ANIMAL CONTROL

BOISE ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL

208-343-3166

NAMPA ANIMAL CONTROL

208-454-7531

IDAHO HUMANE SOCIETY

208-343-3166



PLANNING AHEAD

- Create a detailed moving plan with timelines.
- Notify utility providers, post office, and relevant contacts about your move well in advance.

DECLUTTER AND ORGANIZE

- Start decluttering early; donate or sell items you don't need.
- Organize belongings by category for efficient packing.

PACKING ESSENTIALS

- Gather packing supplies: boxes, tape, bubble wrap, and labels.
- Pack a "first-night" box with essentials like toiletries, clothes, and important documents.

HIRE PROFESSIONAL MOVERS

- Research and hire reputable moving companies.
- Get quotes and schedule the move well in advance.

LOCAL SERVICES

- Find local utility providers for water, electric, gas, internet,
- Research local schools, healthcare providers, and emergency services.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

- Update your address with the post office, banks, DMV, and any relevant subscriptions.
- Ensure your new address is updated for online deliveries.

CHECKLISTS

- Use checklists for each stage of the move: premove, packing, moving day, and post-move.
- Keep track of important documents and moving paperwork.

ESSENTIALS ON MOVING DAY

- Pack a bag with essentials like snacks, water, and chargers.
- Have a moving-day toolkit with basic tools for any unexpected needs.

MOVING WITH PETS

- Arrange for pet care on moving day.
- Update pet tags and information with the new address.

UNPACKING STRATEGY

- Label boxes clearly to ease the unpacking
- Prioritize unpacking essentials for immediate use.

LOCAL ASSISTANCE

- Connect with 2-1-1 for local resources or relocation services for guidance.
- Seek recommendations for local contractors or services you may need, your licensed Realtor will have recommendations.

EXPLORE THE NEW NEIGHBORHOOD

- Familiarize yourself with the new neighborhood.
- Identify nearby amenities, grocery stores, and healthcare facilities.

SETTLING IN

- Attend local community events to meet neighbors.
- Join local social media groups and pages for insights and recommendations, such as Nextdoor and **This Is Boise**.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

- Know emergency evacuation routes and locations.
- Familiarize yourself with local emergency services.

RELAX AND ENJOY

- Take breaks during the move to avoid stress.
- Once settled, explore your new city and enjoy the experience.

Moving can be a challenging process, but with careful planning and these practical tips, your relocation to Idaho will be a smooth and positive experience.



