

# LIFE IN IDAHO



2025 AREA GUIDE



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Boise Hunter Homes is the Treasure Valley's premier homebuilder, creating amenity-rich communities in the most desirable locations across Boise, Eagle, Star, and Meridian. With nearly two decades of experience, they offer both move-in ready and personalized homes designed for elevated living.

From the foothills of Dry Creek Ranch to the sweeping views of Harris North and Harris Ridge, and the riverfront charm of River Park Estates, each neighborhood blends striking architecture with exceptional amenities. Every home is designed to offer more than everyday living—it's a gateway to community, connection, and a life well-lived.

For those relocating to Idaho, Boise Hunter Homes delivers a new standard of living in the heart of the Treasure Valley.



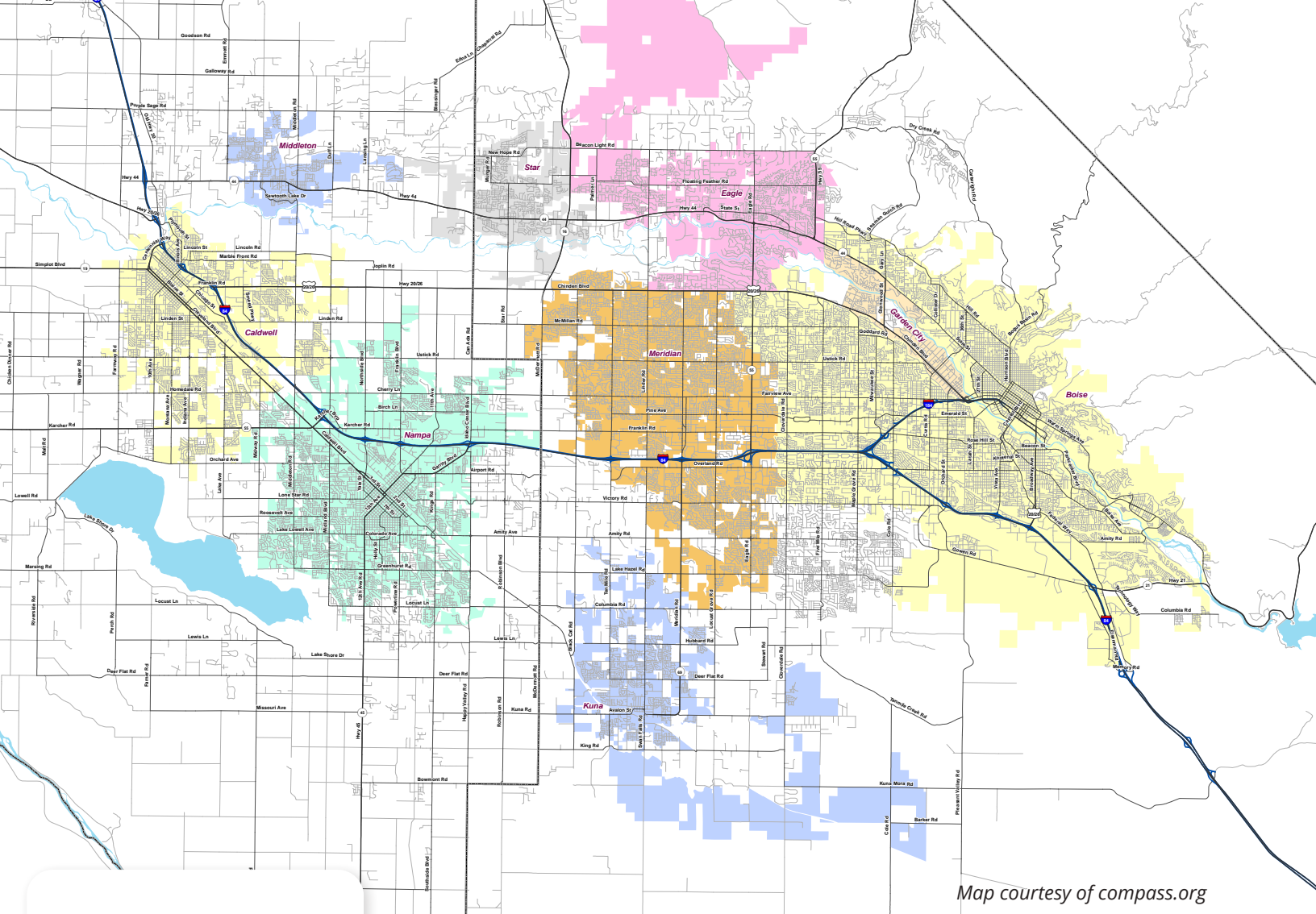


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# THE GREATER TREASURE VALLEY AREA

Welcome to the heart of Idaho's scenic beauty—The Greater Treasure Valley. This expansive region encompasses several cities, each with its own unique charm and character. At the core is Boise, the state's bustling capital, known for its energetic downtown, extensive park system, and a thriving arts scene. Surrounding Boise are the cities of Meridian, Nampa, and Caldwell, forming a metropolitan area with plentiful amenities, shopping, and dining options.

To the northeast, Eagle offers a more laid-back atmosphere with luxury homes, golf courses, and access to the Boise River, ideal for those seeking a quieter retreat within close proximity to urban conveniences. Just south of Boise, Kuna appeals to those looking for a small-town feel with easy access to the great outdoors, including the nearby Snake River birds of prey area.

Further west, Star and Middleton present a more rural lifestyle with opportunities for agriculture and spacious, scenic living. Each city within The Greater Treasure Valley is linked by efficient transportation routes, ensuring that whether you're traveling for work or leisure, you're never too far from your destination.



# FACTS ABOUT IDAHO

Idaho was established in 1890



The Great Seal of Idaho was designed by Emma Edwards Green in 1890, making it the only Great Seal in the United States designed by a woman.

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**

(with fry sauce)

STATE HORSE

**Appaloosa**

STATE TREE

**Western  
White Pine**



# WHAT WE LOVE ABOUT BOISE

## 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.





# Beyond the Potato



## TALK LIKE A LOCAL

Locals lovingly correct the common mispronunciation “BOY-zee” to “BOY-see,” reflecting pride in Boise, the City of Trees. This nickname, from the French word for “wooded,” highlights the area’s lush, tree-lined beauty.

Pronunciations can be tricky: Ustick Road is “You-stick,” Chinden Boulevard is “Chin-din” (from “Chinese garden,” honoring early settlers), and Kuna is pronounced “Q-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.

With growth comes a shared responsibility to preserve the environment by keeping cities clean, protecting wildlife, and safeguarding natural habitats to sustain Idaho’s quality of life.

## 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!

# TRANSIT TIPS

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

A car is recommended for Boise residents, especially outside the city, as Valley Regional Transit’s public transport may not cover all travel needs, especially outside of Boise city limits.

### 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.



# THE TREASURE VALLEY'S FOUR SEASONS

## OUTDOOR WINTERIZING TIPS

Blow out sprinkler systems; disconnect and drain hoses, insulate hose bibs to prevent freezing and damage.



### December

Low Temp: 23°F  
High Temp: 40°F  
Rainfall: 1.1 in  
Snowfall: 6.0 in  
Sunrise/Sunset:  
8:15 AM / 5:00 PM

### January

Low Temp: 21°F  
High Temp: 38°F  
Rainfall: 1.1 in  
Snowfall: 5.0 in  
Sunrise/Sunset:  
8:00 AM / 5:30 PM

### February

Low Temp: 26°F  
High Temp: 45°F  
Rainfall: 0.9 in  
Snowfall: 2.0 in  
Sunrise/Sunset:  
7:15 AM / 6:15 PM

### March

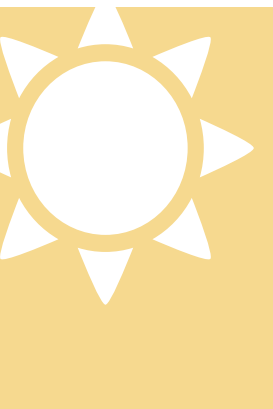
Low Temp: 35°F  
High Temp: 56°F  
Rainfall: 1.2 in  
Snowfall: 1 in  
Sunrise/Sunset:  
7:00 AM / 7:30 PM

### April

Low Temp: 40°F  
High Temp: 63°F  
Rainfall: 1.3 in  
Snowfall: Negligible  
Sunrise/Sunset:  
6:45 AM / 8:15 PM

### May

Low Temp: 47°F  
High Temp: 72°F  
Rainfall: 1.4 in  
Sunrise/Sunset:  
6:00 AM / 8:45 PM



### June

Low Temp: 54°F  
High Temp: 81°F  
Rainfall: 0.8 inches  
Sunrise/Sunset:  
5:45 AM / 9:15 PM

### July

Low Temp: 62°F  
High Temp: 93°F  
Rainfall: 0.5 in  
Sunrise/Sunset:  
6:00 AM / 9:00 PM

### August

Low Temp: 62°F  
High Temp: 91°F  
Rainfall: 0.3 in  
Sunrise/Sunset:  
6:30 AM / 8:30 PM

### September

Low Temp: 55°F  
High Temp: 81°F  
Rainfall: 0.7 in  
Sunrise/Sunset:  
7:00 AM / 8:00 PM

### October

Low Temp: 43°F  
High Temp: 66°F  
Rainfall: 0.9 in  
Sunrise/Sunset:  
7:30 AM / 6:45 PM

### November

Low Temp: 33°F  
High Temp: 49°F  
Rainfall: 1.2 in  
Snowfall: 0.8 in  
Sunrise/Sunset:  
8:00 AM / 5:30 PM





# RETIREMENT

## RETIRING IN IDAHO: ACTIVE LIVING MADE EASY

The Treasure Valley is a retirement haven offering affordability, quality healthcare, outdoor recreation, and a welcoming community. With a cost of living below the national average, no tax on Social Security benefits, and accessible amenities like the Boise River Greenbelt and top-rated hospitals, retirees enjoy an active, fulfilling lifestyle. Mild winters, senior-focused housing options, and lively cultural events make Boise an ideal choice for a relaxed and engaging retirement.

Explore these thoughtfully designed 55+ neighborhoods offering modern homes to thrive in your next chapter.

### **Regency at Milestone Ranch, Star, ID**

A new active adult community by Toll Brothers offering single-family homes with various floor plans and amenities.

### **Trilogy® Valor, Kuna, ID**

A resort-style gated community by Shea Homes featuring new homes for 55+ active adults.

### **Cadence at Century Farm, Meridian, ID**

A gated 55+ active adult community offering modern single-family homes with open floor plans and high-end finishes.

### **Cadence at Bainbridge, Meridian, ID**

A recently developed 55+ community featuring contemporary homes and a range of amenities.

### **East Ridge Village, Meridian, ID**

A 55+ community offering homes with various designs and access to community facilities.





# WELCOME TO BOISE: YOUR GUIDE TO YEAR-ROUND FUN!

The Treasure Valley's seasonal activities highlight the community's warmth and the stunning beauty of the region. Whether you're seeking family fun or a memorable date night, Boise and its surrounding areas have something for everyone to enjoy!



## JANUARY

### **Polar Bear Plunge**

#### **Lucky Peak Reservoir**

On New Years Day, participants brave the icy waters to support Make-A-Wish Idaho, raising funds for critically ill children while offering prizes for top fundraisers.

### **\$3 Thursdays at Zoo Boise**

Every Thursday through February 2025, enjoy discounted admission to Zoo Boise, making it an affordable family adventure.

### **Penguin Paint & Sip**

#### **Zoo Boise - Jan 5th, Feb 2nd**

Enjoy a paint and sip experience with Magellanic penguins, complete with snacks, drinks, and a zookeeper tour. Ages 18+; ID required for wine.

### **Wild Child Matinee**

#### **Film Program**

#### **Boise State Special Events Center**

A youth-centered film program by the Idaho Sierra Club, showcasing inspiring nature films to spark curiosity and appreciation for the outdoors.

### **Banff Centre Mountain Film Festival World Tour**

#### **Egyptian Theatre - January 23-25**

A showcase of the year's top mountain sport, culture, and adventure films from the renowned Banff Centre Mountain Film and Book Festival.

### **Idaho Remodeling & Design Show**

#### **Boise Centre**

The valley's top home improvement expo, featuring trusted experts and resources for building, remodeling, and updating homes.



*Polar Bear Plunge*

## FEBRUARY

### **McCall Winter Festival**

#### **McCall, Idaho**

A beloved tradition for over 50 years, features snow sculptures, fireworks, parades, and winter sports, attracting 60,000 visitors to the scenic Payette Lake region.

### **Canyon County Spring Home Show**

#### **Ford Idaho Center**

Home and garden festival with displays, local experts, and ideas for home projects.

### **Black History Month**

#### **Speakeasy Social**

#### **Idaho Historical Museum**

Celebrate Black culture with music, poetry, art, and business in a 1920s-themed adult social event. Roaring twenties attire encouraged!

### **Savvy Women & Money Financial Conference**

#### **Boise Centre**

An annual conference empowering women in Idaho with financial knowledge and skills to take control of their financial future.



## Women's Lifestyle Expo

### Expo Idaho

A free event featuring 100+ exhibits with shopping, workshops, wellness resources, and handcrafted goods, designed to inspire, and connect women in the Treasure Valley.

# MARCH

## Idaho Artistry in Wood Show

### JUMP Boise

This event draws wood artists showcasing crafted pieces, ideal for woodworking and fine arts enthusiasts.

## Idaho Sportsman's Show

### Expo Idaho

Offering outdoor enthusiasts the latest in hunting and fishing gear.

## Boise Spring Home Show

### Expo Idaho

Featuring home improvement, decor, and renovation vendors, this show is ideal for homeowners and DIY enthusiasts.



McCall Winter Carnival

## Boise Roadster Show

### Expo Idaho

A showcase of hot rods, custom vehicles, classics, and motorcycles, popular among car enthusiasts and families.

## Boise Flower and Garden Show

### Boise Centre

Garden displays, workshops, and vendors offering plants, decor, and gardening tools for garden lovers.

## Zoo Boise's Spring Break

Up-close animal encounters, special programming and up-close encounters with animals, perfect for family-friendly activities during spring break.

## Caldwell Cars & Coffee

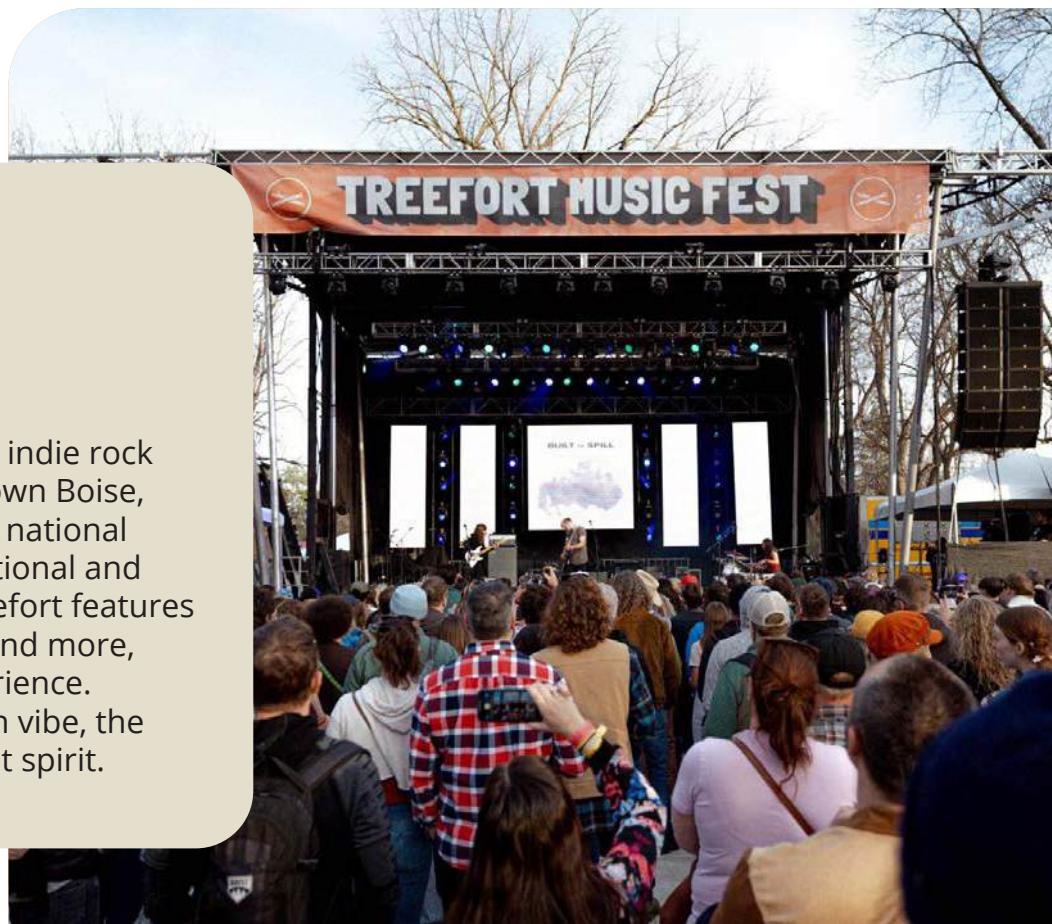
### Indian Creek Plaza

A free, family-friendly event for car enthusiasts showcasing an impressive range of vehicles while guests enjoy coffee from local vendors.

# TREEFORT MUSIC FEST

March, 2025

Treefort Music Fest is a five-day indie rock festival held annually in downtown Boise, Idaho. Since 2012, it has gained national acclaim for its lineup of international and local artists. Beyond music, Treefort features "forts" for comedy, tech, food, and more, creating a unique cultural experience. Known for its community-driven vibe, the festival highlights Boise's vibrant spirit.







## START YOUR ENGINES: RACETRACKS IN THE TREASURE VALLEY

The Treasure Valley is home to several exciting racetracks, perfect for motorsport enthusiasts and adrenaline seekers. Whether you love road racing, drag strips, or dirt tracks, there's something here to fuel your need for speed. These racetracks are just the starting line for the thrilling motorsport scene in and around Boise. Check individual schedules for upcoming races and events!

### Meridian Speedway Meridian, Idaho

A 1/4-mile NASCAR-sanctioned oval track hosting late models, modifieds, sprint cars, and family-friendly events. April through September, with special events occasionally in October.

### Owyhee Motorcycle Club Raceway Eagle, Idaho

A 1/7-mile clay oval and motocross track catering to dirt bike racing and off-road motorcycle events. Open year-round, weather permitting, with events primarily from spring through fall.

### Firebird Raceway Eagle, Idaho

A premier NHRA-sanctioned drag strip featuring a full season of drag racing events, including the annual Boise Roadster Show. March through October.

### Snake River Region SCCA (Boise Autocross)

Organizes autocross events where drivers can test their skills on timed road courses in a safe and controlled environment. Typically April through October, depending on venue and weather.

## APRIL

### Boise Farmers Market

1500 Shoreline Drive

Fresh produce, local goods, and artisan foods. It's a great way to connect with local farmers and makers.

### Zoo Boise Easter Eggstravaganza

Families enjoy egg hunts, animal encounters, and spring-themed activities. This Easter celebration offers fun and learning about the zoo's animals.

### Treasure Valley Flea Market Expo Idaho

A popular event with vendors selling vintage items, collectibles, and unique finds. With affordable admission, it's ideal for treasure hunters and families.

### Spring Home and Garden Show

Expo Idaho

Showcasing garden design, landscaping services, and home improvement vendors, this event draws homeowners looking for spring project inspiration.

### Fairy & Gnome House Exhibit Idaho Botanical Garden

Discover the Fairy & Gnome House Exhibit, an annual event showcasing whimsical creations that enchant visitors of all ages.

### Race to Robie Creek®

Held annually in April since 1975, is a challenging half-marathon starting at Fort Boise Park, climbing to Aldape Summit, and finishing at Robie Creek Park. Known as "The Toughest Race in the Northwest," this long-standing tradition features a lively post-race celebration, with proceeds supporting local non-profits, making it both a rewarding challenge and a meaningful community event.



# MAY

## Boise Music Week

Various Venues, May 1st - 11th

A free community celebration of music, featuring performances in genres like jazz, choir, and orchestral music across multiple Boise locations.

## Experience Idaho

Expo Idaho

A full-day celebration of Idaho's local businesses, products, and adventures, featuring shopping, live music, food, drinks, and inspiration for summer activities and home projects.

## Gem State Comic Con

Expo Idaho

Idaho's longest-running pop culture convention, bringing together fans of comics, sci-fi, and fantasy with a lineup of celebrity guests, artists, and family-friendly activities.

## YMCA Famous Idaho Potato Marathon & Fun Runs

Expo Idaho

Participants of all fitness levels, can choose from a full marathon, half marathon, 10K, or 5K.



Outlaw Field

## Outlaw Field Summer Concert Series

Idaho Botanical Garden

Late May through the summer

Concertgoers enjoy live music in a scenic garden setting with food, drinks, and free downtown shuttles.

## Idaho Shakespeare Festival

Idaho Botanical Garden

Open-air theater performances in a natural setting, showcasing classic Shakespeare plays and other well-known works. Season runs from May-September.

## Cycle for Independence

Riverglen Junior High School

Hosted by the National Federation of the Blind, this charity bike event offers routes from 10 miles to a Metric Century. Proceeds support blind community members, and riders enjoy live music and prizes.

## Laura Moore Cunningham City Arboretum Tour

City Arboretum, Boise

Explore the city's tree nursery, learn about tree species, and view mature specimens. Wear sturdy footwear for uneven, possibly muddy surfaces.



Idaho Shakespeare Festival



## Alive After Five

### The Grove - June-August

A free summer concert series held every Wednesday evening from mid June through the end of July at The Grove Plaza. This long-standing community tradition offers great music, local food, and craft beverages.



## JUNE

### Great Garden Escape Concert Series

#### Idaho Botanical Garden

An annual summer concert series that takes place in the Meditation Garden and features a variety of musical genres. Attendees often bring snacks, picnic blankets, or low back chairs into the space.

### Treasure Valley Triathlon

#### Quinn's Pond and Boise Greenbelt

A triathlon for athletes of all levels, featuring multiple race formats, including adaptive sports.

### Savor Idaho

#### Idaho Botanical Garden

Idaho's premier wine and cider event, featuring samples from over 30 local wineries and cideries, food trucks, and a painting class, all set within the scenic garden.



## RODEOS AND PROFESSIONAL BULL RIDING

The Treasure Valley is home to many nationally-recognized professional bull riding events and traditional rodeos.

**Professional Bull Riders**  
April 18-19, 2025

**Eagle Rodeo! June 11-14**  
Ford Idaho Center

**Treasure Valley PRCA Rodeo, June 27-28**  
Meridian Rodeo Grounds

**Kuna Stampede Rodeo**  
Late Aug - Early Sept

**Snake River Stampede, June 17-21**  
Ford Idaho Center

**Grangeville Border Days July 3-6**  
Ford Idaho Center

**Caldwell Night Rodeo August 12-16**  
Caldwell, ID

## **Family Summer Palooza** **Expo Idaho**

A fun-filled day for families with rock climbing, petting zoos, crafts, and interactive exhibits.

## **Boise Music Festival** **Expo Idaho**

Idaho's largest music festival offers a full day of entertainment with top music acts, carnival rides, food vendors, and VIP experiences.

## **Family Pet Expo** **Expo Idaho**

A pet-friendly expo featuring live demonstrations, adoptions, vendors, and interactive exhibits for families and pet lovers.

## **Emmett Cherry Festival** **Emmett City Park, Emmett, ID**

Known for its cherry-themed activities, this beloved Emmett tradition features live music, a carnival, and vendor booths.

## **Snake River Stampede** **Ford Idaho Center**

One of the top 10 professional rodeos in the nation, featuring bull riding, barrel racing, and more.

## **Meridian Dairy Days** **Storey Park**

Celebrating the area's dairy heritage with a carnival, parade, live shows, and a golf tournament. It's a family-friendly festival full of activities.

## **Boise Greek Food Festival**

**Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church**  
Enjoy authentic Greek food, music, and dancing at this cultural event.

# **FLOATS, FUN, AND SUNSHINE: TREASURE VALLEY PARADES**

**Nampa Parade America** | Held in May - Downtown Nampa  
This patriotic celebration featuring floats, marching bands, and community groups, honoring the nation's heritage.

**Meridian Dairy Days**  
Held the third weekend of June at Storey Park, features the popular Dairy Days Parade, a cherished tradition celebrating the city's rich dairy heritage.

**Emmett Cherry Festival Parade**  
Second full week of June. Part of the Emmett Cherry Festival, this parade showcases floats, bands, and cherry-themed decorations, celebrating the local cherry harvest.

**Melba "Olde Tyme" 4th of July Parade**  
A traditional Independence Day parade with floats, classic cars, and community participants, followed by festivities in the park.

**Caldwell 4th of July Parade**  
A morning parade featuring patriotic floats, local organizations, and marching bands, kicking off Independence Day celebrations.

**Star Hometown Celebration Parade**  
A community parade with local floats, performances, and family-friendly activities, celebrating the 4th of July.

**Middleton's 4th of July Parade**  
Held on Main Street, features floats, marching bands, and a "Wet Zone" for water fights, creating a fun and patriotic community tradition.

**Eagle Fun Days**  
Wet & Wild parade second Saturday in July, cornhole tournament, and the unique Rocky Mountain Oyster Feed.

**Kuna Days**  
Held in early August, features a spirited parade on Main Street, celebrating the community with floats, fun, and family-friendly festivities.

*Event dates are subject to change, check official event websites*





## Meridian Fine Arts Festival

### Idaho Botanical Garden

Kleiner Park showcases over 75 Pacific Northwest artists, live entertainment, food vendors, and a splash pad for kids.

## Treasure Valley PRCA Rodeo

### Meridian Rodeo Grounds

A two-day rodeo event featuring classic events like bull riding and barrel racing, with proceeds supporting local causes.

# JULY

## Muddy Dash Boise 2025

### Expo Idaho

A fun-filled obstacle course featuring mud pits and challenges suitable for all fitness levels.

## Canyon County Fair

July 24-27

Held in Caldwell, this fair features carnival rides, live entertainment, agriculture showcases, and family-friendly activities, celebrating Idaho's traditions

## Jaialdi 2025

July 29 – August 3

One of the largest Basque festivals in the world, featuring traditional music, dance, sports, and cuisine.

## Garden City Artisans Market

Every Saturday in July 2025

Weekly market featuring local artisans, food trucks, and live entertainment at Riverfront Park, Garden City.



# INDEPENDENCE DAY FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR

## Boise

Ann Morrison Park

## Meridian

Independence Day Celebration; Storey Park

## Garden City

Boise Hawks Memorial Stadium

## Nampa

God and Country Festival; Ford Idaho Amphitheater (check for date)

## Caldwell

4th of July; Brothers Park

## Middleton

Foote Park

## Star

Hunter's Creek Park

## Kuna

Bernie Fisher Park

## Melba

"Olde Tyme" 4th of July

## Emmett

Gem Island Sports Complex

## McCall

Payette Lake

## Tamarack

Tamarack Resort hosts a variety of events through Fourth of July weekend

## Twilight Criterium Downtown Boise

Part of the American Criterium Cup, returning to downtown Boise on July 19th, 2025, featuring professional races, a Kids' Ride, and an expo with food, drinks, and activities, drawing over 20,000 spectators.

## San Inazio Basque Festival

A celebration of Boise's rich Basque heritage with live music, traditional dancing, sports, and authentic Basque food and drinks. This free event honors Saint Ignatius, the Patron Saint of the Basque people.

# AUGUST

## Kuna Days

Held in early August at Bernie Fisher Park, features live music, vendors, a parade, kids' carnival, and fireworks, with highlights like the Boy Scouts Pancake Breakfast and Fun Run.

## Boise Soul Food Festival Julia Davis Park

A celebration of African-American culture with soul food, live music, dancing, Black-owned businesses, and workshops on history, traditional dances, music, hair care, and social justice.

## Caldwell Night Rodeo Caldwell Rodeo Grounds

Evening rodeo events featuring top cowboys and cowgirls, live music, and food vendors. August 12-16th

## Western Idaho Fair

The Western Idaho Fair, a tradition since 1897, celebrates Idaho's agriculture, livestock, arts, and culture with competitions, free concerts, carnival rides, food, and family-friendly entertainment.

## The Nampa Festival of the Arts

Held every August at Nampa's Lakeview Park, this free two-day festival features over 200 artisan booths, live entertainment, food vendors, and family-friendly activities.

## Boise Baroque Summer Concerts

Summer concerts at the Chateau des Fleurs feature live music, lawn games, kids' activities, and dining options, with seating choices including lawn, concert row, and tables.

# SEPTEMBER

## Hyde Park Street Fair Camel's Back Park, Boise

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

## Art in the Park

### Julia Davis Park

A free three-day festival hosted by the Boise Art Museum, featuring over 200 artists, live music, food, and hands-on activities for kids.

## Potato Days

### Kleiner Memorial Park

Celebrate Idaho's beloved potato with live music, chalk art, vendors, potato-themed street food, carnival games, and family-friendly activities.

## Old Boise Oktoberfest

Celebrate German culture in Boise's Old Town District, featuring food, beers, a stein hoist competition, kids' games, and face painting.



Hyde Park Street Fair

## Eagle Jazz and Blues Fest Downtown Eagle

A two-day event featuring world-class jazz and blues performances, free and ticketed shows, food, drinks, and support for local music education through youth camps and scholarships.

## Spirit Of Boise Balloon Classic

August 27-31, 2025

A multi-day event with colorful balloon launches, free tethered rides on Kid's Day, pilot meet-and-greets, and the dazzling Nite Glow, offering stunning views over downtown Boise.





# OCTOBER

## Boise Entrepreneur Week JUMP

Boise Entrepreneur Week is Idaho's largest entrepreneur-focused event, with pitch competitions, workshops, and networking opportunities to support and celebrate the local entrepreneurial community.

## Oktoberfest in Downtown Meridian

Hosted by The Meridian Chamber of Commerce features German culture, music, beer, and family-friendly activities.

## Witches Night Out

The Village in Meridian hosts a festive Halloween celebration with witch costumes, shopping, dining, costume contests, photo ops, and special promotions.

## Boo At The Zoo

A family-friendly Halloween event at Zoo Boise, featuring trick-or-treating, games, and entertainment, offering a safe and engaging way to celebrate Halloween while enjoying the zoo's wildlife.

## Taste of Boise Downtown Boise

Taste of Boise celebrates the city's thriving food scene with dishes from top local restaurants, food trucks, and chefs, featuring a mix of gourmet and comfort foods with local and international flavors.

## Dogtober Fest Indian Creek Plaza

A fun-filled event for dogs and their owners, featuring costume contests, talent shows, parades, and pet-focused vendors, creating a perfect day for pet lovers.



# NOVEMBER

## Small Business Saturday

Held the Saturday after Thanksgiving, promotes shopping local at Boise's independent stores, boutiques, and eateries with special deals and unique finds, strengthening the economy and community bonds. Don't miss the annual This Is Boise Winter Wonder Market.

## Saint Alphonsus Festival of Trees The Grove Plaza

A display of beautifully decorated Christmas trees, wreaths, and holiday décor, with proceeds supporting healthcare initiatives.

## Canyon County Festival of Trees Ford Idaho Center

A festive event featuring decorated trees, entertainment, and activities for all ages, supporting the Canyon County Meals on Wheels.

## Pumpkin Farms and Harvest Attractions

Late September - October

### Fall Harvest Days

**Idaho Botanical Garden**  
Saturdays in October, the garden celebrates fall with activities like the Scarecrow Stroll, seasonal displays, and local vendors, all set in a beautiful autumn garden.

### Lowe Family Farmstead

Recognized as Idaho's most popular fall destination, featuring a nationally recognized corn maze, pumpkin patch, hayrides, farm animals, pig races, and delicious food choices.

### Flaming Acres Farm

A variety of fall family-friendly activities with a pumpkin patch, corn maze, and hayrides.

### Shindig Farms

A pumpkin patch, corn maze, and other fall attractions. The farm is known for its festive atmosphere and seasonal activities.

### Lovely Hollow Farm

A pumpkin-picking experience with a variety of pumpkins to choose from. Ideal for families looking for a peaceful fall outing.

### Pumpkin Palooza

The Treasure Valley's urban pumpkin patch provides family fun with pumpkins, rides, games, petting zoo, and fall photo opportunities.

# DECEMBER

## Boise Holiday Parade

### Downtown Boise

Welcome the season with festive floats, marching bands, and an appearance by Santa Claus.

## Eguberriko Azoka (Basque Christmas Market)

Celebrate Basque culture with unique gifts, food, and festive activities in the Basque Block.

## Christmas at the Kuna Castle

### Kuna, Idaho

Spend a magical day at Kuna Castle enjoying Santa, princesses, hayrides, vendors, and more.

## Glide on Grove Ice Skating

### The Grove Plaza

In downtown Boise you'll find a free ice skating rink encompassing the city's holiday tree, offering free skate rentals and fun for all ages.

## Breakfast with Santa at Zoo Boise

Families can enjoy breakfast and meet Santa Claus in the unique setting of the zoo.

## The Nutcracker

### The Morrison Center

Each holiday season, Ballet Idaho and the Boise Philharmonic present The Nutcracker featuring Tchaikovsky's score, 90 academy children, and the Ballet Idaho company.

## Idaho Potato Drop

### Downtown Boise

A nationally recognized New Years Eve event in Downtown Boise, features the popular "GlowTato" drop, fireworks, live music, ski exhibitions, local food, and a heated VIP tent, all supporting local charities.



Scentsy Commons

## Sparkle Season: The Treasure Valley's Holiday Destinations

### Winter Garden aGlow at the Idaho Botanical Garden

Featuring over 850,000 lights across 10 acres, the garden transforms into a stunning holiday wonderland.

### Winter Wonderland at Indian Creek

Celebrate the season with over a million lights illuminating Indian Creek in Caldwell. Enjoy ice skating, visits with Santa, and local vendor shopping from mid-November to early January.

### Scentsy Commons Meridian, Idaho

Over 900,000 lights, a 250-foot light tunnel, and a 75-foot Christmas tree, this free holiday experience is open nightly through mid-January.

### Santa's Village

The Village in Meridian becomes a festive winter destination with a tree lighting, Santa's village, and an ice skating rink, from November to January.

### Downtown Christmas Tree & Glide On The Grove

The Downtown Boise Christmas Tree Lighting kicks off the holiday season with a 35-foot tree and a free seasonal skating experience.

## Holiday Parades and Tree Lightings

Downtown Boise Holiday Tree Lighting in the Grove Plaza

Eagle Country Christmas Tree Lighting at Eagle City Hall

Caldwell Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting

Kuna Down Home Country Christmas Tree lighting and Night Light Parade

Emmett Holiday Magic on Main Tree Lighting and Parade at Bowman Family Park

Nampa Christmas Tree Lighting at the Nampa Train Depot

Meridian Winter Lights Parade and Tree Lighting in downtown Meridian.





# ACTIVITIES

## EXPLORE BOISE'S ACTIVE LIFESTYLE

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

The Treasure Valley is an outdoor enthusiast's dream, offering scenic trails for hiking, biking, and paddleboarding along the Boise Greenbelt, serene fishing spots, and golf courses. Families and sports fans can enjoy year-round activities like skiing, tubing, camping, and boating on nearby lakes. From fitness centers to seasonal events like food trucks and live music, Boise has something for every age and interest.

### First Thursday

First Thursday in downtown Boise is an ongoing monthly celebration where galleries, shops, and restaurants welcome visitors with art, live music, and culinary delights, offering a perfect way to connect with the city's creative community.

### Disc Golf in Boise Parks

The Treasure Valley is home to a flourishing disc golf scene, featuring courses for players of all skill levels:

- **Ann Morrison Park:** An 18-hole course designed for both recreational and competitive play.
- **Veterans Memorial Park:** A 20-hole course shaped with input from local players.

Local clubs such as the Gem State Disc Golf Club and Treasure Valley Disc Golf play a pivotal role in fostering the disc golf community. They organize seasonal leagues and tournaments, welcoming players of all levels.







*Map courtesy of the City of Boise*

## Boise's Greenbelt: A Riverfront Escape

The Boise River Greenbelt is a 25-mile linear park and pathway that winds along the Boise River, connecting parks, neighborhoods, and downtown Boise. This scenic trail system is popular for walking, running, biking, and wildlife viewing, offering year-round access.

**Julia Davis Park:** A central access point with nearby attractions like the Boise Art Museum, Zoo Boise, and the rose garden.

**Ann Morrison Park:** Main entrance off of American Blvd, additional West side access near disc golf with pathways.

**Barber Park:** Main access at event center, second access off the park's eastern edge. Ideal for those seeking a nature-focused walk.

**Esther Simplot Park:** Offers interconnected ponds for paddleboarding, fishing, and relaxing by the water.

**Veterans Memorial Park:** A serene area for picnics and access to the river's natural habitats.

**Downtown Boise:** Access the Greenbelt near Capitol Boulevard for scenic views and proximity to local eateries and shops.

**Bown Crossing:** A quieter entry point with nearby dining options and ample parking.





# Dinking Around: Pickleball in Idaho

Pickleball continues to flourish in the Treasure Valley, with a variety of venues and clubs catering to enthusiasts of all levels:

## **S2 Pickleball (Boise)**

A premier indoor facility featuring nine courts, offering memberships, open play sessions, leagues, and clinics.

## **The Flying Pickle (Meridian)**

The Treasure Valley's first pickleball-exclusive facility, providing courts designed for players of all levels.

## **Treasure Valley Athletic Center (Meridian)**

A hub for youth sport development and adult recreation, offering pickleball opportunities among other sports.



Pickleball clubs in the Treasure Valley, like **Canyon County Pickleball Club**, **Boise Pickleball Club**, and **Boise Area Pickleball Association**, foster community and player development through events and year-round skill-building opportunities.



## **Music on the Mountain**

Bring your lawn chairs or blankets and experience this energetic summer scene with the Music on the Mountain free concert series at Bogus Basin.

## **Summer Activity at Bogus Basin Ski Resort**

Bogus Basin becomes a summer playground (May–September) with chairlift rides, hiking, disc golf, mountain biking, and family fun at the Mountain Adventure Park, featuring the Glade Runner coaster and gem panning.

## **Boise Bike Bar**

Pedal through downtown Boise on the Boise Bike Bar, a group-powered party bike perfect for tours, celebrations, and stops at local hotspots. Bring friends, beverages, and energy for a fun-filled city adventure.

## **Green Acres Food Truck Park**

Located along the Boise Greenbelt, features a rotating selection of food trucks, live music, and family-friendly activities. It reopens in April 2025.

Bogus Basin





# Make a Splash: Boise's Water Sports

Boise's Whitewater Park, near Quinn's Pond, offers kayaking, paddleboarding, and surfing with engineered waves, scenic views, and rentals.

## Floating the Boise River

Floating the Boise River is a summer tradition in the area. The float spans roughly 6 miles and offers a self-guided experience lasting 2-3 hours. 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**.

Boise River's 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 popular summer activities in the Treasure Valley. **Lucky Peak Reservoir** is a standout, featuring over 45 miles of shoreline, 80 picnic/camping sites, and unique boat-in areas for picnics, group camping, or stargazing.

**Lake Lowell** (Nampa) provides opportunities for boating, swimming, and fishing amidst southwest Idaho's serene landscape. **Black Canyon Reservoir**, northeast of Emmett, spans 1,100 acres with 12 miles of shoreline, featuring amenities like restrooms, boat ramps, picnic tables, and camping facilities. swimming, and camping, complete with amenities like restrooms, boat ramps, picnic tables, and accessible facilities.

## Other Places to Splash

Popular water spots include the **Lucky Peak Reservoir**, **Quinn's Pond**, and **Esther Simplot Park** for easy paddling. For a scenic retreat, visit **Lake Lowell at Deer Flat Wildlife Refuge**, **Celebration Park on the Snake River**, or **Robie Creek Park** and nearby **Morse Park** for tranquil waters and greenery.







## RIDE THE RAPIDS: BOISE'S BEST RAFTING ADVENTURES

The Boise area offers a variety of whitewater rafting experiences suitable for all skill levels. Here are some reputable outfitters to consider:

### Cascade Raft & Kayak

Approximately 45 minutes from Boise on the Payette River, Cascade Raft & Kayak has been providing rafting adventures since 1985. They offer trips ranging from family-friendly floats to thrilling whitewater experiences, as well as kayaking and zip-lining. Their facility includes a café and gift shop.

### Bear Valley Rafting Co.

Situated less than an hour from downtown Boise, and offers half-day and full-day trips on the Payette River, catering to various skill levels. Their trips include guided services and meals, ensuring a comprehensive rafting experience.

### Boise River Outdoor

Provides guided, relaxing rafting trips on the Boise River, suitable for all ages, including children and seniors. Their all-inclusive services cover equipment, snacks, water, and photos, making them a great option for family-friendly rafting.

## CAST A LINE, TAKE AIM: BOISE'S BEST HUNTING & FISHING

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.



Visit [idfg.idaho.gov](https://idfg.idaho.gov)

The Cutthroat Trout 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.







# ESCAPE TO NATURE: TOP CAMPING SPOTS NEAR

Explore the natural beauty of Idaho, one campsite at a time.

## Lucky Peak State Park

*Near Boise (10 miles from Boise)*

Offers multiple camping options, including Boat-In Campground, featuring scenic views, beaches, swimming, boating, and fishing (pet-friendly, vault toilets, no potable water), and **Macks Creek Park**, with hand-pumped water, picnic areas, and campfires allowed.

## Boise National Forest

*Near Boise (10 miles from Boise)*

Offers rustic and secluded camping options, including **Ten Mile** and **Willow Creek Campgrounds**, which feature drinking water, vault toilets, and trail access for hiking and ATV, and Big Trinity Lake and Pine Flats Campgrounds, perfect for fishing and non-motorized boating.

## Lake Cascade State Park

*Cascade, ID (1.5 hours from Boise)*

Year-round camping with lakeside sites, yurts, and water sports. Popular for hiking and wildlife observation.

## Warm Lake

*Cascade, ID (90 miles from Boise)*

Fishing, boating, hiking, and scenic beauty. Shoreline Campground provides paved roads, parking for tents, trailers, and boats, with private, forested campsites.

## Silver Creek Campground

*Cascade, ID (85 miles from Boise)*

Near Peace Valley, with hiking, mountain biking, and ATV trails. Includes a hot springs pool and creek access for fishing. Campsites come with picnic tables and fire pits.

## Sawtooth National Forest

*Near Boise (10 miles from Boise)*

Offers multiple camping options, including **Outlet Campground at Redfish Lake**, which provides stunning natural beauty, water activities, fishing, hiking, fire pits, flush toilets, and drinking water.

Other campgrounds in the area include **Point Campground**, which offers tent sites with lake views, flush toilets, and drinking water. Additionally, the **Salmon River Campground** provides first-come, first-served sites near the river.

## Bruneau Dunes State Park

*Mountain Home, ID (64 miles from Boise)*

Home to the tallest sand dunes in North America. Activities include sandboarding, hiking, birdwatching, and stargazing. Campground includes sites with water/electric hookups, restrooms, and showers.

## Ponderosa State Park

*McCall, ID (108 miles from Boise)*

Located on Payette Lake with hiking, biking, water sports, and RV and tent sites. Offers cabins, restrooms, and summer wildflower displays.



Sawtooth National Forest



# RIDGE TO RIVERS TRAIL SYSTEM: YOUR GUIDE TO BOISE'S NATURAL PLAYGROUND

The Ridge to Rivers trail system spans over 190 miles in the Boise Foothills, connecting outdoor enthusiasts to a variety of trails for hiking, biking, running, and family-friendly outings. This network, managed through a partnership between local agencies, offers trails suited for all skill levels and provides access to Boise's scenic natural landscapes, making it a centerpiece for outdoor recreation in the Treasure Valley.

## Camel's Back Trails

Located near downtown Boise, Camel's Back Park features trails suitable for all ages and skill levels. The park provides easy access to the Ridge to Rivers trail system, making it ideal for family outings.

## Hulls Gulch Interpretive Trail (#0)

This 3.6-mile trail offers an educational experience with interpretive signs along the way. It's moderately challenging and popular among hikers and mountain bikers. Access the trail from the Lower Hulls Gulch Trailhead off 8th Street.

## Polecat Loop Trail (#81)

A 6.2-mile loop offering moderate terrain, suitable for hiking and mountain biking. The trail provides scenic views and is accessible from the Collister Trailhead.

## Table Rock Trail (#15)

A popular 3.7-mile trail leading to panoramic views of Boise. It's a moderately difficult hike, accessible from the Old Penitentiary Trailhead.

## Seamans Gulch Loop Trails

Offering a network of trails totaling approximately 2.4 miles, this area is great for family-friendly hikes and is accessible from the Seamans Gulch Trailhead.





# TRAIL ETIQUETTE

Practicing good etiquette helps ensure everyone can enjoy the trails safely and responsibly.

**Yielding:** Bikers yield to hikers, and everyone yields to horses. Uphill users have the right of way.

**Stay on Trails:** Avoid creating new paths or shortcuts to prevent erosion and protect habitats.

**Control Your Pets:** Keep dogs leashed where required and pick up after them.

**Respect Wildlife:** Observe animals from a distance without disturbing their environment.

**Leave No Trace:** Carry out all trash and leave the trails as you found them.



For detailed maps and current trail conditions, visit [Ridge to Rivers](#) online.

## SADDLING UP IN THE TREASURE VALLEY: A GUIDE TO EQUESTRIAN LIVING

**Discover the best spots for riding, boarding, and equestrian living. Life is better with a horse by your side!**

For horseback riding lessons, **Laughing Horse Boarding** in Meridian offers expert instruction, while **SS Ranch 77** in Boise specializes in Western riding and horsemanship.

For boarding, **Eagle Ridge Ranch** has short-term boarding in a scenic setting. **5 Star Boarding and Equine** in Star provides a variety of boarding services, from heated indoor stalls and outdoor stalls with shelters, to automatic waterers and dedicated feeders. **High Desert Station** in Star features an equestrian center with indoor and outdoor arenas, open riding sessions, boarding options, and training services.

### Equestrian Neighborhoods

**Dry Creek Ranch** in Northwest Boise includes long- and short-term boarding options with access to scenic trails. As a neighborhood, it features spacious lots, community stables, and serene living. **Thoroughbred Ranch** in Middleton, is a community with spacious homesites and access to **Willow Creek** trails. **Bridle Ridge** in Kuna has spacious lots perfect for stables and serene living near city conveniences.







# Teeing Off in the Treasure Valley

You'll find an impressive collection of golf courses in and around the Boise area.

## Boise Area

Shadow Valley Golf Course (Garden City), Indian Lakes, Quail Hollow, and Warm Springs (Boise) features a scenic 18-hole layout surrounded by natural beauty. Pierce Park Greens is a Boise par-3 course, ideal for a relaxed round with friends or family.

## Meridian and Eagle Courses

Lakeview Golf Course (Meridian) provides a relaxed, family-friendly environment perfect for golfers of all ages.

BanBury (Eagle) and Eagle Hills are both known for their championship course, well-defined fairways, and scenic views.

## Kuna and Star Courses

Falcon Crest (Kuna) is celebrated for its scenic views and high-quality greens. River Birch (Star) provides a peaceful setting with well-kept greens, ideal for a tranquil day of golf.

## Caldwell and Nampa Courses

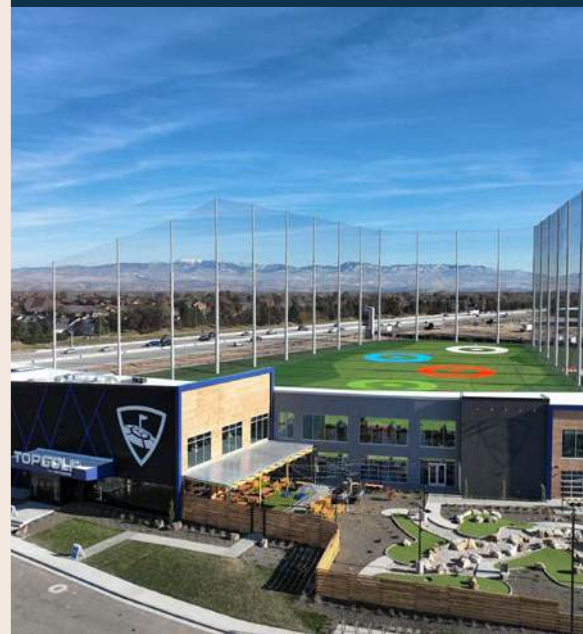
TimberStone and Purple Sage (Caldwell) are known for their friendly layout, well-designed holes, and stunning valley views.

Centennial (Nampa) combines affordability with a classic course design, while RedHawk features a championship layout with breathtaking views of the Owyhee Mountains.

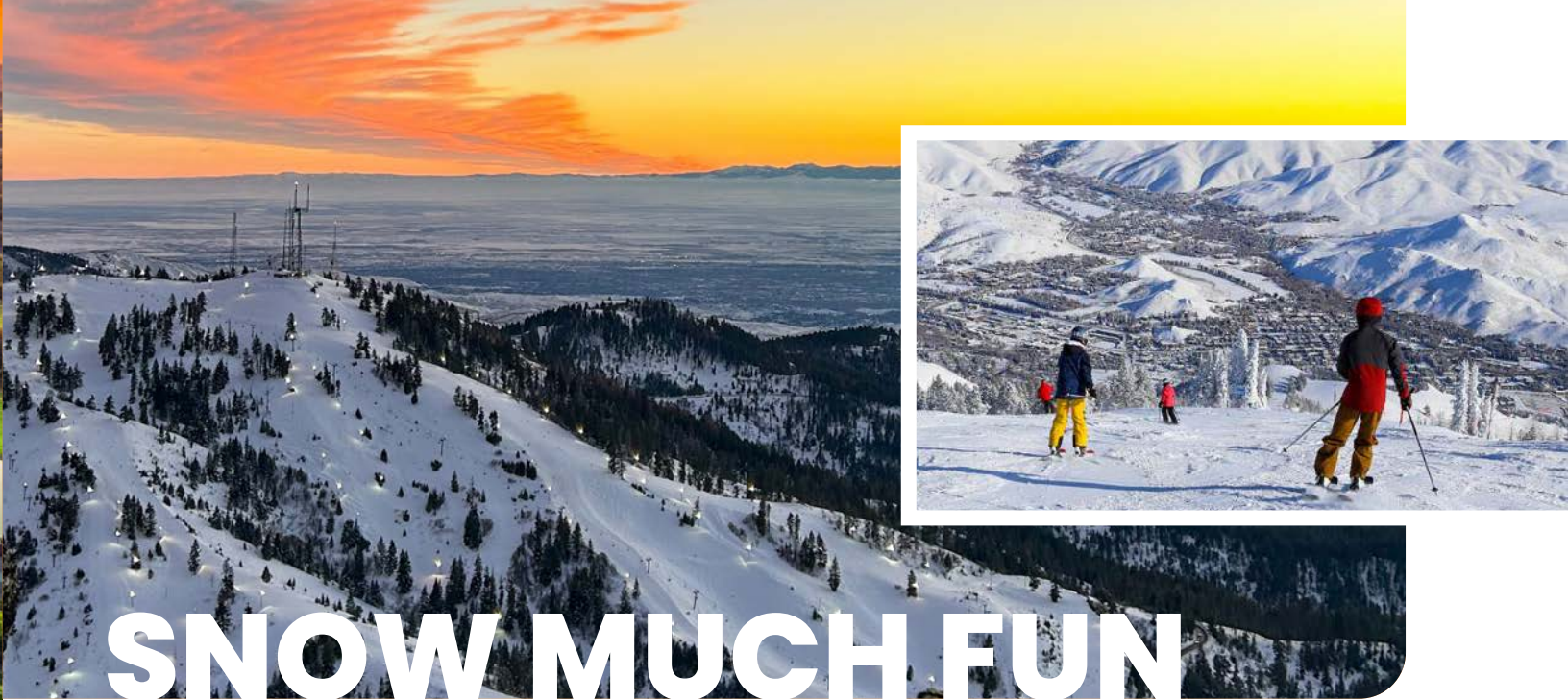
## Golf with a Modern Twist

Topgolf in Meridian delivers family-friendly and high-tech games in all-weather hitting bays.

X-Golf Boise provides state-of-the-art indoor golf simulators, allowing golfers to play year-round.







# SNOW MUCH FUN

## Skiing, Snowboarding, And Tubing

### **Bogus Basin Ski Resort (40 minutes from Boise)**

2,600 acres of terrain, 88 runs, 10 lifts, Nordic skiing trails, tubing hill, and fat tire biking.

### **Tamarack Resort (95 miles north)**

Known for its vertical drop, runs for all skill levels, three terrain parks, fat tire biking, snowshoeing, and guided ice fishing on Lake Cascade. Includes a village retail area, daycare, dining, and lodging.

### **Brundage Mountain (9 miles north of McCall)**

Wide groomed runs, six lifts, two terrain parks, Snowcat tours, snowmobile rentals, and snowshoeing trails. Family-friendly with daycare, dining options, and snow tubing at the McCall Activity Barn.

### **Little Ski Hill (2 miles north of McCall)**

A historic hill with night skiing, a terrain park, and four runs. Perfect for beginners or those honing tricks.

### **Soldier Mountain (90 minutes from Boise)**

With a rich history including ownership by Bruce Willis, boasts 36 runs over 1,142 acres and a vertical drop of 1,400 feet. The resort is known for its affordability and offers a variety of skiing options.

### **Sun Valley (2.5 hours from Boise)**

Sun Valley Ski Resort is a world-renowned destination, offering luxury skiing experiences. **Bald Mountain** for advanced skiers, **Dollar Mountain** for beginners, with over 3,400 vertical feet and extensive family-friendly amenities.

### **Gateway Park (Eagle Island):**

Snow tubing with a magic carpet lift and easy access, ideal for family fun.



Gateway Park



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# PARKS

Treasure Valley is home to a multitude of parks that cater to a range of outdoor activities and interests.

## Boise

### KATHRYN ALBERTSON PARK

Lush greenery, ponds, wetlands, and walking paths, ideal for birdwatching, picnics, or quiet nature walks.

### JULIA DAVIS PARK

Boise's oldest park featuring cultural attractions like the **Boise Art Museum**, **Zoo Boise**, and the **Idaho State Historical Museum**, along with a rose garden, open green spaces, and Greenbelt access.

### ANN MORRISON PARK

A multi-use park with sports fields, playgrounds, a splash pad, courts, a disc golf course, and an **off-leash dog area** with a pond, hosting many community events.

### CAMEL'S BACK PARK

Located in **Hyde Park**, with trails to the Foothills, an outdoor gym, a playground, and open areas for picnics and relaxation.

## Garden City

### ESTHER SIMPLOT PARK

This 55-acre park features ponds for fishing, wading, and paddleboarding, plus open play areas, walking paths, a playground, reservable shelters, and Friendship Island with scenic views and **Greenbelt access**.

### VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

Honors veterans with a memorial plaza. Open spaces, play equipment, fishing areas, and picnic spots.

### WILLOW LANE ATHLETIC COMPLEX

Facilities for soccer, softball, and baseball, plus a playground and **Greenbelt access**.

### HERON PARK

A riverside spot along the **Greenbelt** with picnic areas, river access, a bike repair station, and artistic seating for visitors to enjoy.

## Lucky Peak State Park

Lucky Peak State Park is a popular recreational area with 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.







## Meridian

### SETTLERS PARK

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

### STOREY PARK

A playground, open spaces and picnic area. Adjacent to the community pool, softball fields and **Story Bark Park**.

### TULLY PARK

Sports fields, playgrounds, walking paths, and skateboarding features. SnoCone shack in the summer.

### 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 spot in winter.

### DISCOVERY PARK

Sports fields, skatepark, basketball and pickleball courts, an extensive playground, pump track, splash pad, a sand and water play area, shelters with WiFi, walking paths, and an **off-leash dog park**.

### HEROES PARK

Sports fields, skatepark, basketball and pickleball courts, an extensive playground, pump track, splash pad, a sand and water play area, shelters with WiFi, walking paths, and an off-leash dog park.

## Eagle

### ORVAL KRASEN PARK

Open areas, playground, covered picnic shelter, and restroom facilities.

### REID W. MERRILL SR. COMMUNITY PARK

Basketball courts, large playground, splash pad, footpaths, observation gazebo, open fields, picnic areas, a pond, volleyball courts, and wetland areas.

### STEPHEN C. GUERBER PARK

Large play structure, splash pad, soccer and baseball fields, picnic shelters, and a hill that's perfect for sledding in the winter or fitness training in warmer months.

### ADA/EAGLE BIKE PARK

For biking enthusiasts of all skill levels, offering trails, BMX courses, skill areas and extensive biking terrain with scenic views.

### PETIQ DOG PARK

A spacious dog park offering two dog runs, public restrooms, a picnic shelter, and a drinking fountain for both dogs and their owners—an ideal spot for **off-leash fun**.



*Indian Creek*





## Eagle Island State Park

A local favorite with a wide range of activities, from swimming and paddleboarding at the beach to zip-lining, hiking, and winter tubing.

## Nampa

### LIONS PARK

Swimming pool, multiple sports fields, tennis and basketball courts, playgrounds, and picnic shelters.

### OPTIMIST PARK

A 15-acre sports complex with football, soccer, and baseball fields, a playground, picnic shelters, and open play areas.

### WEST PARK

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

### LAKEVIEW PARK

Nampa's oldest park features a swimming pool, sports fields, a duck pond, horseshoe pits, playgrounds, picnic shelters, a rose garden.

### LAKE LOWELL PARK

Located near Lake Lowell, this 20-acre park with picnic tables, BBQ grills, and restrooms.

## Kuna

### WINCHESTER PARK

Downtown Kuna, walking paths, tennis courts, picnic areas, playgrounds.

### BUTLER PARK

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

### KUNA PARK

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

## Caldwell

### BROTHERS PARK

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

### MALLARD PARK

Handicap-accessible playground, picnic shelters, an amphitheater, walking paths, a basketball court, and an 18-hole disc golf course.

### MEMORIAL PARK

Playgrounds, tennis courts, a recreation center, museum, bandshell, basketball courts, skatepark, picnic areas, lighted ballfields, restrooms.

## Star

### BLAKE HAVEN PARK

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

### HUNTER'S CREEK SPORTS COMPLEX

Baseball, soccer, football, skatepark, and picnic areas. Hosts the city's annual Hometown Celebration Fireworks Show.

## Middleton

### MIDDLETON PLACE PARK

Playground, walking paths, tennis courts, a baseball field, sand volleyball, and a sledding hill.

### PICCADILLY PARK

Skate park, splash pad, playground, zip line, seasonal farmers market, and amphitheater.

### ROADSIDE PARK

Playground, walking paths, a shelter, horseshoe pits, and restroom.



# Hot Springs

Idaho boasts the most soakable geothermal pools in the U.S., offering everything from curated resort experiences to secluded natural springs. Here are some top hot springs near Boise. *Times listed are from Boise*

## **THE SPRINGS** (Idaho City) – 1hr

A high-end soaking experience, scenic views, and private soaking tubs. Ideal for a relaxing day trip or an overnight stay with nearby lodging options. *Reservations required*

## **GOLD FORK HOT SPRINGS** (Donnelly) – 2hrs

Smooth, natural rock pools of varying temperatures in a scenic forest setting. Open year-round, it's especially magical in winter.

## **MIRACLE HOT SPRINGS** (Hagerman) – 1.75hrs

Communal and private pools with mineral-rich water. Camping, dome rentals, and nearby attractions- a perfect year-round retreat.

## **TRINITY HOT SPRINGS** (Featherville) – 1.75hrs

Emerald-green, mineral-rich waters with mountainside views, an attached resort, and pools staying above 90°F year-round.

## **Primitive Springs**

### **PINE FLATS HOT SPRINGS** (Lowman) – 1.25hrs

Cliffside pools warmed by a cascading waterfall, set in a serene forest for a tranquil, accessible soak.

### **KIRKHAM HOT SPRINGS** (Lowman) – 1.5hrs

Steaming pools and hot waterfalls along the river. An easily accessible and beloved Idaho destination.

### **JERRY JOHNSON HOT SPRINGS** (Elk City) – 2.5hrs

After a short, scenic hike, the warm pools are nestled in a pristine forest setting - ideal for adventurers seeking a wilderness soak.

## **TOP INSIDER TIPS**

For a safe and enjoyable experience at Idaho's hot springs, keep these tips in mind:

1. Download maps ahead of time, as cell service is often unreliable in remote areas. Check weather and road conditions before heading out.
2. Wear sturdy sandals or water shoes for river crossings and to protect your feet from sharp or slippery rocks.
3. Respect the natural environment by cleaning up after yourself and packing out all trash.
4. Hot springs are popular, especially on weekends. If you're seeking solitude, visit early in the morning or on weekdays.
5. Dogs should not soak in the hot springs.
6. Bring essentials like a towel, water bottle, dry bag, and snacks.
7. Avoid bringing glass bottles, and skip using soap or shampoo—including biodegradable options—to help protect the delicate natural ecosystem.
8. Be aware that some hot springs are clothing-optional, so you may encounter nude bathers.







## ARTS, MUSIC, AND HISTORY

The Treasure Valley area is home to a variety of cultural attractions and museums that cater to many interests.

Here's a curated list of notable destinations:

### Morrison Center

Boise's premier performing arts venue hosts Broadway shows, concerts, and local productions, and serves as the home of **Ballet Idaho** and the **Boise Philharmonic**.

### Ballet Idaho

This professional ballet company presents classical and contemporary performances, along with workshops and community outreach.

### Boise Art Museum

Located downtown, highlights contemporary and historical exhibits, serving as a centerpiece for visual arts in the region.

### Idaho Black History Museum

Housed in the historic St. Paul Baptist Church at Julia Davis Park, this museum educates and engages visitors with exhibits and community programs highlighting the contributions of Black individuals in Idaho.

### Basque Museum & Cultural Center

Dedicated to preserving Basque heritage, the center features exhibitions, performances, and programs showcasing the Basque community's influence on Boise and the American West.

### Warhawk Air Museum

Located in Nampa, this museum honors veterans and aviation history with a collection of military aircraft and artifacts.

### Idaho State Museum

Discover Idaho's rich history, including exhibits on Native American cultures, pioneer life, and more, providing an in-depth view of the state's heritage.

### Morrison-Knudsen Nature Center

Located along the **Boise River Greenbelt**, this center has interactive displays and aquariums that educate visitors about Idaho's aquatic ecosystems.



Idaho has the second largest Basque population in the United States, mostly residing in Boise.

Basque Center





## Discovery Center of Idaho

A science-focused destination with hands-on exhibits and interactive displays encouraging exploration in STEM fields for all ages.

## Children's Museum of Idaho

A playful and educational space where children can explore interactive exhibits, activities, and sensory experiences.

## World Center for Birds of Prey

Learn about raptors and their habitats at this educational facility featuring conservation programs and up-close experiences with birds of prey.

## Boise Aquarium

Explore marine life and enjoy interactive exhibits and activities for visitors of all ages at this engaging attraction.



Discovery Center

# LIBRARIES

## Inspiring Minds and Building Community

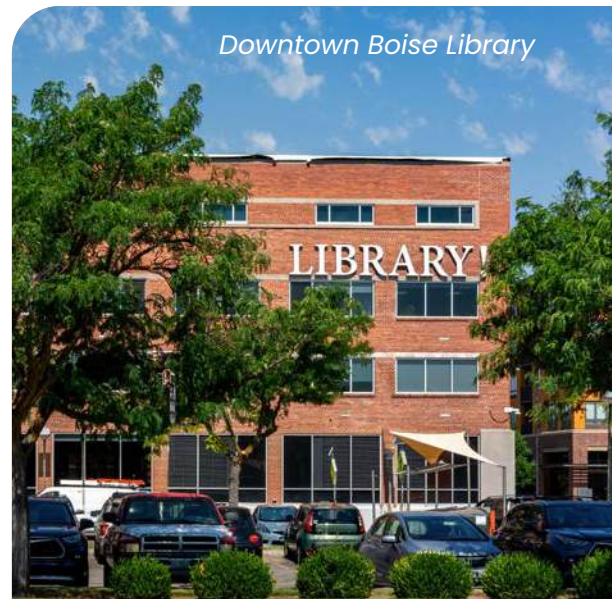
The Treasure Valley's libraries are key destinations for learning, creativity, and community engagement. The **Boise Public Library** anchors the city with its central downtown location, extensive book options, digital tools, and a children's area with storytimes, craft activities, and educational programs. Neighborhood branches such as **Hillcrest** in the south and **Collister** in the north, provide convenient access to workshops, book clubs, and interactive learning zones for kids.

The **Garden City Public Library** provides a welcoming space for all, hosting tech classes, family programs, and hands-on workshops encouraging creativity and connection.

In Meridian, the **unBound Library** leads in innovation, maker spaces, virtual reality labs, and opportunities for hands-on learning. The **Orchard Park** branch expands these areas with a sensory room, early learning section, and community rooms perfect for workshops or events.

The **Nampa Public Library** combines traditional and modern resources with literacy programs, cultural events, and a dedicated teen area.

The **Eagle Public Library** hosts storytimes, art activities, and other community-driven programs, while the **Kuna Library** emphasizes family engagement and education through events and learning spaces. The **Middleton Public Library** is a cornerstone of the community with programs, events, and resources that inspire learning and connection.



Downtown Boise Library



Orchard Park Library





# FAMILY FUN

## Interactive Play and Adventure

### **Leap Years** (Boise)

A Montessori-inspired indoor playground and café for toddlers aged 0-5, a creative play space for little ones and a relaxing spot for parents.

### **Planet Kid at Wings Center** (Boise)

Idaho's largest indoor soft playground for kids up to 12, featuring climbing, sliding, and obstacle areas.

### **Jabbers** (Nampa)

A 5,000-square-foot indoor play area with a multi-level climbing structure and a relaxing lounge for parents with free Wi-Fi.

### **Urban Air Adventure Park** (Meridian)

Beyond trampolines, this park offers climbing walls, obstacle courses, and high-energy activities for active families.

### **The Sensory Playce** (Boise)

A gym tailored for children with special needs, designed to support sensory development in a safe and inclusive environment.

### **Bodies in Motion** (Boise)

A recreation center featuring an indoor playground, ninja warrior courses, ropes course, and fitness classes, promoting active fun for all ages.

### **The Little Gym of Eagle** (Eagle)

A children's gym focused on gymnastics, dance, and sports skills, building confidence and physical development for kids aged 4 months to 12 years.

### **Defy Boise** (Boise)

An indoor extreme sports park with trampolines, foam pits, and aerial activities for adventurous families.

## Animal Encounters and Aquatic Adventures

### **Zoo Boise** (Boise)

Features animals from around the world, interactive exhibits and engaging educational experiences for all ages.

### **Aquarium of Boise** (Boise)

Hands-on marine exhibits with opportunities to learn and interact with aquatic species.

### **Idaho Reptile Zoo** (Boise)

A 10,000-square-foot facility dedicated to education and interaction, allowing visitors to engage with over 400 reptiles and learn about their unique characteristics.

### **Babby Farms** (Caldwell)

A non-profit seasonal exotic petting zoo where families can meet and learn about exotic and domestic animals in an engaging and interactive environment.



*Zoo Boise*



## Exciting Sports and Games

### **K1 Speed** (Meridian)

Indoor go-karting with electric karts for an adrenaline-filled family competition.

### **Big Al's** (Meridian)

A massive venue with bowling lanes, an arcade, and a sports bar for a variety of family entertainment options.

### **Nerfed** (Boise)

An indoor Nerf gun arena with two 4,000-square-foot arenas, featuring hand-built obstacles for exhilarating battles.



K1 Speed

## Art and Inspiration

### **Fort Boise Community Center** (Boise)

A state-of-the-art facility providing affordable art instruction for all ages, with over 200 classes annually, including dance studios and a Teen Activity Center.

### **Treasure Valley Children's Theater** (Boise)

A charitable organization facilitating theater and musical theater training programs for youth.

### **TRICA (Treasure Valley Institute for Children's Arts)** (Boise)

Bringing inspirational programming including a preschool of the arts, after-school programs, summer camps, and community events for all ages.

### **Artistic Dance Company** (Boise)

A dance academy with classes for ages 16 months to 18 years, with professional instruction in ballet, tap, jazz, hip hop, lyrical, and ballroom.

### **Treasure Valley Family YMCA** (Various Locations)

A variety of youth activities, including specialty camps and programs in art, dance, and music.

### **Encore Creative Center** (Eagle and Meridian)

A premier destination for quality arts and music education, private lessons, group classes, and workshops in music, art, and acting for all ages.



TRICA







## Roaring Springs Waterpark and Wahooz Family Fun Zone

Roaring Springs Waterpark and Wahooz Family Fun Zone are sister attractions located adjacent to each other in Meridian, Idaho. The Galaxy Event Center, also part of the complex, hosts conferences, galas, holiday parties, and more, accommodating groups ranging from 20 to 400 guests.

Roaring Springs Waterpark is the largest Northwest waterpark. With numerous water slides, a lazy river, whitewater zone, and wave pool, it's a wet and wild fun for the whole family! Roaring Springs recently expanded to offer more amenities like additional cabanas and a grill & bar, with more expansions promised in the coming years.

Wahooz Family Fun Zone provides an all-weather entertainment experience with activities like mini-golf, laser tag, and an extensive arcade.

## Creative and Hands-On Fun

### A Way with Clay Studio

(Meridian)

Family pottery classes where participants can create and paint their own masterpieces.

### Season + Taste (Boise)

Family-oriented cooking classes that teach culinary skills while providing a fun bonding experience.

### Hammer & Stain Treasure Valley

(Meridian)

A DIY studio hosting public workshops for families to create personalized wood and paint projects together, making it an excellent addition to your family activity list.

## Classic Fun and Entertainment

### Pojos Family Fun Center

(Boise)

An area classic with carnival games, arcade attractions, and rides for a fun-filled day.

### Treasure Valley Skate

(Nampa)

A classic roller-skating rink for wholesome fun with the entire family.







### **Life Time Eagle**

Opening in Spring 2025, will be a 123,000-square-foot athletic country club on 10 acres, featuring premium fitness and racquet facilities, luxurious amenities, and more.

### **VillaSport Athletic Club** (formally Axiom)

Full-service fitness club with indoor pools (check locations), group fitness, and child care.

### **Pivot by KA** (Boise and Eagle)

Provides a variety of fitness classes, including Pilates, indoor cycling, strength training, yoga, and HIIT workouts tailored to individual fitness goals.

### **Vertical View Climbing Gym** (Meridian)

World-class climbing facility with bouldering, top rope, lead climbing walls, yoga classes, fitness areas, and youth programs.

### **Barre3** (Boise and Eagle)

Full-body workouts combining strength, cardio, and mindfulness, designed to empower and balance individuals of all fitness levels.

### **Eagle Fitness**

Cardio equipment, free weights, personal training, and a kids' club.

### **CycleBar** (Meridian)

Premium indoor cycling classes with state-of-the-art equipment and dynamic instructors.

### **The Gym** (Star)

24/7 access, cardio equipment, free weights, machines, and tanning services.

### **Oasis Yoga Studio** (Kuna)

Yoga and fitness classes, and wellness modalities aimed at fostering community and positive intentions.

### **Middleton Fitness Center**

24/7 access, spin classes, tanning, locker rooms, and a kids' room.

### **CrossFit Caldwell**

CrossFit training, kids' fitness classes, and sports performance coaching.

### **The Treasure Valley Family YMCA**

Discover a wide range of fitness, wellness, and community programs at the Treasure Valley YMCA—visit [ymcatvidaho.org](http://ymcatvidaho.org)







# Satisfy Your Sweet Tooth

A sweet tour of our local dessert scene.

## FROZEN FAVORITES

**The Stil** (Sweetest Things in Life) All-natural flavors and unique options like booze-infused scoops, vegan-friendly creations, and even pairings with local beers and wines.

**Westside Drive-in** is an iconic spot with timeless treats, serving up creamy, milkshakes and sundaes alongside their classic diner fare.

**Lovejoy's Real Ice Cream** is renowned for its ultra-creamy, handcrafted ice cream, bold and distinctive flavors.

**Goody's Soda Fountain** is Hyde Park go-to for over three decades, indulge in their homemade ice cream, chocolates, treats, homemade pies a la mode, and coffee.

## DOUGHNUT DELICACIES

**DK Donuts**, with locations in Boise and Meridian, is known for its creative toppings and variety. **Duck Donuts** in Meridian specializes in customizable, made-to-order donuts.

**Guru Donuts**, with locations in Boise and Eagle, crafts artisan creations with locally sourced ingredients and vegan options.

**Sweet Sensations Donuts** in Meridian impresses with oversized, indulgent treats, and **Pastry Perfection** in Garden City delights with elegant pastries and freshly made classics.

## BAKED TO PERFECTION

In Boise, **Janjou Pâtisserie** serves exquisite French-inspired pastries, tarts, and croissants, while **Pure Bliss Baking** is celebrated for sourdough and handcrafted treats. **Caffè Sorrento** is a family-owned Italian café specializing in hand-crafted focaccia, pastries, and gelato, rooted in Sicilian tradition. **Sunshine Spice Cafe**, with two locations, offers Persian-inspired baked goods, pastries, and flavorful coffees.

In Garden City you'll find **Flourish Bakery** specializing in macarons and naked cakes, and **Wildflour Bakery** impresses with high-quality cookies, granola, and baked treats.

**Great Harvest Bread Co** (Meridian, Boise) beloved for fresh loaves, cookies, and hearty sandwiches.

In Eagle you'll find **Bella Biscotteria** delivering authentic Italian biscotti and classic baked treats. **One Haute Cookie** creates custom sugar cookies and freshly baked chip cookies.

**Hudson Baking Co.** (Kuna) A micro-bakery crafting long fermented sourdough breads and pastries.

Middleton is home to **The Rustic Oven Bakery and Cafe** serving hearty breads and pastries, and **Dan's Donuts Deli and Desserts** is a go-to for fresh treats and eats.

**Sea Salt Creamery and Bake Shop** (Star) combines small-batch ice cream with freshly baked goods, including pies and pastries.



# Treasure Valley Coffee

From cozy nooks to trendy hangouts, the Treasure Valley's coffee scene is brewing up something special for every coffee lover.

**FLYING M COFFEEHOUSE** (Downtown Boise, Nampa, and Caldwell) Quirky and inclusive, with rich coffee and an eclectic gift shop.

**PUSH & POUR** (Downtown Boise, Nampa, and Caldwell) A cozy spot for on-site roasted coffee, ideal for brunch or remote work.

**BROADCAST COFFEE** (Boise) Known for inventive drinks and traditional favorites in a welcoming setting.

**ALCHEMIST COFFEE** (2 Boise Locations) Spacious cafés with a Renaissance-inspired vibe, in-house roasts, and specialty drinks.

**FORM & FUNCTION** (2 Boise locations) A modern café offering farm-to-cup coffee, educational classes, and a curated food menu.

**JAVA** (Downtown Boise and Hyde Park) Warm and inviting, with flavorful coffee blends and delicious food.

**DAWSON TAYLOR COFFEE ROASTERS** (2 Boise Locations) A Boise staple with expertly roasted coffee and a laid-back vibe.

**A' CAFE** (Boise) Sleek and minimalist, with high-quality coffee and a simple, delicious menu.

**NECKAR COFFEE** (Boise) Minimalist and precise, crafted espresso drinks and pour-overs.

**BREWED** (Barber Valley) A charming spot serving up excellent coffee and tasty bites.

**THE DISTRICT COFFEEHOUSE** (Boise) Community-focused with sustainably sourced coffee and all-day breakfast sandwiches.

**HYDE PERK COFFEE HOUSE** (Boise) Family-owned with inventive drinks and fresh baked goods.

**CAFFEINA COFFEE ROASTING** (Boise and Garden City) Organic, fair-trade coffee with cozy patios at all locations.

**EAGLE COFFEE & BAKERY** (Eagle) Known for freshly brewed coffee, seasonal menu, and local pastries.

**LUCKY PERK** (Meridian) A convenient drive-thru and cozy seating, great coffee and friendly service.

**ROYAL COFFEE COMPANY** (Meridian) Featuring exceptional coffee and local baked treats.

**SYRINGA LOUNGE** (Nampa) A stylish lounge serving up coffee in the AM and cocktails in the evening.

**BORDERTOWN COFFEE & BAKE SHOP** (Star) A cozy spot with fresh coffee and homemade baked goods.





## Spotlight on Treasure Valley

# ENTERTAINMENT

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 hosting concerts, sporting events, and rodeos.

### **EXTRAMILE ARENA**

Located on the Boise State University campus, this arena is a hub for concerts and sporting events.

### **MORRISON CENTER**

A premier venue for Broadway shows, concerts, and local performances.

### **THE KNITTING FACTORY**

Known for exceptional acoustics and an intimate setting, perfect for live music.

### **REVOLUTION CONCERT HOUSE**

A spacious venue popular for national and local music acts.

### **IDAHO CENTRAL ARENA**

Home to the Idaho Steelheads hockey team and host to concerts and trade shows.

### **THE EGYPTIAN THEATRE**

A historic venue featuring movies, live performances, and community events.

### **LOUNGE AT THE END OF THE UNIVERSE**

A unique venue for comedy, music, and eclectic entertainment.

### **NEUROLUX**

A downtown club with a 300-person capacity and an excellent sound system.

### **THE SAPPHIRE ROOM**

An intimate space at The Riverside Hotel showcasing local and touring artists.



Ford Idaho Center



Morrison Center

# BITES AND DELIGHTS: LOCAL RESTAURANTS YOU'LL LOVE

From charming cafes to upscale eateries, the Treasure Valley serves up a mix of flavors sure to satisfy every craving.



## Boise

**Tavolata** dishes out Italian flavors with rich pastas and hearty entrees.

**Alyonka Russian Cuisine** focuses on Eastern European comfort food.

**Barrio** in Bown Crossing is a go-to spot for fresh tacos and a creative cocktail menu.

**The Lively** is a chic Boise restaurant offering elevated New American cuisine, featuring bold flavors and locally sourced ingredients.

**Barbacoa** impresses with its tableside guacamole and sizzling lava rock steak, a must visit.

**Saltbrush** emphasizes locally sourced, seasonal ingredients, creating inventive dishes.

**KIN**, by a James Beard award-winning chef, is a contemporary dining destination known for its inventive multi-course tasting menus.

**Bardenay Restaurant & Distillery** (Boise and Eagle), a local favorite, serves handcrafted cocktails alongside a menu of expertly prepared dishes.

**The Warehouse Food Hall** has many eateries under one roof, from casual snacks to gourmet meals.

## Meridian

**Grant's Neighborhood Grill** specializes in elevated comfort food, delivering big flavors in every bite.

**Gramercy Park Pub & Grill** satisfies with hearty burgers and classic pub favorites.

**The Broken Yolk** is the go-to for breakfast and brunch with generous portions and options.

**Il Sugo Italian Kitchen** creates authentic Italian meals, from savory pastas to bold sauces.

**Metzli** combines modern Mexican flavors with convenient takeout options.

## Eagle

**Coyne's Restaurant** focuses on refined dishes, with perfectly balanced flavors on every plate.

**Oak Barrel of Eagle** delivers hearty meals paired with creative craft cocktails.

**Coa Del Mar** emphasizes mouthwatering seafood prepared with authentic flavors, perfect for seafood lovers.

## Garden City

**Caffe Luciano's**, nestled along the river, serves handmade pastas and rich Italian classics, perfect for a comforting meal with a view.

## Nampa

**Brick 29 Bistro** elevates comfort food with unique twists like creamy mac and cheese and fresh Idaho trout.

## Middleton

**The Chapp Wine & Tap** pairs expertly made small plates with craft beer and wine.





# RAISE A GLASS! EXPLORING COCKTAILS AND SPEAKEASIES

**Press and Pony (Boise):** A cozy bar specializing in handcrafted cocktails with house-made tonics and sodas.

**Thick as Thieves (Boise):** Intimate speakeasy with 'secret' blacklight menus, accessed via a rotary phone.

**Ampersand (Boise):** Idaho's highest bar with no menu, offering bespoke cocktails tailored to guests' tastes.

**Gatsby (Boise):** 1920s-themed speakeasy with a hidden entrance and daily password.

**Suite 104 (Boise):** Hidden downtown spot with a rotating menu of craft cocktails.

**Water Bear Bar (Boise):** Modern and classic cocktails served with fresh oysters and snacks.

**Craft Lounge (Nampa and Caldwell):** Inviting space with house-made syrups and personalized cocktails.

**The Roosevelt (Meridian):** Rustic whiskey bar with a prohibition-era vibe and expert mixologists.

**Syringa (Nampa):** Upscale lounge in Nampa with a wide variety of spirits.



Thick as Thieves



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## GAME ON: A GUIDE TO LOCAL SPORTS

### Boise State Broncos

For college sports fans, the Boise State Broncos are a nationally-recognized program. Their football games at **Albertsons Stadium**, with the famous blue turf, are exciting citywide with tailgating and a lively downtown after the game. Boise State recently accepted an invitation to join the Pac-12 conference in 2026.

The men's basketball team has also gained momentum in recent years, with a string of winning seasons and NCAA Tournament berths. Attending basketball games at **ExtraMile Arena** is a raucous time with an excited crowd.



### Boise Hawks Baseball

The Boise Hawks bring a classic American baseball experience to Memorial Stadium in Garden City during the spring and summer. With a fun, family-friendly atmosphere and strong community involvement, a Hawks game is a great outing for all ages.

### Idaho Steelheads Hockey

The Idaho Steelheads semi-pro team offers high-energy hockey action at Idaho Central Arena in Boise. Known for their competitive style and history of success, including playoff runs and Kelly Cup finals appearances, Steelheads games are a thrill!

### Idaho Horsemen

The Idaho Horsemen deliver fast-paced, high-energy football at the Idaho Center in Nampa. With intense action and a unique indoor football experience, their games are a hit for families and fans.

### Boise Pro Soccer - USL Men's and Women's Team

Professional soccer is coming to Idaho's Treasure Valley soon, with plans for men's and women's teams to join USL League One and the USL Super League, respectively. Boise Pro Soccer, led by a locally rooted ownership group, secured a 27-acre site at Expo Idaho to develop a soccer-specific stadium and sports complex.

### High School Sports

High school sports are a big deal in Boise, with strong community support for football, soccer, basketball, and more. These games showcase local talent and bring people together in true community spirit.



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# Boise

Boise Population 240,000

Median Home Price: \$508,000

## The Heart Of Idaho

Nestled in the Pacific Northwest, Boise is the state capital and a sought-after destination for those who appreciate a balance of urban amenities and outdoor recreation. With its scenic mountains, rivers, and forests, Boise is a haven for hiking, biking, kayaking, fishing, and winter sports, thanks to nearby world-class ski resorts. The city is also home to the **Boise River Greenbelt**, a 25-mile pathway connecting parks and neighborhoods, ideal for walking, running, and cycling.

**Boise's culinary scene** caters to all tastes, from classic diners to international cuisine and health-conscious eateries. Its **shopping** options include malls, local boutiques, and unique retailers. For dog lovers, the city features **pet-friendly** parks, trails, and businesses.

**Healthcare** is a standout, with several top-rated hospitals and medical centers ensuring residents have access to quality care.

Families benefit from excellent educational opportunities, including highly regarded public and private schools, as well as higher education at **Boise State University**.

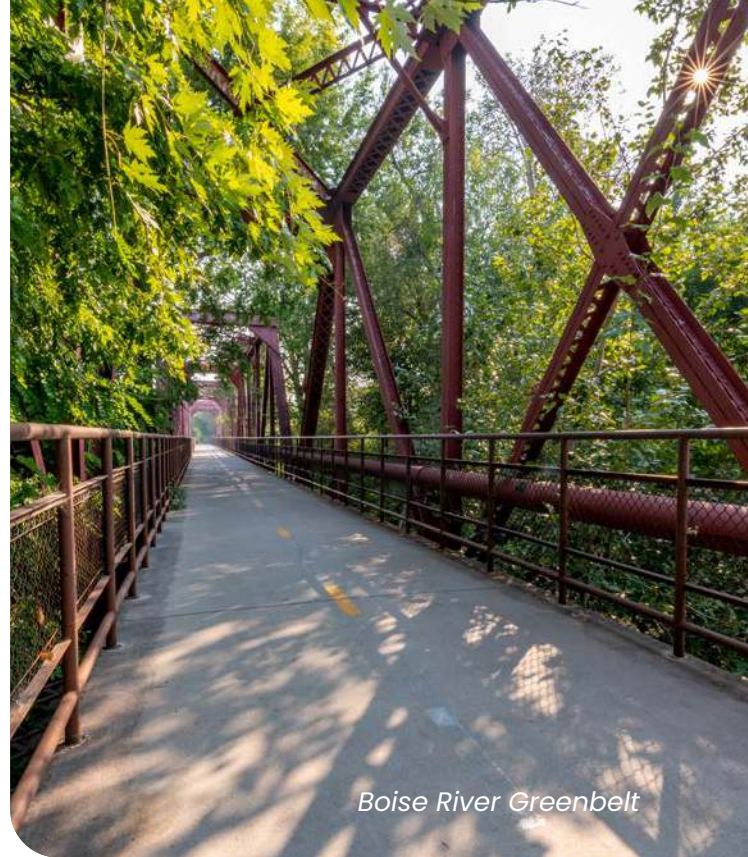




The local economy is robust, driven by industries such as technology, healthcare, and agriculture, contributing to low unemployment. Boise is also recognized as one of the safest cities in the nation, with a strong sense of **community**.

Cultural attractions include museums like the **Idaho State Museum** and the **Discovery Center of Idaho**, as well as theaters and performance venues. Public art and galleries enrich the city's cultural landscape, and annual events keep the community engaged.

Whether enjoying outdoor adventures, pursuing career opportunities, or raising a family, Boise combines natural beauty, excellent amenities, and a welcoming atmosphere, making it an exceptional place to call home.



*Boise River Greenbelt*



## Life in the State Capital

Boise, established in 1863, serves as the capital of Idaho. The Idaho State Capitol, completed in 1920, is distinguished by its neoclassical architecture and prominent dome, symbolizing the state's political heritage. Visitors can explore this historic building through guided tours, which offer insights into Idaho's legislative processes and history.

## Boise Airport (BOI)

Located southeast of downtown, is the region's primary gateway for commercial travel. Serving over 4.5 million passengers annually, it provides nonstop flights to 27 destinations across the United States, connecting the Treasure Valley to major cities and global hubs. With its efficient layout and close proximity to the city center, the airport is a convenient choice for both business and leisure travelers.

## Gowen Field and Cargo Operations

Adjacent to Boise Airport, Gowen Field supports military and cargo operations. It is home to the **Idaho Air National Guard's 124th Fighter Wing** and plays a critical role in defense and logistics. The cargo facilities facilitate the movement of goods across the region, contributing to Idaho's economy and supply chains.







# JUMP

## (Jack's Urban Meeting Place)

Located in downtown Boise, JUMP is a creative gathering space offering workshops, interactive exhibits, and event venues. It's a place where individuals and families can explore new skills in areas like cooking, technology, and the arts while enjoying hands-on experiences and play areas.

## Boise Train Depot

Perched on a hill overlooking the city, a historic landmark featuring Spanish-style architecture and panoramic views of Boise and the foothills.

## Old Idaho Penitentiary

Operating from 1872 to 1973, with a glimpse into the state's penal history with well-preserved buildings and exhibits. Visitors can explore through self-guided tours or join guided tours.

## Table Rock

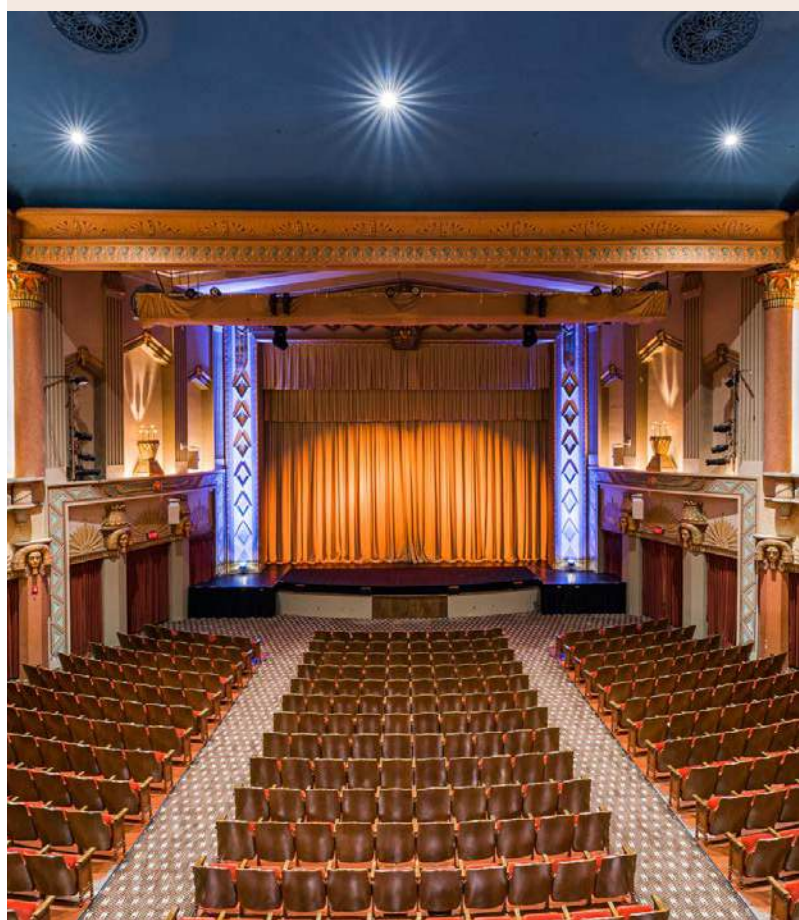
One of Boise's most iconic hiking destinations, with panoramic views of the city and foothills. A must-visit spot for outdoor enthusiasts. Access is available from the Old Penitentiary Trailhead.

## Idaho Botanical Garden

This nonprofit garden connects people with nature through plant collections, educational programs, workshops, and community events. It's a year-round destination, hosting seasonal activities like concerts and cultural celebrations.

## The Egyptian Theatre

Idaho's oldest theater, showcases Egyptian Revival architecture and hosts concerts, operas, film festivals, and movie premieres. Built in 1927, it remains a cherished historical landmark.







## Zoo Boise

Located in Julia Davis Park, featuring wildlife exhibits, family-friendly activities, and animal encounters. The zoo is dedicated to conservation and supports global efforts to protect endangered species.



## Freak Alley

An outdoor art space in downtown Boise, featuring a rotating display of murals and street art by local and international artists. It's a must-see destination for art lovers, with a constantly evolving collection.



## Wineries and Breweries

Idaho's wine industry is thriving, with over 70 wineries now operating across the state, supported by more than 1,300 acres of vineyards. The Sunnyslope Wine Trail and Boise's Urban Wine District are popular destinations where you can explore a variety of locally produced wines. Idaho's unique climate, characterized by warm days and cool nights, along with its rich volcanic soil, makes it an ideal location for grape cultivation. The state's wine production has seen significant growth, with many of its wineries earning prestigious awards, reflecting the industry's expanding reputation.

Idaho is also home to over 50 craft breweries, many in the Garden City area, with new ones opening regularly. The state's robust production of barley and hops—key ingredients in beer—has made it a vital supplier for breweries nationwide. Whether you're enjoying a glass of wine or a pint of beer, there's plenty of opportunity to support local producers who contribute to Idaho's growing reputation in the beverage industry.



# Notable Neighborhoods

## NORTH END

The North End is one of Boise's oldest residential neighborhoods, known for its tree-lined streets, historic architecture, and strong sense of community. Hyde Park features local shops, restaurants, and coffee houses, making it a popular destination for residents and visitors alike.

## HIGHLANDS

Situated east of Bogus Basin Road, the Highlands neighborhood features well-maintained mid-century homes with beautiful views and proximity to downtown Boise. Residents enjoy easy access to Ridge-to-Rivers trails and a close-knit community, making it a desirable area for outdoor enthusiasts.

## SOUTHEAST BOISE (Warm Springs and Harris Ranch)

Encompassing areas around Warm Springs Ave. and Harris Ranch, is known for upscale homes near the Boise River. The Greenbelt, a scenic pathway along the river, offers recreational opportunities, while the proximity to downtown and natural landscapes.

## BARBER VALLEY

Located southeast of downtown, Barber Valley offers foothills access, scenic parks, and proximity to the Boise River Greenbelt. This growing neighborhood balances urban amenities with natural beauty.



## EAST END

Characterized by views of the Boise Foothills and a mix of historic homes and newer developments. Residents have easy access to hiking and biking trails, as well as top-rated schools and cultural attractions like the Idaho Botanical Garden.

## DOWNTOWN BOISE

As the cultural and economic center of the city, Downtown Boise features a mix of restaurants, shops, theaters, and art galleries. With various housing options, including apartments and condominiums, it appeals to those seeking an urban lifestyle with events and festivals throughout the year.

## NORTHWEST BOISE

Bordering the Boise Foothills to the north and State Street to the south, Northwest Boise offers a blend of old and new neighborhoods. With proximity to downtown, Veteran's Memorial Park, and the Boise Greenbelt.



## THE BENCH

Situated just south of downtown, the Boise Bench is known for its elevated position and panoramic views. The area offers a mix of housing styles, including mid-century homes and new developments, providing residents with a balanced urban-suburban environment and easy access to transportation and schools.

## HIDDEN SPRINGS

Located on Boise's northern outskirts, a distinctive community promoting an active lifestyle with extensive trails, parks, and open spaces connecting to the foothills. The village center serves as a focal point for community events, blending urban amenities with natural surroundings.

## WEST BOISE

A large and varied area, West Boise combines commercial and residential spaces. It offers more affordable housing options compared to some other parts of the city, with shopping centers like Boise Towne Square Mall providing convenient amenities.

## SOUTHWEST BOISE

Southwest Boise features a serene residential ambiance with a mix of well-established homes and new subdivisions. Tree-lined streets and easy access to local amenities, parks, schools, and shopping create a comfortable and family-friendly environment.



## New Communities to Explore

**The Paddock** East Boise community offering 0-3 bedroom homes, starting at \$324,900.

**Forester** West Boise community offering 3-4 bedroom homes, starting at \$409,900.

**Locale** South Boise development with 3-5 bedroom homes, beginning at \$437,990.

**Avimor** Northwest Boise master-planned community featuring 2-5 bedroom residences, priced from \$452,900.

**Midtown Heights** Bench Boise townhomes offering 2-3 bedrooms, starting at \$500,000.

**Langara Park** North Boise community offering 3-4 bedroom residences, starting at \$649,900.

**Barber Vista** East Boise neighborhood featuring 3-4 bedroom homes, priced from \$715,150.

**Dry Creek Ranch** Northwest Boise master-planned community offering 3-6 bedroom homes, starting at \$858,900.

**Highlands Cove** North Boise golf course community featuring 3-5 bedroom homes, priced from \$1,160,000.





# HIGHER EDUCATION IN IDAHO: A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE

## BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

Located along the Boise River, Boise State University is Idaho's largest public university, enrolling over 27,000 students from across the U.S. and more than 60 countries. BSU offers nearly 170 academic programs, including unique fields like raptor biology, alongside extensive graduate and research opportunities, solidifying its role as a leader in higher education.

Boise State is widely recognized for its Broncos athletic teams, particularly the football team, which plays on the iconic blue turf at Albertsons Stadium. The success and visibility of its athletic programs foster a strong sense of pride and connection among students, alumni, and the local community.

Combining a wide range of academic programs, research initiatives, and campus life set against Boise's natural beauty, Boise State University continues to attract students seeking a comprehensive and engaging educational experience.



## UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

Located in Moscow, the University of Idaho spans 1,585 acres in the scenic Palouse region. It offers over 300 undergraduate and graduate programs and is home to the Idaho Vandals, competing in NCAA Division I athletics. With additional centers in Boise, Coeur d'Alene, and Idaho Falls, the university provides educational opportunities statewide.



## 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

Idaho's largest community college, offers associate degrees, technical programs, GED prep, and dual credit options. In 2024, CWI introduced its first bachelor's degree, a Bachelor of Applied Science in Business Administration, tailored for career-focused students and adult learners.

## NORTHWEST NAZARENE UNIVERSITY

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

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 community-based experiences to prepare graduates for successful healthcare careers.



# Treasure Valley's Most Charming Stays

From modern getaways to unique experiences, the Treasure Valley offers one-of-a-kind lodging options.

## Premier Hotels

### The Avery Hotel

A beautifully renovated 120-year-old property in downtown Boise featuring 39 individually designed rooms, a French-inspired restaurant, and a gastrotavern.

### Modern Hotel & Bar

Located in Boise's Linen District, this sleek, minimalist hotel features sophisticated and locally inspired dining.

### The Riverside Hotel

Spanning 14 scenic acres along the Boise River, this full-service hotel offers resort-style amenities, on-site dining, pools, and a concert venue.

### Hotel Renegade

A modern luxury boutique hotel that embodies Boise's character, offering a rooftop bar, supper club, and coffee shop.

### The Grove Hotel

A downtown Boise landmark offering upscale accommodations, a full-service spa, on-site dining, and convenient access to the city's top attractions.

*Hotel Renegade*



*The Avery Hotel*



## Specialty Stays

### The Boise Urban Farmhouse

A private 1-acre retreat just 6 miles from downtown Boise, perfect for groups of up to 18. With 5 bedrooms, 6 bathrooms, 2 kitchens, and outdoor amenities like a heated pool, hot tub, fire pit, and garden-fresh produce.

### The Lofts at 35th & Clay

Boutique rentals in Garden City with rooftop hot tubs, outdoor kitchens, and cozy fireplaces. Just steps from the Boise River Greenbelt, they offer luxury and easy access to local dining and breweries.

### The Big Idaho® Potato Hotel

A whimsical giant spud turned cozy retreat, set on 400 acres of farmland with mountain views, a spa-like bathroom, and a resident cow named Dolly.





# Garden City

**2 miles to Boise**

**Population 240,000**

**Median Home Price: \$582,500**

## An Urban River Retreat

Positioned just north of Boise along the Boise River, blends urban charm with natural beauty. Known for its revitalized neighborhoods, the city features a mix of local businesses, art galleries, craft breweries, and recreational spaces. Sustainability initiatives, such as community gardens and enhanced riverfront access, highlight its focus on community engagement.

**Family-friendly activities** abound, with the **Reuseum** offering STEM workshops, and **Westy's Garden Lanes** providing bowling and entertainment for all ages. **Asana Climbing Gym** features indoor climbing, fitness facilities, yoga classes, and a social space with an on-site bar. The **Boise River** enhances the city's appeal, offering scenic views and outdoor activities.

### Artisans and Makers

A creative haven for artisans and makers specializing in visual arts, furniture design, glass sculpture, and ceramics. Key attractions include the Visual Arts Collective, Zion Warne Studios, and Surel's Place, offering immersive experiences through galleries and workshops.





## 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.

## Garden Growth

Garden City is experiencing significant development, enhancing its appeal to residents and investors. **The Boardwalk Apartments**, a mixed-use development along the Boise River, combines upscale residential apartments with thoughtfully curated retail and dining spaces, creating a modern space where people can connect and enjoy their surroundings. Featuring restaurants like **Bao Boi and Chicken in a Barrel BBQ**, The Boardwalk enhances the local living and dining landscape.



Bert's Brewing



Boardwalk Apartments

## New Communities to Explore

### Quad Six

A community featuring modern homes with flexible layouts and thoughtful designs.

### Watergarden Townhomes

A neighborhood of stylish townhomes offering convenience and contemporary living.

### Violet's Crossing

A community blending charming designs with functional spaces for comfortable living.

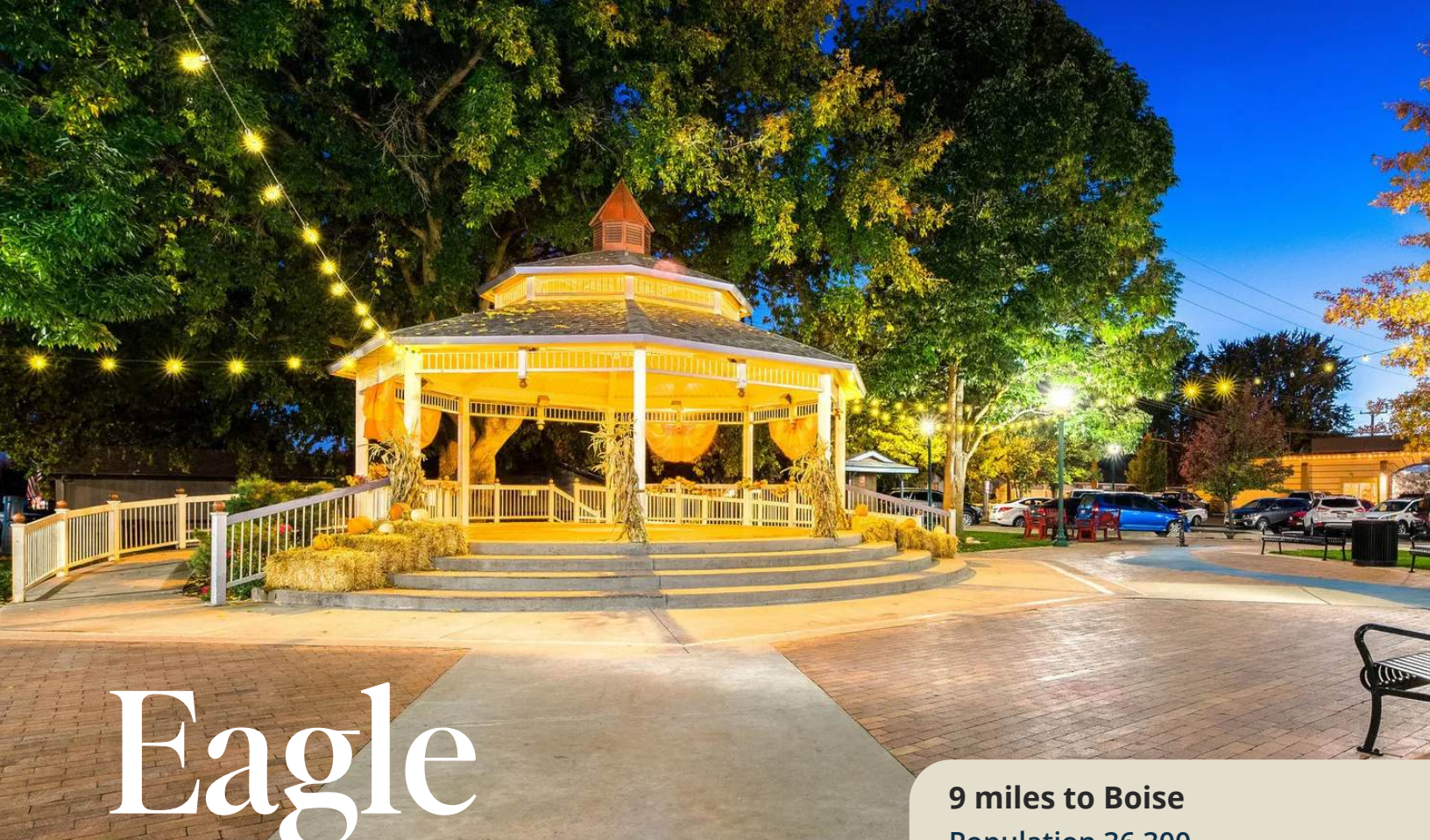
### Perch Meadows

A serene neighborhood with spacious homes and premium amenities.

### Casino Beach

A luxury community with expansive homes and high-end finishes near the riverfront.





# Eagle

**9 miles to Boise**  
**Population 36,300**  
**Median Home Price: \$775,000**

## Sophisticated Serenity

Blending small-town charm with upscale living in a picturesque setting along the Boise River, making it a sought-after destination for families and individuals seeking a balanced lifestyle.

Residents enjoy easy access to outdoor activities such as fishing, biking, and hiking, with the **Boise River Greenbelt** weaving through the area. **Heritage Park** is home to the **Eagle Farmers Market**, summer concert series, and seasonal celebrations like **Eagle Fun Days** and **Winter Wonderland**. These events bring the community together with features parades, fireworks, local vendors, and holiday-themed festivities.

Also known for its recreational spaces, including the expansive **Eagle Sports Complex**. Spanning 250 acres, this area includes BMX tracks, skateboarding facilities, pump tracks, basketball courts, and a network of trails connected to the Ridge to Rivers system. **Eagle Island State Park** is great for swimming, hiking, fishing, and even sledding during winter months.

The heart of Eagle is its downtown, home to boutique shops and locally-owned eateries. **The Chocolat Bar** delights visitors with handmade confections and decadent treats, while **Two Rivers Spa** provides a retreat with premium wellness and relaxation services. For those who enjoy golf, the nearby **Banbury Golf Course** offers an impeccably maintained course surrounded by serene landscapes.





# NEIGHBORHOOD SNAPSHOTS

## Creekside at The Preserve

A friendly community with parks, walking paths, and access to outdoor activities.

## Legacy

A serene neighborhood featuring open spaces, water features, and recreational amenities.

## Ashbury

A luxurious area near downtown Eagle and the foothills, offering upscale homes and proximity to dining and recreation.

## Two Rivers

A picturesque community with scenic water features and luxury homes in a tranquil setting.

## The Shores

An exclusive neighborhood with waterfront properties, a clubhouse, and private courts.

## Lakemoor

A gated community blending nature and sophistication, with waterfront properties and walking trails.



## New Communities to Explore

### Eagle Ridge

Single-family homes and townhomes, with amenities, prices starting from around \$411,900.

### Riverstone

A serene community offering custom homes and a beachfront park, starting from the \$500's.

### Sterling Heights

A neighborhood bordering Eagle Hills Golf Course, single-family homes starting from \$610,000.

### Estrada Village

A private gated community with homes starting from \$654,800.

### Bald Eagle Park

A luxury subdivision starting at \$1.5 million, half-acre and larger lots, and stunning views.

### Brush Creek

A modern subdivision with homes starting from \$1,300,000.







# *Fresh & Local* **FARMER'S MARKETS** ACROSS THE VALLEY

**CAPITAL CITY PUBLIC MARKET** Saturdays, April–October

Downtown Boise near 8th & Main, this market features fresh produce, artisanal goods, local crafts, art, live music, and food from over 100 Idaho small businesses.

**BOISE FARMERS MARKET** Saturdays, April–October

Off Shoreline Drive, this market focuses on locally grown and crafted products, seasonal produce, proteins, baked goods, honey, jams, sauces, coffee, and ready-to-eat foods. The Mobile Market delivers fresh produce to Boise neighborhoods throughout the week.

**EAGLE SATURDAY MARKET** Saturdays, April–October

Held in Heritage Park in downtown Eagle, this handmade market brings arts and crafts, local produce, herbs, flowers, woodwork, specialty foods, and freshly prepared dishes.

**MERIDIAN MAIN STREET MARKET** Saturdays, April–October

Located on Main Street at Meridian City Hall, with local produce, handmade crafts, specialty goods, and a youth vendor program supporting young entrepreneurs.

**CALDWELL FARM TO FORK MARKET**

Tuesday evenings, May–September

Held at Indian Creek Plaza, featuring award-winning fruits, vegetables, grains, and spices, along with crafts and specialty foods. It coincides with the Tuesdays on the Creek Concert Series for a lively evening experience.

**NAMPA FARMERS MARKET** Saturdays, Spring–late November

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

**MIDDLETON MARKET** Third Saturdays, June–August

Held monthly at Middleton Place Park, showcasing local farmers and food crafters offering fresh produce, artisanal cheeses, baked goods, and more.





# Meridian

**12 miles to Boise**

**Population 142,800**

**Median Home Price: \$554,900**

## Building Connections, Inspiring Growth

Meridian is Idaho's second-largest city and a growing destination for those seeking a balance of small-town warmth and urban conveniences. Known for its excellent schools, outdoor recreation, thriving local economy, and welcoming neighborhoods, it is a top choice for families, professionals, and retirees alike.

Meridian features an abundance of parks and green spaces, perfect for outdoor activities. **Julius M. Kleiner Memorial Park**, a 60-acre gem, includes a fishing pond, playgrounds, and picnic areas, making it a favorite for families. Dog owners enjoy **Storey Bark Park**, which provides a dedicated space for pets to play and socialize.





## Downtown Meridian

**Downtown Meridian** serves as the center for community events. Main Street hosts a mix of restaurants and shops like **Loose Screw Beer Co.** with its rooftop patio, multiple food choices, and is both dog and family friendly. **Truffles, Etc.** for handmade chocolates and coffee, while **44 East Boutique** caters to fashion-forward individuals. Stop into **Eight Thirty Common** for a gastro pub menu. Generations Plaza acts as the heart of downtown with live music, seasonal decorations, and a water feature. Regular events like the **Meridian Farmers Market**, keep the downtown area busy.



*Scheels at Ten Mile Crossing*

## Orchard Park

**Orchard Park**, located at Linder Road and Chinden Boulevard in Meridian, is a growing commercial complex anchored by **WinCo Foods** and the **Orchard Park Library**. The complex includes popular eateries such as **Olive Garden**, **Wendy's**, and **Chipotle**. With the still-anticipated opening of local favorites like **The Wylder** and **The STIL** for more food options.

## Ten Mile Crossing

**Ten Mile Crossing** features **Scheels**, a massive sporting goods store with attractions like a Ferris wheel, sports simulators, and an aquarium. Surrounding businesses include **Blaze Pizza**, **Crumbl Boise Juice Co.**, and local boutiques, making it a destination for shopping, dining, and family-friendly entertainment.



## The Village at Meridian

The Village at Meridian is a popular shopping, dining, and entertainment destination in the Treasure Valley. Its European-inspired architecture surrounds a central choreographed fountain, and children's play area. Visitors can explore retail, dining, and on-site cinema.

Adjacent to The Village is **Julius M. Kleiner Memorial Park**. With **In-N-Out Burger**, being a recent addition. Regular events like concerts, movie nights, and seasonal festivities make The Village a central place for the community.





# Neighborhood Snapshots

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



## North Meridian

### Paramount

A master-planned community with parks, pools, walking paths, and close proximity to schools and local amenities.

### Bridgetower

A well-designed neighborhood with pools, playgrounds, and walking paths.

### Saguaro Canyon

A southwestern-inspired community with resort-style living, pools, playgrounds, and native landscaping.

### SpurWing Greens

An upscale community centered around Spurwing Golf Course, with access to golf, tennis courts, and walking paths.

### The Oaks North

A serene neighborhood with open green spaces, a pool, picnic areas, playgrounds, and a fishing pond.

## South Meridian

### Pinnacle

Modern homes with parks, playgrounds, a pool, and walking paths, near schools and shopping.

### Sky Break

Luxury custom homes with spacious lots, upscale amenities, and stunning views.

### Tuscany

Established neighborhood with four pools, parks, walking paths.

### Sky Mesa

Master-planned community featuring contemporary homes, infinity pools, open spaces, and walking trails.

### Gran Prado

Newer subdivision with single-family homes, parks, a pool, and easy access to shopping and dining.

## New Communities to Explore

### Jump Creek (NW Meridian)

Starting in the low \$400s, homes with 3 to 5 bedrooms with nearby schools and parks.

### Brody Square (N Meridian)

Single-family homes starting in the low \$500s, thoughtfully designed floor plans close to schools, shopping, and dining.

### Calistoga (S Meridian)

Mid-\$600s, stylish, modern designs, open green spaces, and walking paths.

### Shafer View Terrace (S Meridian)

Custom homes starting at \$850,000, large lots, upscale setting and outdoor recreation.

### The Keep (S Meridian)

A luxury subdivision starting at \$1.5 million, half-acre and larger lots, and stunning views.







**17 miles to Boise**  
**Population 31,490**  
**Median Home Price: \$452,000**

## Affordable Living with Outdoor Appeal

Located just south of Boise, Kuna has become a desirable destination for those seeking a serene lifestyle close to urban conveniences.

### Outdoor Recreation and Natural Attractions

Kuna's nearly two-mile Greenbelt runs along Indian Creek, creating a scenic path ideal for walking, running, or cycling. South of town, the **Kuna Caves**—a unique underground lava tube system—plunge over 50 feet, for those ready to explore an exciting adventure. The **Kuna Butte Trail** provides stunning panoramic views of the surrounding area.

For wine enthusiasts, **Indian Creek Winery** creates a relaxing setting to enjoy award-winning wines crafted in Kuna's peaceful countryside. Outdoor recreation enthusiasts can also visit **Black's Creek Public Shooting Range**, a nearby facility offering a safe and well-maintained space for target shooting and firearm practice.

### Family-Friendly Destinations and Local Favorites

**Idaho Pizza Company** is a go-to for families, serving fresh pizzas and hearty comfort food in a casual setting. **Hudson Baking Co.** delights locals with its scratch-made pastries, fresh sourdough bread, and coffee, creating a cozy atmosphere for breakfast or a midday treat.

For outdoor family fun, **Bernie Fisher Park** is a central community space where residents gather for events and recreation. It offers open spaces, picnic areas, and playgrounds, making it a favorite among locals.

### Affordable Living and Growing Communities

Celebrated for its affordable housing, Kuna is an attractive option for families, first-time homebuyers, and retirees. The city features welcoming neighborhoods like **Ledgestone**, **Patagonia**, and **Caspian**, each offering modern homes in a community-focused environment.

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







# Nampa

20 miles to Boise  
Population 118,580  
Median Home Price: \$415,000

## Historic Roots with Modern Amenities

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

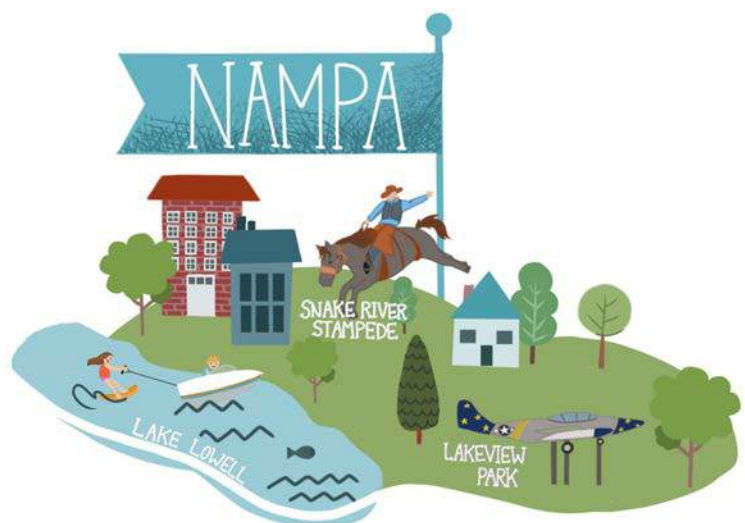
### Recreation and Family-Friendly Activities

Nampa offers a variety of parks and recreational areas, including the **Lake Lowell Recreation Area**, ideal for outdoor enthusiasts. Golfers can enjoy courses like **Ridgecrest Golf Club**, **RedHawk Golf Course**, and **Centennial Golf Course**. The **Nampa Harward Recreation Center** is a destination for fitness activities and community gatherings.

For family entertainment, the city features venues such as the **Rollerdrome Nampa** for roller skating, **The Reel Theater** for movies, and **Nampa Bowl** for bowling. **Jabbers** provides a playful environment for children, and the weekly **Nampa Farmers Market** (from April-November) offers local produce and crafts.

### Cultural and Educational Attractions

The **Nampa Public Library** serves as a cultural resource for residents, offering a range of programs and materials. The **Warhawk Air Museum** delves into aviation history with displays of vintage aircraft and artifacts, while the **Nampa Train Depot Museum** showcases the city's railroad heritage.





## Economic and Housing Overview

Nampa's economy thrives on sectors such as agriculture, manufacturing, and healthcare. The city's affordable cost of living attracts individuals and families seeking housing options, from starter homes to custom-built residences. Notably, areas like Northeast Nampa are experiencing growth due to new commercial activities and convenient access to shopping, dining, and Interstate 84. Similarly, South Nampa is gaining popularity with recent developments enhancing its appeal.

## Dining and Unique Local Spots

**Messenger Pizza & Brewery**, known for its handcrafted pizzas and local brews, and **The Tower Grill**, for dining with a unique view of the **Nampa Municipal Airport** runway.

**The Sick Stag** is an underground speakeasy adorned with taxidermy and quirky artwork, serving carefully crafted cocktails made from high-quality spirits, along with intentional small bites. **Flying M Coffee Garage** provides a cozy, community-focused atmosphere where visitors can enjoy board games and other activities while sipping their coffee or enjoying a snack.



## New Communities to Explore



*Solano Place*

### **Solano Place by CBH Homes**

Centrally located, with single-family homes starting at \$361,990, close to shopping and dining at Treasure Valley Marketplace.

### **Walton Woods by CBH Homes**

Near Endeavor Elementary and Lakeview Park, featuring modern floor plans starting at \$369,990.

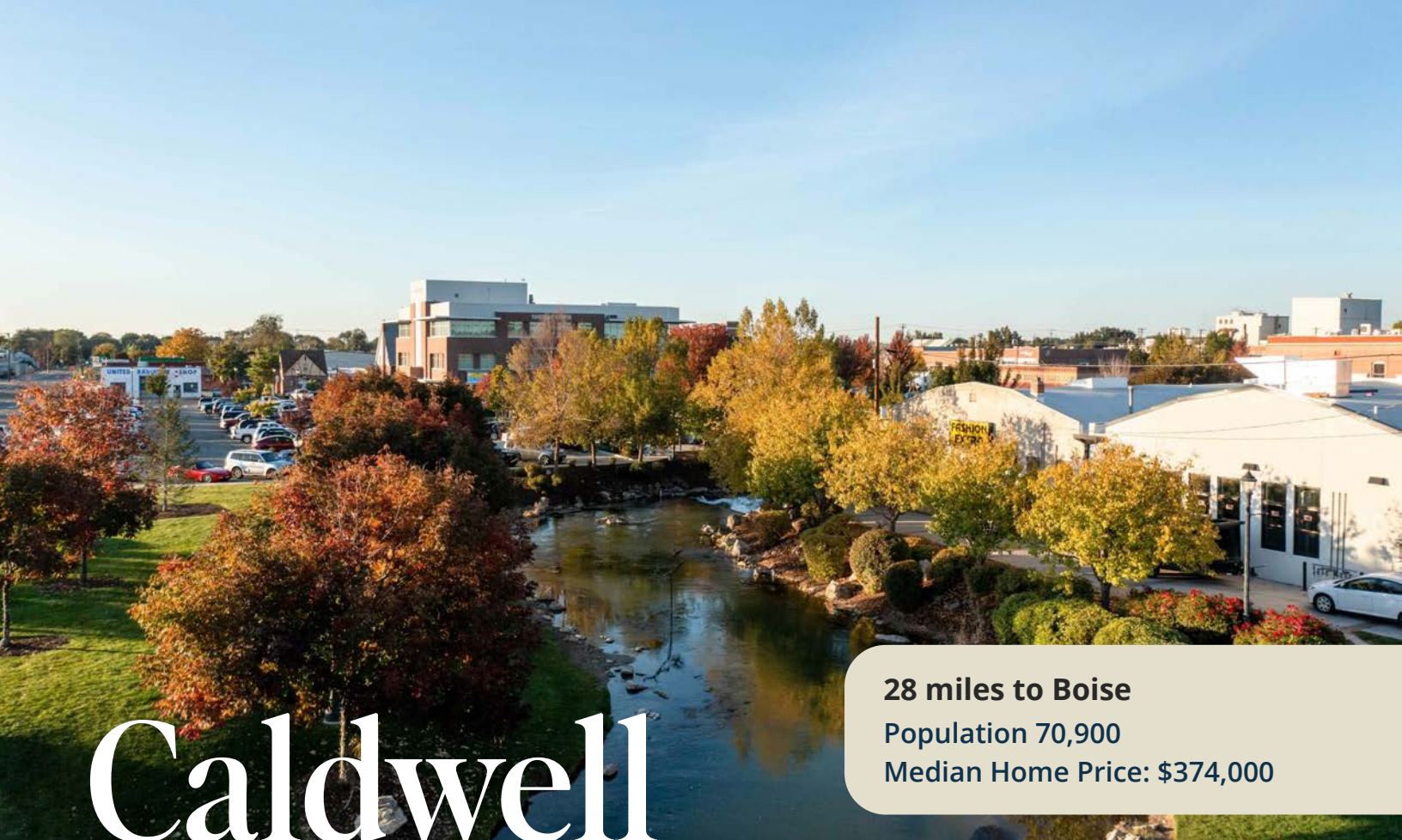
### **Lekeitio Village by Hayden Homes**

Northeast Nampa community with family-friendly layouts starting at \$382,990.

### **Terrace Falls by Lennar**

Spacious single-family homes starting at \$550,900, near Wilson Springs Pond and Osborn Park.





# Caldwell

28 miles to Boise

Population 70,900

Median Home Price: \$374,000

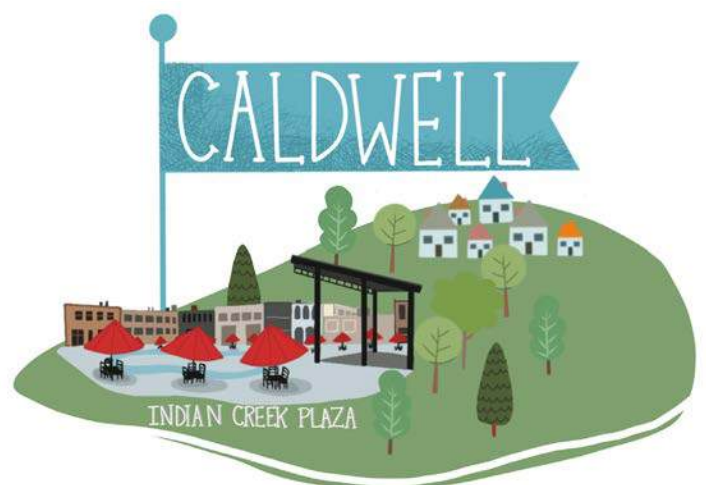
## Vineyards and Community Charm

Caldwell blends its agricultural heritage with modern amenities, creating a welcoming city rich in history and community spirit. Known for its orchards, vineyards, and farms, Caldwell thrives with industries like food processing, manufacturing, and healthcare.

The **College of Idaho** adds educational and cultural value, enhancing the city's appeal.

### Family-Friendly Activities

The **Whittenberger Planetarium** at The **College of Idaho** features engaging star shows for all ages, while **Babby Farms** creates interactive experiences with exotic and domestic animals. The **Caldwell Night Rodeo**, held each August, brings exciting entertainment to the community. **Downtown Caldwell** also features a movie theater, shops, and local eateries that make it a favorite destination year-round.







### Dining and Local Favorites

For dining, **Amano** stands out with its authentic Mexican cuisine and award-winning dishes, while **Flying M Coffeeshop** is cherished for its handcrafted coffee, treats, and cozy atmosphere.

## Indian Creek Plaza

At the heart of downtown, Indian Creek Plaza is a community focal point, hosting over 200 annual events such as concerts, farmers markets, and holiday festivals. During the summer, splash pads and live music draw families, while winter transforms the plaza with an ice ribbon, fire pits, and dazzling light displays. Caldwell Farm to Fork Farmers Market, highlights local produce, crafts, and food vendors, fostering a strong sense of community.

## New Communities to Explore



Timberstone

### Shadow Glen *Starting at \$335,990*

Single-family homes with a community tot lot, active recreation area, half basketball court, and a sand volleyball court.

### Pradera *Starting at \$500,000*

New homes with 3 to 4 bedrooms, country living and oversized homesites.

### Timberstone Caldwell *Starting at \$800,000*

North of Lake Lowell and the Sunny Slope Wine Trail, Timberstone custom-built homes are set on estate-sized homesites of up to an acre in size.

These communities cater to a variety of preferences and budgets, offering modern amenities and comfortable living spaces in Caldwell.



# A Tour of Wine Country

The Sunnyslope Wine Trail, located in Caldwell, Idaho, is a premier destination in the Snake River Valley, featuring a collection of award-winning wineries and vineyards. This trail offers visitors a unique opportunity to experience Idaho's rich viticulture amidst stunning landscapes.



## 1. Bitner Vineyards

Family-owned vineyard known for its sustainable farming practices and views of the Snake River Valley.

## 2. Cuesta Sol Vineyards

A micro boutique winery producing Barbera and Rhone varietals; visits by appointment only.

## 3. Dunning Estates

Offers wine tastings with panoramic views of the Snake River Valley.

## 4. Famici Wine Company

Handcrafts small lots of premium wines from varietals like Primitivo, Graciano, and Vermentino.

## 5. Free Dog Wines

Provides wine tasting in a casual, dog-friendly atmosphere; dog-friendly atmosphere.

## 6. Fujishin Estate Winery

Produces small-lot, sustainably grown wines from the Snake River Valley.

## 7. HAT Ranch Winery | Vale Wine Co.

Produces a variety of wines and shares a tasting room with Vale Wine Company.

## 8. Hells Canyon Winery | Zhoo Zhoo Wines

Idaho's first solar-powered winery, offering estate-grown wines with sustainable practices.

## 9. Huston Vineyards

Known for their "Chicken Dinner" wines and as the gateway winery to the Sunnyslope Wine Trail.

## 10. Indian Creek Winery

Focuses on Rhône varietals and features beautiful gardens and art installations.

## 11. Kerry Hill Winery

Focuses on Rhône varietals and features beautiful gardens and art installations.

## 12. Kindred Vineyards

A family-owned vineyard producing quality wines reflecting the local terroir.

## 13. Koenig Vineyards

Offers a selection of premium wines and spirits, with a picturesque estate setting.

## 14. Parma Ridge Winery & Bistro

Provides a full gourmet tasting menu alongside their wines, with scenic views.

## 15. Sawtooth Estate Winery

Features a variety of wines with a focus on sustainability and quality.

## 16. SCORIA Vineyards

Focused on premium red wines from volcanic soil vineyards with stunning views.

## 17. Ste. Chapelle Winery

Idaho's oldest winery, known for award-winning wines and scenic valley views.

## 18. Veer Wine Project

An urban winery crafting small-batch wines showcasing Idaho's diversity.

## 19. Vizcaya Winery

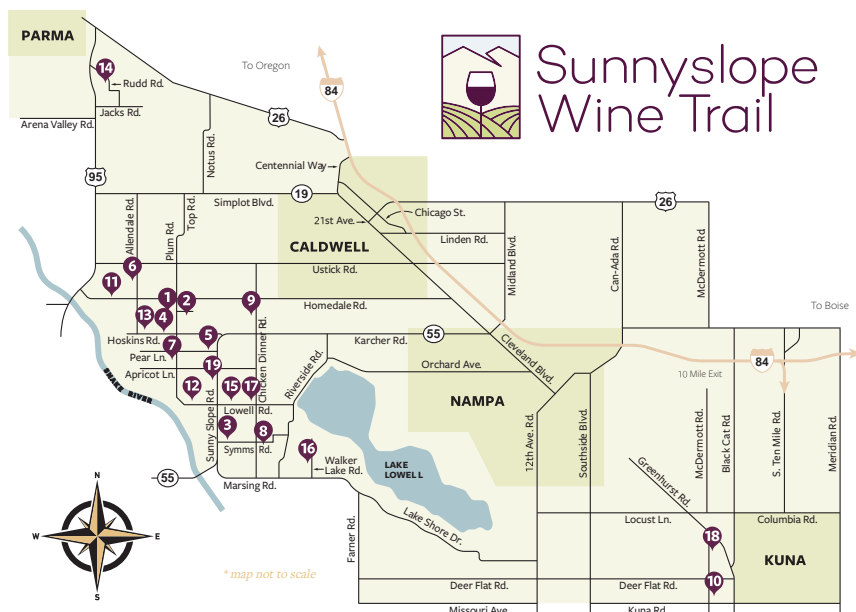
A boutique winery producing small-batch wines with a focus on quality.

## 20. Williamson Orchards & Vineyards

A family-owned vineyard producing estate-grown wines with a welcoming tasting room.



For more information about the Sunnyslope Wine Trail, please scan the QR code.





# From Berries to Blooms: Local U-Pick Farms

**The Berry Ranch, Nampa, ID**

Known for strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, and pumpkins.

**Cherry Hill Farms, Caldwell, ID**

Cherries, peaches, and apples; also features seasonal events like corn mazes.

**Cabalo's Orchard & Gardens, Kuna, ID**

Offers apples, blackberries, and pumpkins.

**Candy Apple Orchard, Emmett, ID**

Specializes in apples with the picking season from late September to October.

**Williams Fruit Ranch, Emmett, ID**

A historic farm offering U-Pick plums and apples; visitors can have their picked apples juiced on-site.

**Gem Orchards, Emmett, ID**

Features a seasonal selection of cherries, apricots, peaches, nectarines, and apples.

**Tyler's Rocky Point Orchard, Emmett, ID**

Seasonal lineup with cherries starting in June, plums in July, peaches in August, and apples from September through October.

**Farmer's Pick, Boise, ID**

Specializes in U-Pick fresh-cut flowers, including sunflowers, cosmos, and zinnias.

**Lovely Hollow Farm, Caldwell, ID**

A flower and pumpkin farm offering seasonal blooms and events.

**Hidden Hollow Farms, Caldwell, ID**

Features four acres of seasonal flowers, including sunflowers, asters, and dahlias.

**Mason Creek Flower Farm, Nampa, ID**

A self-serve U-Pick flower farm offering a variety of blooms.

**Blue Sky Farm, Eagle, ID**

Family-owned farm specializing in U-Pick flowers and honey, open on select days.

**Flaming Acres Farm Caldwell, ID**

Offers U-Pick flowers and hosts seasonal events; check for specific opening dates.



*Before visiting, it's recommended to check each farm's current **operating** hours.*





**17 miles to Boise**

**Population 19,920**

**Median Home Price: \$575,000**

## Peaceful Living, Perfect Proximity

Star is an inviting town in the Treasure Valley, where residents enjoy a peaceful and connected lifestyle combining the beauty of open spaces with small-town living. Compared to larger near-by cities, Star maintains a quieter pace. With growth bringing more amenities and some increased activity, particularly in newer neighborhoods, while preserving its calm atmosphere. Despite its rural feel, Star is only about 30 minutes from downtown Boise.

The **Star River Walk** along the Boise River is ideal for birdwatching, picnicking, walking and cycling. One of Star's standout destinations is **Sol Invictus Vineyard**. With exceptional wines and picturesque setting, this vineyard hosts community-oriented events, including live music, seasonal celebrations, and tastings. The **Star Chili Cook-Off**, held annually at **Hunter's Creek Park**, features a chili-tasting competition, pie-eating contests, and music for a fun and flavorful day.

### Local Dining and Shopping

**Bordertown Coffee & Bake Shop** Known for excellent coffee and freshly baked pastries, it's a great place to start your morning or meet up with friends.

**El Mariachi Loco** A local favorite for authentic Mexican cuisine, serving flavorful dishes in a warm and welcoming setting.

**Mountain Mike's Pizza** Ideal for family gatherings or a casual dinner, offering delicious pizzas made with fresh ingredients and plenty of topping choices.

**Star Country Cafe** A comfortable spot for hearty breakfast and lunch options with friendly service.



## Communities to Explore

### Trident Ridge

This subdivision at the base of the foothills, with homes starting at \$389,990.

### Aliso Creek

2 to 6-bedroom homes, community features pool and playground, starting at \$404,995.

### Inspirado

Modern, upscale living, a central park and community pool, starting at \$559,800.

### River Park Estates

A sought-after neighborhood, custom-built homes near the Boise River, starting in the high \$700's.





29 miles to Boise

Population 11,500

Median Home Price: \$540,000

# Middleton

## Rustic Charm with a Modern Touch

Middleton is a welcoming small town along the north side of the Boise River, with scenic landscapes and a peaceful environment, all within a 33-minute drive to downtown Boise's amenities. Surrounded by mountains, rivers, and lakes, Middleton provides ample opportunities for outdoor activities such as hiking, horseback riding, and camping. Foote Park offers a playground, picnic areas, walking paths, and a splash pad for family enjoyment.

The **Middleton Public Library** serves as a center for educational programs, family events, and community gatherings. Residents participate in seasonal festivities, including the annual **Fourth of July** celebration, which features a parade, a festival, and fireworks. **The Trolley Station** is a museum, kitchen, and venue hosting multiple community events.

Dining may be modest but some local favorites include **Casa Mexico** for authentic Mexican cuisine and **Garbonzo's Pizza** for family-friendly dining. Cozy cafes such as **The Original Sunrise Cafe** and **Middleton Espresso Cafe** provide inviting atmospheres for breakfast and coffee.

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



## Communities to Explore

### Kestrel Estates

New construction and a peaceful, country atmosphere starting from mid 300's.


### Carlton Meadows

Featuring 4 to 5-bedroom homes, some plans include RV bays, starting from \$464,900.

### River Walk Ranch

Community amenities include walking paths, pickleball courts, river access, and scenic ponds starting from \$900,000's.





30 miles to Boise

Population 8,750

Median Home Price: \$499,000

# Emmett

## Scenic Living with Heart

Located along the Payette River, Emmett offers a peaceful environment with scenic surroundings and a variety of recreational activities.

**Black Canyon Reservoir** is a standout destination with views of the surrounding landscape with opportunities for boating, fishing, kayaking, or simply enjoying the serene waters.

**Little Gem Cycle Park**, a 2,000-acre area east of town offering trails, hill climbs, and motocross tracks suitable for all dirt bike enthusiasts.

**Sagehen ATV Trail System** provides forested single-track trails via Antelope Campground.

**Emmett City Park** has a playground, splash pad, tennis courts, and picnic areas. It is also home to the annual **Emmett Cherry Festival**, held every June, featuring a carnival, live music, parade, and local vendors. **The Emmett Farmers' Market** runs from June to October at **Blaser Park**, offering fresh produce and handmade goods. The **Gem County Fair & Rodeo** is a family-friendly event with livestock shows, carnival rides, and a rodeo.

## Communities to Explore

### Skyhawk Community


Modern residences with open-concept designs, starting at \$354,990.

### Highland Subdivision

Community pool, park area, walking paths, and 6.5 acres of open space, homes start at around \$399,000.

### Toll Brothers at Highland

Quality craftsmanship, single family homes starting at \$439,995.



44 miles to Boise

Population 16,920

Median Home Price: \$340,000

# Mountain Home

## Honoring Service, Embracing Growth

Mountain Home, located in Elmore County, is approximately 45 minutes southeast of Boise. The city is home to the **Mountain Home Air Force Base**, a cornerstone of its identity and economy.

The city's growth is evident in new housing developments, such as the **Turner House Depot** community, which aims to provide much-needed housing for residents. The **Morning View** neighborhood offers new homes for those seeking modern living spaces.

**Mountain Home Air Force Base Air Show**, which entertains visitors with impressive aerial displays. The **Carl Miller Park**, a family-favorite with shady trees, playgrounds, gazebo, an F-111 display honoring the U.S. Air Force, and hosts the annual **Air Force Appreciation Day** each September, featuring a parade and free community BBQ.





# IDAHO ADVENTURES: DESTINATIONS IN THE GEM STATE

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

## STANLEY, IDAHO AND THE SAWTOOTH MOUNTAINS

Stanley and the Sawtooth Mountains, surrounded by pristine lakes, rugged peaks, and lush forests, provide endless adventures like hiking, fishing, kayaking, rock climbing, and Salmon River rafting.

Redfish Lake is perfect for swimming, boating, and picnicking, with trails for all levels and remarkable stargazing at the Central Idaho Dark Sky Reserve.



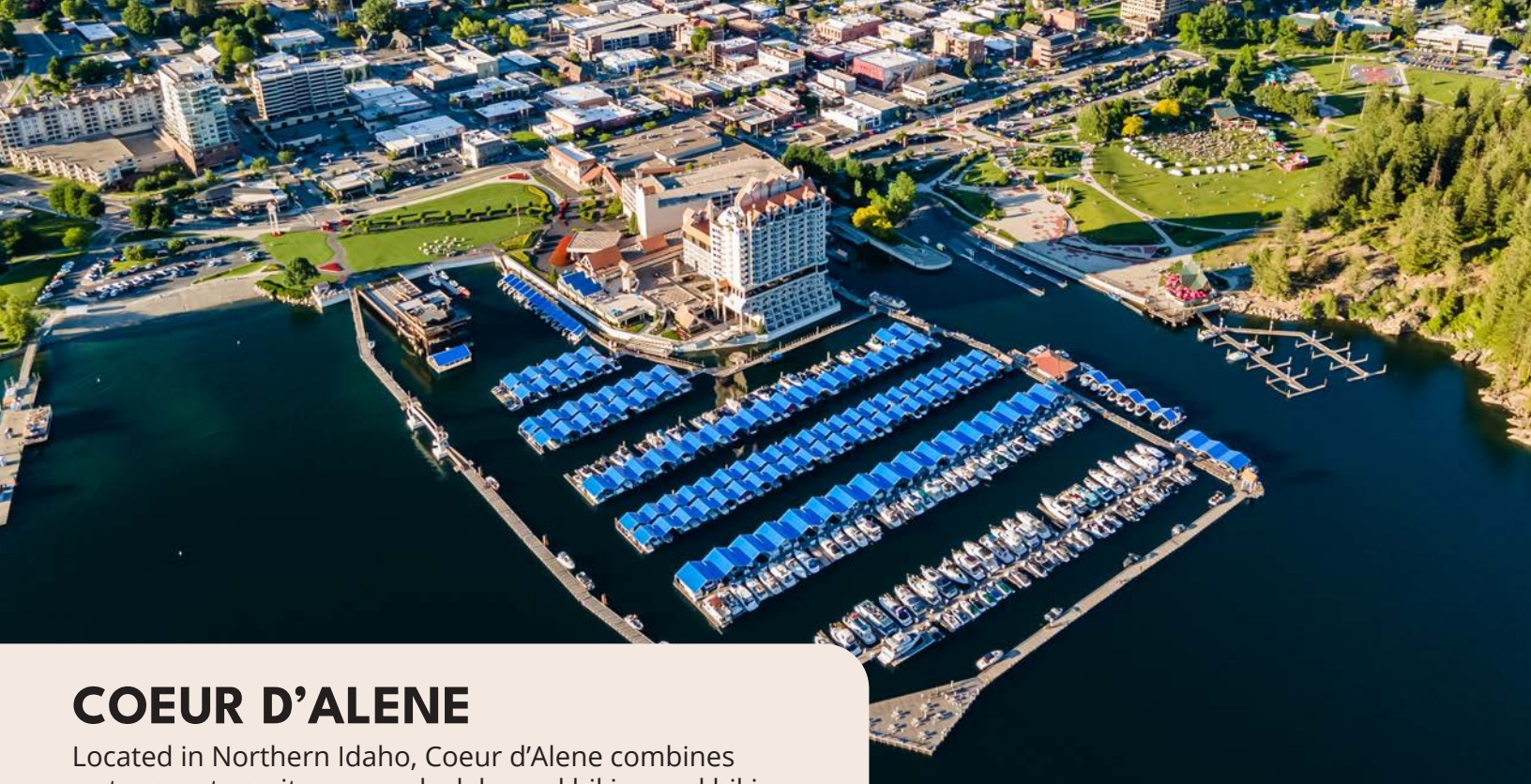
## MCCALL, IDAHO

McCall is a peaceful escape for swimming, kayaking, and fishing. The surrounding mountains make for excellent hiking, mountain biking, and skiing at Brundage Mountain in winter.

Downtown is a lively area filled with unique shops, local eateries, and annual events like the **Winter Carnival**, **Payette Lakes Fine Arts Fair**, and summer fireworks over the lake.

**Ice Cream Alley** is a must-visit summer destination offering mountain-sized scoops, and delighting visitors, as a McCall tradition, for nearly 40 years.





## COEUR D'ALENE

Located in Northern Idaho, Coeur d'Alene combines water sports on its namesake lake and hiking and biking in nearby hills. Downtown includes shops, restaurants, galleries, and events like the Art on the Green festival. At the Coeur d'Alene Resort, guests can enjoy upscale amenities, highlighted by the renowned floating green golf course.

## TWIN FALLS, IDAHO

Twin Falls blends natural wonders with history. Highlights include Shoshone Falls, a 212-foot waterfall, and the Perrine Bridge, known for stunning canyon views and BASE jumping. Enjoy outdoor activities like hiking, paddling, exploring Dierkes Lake, Rock Creek Canyon, and the Hagerman Fossil Beds.



## CRATERS OF THE MOON

Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve in Idaho spans over 750,000 acres of volcanic terrain shaped by eruptions along the Great Rift. Visitors can explore lava flows, cinder cones, and caves via scenic trails or with permits for lava tubes. Designated an International Dark Sky Park, it offers incredible stargazing alongside rugged landscapes that sustain resilient wildlife, making it a unique destination for hiking, camping, and discovering Idaho's volcanic history.





## BRUNEAU SAND DUNES

Bruneau Sand Dunes, near Mountain Home, is known for North America's tallest free-standing sand dune, reaching more than 470 feet. Visitors enjoy sandboarding, hiking, camping, stargazing at the observatory, and fishing or kayaking in the park's lake.

## SILVERWOOD THEME PARK

Located in Athol, Idaho, Silverwood Theme Park is the largest amusement park in the Pacific Northwest, offering over 70 attractions, including thrilling roller coasters like Aftershock and Tremors. The park also features Boulder Beach Water Park with slides, wave pools, and a lazy river, making it perfect for families and adventure seekers.

## SUN VALLEY, IDAHO

Famed for world-class skiing, Sun Valley is a year-round destination for outdoor adventures. Winter draws skiers and snowboarders to Bald and Dollar Mountains, while summer is time for hiking, biking, and fishing. The Sun Valley Resort delivers luxury with fine dining, a spa, golf course, and outdoor ice rink. Events like the Sun Valley Film Festival add to the area's charm.





# MAJOR EMPLOYERS IN THE TREASURE VALLEY



## Boise

**Micron Technology:** A global leader in memory and storage solutions, employing thousands in technology and manufacturing.

**St. Luke's Health System:** A cornerstone of healthcare in Boise and beyond.

**Hewlett Packard Enterprise:** Specializes in IT solutions, with significant local operations.

**Albertsons Companies:** A major grocery retailer with headquarters in Boise.

**Boise School District:** Employs a large number of teachers and staff across its schools.

**State of Idaho:** State government agencies provide a wide range of employment opportunities.

**J.R. Simplot Company:** A global agribusiness leader headquartered in Boise.

**Boise State University:** A major educational institution and employer.

**Amazon (Nampa, Boise, Meridian)**

Operates multiple facilities in the Treasure Valley, employing thousands in fulfillment and distribution roles.

## Meridian

**Blue Cross of Idaho:** A key player in health insurance services with a large campus.

**Scentsy:** Headquarters for the international home fragrance company.

**West Ada School District:** Idaho's largest school district, employing thousands in education and administration.

## Nampa

**Amalgamated Sugar:** A leader in sugar production, contributing to the region's agribusiness sector.

**Sorrento Lactalis:** Specializes in dairy products and cheese manufacturing.

**Plexus Corp:** A global leader in electronic manufacturing services.

**GoGo Squeeze:** Produces popular snack products, employing workers in food processing.

**St. Alphonsus Medical Center:** A vital healthcare provider for the area.

## Eagle

**PetIQ Headquarters:** A key contributor to the pet care industry.

**Lamb Weston Global Headquarters:** Innovates in food processing and sustainability.

**Connect Wireless:** A leader in telecommunications services.





## Kuna

**Kuna Joint School District:** Educates students in the local community.

**MTC Corrections:** Operates correctional facilities in the area.

**Ridley's Family Markets:** A regional grocery store chain.

## Emmett

**Emmett School District:** Educates students in the local area.

**Gem County:** Manages county administrative functions.

**Walter Knox Memorial Hospital:** Provides healthcare services to residents.

**Boise Cascade:** Manufactures wood products for construction.

## Caldwell

**Vallivue School District:** Educates students in the local community.

**Caldwell School District:** Provides education to area students.

**West Valley Medical Center:** Delivers healthcare services to the community.

**The College of Idaho:** A private liberal arts college.

**J.R. Simplot Company:** Engages in agricultural processing operations.

**Darigold Inc.:** Processes dairy products for distribution.

# IDAHO'S SMALL BUSINESS EDGE

Idaho is widely recognized as a small business-friendly state. Several factors contribute to its reputation:

## Low Taxes

Idaho has relatively low corporate and personal income tax rates compared to many other states. This helps entrepreneurs keep more of their earnings and reinvest in their businesses.

## Business-Friendly Regulations

The state emphasizes minimal bureaucratic red tape, making it easier for small businesses to register and operate. Licensing requirements are straightforward, and the regulatory environment is less burdensome.

## Affordable Operating Costs

Idaho's lower cost of living translates to more affordable commercial real estate, utilities, and labor costs, which benefit small businesses.

## Supportive Ecosystem

Idaho offers various resources and incentives for small businesses, such as grants, tax credits, and business development programs.

## Thriving Local Markets

Cities like Boise have strong community support for local businesses, with events, farmer's markets, and initiatives that encourage residents to shop local.

## Growing Economy

Idaho's economy has been growing steadily, offering opportunities across sectors like technology, agriculture, outdoor recreation, and tourism, which are ideal for small business ventures.

## Access to Talent and Innovation

With a focus on education and workforce development, Idaho supports entrepreneurs with access to skilled workers and resources for innovation.





# 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 & CHARTER SCHOOLS

### BISHOP KELLY HIGH SCHOOL

208-375-6010

BK.org

### CHALLENGER SCHOOL

Grades Pre K-8

208-846-8888

### VISION PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

Grades K-12

208-455-9220

### COLE VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

Grades K-12

208-947-1212

### FOOTHILLS SCHOOL OF ARTS

Grades PreK-9

208-331-9260

### SAGE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BOISE

Grades K-12

208-343-7243

### GEM STATE ADVENTIST ACADEMY

Grades 9-12

208-459-1627

### HEROES ACADEMY

Grades PreK-12

208-991-4453

### INNOVATE ACADEMY

Grades K-12

208-954-7671

### MONTESSORI ACADEMY

Grades PreK-6

208-939-6333

### NORTH STAR CHARTER SCHOOL

Grades K-12

208-939-9600

### RIVERSTONE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Grades Pre-K-12

208-424-5000

### ST. IGNATIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Grades Pre K- 8

208-888-4759

### NAMPA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Grades Infant-12

208-466-8451

### THE AMBROSE SCHOOL

Grades K-12

208-323-3888

### COMPASS PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

Grades K-12

208-888-5847

## 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

### ISUCCEED VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL

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  
cityofboise.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

### **HARDIN 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

### **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

Rise Broadband 844-910-2642

### **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

### **ST. LUKE'S ELMORE MEDICAL CENTER (MOUNTAIN HOME)**

208- 587-8401

### **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, etc.
- 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: pre-move, 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 process.
- 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.





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### SOCIAL LINKS

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