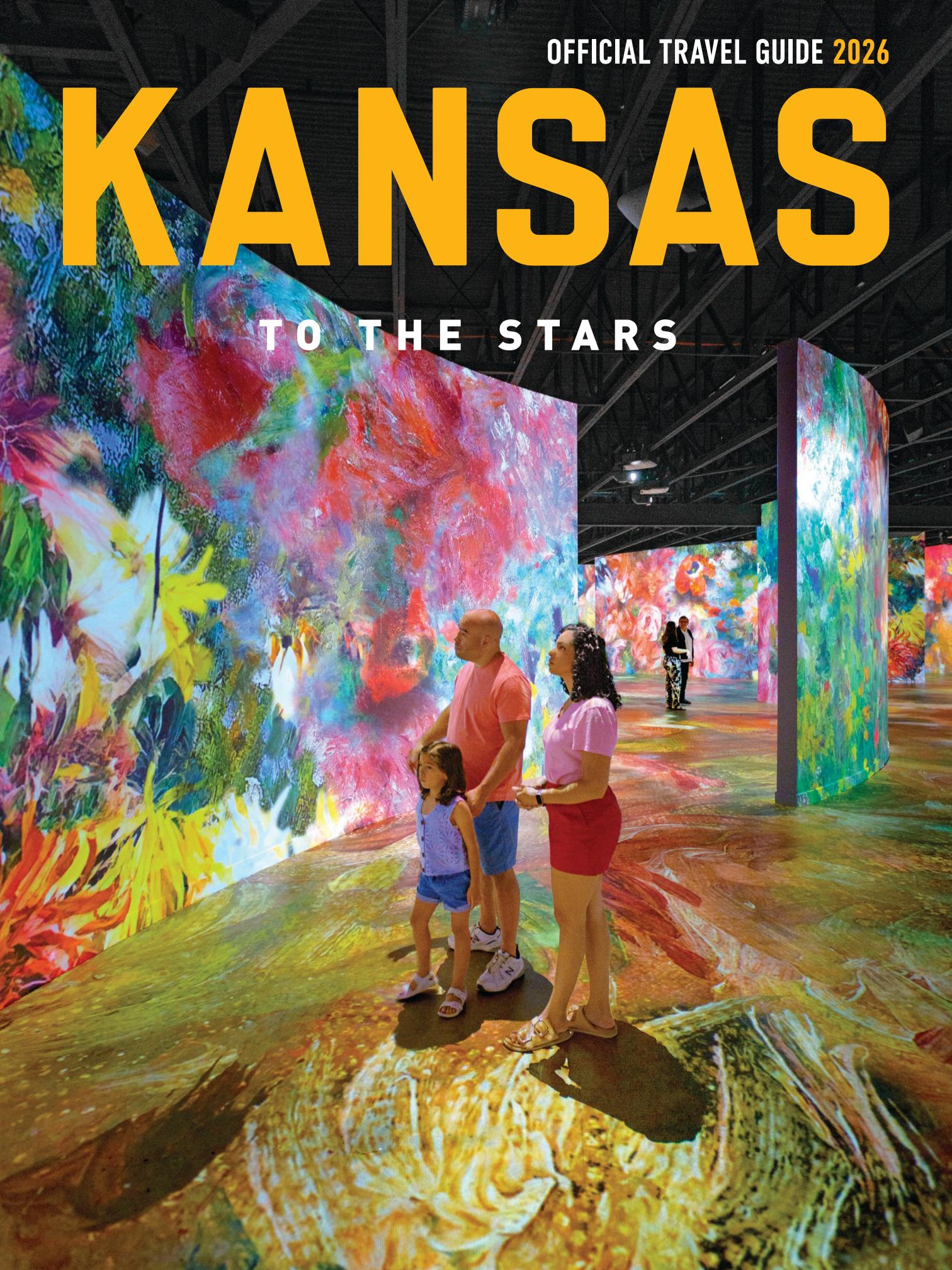


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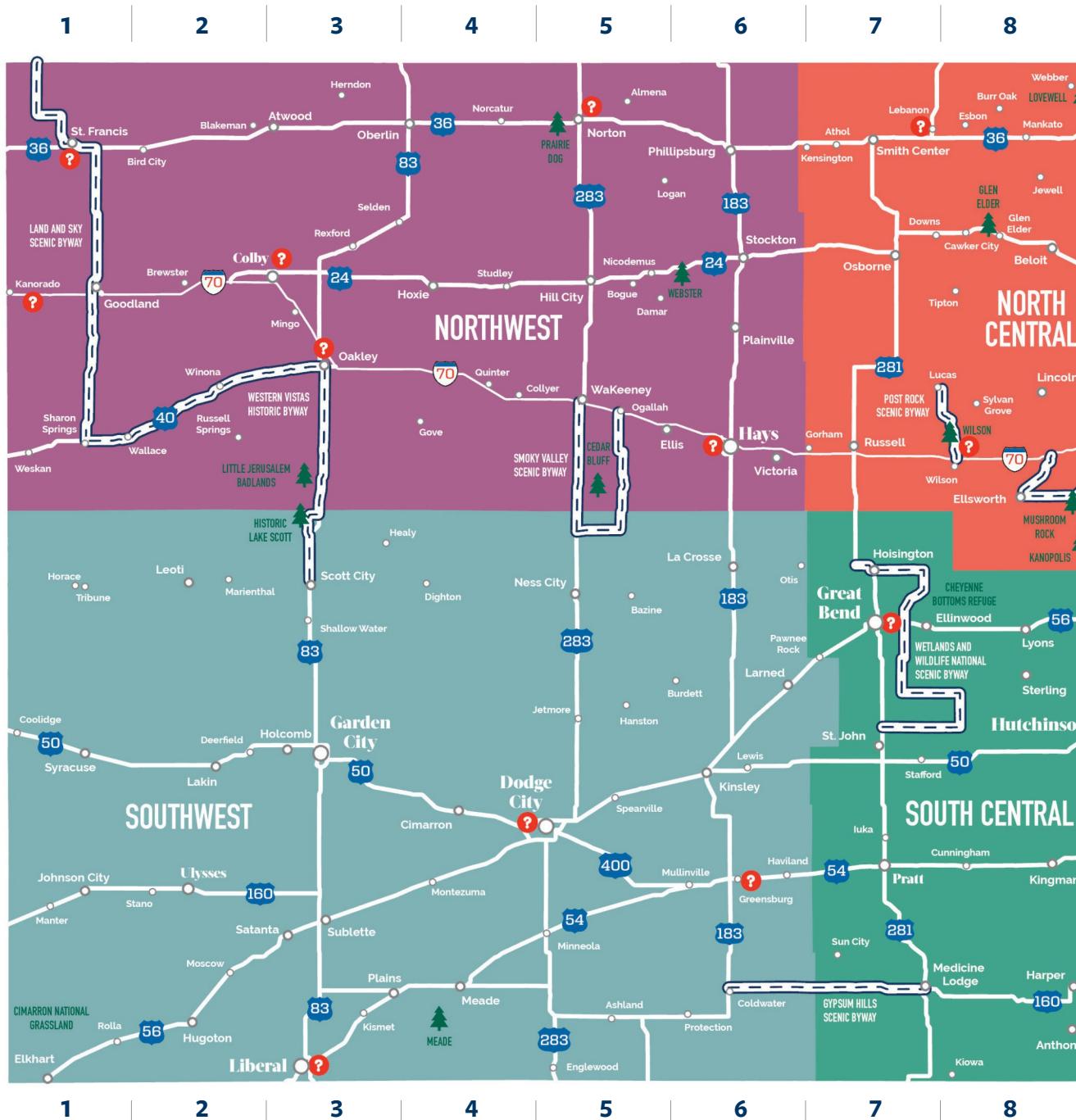
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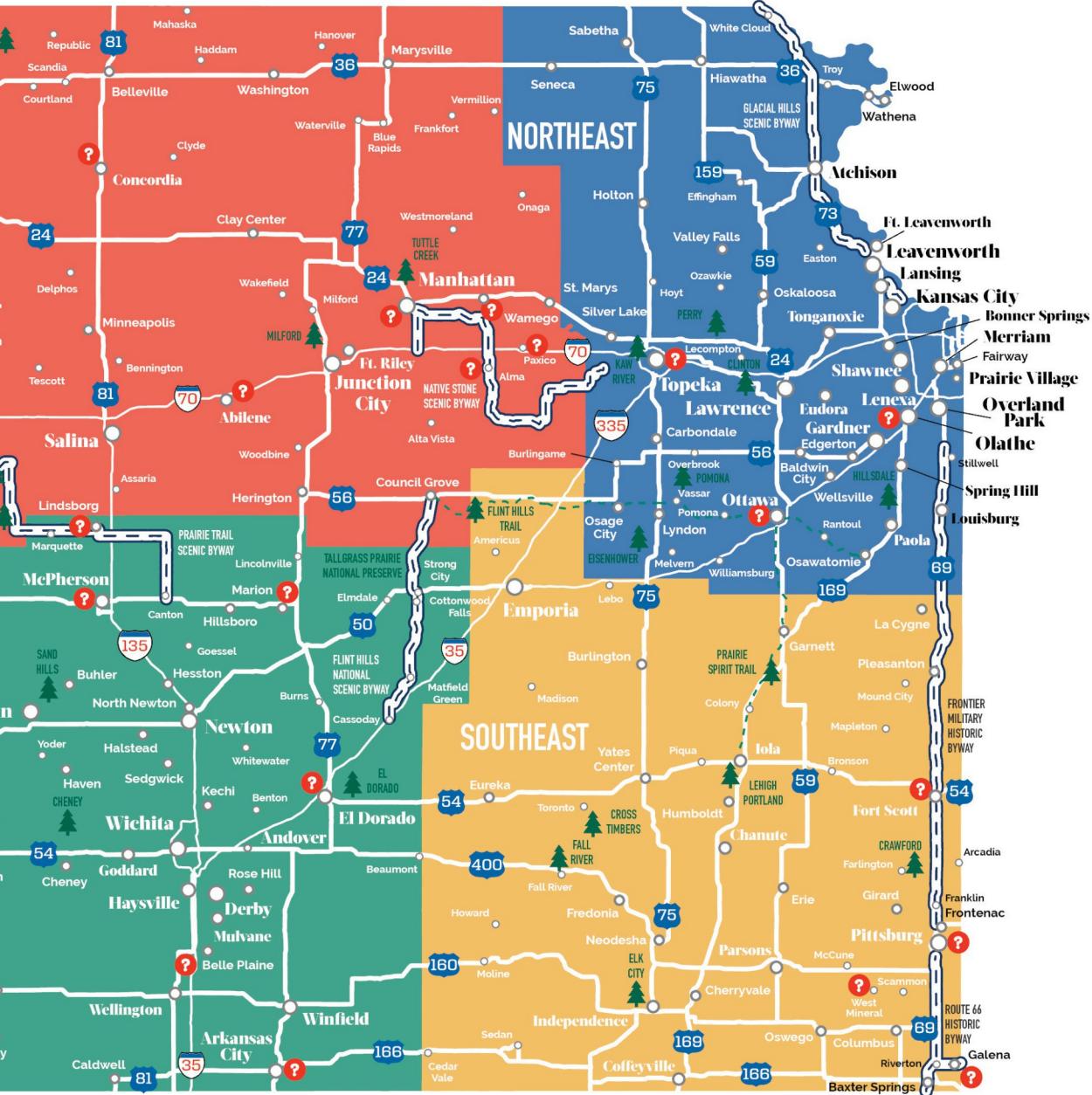


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WAYS TO EXPERIENCE THE KEEPER

- **Ring of Fire**— fire pots lit nightly (weather permitting) for 15 minutes
- **Plaza**— showcases the customs and traditions of the Plains Indians
- **The Mid-America All-Indian Museum**— features American Indian art, culture and heritage through rotating exhibits
- **Kayak or pedal boat**— get up close to the Keeper on the Little Arkansas River

Must-visit WICHITA ATTRACTIONS

MUSEUMS ON THE RIVER

In the heart of Wichita flows the scenic **Arkansas River**, a centerpiece of the city that connects all its surrounds.

As you follow the river's path you will encounter the Museums on the River, comprised of:

- **Botanica Wichita**
- **Exploration Place**
- **Mid-America All-Indian Museum**
- **Old Cowtown Museum**
- **Wichita Art Museum**
- **Wichita Baseball Museum**

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- See why Food Network's Alton Brown called **Nifty Nut House** a "National Treasure"
- Estate home furnishings from around the world at **The Vault Collection**
- **The Workroom** is the place for local art and artisan accessories
- Experience Wichita's boutique plant shop, **GROW Plant Bar** where you can build your own terrarium or try a specialty cocktail or mocktail
- Create the perfect custom hat at **Hatman Jack's**
- Wichita's original gourmet coffee roaster, **The Spice Merchant & Co.**, offers fresh coffee beans, teas and spices
- Browse the unexpected, eclectic goods at **Bungalow 26**
- **Lucinda's** has cheeky, off-the-wall gifts, clothing, shoes and jewelry

ART SCENE

KEEPERS ON PARADE

Mini versions of the city's iconic Keeper of the Plains sculpture are placed throughout the city, each created by a local artist with a unique design.



DOUGLAS DESIGN DISTRICT

Art takes many forms around Wichita, but none give the city as urban a feel as the many murals decorating Douglas Design District. From positive messages to a surplus of Wichita pride, the vibrant paintings speak life into old buildings and engage the community in an appreciation for art.

GALLERY ALLEY

This unique playground for the senses features intersensory art installations created by local artists.

BRONZE SCULPTURES

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MUSIC THEATRE WICHITA

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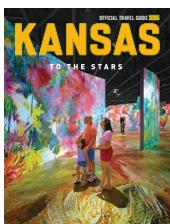
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ON THE COVER Manhattan's new Museum of Art + Light welcomes visitors to an immersive world of digital and traditional exhibitions. Like Kansas itself, this is a place where past, present and future harmonize in unexpected and inspiring ways. Learn more about the museum on page 37, then venture beyond to plan an unforgettable Sunflower State journey filled with color, warmth and wonder.

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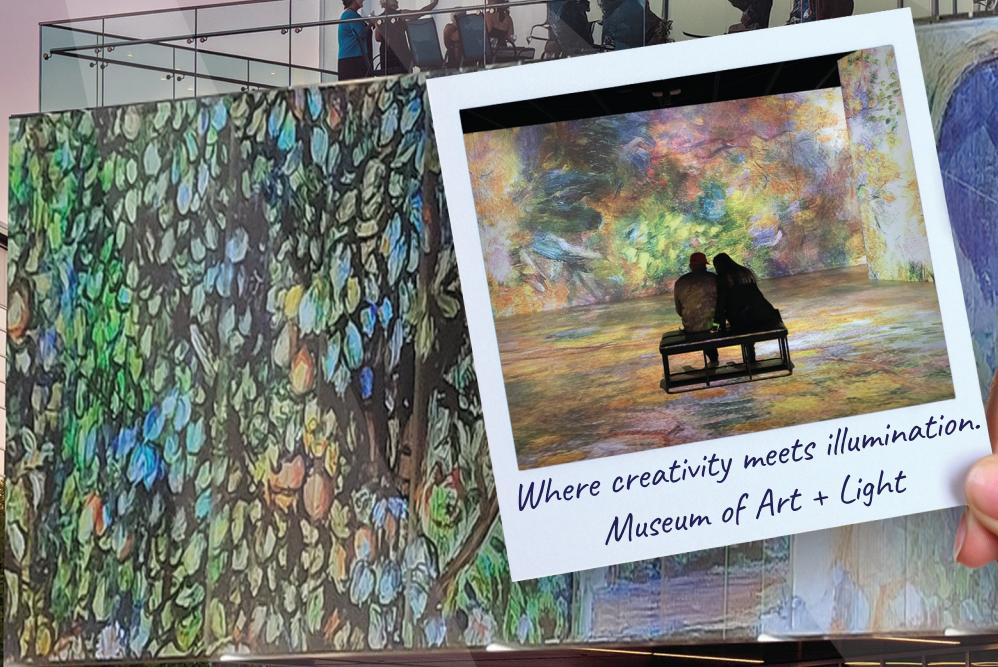
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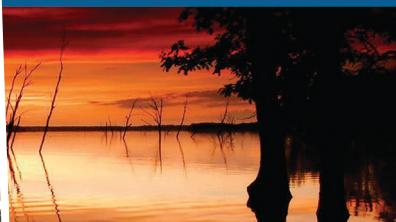
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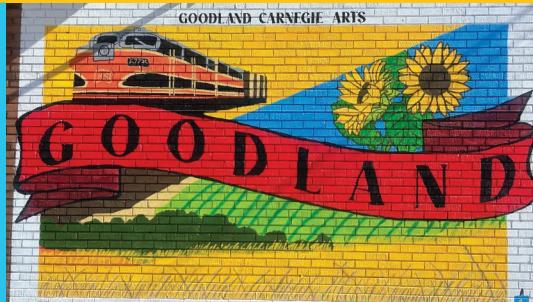


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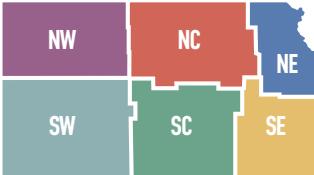
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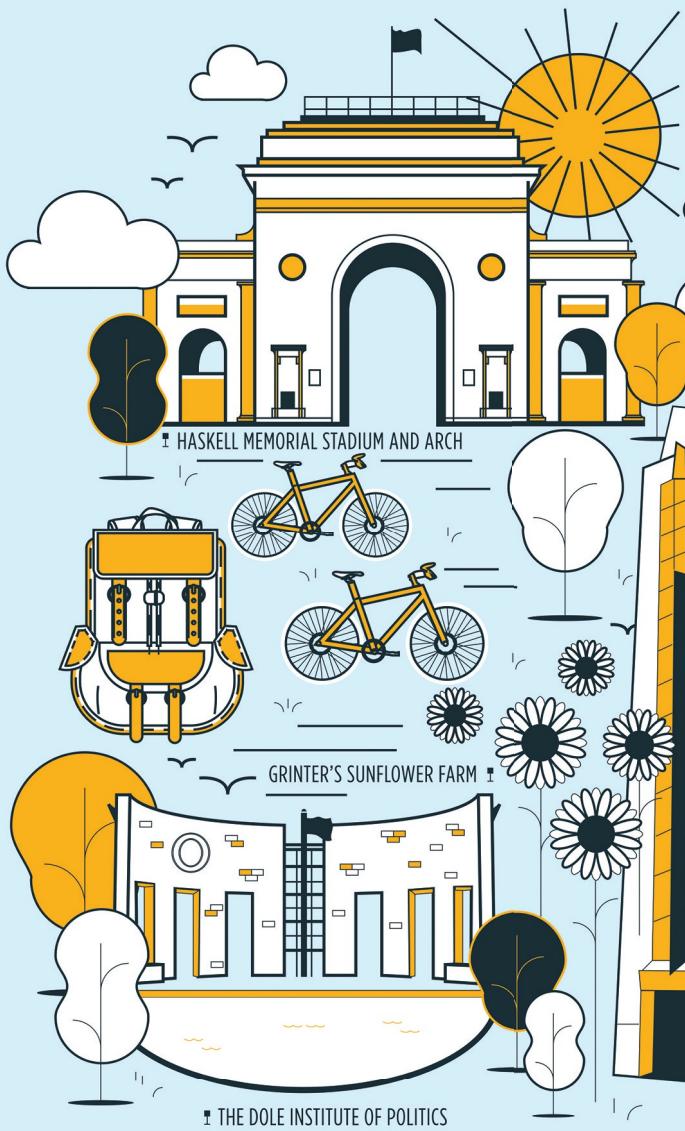
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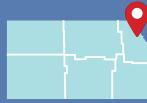


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Kansas City

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1.5 miles equals one full lap around **Kansas Speedway's** tri-oval track in Kansas City. Visit during racing weekends in the spring and fall, when NASCAR's top stock car drivers dash for the finish line.

12+ barbecue joints deliver saucy flavor to the Kansas City, Kansas, area. Faves include burnt ends from **Slap's BBQ**, wings at **Q39** and the Z-man brisket sandwich from **Joe's Kansas City Bar-B-Que**.

15 hours was the approximate length of Amelia Earhart's solo transatlantic flight. Squeeze into a replica of the cockpit at Atchison's **Amelia Earhart Hangar Museum**.

306 feet (in height) makes the **State Capitol** in Topeka 18 feet taller than the U.S. Capitol. On a guided dome tour, climb 296 steps and venture outside for the best views of the city.

1891 was the year in which University of Kansas coach James Naismith wrote the original rules of basketball. See them typed up in their initial form at the **DeBruce Center** in Lawrence.



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ONE PERFECT DAY

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SPRING HILL – LOUISBURG – PAOLA
TOTAL DRIVE TIME: 45 MINUTES

Start your day with a Scratch Tart (think house-made Pop-Tarts) or breakfast burrito from **Scratch**, an all-day cafe that also serves artisan beverages in Spring Hill. Then hit the road to Louisburg to hunt for all sorts of gems at **Captain Cook's Treasure Chest**, a full 5,000 square feet of antiques, vintage games and toys, local art, handcrafted goods, and garden decor.

Just 3 miles east, **Cedar Cove Feline Conservatory and Education Center** provides sanctuary to lions, tigers, leopards and other displaced animals, including its newest residents: a lioness named Aurora and Eurasian lynx named Natasha and Punjali. Learn about the dangers these creatures' counterparts face in the wild during a guided tour. A 10-minute drive west

brings you to **Louisburg Cider Mill**, famous year-round for apple cider doughnuts. In the fall, the mill's **Ciderfest** overflows with arts and crafts booths, pony rides, and live music.

Next, it's back to school to test cocktails with names like Diploma (whiskey, grapefruit and honey) and sharables such as Teeter-Totters (loaded tots) at **Somerset Schoolhouse**

near Paola. You can also enroll in a whiskey-tasting class at this grade-A boutique and speakeasy in a former schoolhouse. Prefer vino? Just down the road at **Somerset Ridge Vineyard and Winery**, more than 8,000 grapevines of a dozen varieties flourish to produce blends like Buffalo Red (a Kansas State Fair champion) and seasonal Oktoberfest, a semisweet white.

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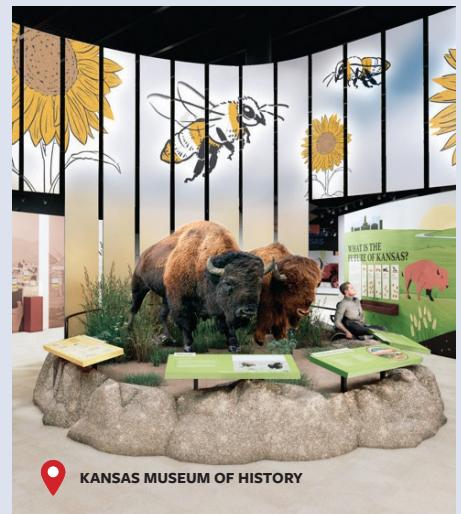
Donna Rae Pearson
Museum Curator for
Kansas Historical Society

TOPEKA

When Donna Rae Pearson learned the **Kansas Museum of History** was planning to update its exhibit area, she returned for a second stint with the Kansas Historical Society. “I could have retired, but I decided to do one more thing,” she says of her job as museum curator. For the Topeka museum’s 2025 grand reopening following a multiyear renovation, Pearson researched boxcar communities of the 1930s. The resulting exhibit allows visitors to walk into the living quarters of an abandoned wooden boxcar. Newly acquired artifacts fill a replica dugout of a home of formerly enslaved people who founded the town of Nicodemus in 1877.

In addition to the museum, Pearson recommends Topeka’s **Brown v. Board of Education National Historical Park**, which tells the story of the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision that led to ending racial segregation in public schools. And she lists the mostly flat and tree-lined **Shunga Trail** and **Dornwood Nature Trails** as favorite strolls. For families, Pearson suggests Animaland, home to climbable concrete creatures near the entrance to the **Topeka**

Zoo, where she says the Japanese garden is gorgeous. When hunger strikes, Pearson prefers mom-and-pop restaurants like **Jong’s Thai Kitchen** in the Holliday Park neighborhood. Don’t miss her favorite Pad Ga Pow (garlic- and basil-seasoned chicken with jasmine rice and a fried egg).



KANSAS MUSEUM OF HISTORY

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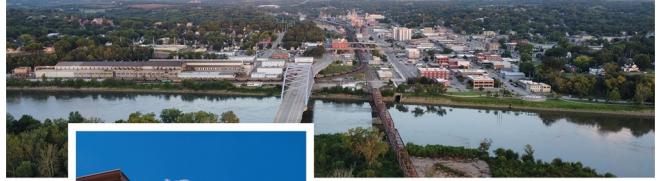
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Saltwell Farm Kitchen OVERBROOK

At this 1856 farmstead, fine dining is an event with six courses served over three hours. Often foraged just hours before dinner begins, the farm's produce pairs with other local ingredients for favorites like the seared filet of beef with heirloom purple mashed potatoes.

AMAZING OVERNIGHT

Lush green spaces, complimentary cruiser bikes, and an outdoor pool and hot tub make **The Inn at Meadowbrook** in Prairie Village a perfect option for unwinding in the Kansas City metro. On-site **Verbena** restaurant sources regional ingredients for its upscale entrees—best enjoyed alongside melt-in-your-mouth Parker House rolls with whipped honey butter.



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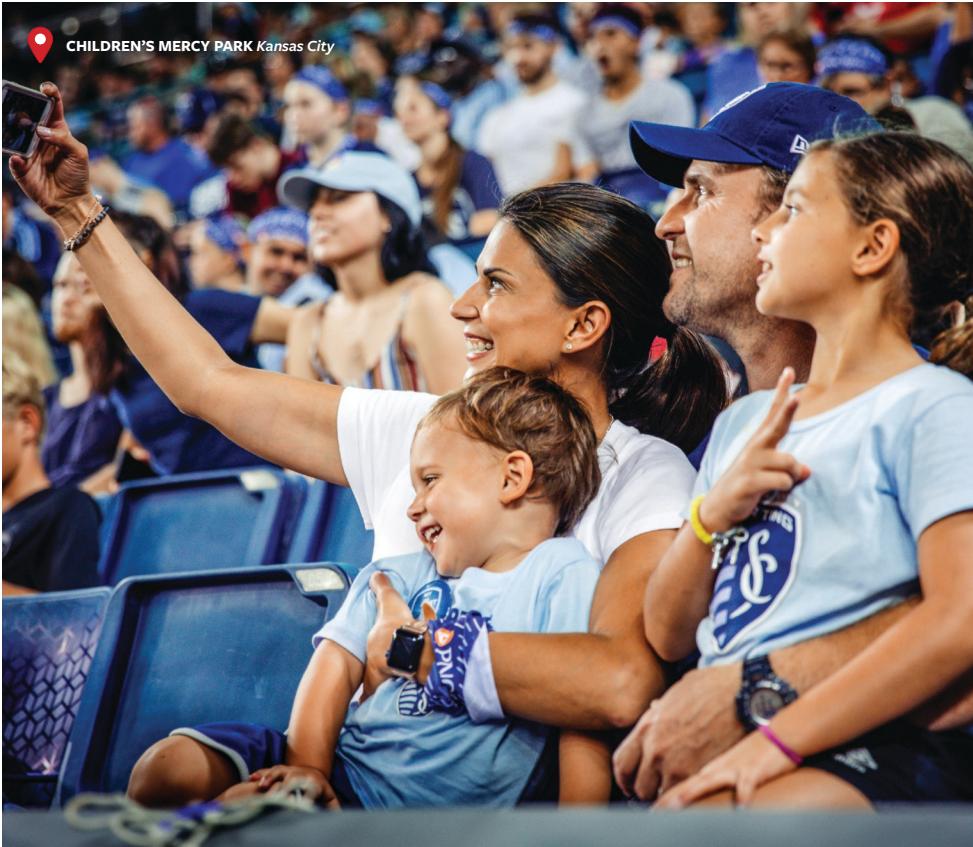


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Make memories at the Topeka Zoo, explore the expanded Kansas Children's Discovery Center, step back in time at Old Prairie Town, or dive into history at the Kansas Museum of History. This spring and summer, enjoy vibrant festivals like IrishFest, Fiesta Topeka, and India Mela. In Topeka, there's something for everyone under the sun.





ALL ACCESS

Get a kick attending a Sporting KC soccer match, where a winning combination of amenities ensures every fan has a good time in Kansas City. Shuttles transport visitors from the designated ADA parking area to **Children's Mercy Park**, offering seating on every level for people with disabilities. Available for checkout, a Variety KC Sensory Kit contains noise-reducing headphones, a weighted lap pad and sensory toys. The Variety KC Sensory Room is a big hit when a time-out away from the noise is needed.

ROADSIDE WONDERS

DIG INTO THE UNIQUE HISTORY OF SENECA'S **HAND DUG WELL** TO DISCOVER HOW—WITHOUT MACHINERY—THE WELL REACHED 34 FEET ACROSS AND 65 FEET DEEP IN 1895. TOURS ARE AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT. IN THE NEARBY CITY CEMETERY, PAY YOUR RESPECTS AT THE GRAVE OF BEAUTY, A BELOVED PARROT BURIED NEXT TO ITS OWNER. (THEY EACH HAVE THEIR OWN HEADSTONE.) THE BIRD IS BELIEVED TO HAVE HAD A 300-WORD VOCABULARY.



NEW AND NOTEWORTHY



The first of its kind in the world, the historic **Rock Island Bridge** reopens in 2026 as an entertainment district, public crossing and trailhead 40 feet above the Kansas River. Once used for the rail transport of beef from the Kansas City Stockyards District, the bridge now offers lunch, dinner and drinks in the River House restaurant. An open-air space on the West Truss connects trails on both sides of the river and boasts a farmers market, art fair, yoga classes and pop-ups. On the Top Deck, American Royal Hall provides space for special events.

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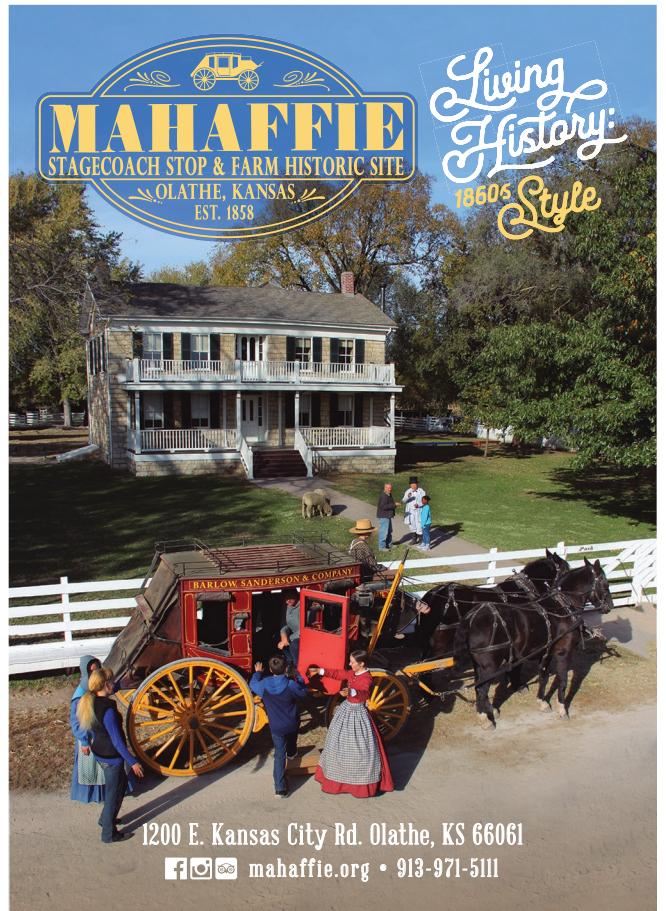


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The vast sunflower fields of **Grinter Farms** create a vibrant sea of yellow—the perfect backdrop for selfies or a souvenir shot of Kansas’ state flower. Ted Grinter plants about a million seeds annually at his farm near Lawrence, and he allows visitors to roam for free, with donations encouraged. Check ahead for peak blooming times (typically around early September) and time your visit to sunrise or sunset for the best captures.



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Underground**
LAWRENCE

Get a taste of the Prohibition era inside a modern twist on a 1920s speakeasy. At this James Beard Foundation 2025 semifinalist for outstanding bar, the seasonal menus are as creative as the cocktails. Always available: Let Me Be Clear, crafted with rum and clarified pineapple.

Royal Society
TOPEKA

An original chandelier inside this intimate wine bar reflects regal decor, but owner Adam VanDonge wants everyone to feel welcome at this new downtown hangout. Order wine, some bubbly or an Old-Fashioned alongside a rotating lineup of sandwiches, soups and salads.

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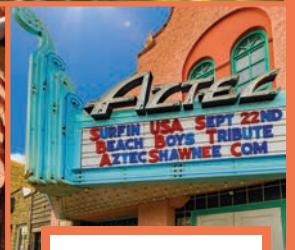
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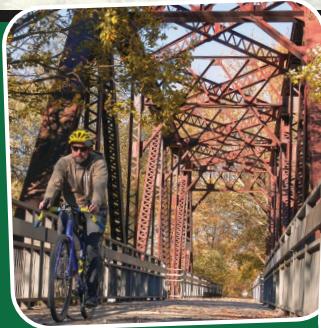


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 COLUMBUS DAY FESTIVAL AND HOT AIR BALLOON REGATTA Columbus

BY THE NUMBERS

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days of fiery spectacle take place during the **Columbus Day Festival and Hot Air Balloon Regatta** in Columbus (October 9–11, 2026). Don't miss the Friday evening glow event with a lineup of grounded balloons that light up the night.

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locally owned fried chicken restaurants—including longtime legends **Chicken Mary's** and **Chicken Annie's**—draw hungry visitors to Pittsburg and Crawford County.

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miles of **Route 66** run through the extreme southeast corner of the state. Celebrate the route's 100th anniversary with a fun-size road trip itinerary mapped out on page 78.

100+

disc golf holes give the city of Emporia bragging rights as the Disc Golf Capital of the World. Favorite courses include **Jones Park** and **Peter Pan Park**.

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ONE PERFECT DAY

A drive to these refreshingly down-to-earth attractions means a brush with famous names and rurally rooted flavors.

McCUNE – INDEPENDENCE – COFFEYVILLE – SEDAN
TOTAL DRIVE TIME: 2 HOURS, 15 MINUTES

Fuel up with biscuits and gravy, chicken and waffles, or pancakes at **McCune Farm to Market**, a farmer-owned cafe and grocery store in McCune. They serve breakfast and lunch every day—plus dinner Thursdays through Saturdays—using locally and regionally sourced meats, produce and other ingredients.

About 45 minutes west in Independence, wander **Riverside Park and Ralph Mitchell Zoo**, beloved for more than a century. The

zoo’s popular Monkey Island is the birthplace of rhesus monkey Miss Able, who flew into space in 1959. Take a ride on the vintage carousel and miniature train.

On the outskirts of Independence, relive author Laura Ingalls Wilder’s childhood at the **Little House on the Prairie Museum**, located on the site of the home she shared with Ma and Pa. See a replica of the Ingalls family cabin, an old post office and a one-room schoolhouse.

Drive 25 minutes southeast (and 120 years back in time) to the **Brown Mansion** in Coffeyville, the swanky home of natural gas tycoon W.P. Brown. Completed in 1906, it features a ballroom that takes up the entire third floor, plus original fine furniture pieces. A few years before the mansion was constructed, in 1892, the Dalton Gang tried to rob two banks in Coffeyville, but the Dalton Defenders took action to protect the town.

Learn about the gun battle and aftermath at the **Dalton Defenders and Coffeyville History Museum**.

Wrap up your day by heading 45 minutes west to Sedan, sampling wheated whiskey and other potent potables at **Gunnar’s Bourbon Company**. Book a Saturday tour of the distillery (tastings included) and try a bourbon-based Kansas mule. Stay for dinner—their restaurant offers a meaty menu from Thursdays through Sundays.



 RIVERSIDE PARK AND RALPH MITCHELL ZOO Independence



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HoneyBee Bruncherie **HUMBOLDT**

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Mi-Fu Restaurant **GARNETT**

Thai, Chinese, Vietnamese, Japanese—you can try it all at this Asian fusion favorite known for its attentive service and family-friendly atmosphere. Savor sushi, fall for pho or stick with the sweet signature sauce of General Tso's Chicken.

Toast **PITTSBURG**

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ASK A LOCAL



Jenny Losada

Owner of CoolTura Conexion

EMPORIA

Jenny Losada, owner of **CoolTura Conexion** events center and music studio in downtown Emporia, was born and raised in Medellín, Colombia. After graduating from Emporia State University with a degree in nursing, she rooted herself in the community by becoming an RN. "Serving people is a passion of mine," Losada says. That explains the success of CoolTura, a venue offering a cultural mash-up of events and entertainment. "The people of Emporia are very receptive to cultural innovations and integration," Losada says.

That shows in the diverse dining scene—especially for a town of 24,000. "**Casa Ramos** is the best Mexican restaurant," Losada says. "Their alambre tacos (loaded with meat, veggies and cheese) and the ceviche are my favorites. **Ichiban** has amazing Asian food—their teriyaki chicken is on point. **Gravel City Roasters** has delicious coffee and fun boba flavors."

David Traylor Zoo of Emporia is great for children and adults, Losada says, as is gaming spot **Reality Check**. She also recommends Emporia's **Cinco de Mayo Festival**. "Hundreds of people come out for a family fun-filled event where culture is celebrated." Two local sports events are also huge. "**The Dynamic Discs Open** disc golf tournament and **UNBOUND Gravel** bike races are must-sees to grasp the excitement that takes place in this community."

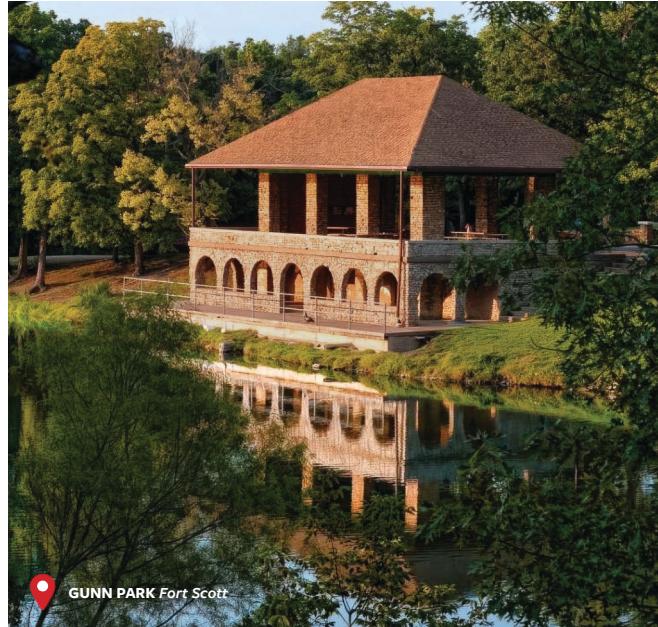


AMAZING OVERNIGHT

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Fire: an outdoor firepit for s'mores and stargazing, plus a restaurant that serves wood-fired pizza and seared entrees (included with your stay). Opt for a meal on the terrace for a front-row seat to sunsets.



📍 GUNN PARK Fort Scott



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GET ACTIVE

Good luck exhausting all of your outdoor activity options at Fort Scott's **Gunn Park**, the largest municipal park in Kansas. Its 155 acres encompass two fishing lakes, multiple playgrounds and a disc golf course. What's more, 6.5 miles of trails wind through timber and along the Marmaton River, letting hikers, mountain bikers and runners get a good workout.

ROADSIDE WONDER

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For more than a century, Southeast Kansas was coal mining country, a heritage symbolized by **Big Brutus**, the world's largest electric shovel. Built in 1962 for the Pittsburg and Midway Coal Mining Company, Brutus stands 16 stories tall and weighs 11 million pounds, towering over an RV park in the countryside near West Mineral. It's free to take pictures from afar and \$10 per adult to climb inside Brutus. An on-site museum features exhibits on local mining history.



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NEW AND NOTEWORTHY



World-class disc golf and hearty pub fare provide a winning combo at **Champions Landing** in Emporia, which recently took over the Emporia Country Club. The once members-only spot is now open for anyone to play, have a tasty meal and be entertained. Among multiple play options, the 18-hole Champions Landing course stands out for its challenging design and beautiful views—there's even a hole with an island green. Dinner at Champs Bar and Grill means stacked-high burgers and BLTs. The venue also hosts live music and stand-up comedy.

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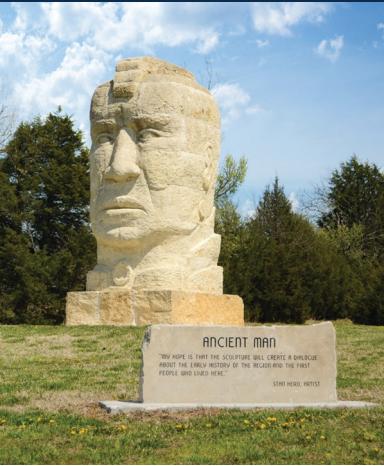
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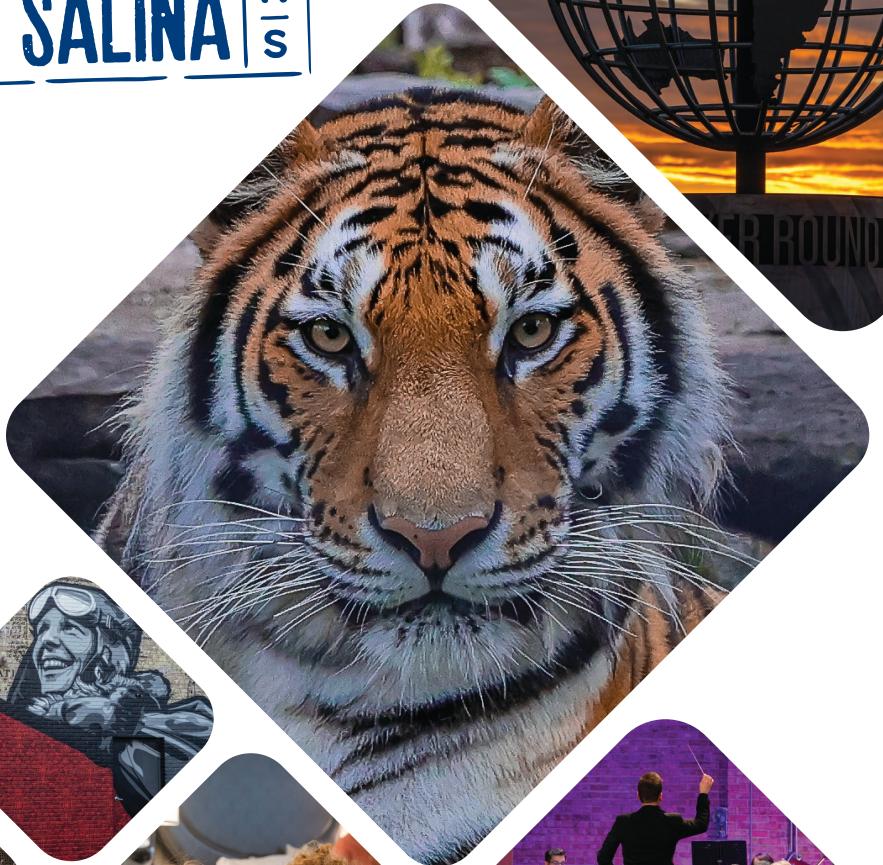
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33+ murals have been created in **Clay Center** since 2020. Western meadowlarks (the state bird of Kansas) soar in the 2,400-square-foot *Sunflower State of Mind* mural by Christian Stanley.

1947 was the year "**Home on the Range**" became the state song. A profound sense of place remains at the original homestead cabin near Athol that inspired Brewster Higley to pen the words.

6,400 bricks comprise the **Whole Wall Mural** in Concordia. The nation's longest three-dimensional sculpted brick mural nods to local landmarks, such as the must-see National Orphan Train Complex.

8,700,000+ feet of sisal twine loop around the **World's Largest Ball of Twine** in Cawker City. Late farmer Frank Stoeber started it in 1953, and it continues to grow thanks to August's Twine-a-Thon as well as everyday visitors.



ONE PERFECT DAY

Gallop back to the days of the Pony Express and ponder the next steps of your journey from the literal heart of the country.

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TOTAL DRIVE TIME: 2 HOURS, 20 MINUTES

In 1941, before Alaska and Hawaii gained statehood, the citizens of Lebanon proudly marked the **Geographic Center of the United States** with a stone pyramid—a monument that still symbolizes the heart of the 48 contiguous states. Enter the landmark’s tiny chapel with pews for inner reflection before traveling 40 miles east to the **Depot Market** near Courtland.

Select a juicy apple, sweet peach or other healthy snack inside the former train station, then continue chugging east for about an hour to the **Hollenberg Pony Express Station**. The visitors center at this state historic site in Hanover tells the story of the short-lived mail delivery system whereby fearless riders rode cross-country on galloping horses to deliver letters in

the early 1860s. The station was the Hollenberg family’s home, where time stands still in its unaltered state and original location.

Ease 14 miles east to Marysville, where three unique, hologram-style murals feature images that transform as you walk through **Pony Park** near the **Pony Express Barn and Museum**. One mural shows a Pony Express rider’s long

duster lifting in the wind, revealing mail pouches as he races across the prairie on horseback. Backtrack west to **Kansas Territory Brewing Company** south of Washington to toast the end of your trip with pineapple-infused Life Coach Lager, voted one of the top beers in the country by Untappd users. It goes down easy with a ribeye, cheeseburger or garlic chicken pizza.



DEPOT MARKET Courtland



GEOGRAPHICAL CENTER OF THE UNITED STATES Lebanon



PONY PARK Marysville

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MANHATTAN

ASK A LOCAL



Erin Dragotto

Executive Director of the
Museum of Art + Light

Erin Dragotto left Kansas as a young adult but recently returned to serve as the executive director of the new **Museum of Art + Light** in her hometown of Manhattan. “Our mission is to bridge 21st-century digital technology with the visual and performing arts,” she says. “We are the first contemporary art museum in the world to feature immersive, digital and fine art exhibitions from inception.” The Mez, a multisensory gallery, projects animations onto the walls and floor to celebrate a rotating lineup of artists, themes and styles.

For visitors, Dragotto highlights top cultural venues, sips and hikes. Before heading to the **Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art** or a performance at **McCain Auditorium** on the Kansas State University campus, she suggests dining at **Arrow Cocktail Lounge** in the former Wareham Hotel because of its quaintness and nostalgia, along with signature cocktails and a seasonal menu. “I also really like **Liquid Art Winery and Estate**,” she says. “It’s a great way to see the gorgeous Flint Hills.” For active experiences, Dragotto wanders around the spillway at **Tuttle Creek State Park** and hikes the **Linear Park Trail** and **Konza Prairie Nature Trail** to enjoy the natural splendor of the region.

Memorable Meals

Barolo Grille **SALINA**

At this restaurant known for creative presentations of global flavors, the Howard Roll stars crab, jalapeños and avocado topped with locally sourced Wagyu beef, sweet chili soy and Sriracha. The menu also features Italian and French fare.

The Farm and The Odd Fellows **MINNEAPOLIS**

Grab biscuits and gravy or the cranberry chicken salad croissant at the coffee shop within this restored 1916 building. For dinner, head to the sprawling second floor for a pretzel charcuterie board or one of four flatbreads paired with a house brew.

Pupule **Hawaiian BBQ** **JUNCTION CITY**

Transplanted from Oahu to Kansas, chef Kuuleialoha Provencal shares flavors of the Aloha State’s comfort foods using her family’s recipes. Island favorites include kalua pork and cabbage or chicken katsu with a sweet, tangy sauce—all served with Hawaiian macaroni salad.



AMAZING OVERNIGHT

With decks overlooking Milford Lake, the air-conditioned yurts at **Acorns Resort** provide the perfect balance of creature comforts and outdoor exploration. The state's largest lake connects the resort to **Milford State Park**, a sprawling oasis with bald eagles, boating and fishing. Crappie and largemouth bass fill the 15,700-acre lake, and you can learn about the park's many swimming and roaming creatures at the **Milford Nature Center**. There's no need to cook, since on-site **The Cove Bar and Grill** serves locally sourced cuisine—including farm-raised elk. Take in lake views through large glass windows indoors or from the spacious outdoor patio.

ALL ACCESS

The **National Orphan Train Complex** in Concordia features wide, paved sidewalks and wheelchair ramps that lead to the welcome center, the depot museum and the Jones Education Center. A ramp also provides access to the interior of a historic train car. Here, you'll get a feel for the environment in which children rode to their new homes during the Orphan Train Movement between 1854 and 1929. The welcome center includes an introductory video with closed-captioning, and a wheelchair is available on-site.

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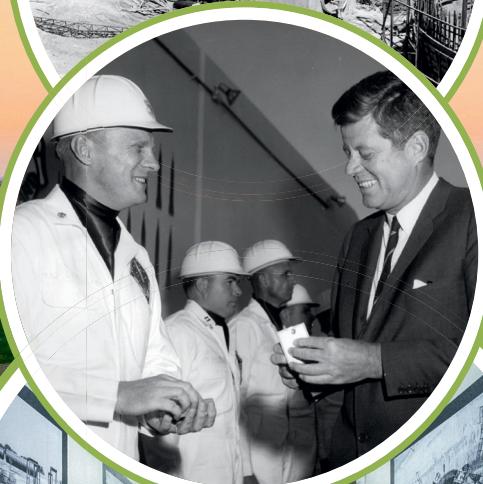
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IRRIGATION ALES Courtland

Cheers!

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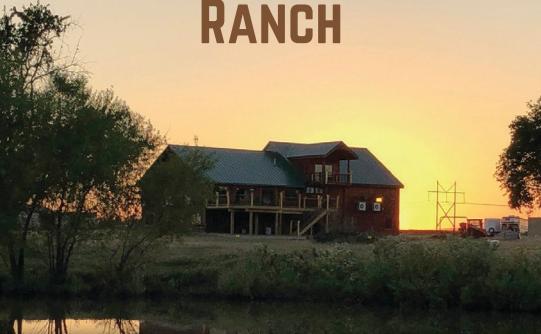
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BY THE NUMBERS

15 minutes' worth of flames surround Wichita's **Keeper of the Plains** sculpture each night. The 44-foot-tall tribute to Native Americans was made by Blackbear Bosin. Find more Wichita wonders on page 88.

25 feet in elevation change that creates the cascade of **Cowley Waterfall** near Arkansas City. In spring, view the falls at maximum strength near the northwest end of Cowley State Fishing Lake.

98 miles of shoreline encircle **El Dorado Lake**. Within El Dorado State Park, fish for crappie in standing timber, hike on the fringes of the Flint Hills or go horseback riding on one of seven trails.

333 bird species have been recorded at **Cheyenne Bottoms Wildlife Area** near Great Bend. Visit in fall for a chance to spot whooping cranes on this largest wetland in the interior United States.

1936 was the year in which members of the **McPherson Globe Refiners** basketball team won Olympic gold in Berlin. See the sculpture in downtown McPherson that celebrates the history-making team.



ONE PERFECT DAY

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NORTH NEWTON - HUTCHINSON - LYONS - ELLINWOOD
TOTAL DRIVE TIME: 1 HOUR, 45 MINUTES

In North Newton, start your day with a blend of natural beauty and stories of faith at the **Kauffman Museum**. Cultural artifacts, a primitive cabin and farming tools emphasize immigrant resilience and the simple lifestyle of Mennonites who settled in the region. During spring, the exhibit *Voices of Conscience: Peace Witness in the Great War* details stories of conscientious objectors during World War I.

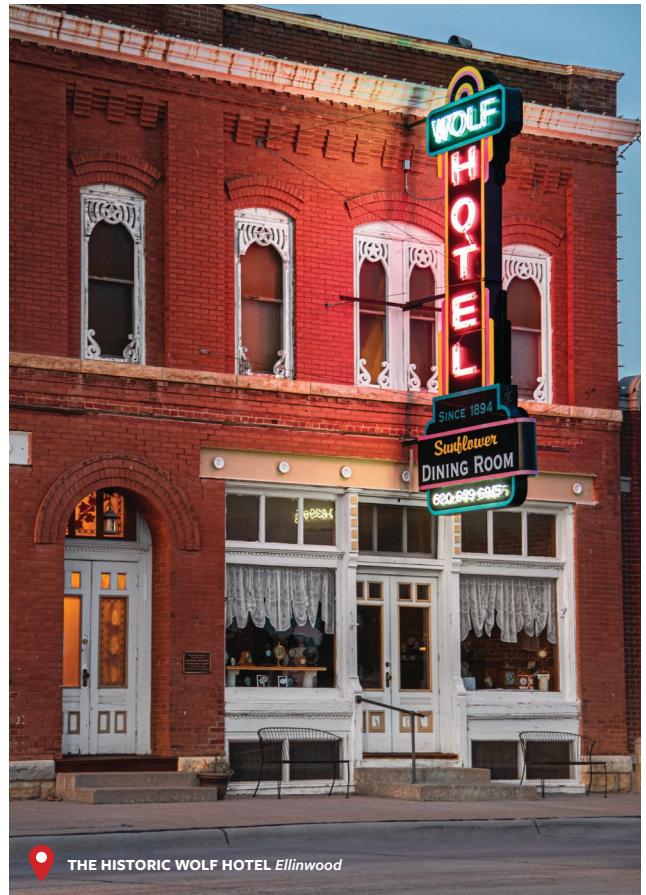
A garden with produce for sale sets a 19th-century farmstead scene. Drive 40 miles west to Hutchinson's **Dillon Nature Center**, a 100-acre respite with trails winding past sculptures. Peer into the pond's thriving ecosystem or head indoors for hands-on learning. For an out-of-this-world experience in town, the Smithsonian-affiliated **Cosmosphere** boasts a renovated Hall of

Space Museum with the Apollo 13 and Liberty Bell 7 capsules, plus astronaut suits and rocket engines. Children burn fuel at CosmoKids, and all ages are awed by the planetarium and 4K dome theater shows. For a tasty break, follow the smell of smoked ribs to **Roy's Hickory Pit BBQ**, serving finger-lickin' meals and stacked sandwiches since 1960. (Don't skimp on the sinfully good sauce.)

After your meal, make a seasoned stop in Lyons at the **World's Largest Salt Shaker** (it's 15 feet tall) before traveling 21 miles to Ellinwood for **Underground Tunnel Tours**. Once frequented by immigrants and cowboys, the tunnels hold remnants of shops and a bathhouse. On Friday and Saturday nights, request a cocktail at the subterranean saloon before overnighting at **The Historic Wolf Hotel**.



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ASK A LOCAL



Kaydee Riggs-Johnson
Co-Owner of
Ladybird Brewing

WINFIELD

Kaydee Riggs-Johnson chose to stick around her hometown of Winfield despite job opportunities elsewhere. “There were so many people here I trusted, I loved...there was opportunity here for me,” Riggs-Johnson says. She balances a full-time career at Southwestern College with co-owning **Ladybird Brewing** alongside her wife, Laura. Opened in 2021, “the nest” produces craft ales and lagers using locally sourced ingredients in a setting where all ages are welcome. A cornhole set and disc golf basket encourage play on the brewery’s patio between live-music sets. Customers pedal the brewery’s loaner bicycle to the **Burger Station** to order double chili cheeseburgers with jalapeños and pickles (Riggs-Johnson’s favorite).

A staycation for the couple starts at **College Hill Coffee** for a breakfast sandwich and macchiato before a round of 18 holes at **Quail Ridge Golf Course**. Shrimp tacos at **El Maguey** or fresh spring rolls and pho at **Khao Kham Market** are their go-to lunches. During the Duck Jam in the Park summer concert series, they tote chairs and a beverage cooler to **Island Park**, where they savor tunes and Winfield Lions Club’s pork burgers. “It’s a pretty idyllic way to spend a Thursday night in Winfield,” Riggs-Johnson says.

Memorable Meals

Daphne Mae Cafe HALSTEAD

In a restored hardware store, fill up on espresso drinks or dig into lunch staples like the crunchy kale salad tossed with feta dressing. Sip a whiskey cocktail while perched on a jewel-tone couch at adjoining Ruby’s Lounge before Thursday through Saturday dinner service.

The Greens at Terradyne Country Club ANDOVER

Take a swing at upscale dining overlooking a meticulous Scottish-theme golf course. On the terrace, cool off with a lemon basil margarita before warming up to braised short ribs, buffalo macaroni and cheese, and beautiful sunset views.

Stearman Field Bar and Grill BENTON

Watch small aircraft ascend from the adjacent runway between bites of juicy burgers, Bomber Chicken Nachos and a skillet-baked chocolate chip cookie. Fly-in events draw eyes to the sky, and live bands keep the patio party going.

AMAZING OVERNIGHT

At **Diamond Springs Ranch** in Sedgwick, cowpokes of all skill levels saddle up for a 45-minute trail ride featuring calming pasture views. Couples can make it a dinner date, savoring grilled steak and all the fixings before a tranquil sunset ride. For dessert, grab marshmallows to roast over a crackling fire. The on-site **Sunset Reset Tree House** with a wraparound deck and full bath adds elevated luxury to a country getaway.



DIAMOND SPRINGS RANCH Sedgwick



MEADOWLARK TRAIL Lindsborg

GET ACTIVE

Walkers, cyclists and equestrians trek the 12.6-mile **Meadowlark Trail** connecting Lindsborg and McPherson to survey expansive views of farmland, golden sunflowers and the serpentine Smoky Hill River. The partially tree-lined, crushed-limestone path connects with the 4.5-mile **Välkommen Trail**, featuring a refurbished railroad bridge in Lindsborg. Don't miss the **Lindsborg Old Mill and Swedish Heritage Museum** on your way in or out of town.

ROADSIDE WONDER

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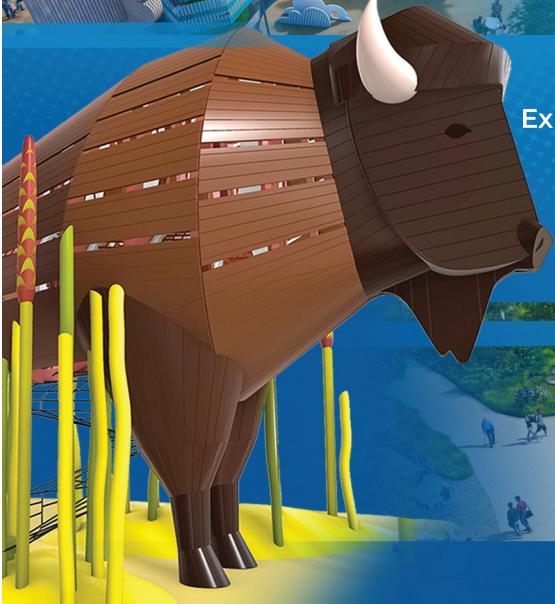


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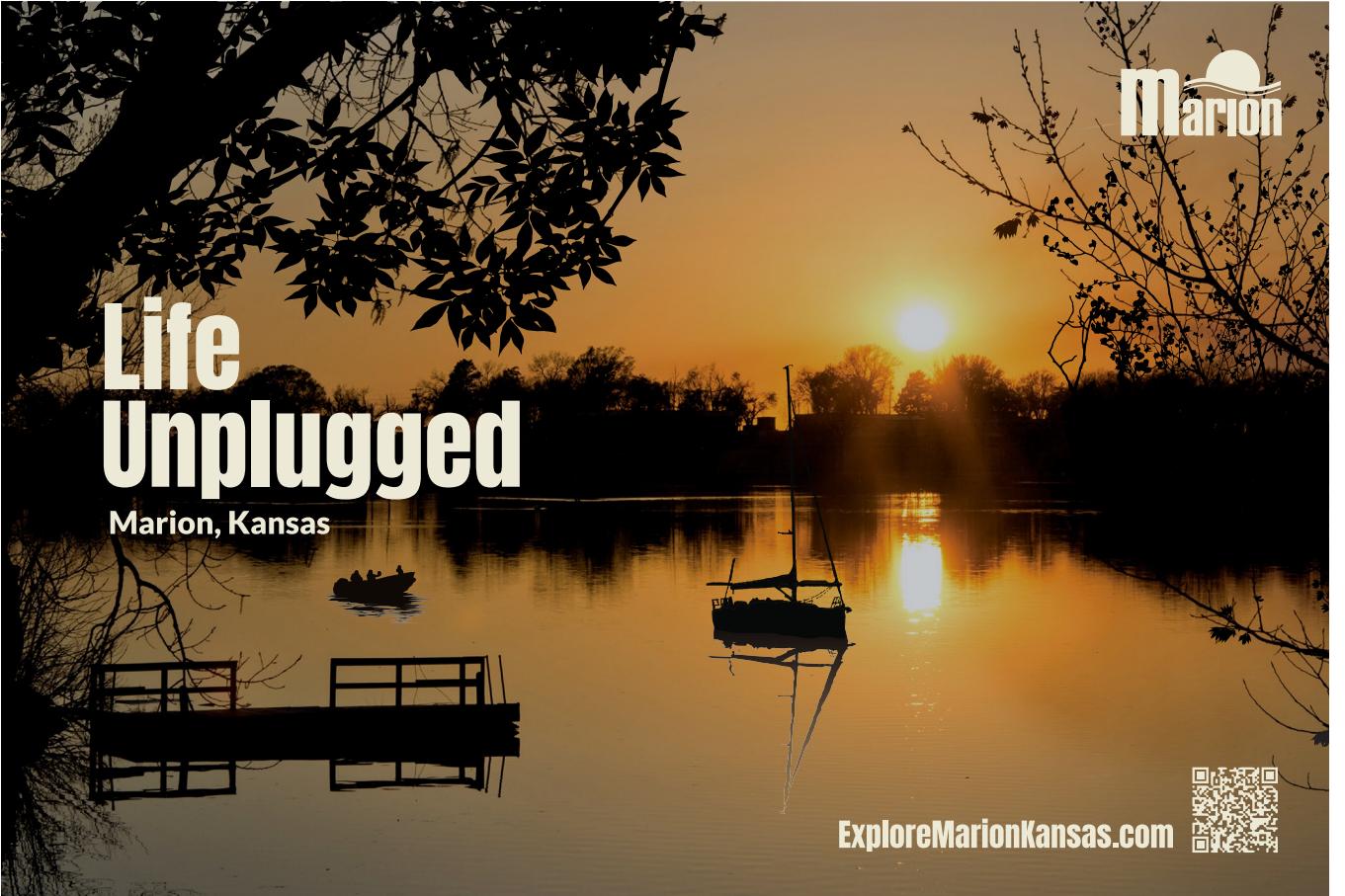
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NEW AND NOTEWORTHY



At **Strataca** in Hutchinson, don hard hats before descending 650 feet underground via hoist for a tour of a massive salt mine. A Salt Blast Pass ticket includes a self-paced tour, gallery access, a guided tram ride through mined passageways (pause for souvenir salt!) and a train ride into areas left untouched for decades. A new virtual-reality experience allows wannabe miners to simulate a dynamite blast, and a recently added exhibit on civil defense showcases items stockpiled during the Cold War.

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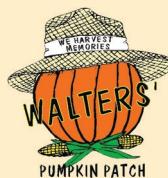


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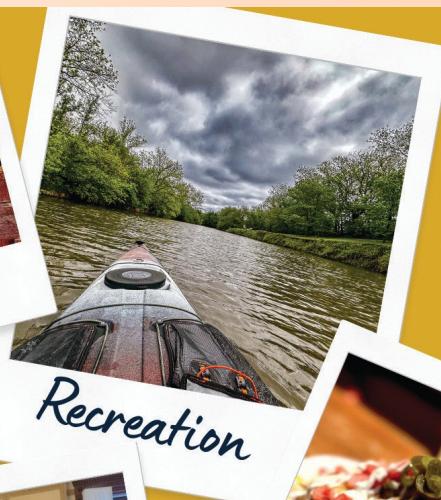


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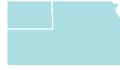
10 stories of Niobrara chalk comprise the tallest formations at **Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park** south of Oakley. Admire dramatic cliffs and ravines from the park's two designated trails, which lead to numerous overlooks.

24 ounce steaks and generous cuts of weekend prime rib draw crowds to **Big Ed's Steakhouse** in Bird City. The palace of protein was voted best steakhouse in the nation by *TravelAwaits* readers in 2023.

1865 saw the opening of the Butterfield Overland Despatch line. Learn about the short-lived freight and mail service at the **Butterfield Trail Museum** in Russell Springs.

2000 was the year in which the **oldest active geocache in the world** was hidden in Mingo. It's one of more than 3 million active geocaches sought out by scavenger hunters around the world.

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NICODEMUS – HOXIE – COLBY – GOODLAND
TOTAL DRIVE TIME: 2 HOURS

Set out with a story of new beginnings at Nicodemus, founded by formerly enslaved people after the Civil War. At the oldest remaining Black settlement west of the Mississippi River, **Nicodemus National Historic Site** shares a story of resilience with exhibits in the Township Hall and self-guided tours of preserved buildings. Around 20 descendants of settlers still reside in the town.

Caramel macchiatos provide a nice midmorning

pick-me-up at **Oscar's** in Hoxie, 45 miles west of Nicodemus. Named for the owner's childhood bull (Oscar's statue poses out front), the Main Street eatery offers coffee, tea and raspberry scones early in the day, adding weekly specials of salads, sammies and wraps come lunchtime.

Another 34 miles west, the Cooper Barn looms large at the **Prairie Museum of Art and History**. The lofty barn on the 24-acre complex in Colby is Kansas'

biggest. A 1930s farmstead, sod house, country school, church and prairie preserve also shed light on plains life. Shop for Western fashion and jewelry at **Barnwood and Bling**, a stylish boutique located on a Colby ranch that also offers home decor, repurposed furniture and even some ranch-raised beef.

Call it a day in Goodland, 38 miles west of Colby. The **High Plains Museum** recounts 100 years of

homesteading, railroading, farming and military stories. The showpiece, a full-size replica of America's first patented helicopter (1910), was invented by two Goodland residents. Catch the latest flick at **The Sherman Theatre**, once a venue for silent films and vaudeville acts. Original peacock and rose wall paintings set a sentimental scene. The Sherman celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2026, with monthly classic movies.



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STERNBERG MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

HAYS

ASK A LOCAL



Dr. Reese Barrick
 Director, Sternberg Museum of
 Natural History

In his paleontology career, Dr. Reese Barrick made Hays and its **Sternberg Museum of Natural History** his permanent digs in 2009. “It’s a very famous name in

paleontology circles,” he explains. In fact, Sternberg’s rare fish-within-a-fish is one of the world’s most photographed fossils.

“Kansas was covered by a 300-foot-deep ocean and sea monsters swam here. We focus a lot on that, using real fossils, not just replicas. We’re also a bit of a ‘zooseum,’ with tortoises, lizards and other live animals,” Barrick says. “Plus, we have a *T. rex* that roars!”

Beyond Sternberg, Barrick’s favorite Hays hangouts include **Las Hefas** and its Latin cuisine; chipotle raspberry sliders and lemon ale at **Gella’s Diner and Lb. Brewing Company**; and burgers topped with fried eggs at **Vernie’s Hamburger House**. “Parks are also a huge thing here,” Barrick adds, recommending **Frontier Park’s** disc golf course and resident bison herd.

Downtown, he enjoys shopping in **The Bricks** district and perusing rotating exhibits at the **Hays Arts Center**.

“You’ll find this amazing quality of life and a diversity of things to do,” Barrick says of this paleontological hub. “A small town with city amenities makes Hays an appealing place to stop.”

Memorable Meals

Aggies Chophouse NORTON

Opened in 2025, this downtown steakhouse and bar has locals singing its praises for regionally sourced ribeyes and New York strips, brick-oven pizzas, and salmon BLTs. Add splashes of color with Unicorn Lemonade and purple Ube Cheesecake.

The Teller Room Restaurant OBERLIN

In the former lobby of the 1886 Bank of Oberlin, cash in on gourmet dishes served in a white-tablecloth setting. Daily lunch specials often include quiche and hearty soups. Stay next door at The Landmark Inn, burning calories on an antique rowing machine in a vintage exercise room.

Towns End Tavern SHARON SPRINGS

Named for its edge-of-town location and the owner’s maiden name (Townsend), this honky-tonk’s beef-centric menu boasts gourmet burgers—the flagship comes with huckleberry habanero sauce. Dine among Old-West artifacts and salvaged barnwood.



AMAZING OVERNIGHT

The terrain of the serene plains shifts dramatically at **C2T Ranch and Campground**, located 20 miles north of Hays. Rugged canyons, limestone cliffs and the placid Saline River snake through this 2,200-acre spread of diverse landscapes outside of Plainville. Secluded RV, primitive camping and glamping sites hug the riverside. Hikes lead to cliffs, waterfalls and spring-fed meadows, accompanied by the occasional turkey and deer sighting. For more adventure, float the lazy river in stock tanks, take a UTV ranch tour and cook from ready-made food baskets over your campfire.



 C2T RANCH AND CAMPGROUND Plainville

Cheers!

Center Pivot Restaurant and Brewery
COLBY

In center pivot country, where circle irrigation systems water crops, this thirst-quencher pairs flagship Cracked Pepper Ale with cheesy breadsticks and dill pickle pizza. Relocated from Quinter in 2025 to Colby's downtown, the new location sports exposed-brick warmth.

Gella's Diner and Lb. Brewing Company
HAYS

Fill up on regionally inspired cuisine, like house-made Bierock stuffed with beef, sauerkraut and cabbage, then smothered with cheese sauce. It goes down easy with the American Wheat beer, Amber Ale or Gella's Pink Lemonade cocktail.

Shiloh Vineyard and Winery
WAKEENEY

Motivated by a trip to Israel's Shiloh wine region, a couple cultivated a Kansas version on their three-generation farm. At the chicken coop patio or in the 1917 barn, sip their red, white, fruit and dessert vinos with a view of vineyards, wheat fields and friendly donkeys.



 THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS Victoria

**ROADSIDE
WONDER**

LIKE SKYSCRAPERS ON THE PRAIRIE, THE 141-FOOT-TALL TOWERS OF “THE CATHEDRAL OF THE PLAINS” DRAW TRAVELERS TO THE HALLOWED GROUNDS IN VICTORIA. VOLGA GERMAN IMMIGRANTS CONSTRUCTED THE STUNNING CHURCH—FORMALLY **THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS**—OF LOCALLY QUARRIED LIMESTONE, ADDING STONE ARCHES, STAINED-GLASS WINDOWS AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS MADE OUT OF AUSTRIAN LINDEN WOOD. A MARBLE ALTAR WAS ADDED IN 1986. SELF-GUIDED AUDIO TOURS DETAIL CONSTRUCTION OF THE CHURCH, WHICH WAS THE LARGEST WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI WHEN IT WAS DEDICATED IN 1911.

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In Oakley, William “Buffalo Bill” Cody’s one-time hunting grounds, the legend looms large atop a hill at the **Buffalo Bill Cultural Center**. Pose alongside the 16-foot-tall bronze sculpture of Cody riding his horse, Brigham, while taking aim at a fleeing buffalo. Pro tip: From a paved uphill walkway, take a low-level shot of the dramatic scene above, then capture the hunt and the horizon from the base of the sculpture.



 BUFFALO BILL CULTURAL CENTER Oakley

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Visitors who take the Cimarron Cutoff from the Santa Fe Trail find themselves at the Lower Spring campsite nestled in the heart of the Cimarron River Valley, a site now listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

← Jeff Trotman portrays frontiersman Jedediah Smith along the Santa Fe Trail

Photo by Kathy Weiser-Alexander, Legends of America

Stop and Stay Awhile

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BY THE NUMBERS

55

pounds' worth of hairball was once recovered from a cow's stomach in Garden City. It's dried out as a basketball-size sphere, and you can find it on display at the **Finney County Historical Museum**.

95

feet of tunnel takes visitors through the subterranean portion of Meade's **Dalton Gang Hideout**, where Eva Dalton Whipple allowed her outlaw brothers to come and go undetected.

600

whimsical and often jarringly political sculptures line US-400 at the **M.T. Liggett Art Environment** in Mullinville. Learn more about the curmudgeonly creator of the pieces on page 144.

1,300

acres of soft sand undulate across **Syracuse Sand Dunes Park**, the ultimate playground for your ATV, UTV, motorcycle or buggy. There's also tent and RV camping available on-site.

1950

marked the first **International Pancake Day** race between residents of Liberal, Kansas, and Olney, England. Watch the flipping fun unfold on February 17, 2026.



ONE PERFECT DAY

You're invited on a journey to the 1800s. Traverse the plains to follow the stories of pioneers and soldiers—then round out the day with pizza and pinball.

LARNED - KINSLEY - GREENSBURG - COLDWATER
TOTAL DRIVE TIME: 1 HOUR, 30 MINUTES

Immerse yourself in the routine of a soldier at **Fort Larned National Historic Site**. Nine sandstone buildings from the 1860s showcase the soldiers' sleeping quarters, commissary and arsenal. A stroll through officers' row reveals a stark—and luxurious—contrast to the soldiers' humble digs. Drive 30 minutes south to **Edwards County Historical Museum and Sod House** in Kinsley to experience

pioneer life inside a sod house—a collection of antique farm machinery invites you to imagine what it was like working the land. Unpack your lunch at picnic tables near a retired 1920s train engine. Traveling with little ones? They can stretch their legs at the playground. Next stop: Greensburg. At the **Big Well Museum**, a winding spiral staircase descends into the 109-foot-deep well—an engineering marvel from pioneer days.

Head to a second-story observatory to view the mile-wide radius of a 2007 tornado that leveled Greensburg, which has since been rebuilt with sustainable, eco-friendly infrastructure. Then walk one block east to the **Kiowa County Historical Museum and Soda Fountain**. Perk up with shaved ice or a black cow from the cherry-red bar. Afterward, visit a miniature model of a round barn and peruse local exhibits with

artifacts dating back to the Louisiana Purchase. As day turns to dusk, make one final drive south to **Lake Coldwater**, a popular destination for swimming, hiking and camping. Reflect on your adventures while walking along a tranquil nature trail. Then sit down to a cheesy pizza or meatball sandwich at **Dave's Pizza Oven**—and enjoy one final slice of (recent) history playing a round of vintage pinball.

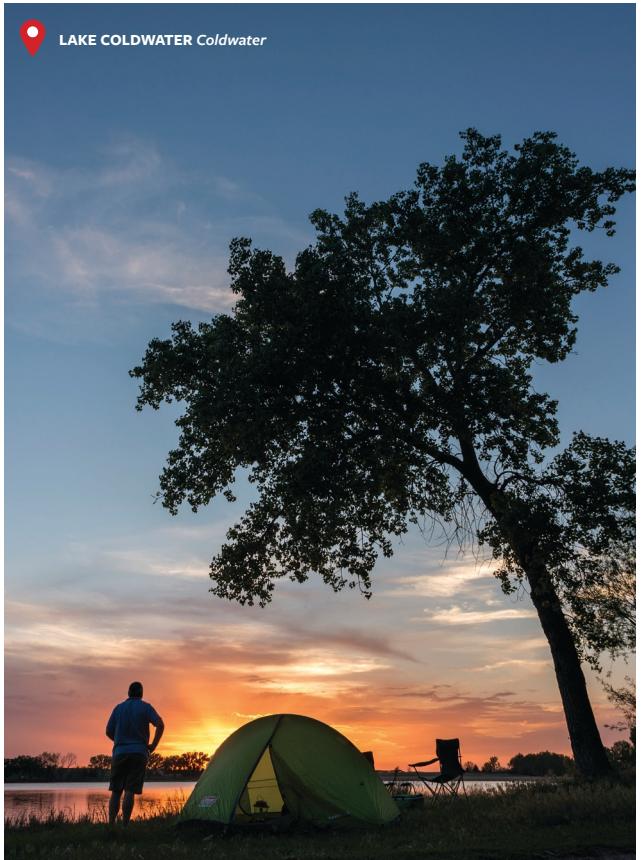


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EL ZARAPE



PANCAKE HOUSE Liberal

GARDEN CITY

ASK A LOCAL



Alin and Miguel Rodriguez

Owners of El Zarape

Alin Rodriguez started bussing tables at **El Zarape** when she was 10 years old. Today, she and her husband, Miguel, own the restaurant that her great-grandparents opened in 1967—Garden City’s first Mexican eatery. The legacy continues with new generations enjoying El Zarape’s beef enchiladas and house-made salsa. Alin describes El Zarape’s cuisine as a slightly Americanized take on Mexican fare. “It was what Garden City knew in 1967, and they fell in love with it,” she says.

When Alin and Miguel aren’t busy with the restaurant or prepping El Zarape’s salsa for customers around the country, you may find them across town at **Pho Hoa One**. The owner has their order memorized: No. 35, pork chops and rice. “And the egg rolls are to die for, along with the lime tea,” Alin adds. In the mornings, the duo’s go-to coffee shop is **Central Cup Coffee House** for Cafe Listo—a classic Salvadoran pick-me-up combining coffee and steamed milk. When they’re craving Italian food, they head to **Napoli’s** to order the Mario Special (chicken and shrimp in a creamy white-wine sauce) or the Alex Special (chicken and shrimp in a spicy pink sauce). It’s their one-stop spot for casual lunches or date nights: “They make you feel comfortable either way you walk in,” Alin says.

Memorable Meals

Act II at The Majestic SCOTT CITY

A historic 1920s theater provides a cinematic backdrop for familiar flavors. Slip into a seat in the warmly lit dining room and order from homey favorites, such as succulent prime rib and a crisp wedge salad paired with a glass of wine.

Pancake House LIBERAL

It’s located on Pancake Boulevard (really!) and serves a smorgasbord of variations on the griddled classic. The house special—a Dutch-style apple pancake smothered with sugar and cinnamon—is more than worth the 20-minute wait.

Thai Arawan GARDEN CITY

Choose from aromatic Thai curries and savory-sweet noodle dishes alongside Chinese favorites like chow mein and egg foo yong. Even if you like spice, know that on their heat scale from one to five, few people make it past three.



PRAIRIE PINES FARM Greensburg

AMAZING OVERNIGHT

Flanked by pastoral scenery and undisturbed woods outside of Greensburg, **Prairie Pines Farm** caters to those seeking simple serenity. The barn-style lodge with a lofted sleeping area sets the tone for a stay on the farm, sans chores. Your only tasks here are optional: wandering the grounds while encountering alpaca, goats and miniature donkeys; grilling on the patio; or kicking back and watching the sunset. Creature comforts include a full kitchen, a television and high-speed Wi-Fi (if you must).

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Cheers!

**Agave Azul
OLYSESSE**

This Mexican restaurant is as beloved for its stuffed French toast and dulce de leche crepes as it is for its fajitas. Wake up with a strawberry horchata chai, or go for the Breakfast Buzz section of the beverage menu, which features a Bloody Mary, Mai Tai, Ultimate Mimosa and Morning Margarita.

**Dodge City
Brewing
DODGE CITY**

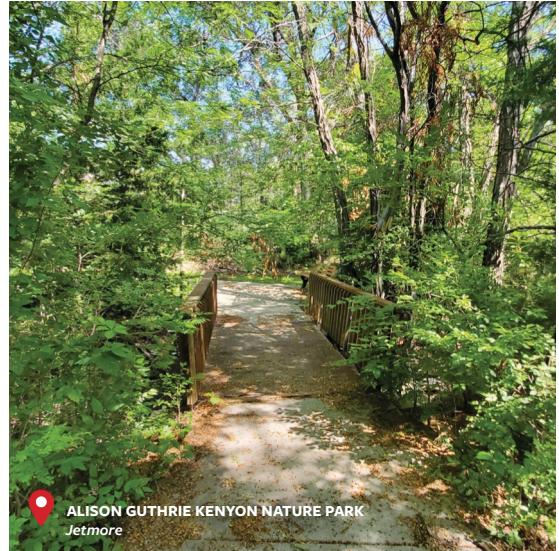
House taps include the 1872 Lager—an homage to a pre-Prohibition recipe billed as “your great-grandpa’s pilsner.” Order a custom brick-oven pizza piled with toppings, or go for the Beefy Fun-Guy that’s loaded with mushrooms.

**Hidden Trail
Brewing
GARDEN CITY**

It’s a barn full of craft beer, but it’s also kid- and dog-friendly. Stop in for a pint and arcade games, or get social during monthly Singo (bingo with music) night. Check the brewery’s social media pages for a schedule of visiting food trucks.

ALL ACCESS

The tree-covered oasis of **Alison Guthrie Kenyon Nature Park** in Jetmore is accessible to explorers of all ages and abilities, with a wide, paved path and benches throughout the park. As you travel along the trail dappled by sunlight peeking between branches, notice the native grasses around you and watch for a wooden bridge that arcs over a babbling stream.



ALISON GUTHRIE KENYON NATURE PARK
Jetmore



DOROTHY'S SLIPPER SLIDE Liberal

ROADSIDE WONDER

AT 50 FEET TALL AND 70 FEET WIDE, YOU CAN'T MISS THE **FROMME-BIRNEY ROUND BARN'S** DISTINCTIVE CURVES WHILE DRIVING SOUTH OF MULLINVILLE. BUILT IN 1912 BY GERMAN IMMIGRANT HENRY FROMME, THE 16-SIDED BARN ONCE HOUSED NEARLY 30 HORSES. HAND-CUT RAFTERS—VISIBLE FROM THE INSIDE—SUPPORT A MAJESTIC DOME ROOF. SINCE 1987, THE BARN HAS HELD A SPOT ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES AND HAS UNDERGONE METICULOUS RESTORATION, INCLUDING A NEW ROOF IN 2022 TO MATCH THE ORIGINAL GREEN SHINGLES.

NEW AND NOTEWORTHY



Click your heels together and you just might find yourself whooshing down **Dorothy's Slipper Slide**, a whimsical 2025 addition to Liberal. The glittering 10-foot-tall slipper resembles Dorothy's kicks from *The Wizard of Oz*. Stroll down the Yellow Brick Road to **Dorothy's House and The Land of Oz**, visiting a 1907 farmhouse remodeled after Dorothy's Kansas home in the classic film. A guide dressed as Dorothy walks visitors through The Land of Oz, which consists of life-size re-creations from the 1939 movie.



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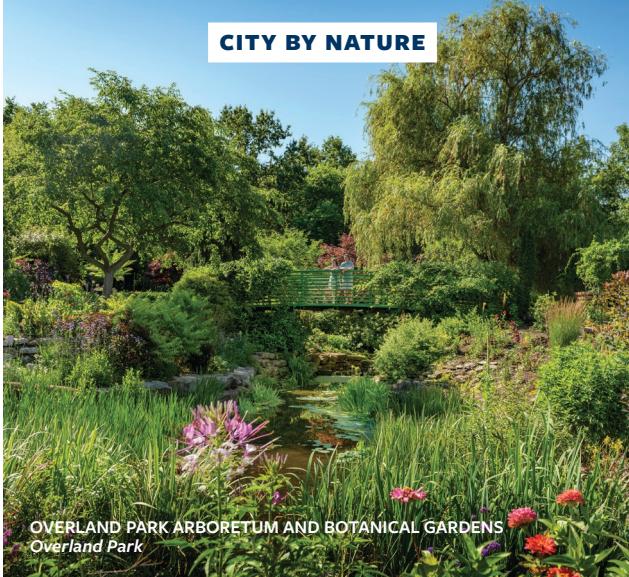
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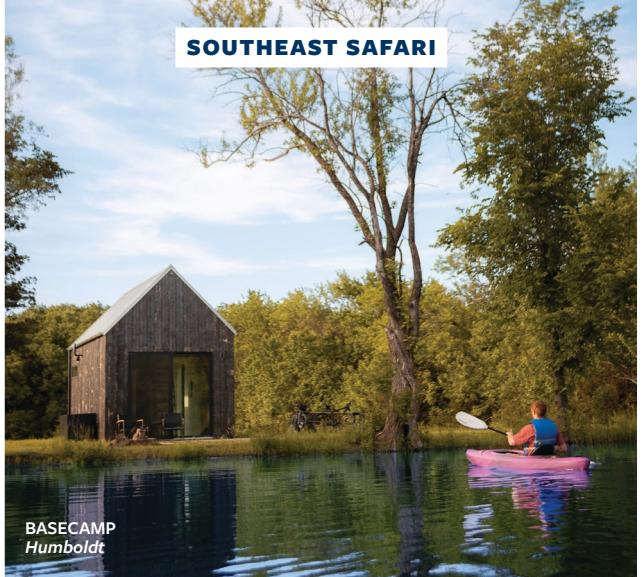
ROAD TRIP GOALS

CITY BY NATURE



OVERLAND PARK ARBORETUM AND BOTANICAL GARDENS
Overland Park

SOUTHEAST SAFARI



BASECAMP
Humboldt

WILD OPEN SPACES



GYPSUM HILLS TRAIL RIDES
Medicine Lodge

INSPIRED EXITS



MIDLAND RAILROAD HOTEL
Wilson

WHEN THE WORLD CUP TAKES OVER THE KANSAS CITY AREA THIS SUMMER, SOCCER (AKA FOOTBALL) FANS WILL TRAVEL FROM AFAR TO CATCH MATCHES AND EXPLORE THE REGION. BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THEN TO ENJOY EXCURSIONS THAT TAKE YOU BEYOND THE STADIUM AND INTO THE STATE'S SIX REGIONS. CHOOSE AN ITINERARY AND LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL.

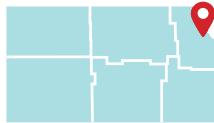
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DAY TRIP CITY BY NATURE

Countless green spaces lie just beyond the shadow of stadiums and shopping malls across the Kansas City metro area. Get immersed in Sunflower State beauty, history and cuisine on this easy day trip.

Catch the morning light as you tread lightly beneath towering cottonwood and sycamore trees at **Overland Park Arboretum and Botanical Gardens**. More than 7 miles of trails snake along bluffs, roll past thought-provoking sculptures and weave through formal gardens. There's nothing formal about Overland Park's **Harp Barbecue**, and that's part of the appeal. Arrive early for award-winning KC 'cue staples, such as brisket and burnt ends. (They sell out of items daily.) Or broaden your horizons with the Truth Bomb sandwich, made with a tasty blend of chopped beef and sausage.

Walk off the worth-it food coma at **Ernie Miller Park and Nature Center** in Olathe. Its 3 miles of trails cover a biodiversity



of Kansas landscapes, with paths tracing a stream, winding through woods and slicing across open prairie. Legs need a rest? Hitch a horse-drawn ride at **Mahaffie Stagecoach Stop and Farm Historic Site**. The 1860s farm throws you back in time in the best way, with blacksmithing and baking demonstrations by engaging interpreters.

A different kind of time warp awaits at Shawnee's **Wandering Vine**, a restaurant housed in a 1907 castle crafted by a local dairy farmer. Remi Caenen hand-quarried the stones that form the exterior. Inside, dine like royalty on roasted lamb, seafood cavatelli and dry-aged ribeye. Jay Sanders, another Shawnee visionary, was a 2025 James Beard Awards semifinalist for outstanding professional in cocktail service at **Wild Child**. His creativity manifests itself in drinks like the Midori Sour, with basil leaf-infused vodka, honeydew powder and a mountain of shaved ice.

LOCAL LEGEND

The first Kansan to play in a World Cup is Overland Park's own Matt Besler. In addition to joining the U.S. Men's National Team in 2013, he played for Sporting KC from 2009 to 2020.



ERNIE MILLER PARK AND NATURE CENTER
Olathe



MAHAFFIE STAGECOACH STOP AND FARM HISTORIC SITE
Olathe

WEEKEND GETAWAY SOUTHEAST SAFARI

Kick off your journey with larger-than-life discoveries. The small towns of Humboldt and Iola showcase establishments more common in larger cities, while Chanute spotlights local stories with global impacts.

FRIDAY

Just over 100 miles southwest of downtown KCK, **BaseCamp** in Humboldt provides the perfect hub for a weekend of Southeast Kansas exploring. Choose from three modern Scandinavian-style loft cabins or three small A-frames—each with access to kayaks for paddling the adjacent fishing pond. Drive a couple of minutes to get downtown for dinner at **Cozy's Grindhouse**, a draw for its barbecue and epic sandwiches (the Korean fried chicken with blueberry slaw is a local fave), as well as pinball games. Cap off the night with a martini or margarita beneath the jewel-like light fixtures at **Perrenoud's Cocktail Bar** down the street.

SATURDAY

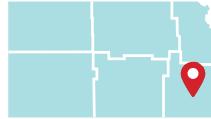
Hop on one of BaseCamp's bikes (complimentary for overnight guests) and follow the flat **Southwind Rail Trail** for 6 miles to **Wild Bloom Coffee** in Iola. Their open-face bagel sandwiches are a meal on their own, with options including the Pesto Change-O with roasted chicken, tomatoes and a

basil-pesto schmear. Once you've made it back to BaseCamp and freshened up, drive 14 miles south to Chanute. At the **Martin and Osa Johnson Safari Museum**, African masks, headdresses, tools and musical instruments fill this tribute to a Kansas couple who were among the first to capture Africa, Borneo and the South Seas on film. Chanute's namesake, Octave Chanute, was a pioneer in his own right, designing the first bridge to cross the Missouri River and later mentoring the Wright brothers on flight. Chanute's achievements inspired the town's wind-powered **Chanute-Wright Brothers Memorial**, a replica of Wilbur and Orville's groundbreaking aircraft with a 23-foot-wide wingspan. Land back in Humboldt at **Union Works**

Brewing Company for a Blood Orange Lager paired with a chipotle honey barbecue chicken pizza.

SUNDAY

Grab an iced latte or mango smoothie at **Octagon City Coffee Company** in downtown Humboldt, and pop into the connected **Get 'Em Tiger** shop for a cheeky souvenir. Take a scenic detour back to Kansas City by rolling through **Kansas Rocks Recreation Park** in Mapleton. If you have four-wheel drive, navigate muddy creeks and boulder-filled hills. If not, you can also hike or mountain bike a few of the park's 176 trails.



OCTAGON CITY COFFEE COMPANY
Humboldt



MARTIN AND OSA JOHNSON SAFARI MUSEUM
Chanute



KANSAS ROCKS RECREATION PARK
Mapleton

EXTRA TIME

Seeking a sweet treat? Pop into Humboldt's **Bijou Confectionary** for a self-serve buffet of gummies and chocolates. The luxe Bijou Apartment above the store rents on Airbnb.

WEEKLONG WANDERING WILD OPEN SPACES

Unleash your inner cowgirl or cowboy in the southern and western reaches of the state. This is a land where buffalo roam, ranchers ride horseback and spurs are always on trend.

DEEP DIVE

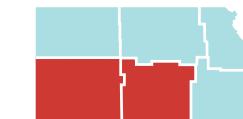
The aptly named **Historic Adobe Museum**—built from adobe blocks in the 1930s—digs into High Plains stories from the early days of nomadic Indians to the Santa Fe Trail era of the 1800s. The Ulysses attraction features a re-created Native American encampment along the banks of the Cimarron River, a sod house and a loaded-up Santa Fe-bound wagon.

BISON ROUNDUP

Bounce over sandy hills and breathe in the herby scent of crushed sagebrush on open-air wagon tours of **Sandsage Bison Range Wildlife Area** near Garden City. Schedule a tour to see the herd of 50-some bison, and consider visiting in spring for a chance to see newborn calves.

ROOTIN' SHOOTIN'

Long before *Gunslinger* fame, Dodge City defined the Old West, triggered by a stream of Santa Fe Trail voyagers. Witness scenes from the town's heyday during summer gunfights at **Boot Hill Museum**,



then feel the ground rumble during simulated buffalo stampedes.

SPIRITED SIPS

Atop Dodge City's original Boot Hill Cemetery, **Boot Hill Distillery** crafts vodka, gin and a variety of strong, smooth whiskeys from grain harvested on the owners' farms. Sip a classic Brown Derby cocktail in the tasting room or on the patio.

LITTLE HIKE ON THE PRAIRIE

White rock formations and cottonwood trees surround **Big Basin Prairie Preserve** near Ashland. A 3.4-mile out-and-back trail follows a gravel path through the prairie, past the rim of the mile-wide Big Basin sinkhole, and to a summit with views of the Gypsum Hills and free-roaming bison.

SALOON SHENANIGANS

Swing through the small town of Sun City and play your favorite jukebox tune



BOOT HILL MUSEUM
Dodge City

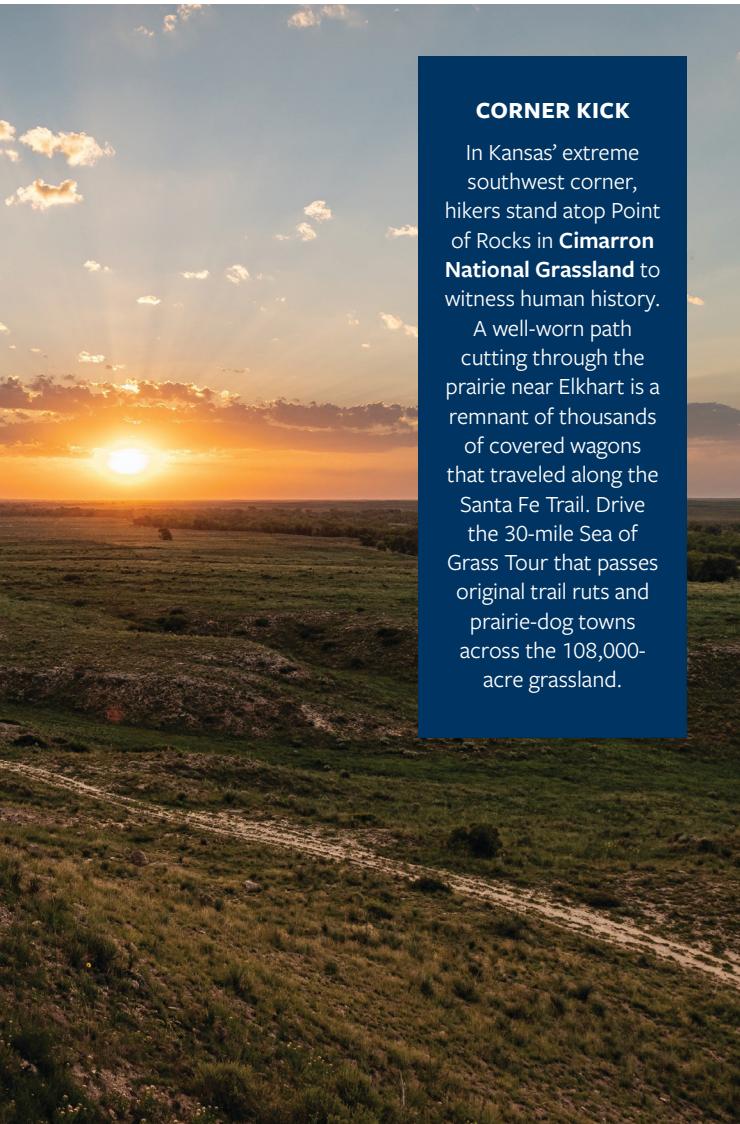


CIMARRON NATIONAL GRASSLAND
Elkhart

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SANDSAGE BISON RANGE WILDLIFE AREA
Garden City



CORNER KICK

In Kansas' extreme southwest corner, hikers stand atop Point of Rocks in **Cimarron National Grassland** to witness human history.

A well-worn path cutting through the prairie near Elkhart is a remnant of thousands of covered wagons that traveled along the Santa Fe Trail. Drive the 30-mile Sea of Grass Tour that passes original trail ruts and prairie-dog towns across the 108,000-acre grassland.

at **Buster's Saloon**, an iconic cowpoke bar and grill. It's known for cold beer served in frosted fishbowl glasses, burgers and barbecue—the smoker is usually going with tender pulled-pork or another meaty treat.

GIDDY UP!

Russet rock formations and soil lend an otherworldly vibe to the terrain of the Gypsum Hills. Bring your own horse for jaunts with **Gypsum Hills Trail Rides**, which cover rugged land once roamed by Native peoples. You may spot deer, wild turkey and wily coyotes on treks near Medicine Lodge.

HOWDY, PARTNER

Engage with actors in costume who recapture life during Wichita's early days at **Old Cometown Museum**. Dozens of buildings and 12,000-plus artifacts transport visitors to the 1800s. Sippin' sarsaparilla at the saloon is a favorite pastime for all ages.

DELICIOUS DETOURS

BOB'S DRIVE-IN Meade

Fill up on giant breakfast burritos (served all day) or the cowboy burger topped with barbecue sauce, an onion ring and jalapeño peppers. Stay for a round of pool, best enjoyed between slurps of a peanut butter malt.

CATTLEMAN'S CAFE Hays, Liberal, Sublette

Steaks—thick-cut and charbroiled, or chicken-fried—star at all three family-owned locations. Don't skimp on the sides: buttery green beans, fried okra and mashed potatoes honor the recipes of the owners' great-grandparents.

FOOD TRUCKS Liberal

More than a dozen food trucks park around Liberal—many of them dishing Latin American fare with carhop-style service in parking lots. Nibble tortas from El Chaparrito, barbacoa tacos from Antojitos Originales Chilangolandia, and birria ramen from Don Taco, for starters.

WEEKLONG WANDERING INSPIRED EXITS

As you drive along Interstate-70, Kansas' main west-east stretch, pull off at these nearby attractions and prepare to have any preconceived freeway notions shattered.

EXIT 17

The tallest sunflowers in Kansas loom in Goodland. Resting against an 80-foot-tall steel easel, the **Giant van Gogh** depicts Vincent's *Three Sunflowers in a Vase* on a grand scale (768 square feet).

EXIT 70

Vi Fick used thousands of locally found fish bones, shells, fossils and shark teeth to create the folk art on display at Oakley's **Fick Fossil and History Museum**.

BIG SCORE

Lawrence's Mass Street is an institution in itself, bringing University of Kansas students and locals together for retail therapy. Here's a hat trick of options: Score vinyl at **Love Garden Sounds**, stock up on art supplies at **Wonder Fair**, and find a good read at **Raven Book Store**. Bonus for feline-lovers: Each of these shops has a resident cat (or two).

EXIT 145

A pioneer of the automobile industry, Walter Chrysler helped build his family's white clapboard home before he became a self-taught engineer. Discover more about the Kansas native at the **Walter P. Chrysler Boyhood Home and Museum** in Ellis.

EXIT 159

Venture off the beaten path and into paradise at **Rock Haven Spa** south of Hays. All spa packages include a bathing ritual complete with whirlpool access, a steam shower, snacks and bubbly.

EXIT 206

A hotel for rail passengers a century ago, **Midland Railroad Hotel and Restaurant** is just the ticket for a fun overnight in Wilson. Try chicken-fried steak in the Sample Room Tavern, or opt for saucy barbecue and whiskey at The Barn, Kansas Libations Club.

EXIT 252

You don't have to be a huge auto buff to appreciate the sparkling cars and fun activities at



ROCK HAVEN SPA
Hays



THE GARAGE
Salina

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THE BEST WAY TO DO INTERSTATE-70: MAKE TIME FOR SCENIC DETOURS



The Garage museum in Salina. Rare restorations rotate regularly, but visitors can always expect interactive elements.

EXIT 275

At the **Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Library, Museum and Boyhood Home**, learn about the Abilene native who led the D-Day operation in World War II and later became the nation's 34th president.

EXIT 307

Home to some of the most beautiful views in Kansas (and the Flint Hills), **Konza Prairie** in Manhattan features miles of native plants and gently rolling scenery with panoramic vistas. Hike gravel nature trails, then view a Kansas sunset from atop a limestone ledge.

EXIT 362B

During free tours inside Topeka's **State Capitol**, look up for a dazzling view of the inner dome, featuring 256 glass panels and a 900-pound chandelier. One of the many striking murals commemorates the *Brown v. Board of Education* U.S. Supreme Court case.



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STATE CAPITOL
Topeka

DELICIOUS DETOURS

BON BON! Lawrence

While “bonbon” typically refers to candy, you’ll want to fill up on this restaurant’s savory dishes first: a world tour of shitake fried rice, schnitzel, Parisian gnocchi and more. Sweets include banoffee (caramel and banana) tarts and strawberry mochi doughnuts.

RENAISSANCE CAFE Assaria

Housed in Assaria’s former high school, this fine-dining landmark leans on area farms whenever possible. Savor the large antipasti platter (cured meats, cheeses and relishes) from one of the tables overlooking the school’s gymnasium.

THE WHITE LINEN Topeka

This intimate establishment offers expertly paired wines with each dish, and a five-course tasting menu features French-inspired cuisine made with seasonal ingredients, such as a spinach salad with pickled strawberries, in the spring.



AMERICAN MILESTONES

CELEBRATE TWO BIG NATIONAL
BIRTHDAYS BY UNTYING RIBBONS OF HISTORY
THAT LACE THE KANSAS PLAINS.

WRITER AUSTIN CANNON

KEEPER OF THE PLAINS
Wichita

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE

Tap into the experience of thousands of Indigenous peoples who lived across Kansas' rolling prairies before eastern settlers arrived—and continue to reside throughout the state today.

In the late 1700s, the Kitkehahki band of the Pawnee people settled near present-day Republic. Visit the **Pawnee Indian Museum State Historic Site** to bear witness to the remains of villagers' tools, clothing and earth lodges—the dome-shaped dwellings where they lived. Discover more native artifacts at **Fort Larned National Historic Site**, where

a military installation once sheltered troops known as the Guardians of the Santa Fe Trail. In the Flint Hills near Council Grove, **Allegawaho Memorial Heritage Park** occupies the site of the last Kaw reservation in Kansas, signified by a 35-foot-tall limestone monument commemorating an unknown Kanza warrior. For a first-person account of Native American history, trace the life of Kiowa-Comanche artist Blackbear Bosin during a visit to Wichita's **Mid-America All-Indian Museum**. Take a short walk outside to **Keeper of the Plains**, Bosin's 44-foot-tall sculpture at the confluence of the Big and Little Arkansas rivers.

KANSAS

250

As America celebrates its 250th birthday in 2026, Kansas honors its Native peoples, pioneers, freedom seekers, settlers and immigrants who planted seeds for a thriving Sunflower State.

STRUGGLES FOR FREEDOM

Kansas played a major role in pre- and post-Civil War history. These Freedom’s Frontier National Heritage Area sites keep pivotal moments alive.

About five years before the Civil War’s official beginning, anti- and pro-slavery forces clashed at the Battle of Black Jack near Wellsville. **Black Jack Battlefield and Nature Park** commemorates the battle—which pitted John Brown-led abolitionists against pro-slavery forces. Explore the present-day farmland, meandering through a maple grove.

Learn more about Brown at Osawatomie’s **John Brown Memorial Park and Museum State Historic Site**, which includes the Adair cabin—Brown’s headquarters as he fought pro-slavery combatants during the Bleeding Kansas era. In 1857, while the fighting continued and Kansas was still a territory, legislators met in LeCompton to draft a state constitution. **Constitution Hall State Historic Site** tells the story of delegates who drafted a pro-slavery constitution that voters later defeated.

The Civil War began a few years later, and the fighting spread to Kansas, culminating in 1864’s Battle of Mine Creek. South of Pleasanton, **Mine Creek Civil War Battlefield State Historic Site** features a nature trail through the area where vastly outnumbered Union cavalry troops defeated Confederate forces.

While the war’s conclusion ended slavery, racial inequality persisted, including in segregated schools like Topeka’s Monroe Elementary School. Today, the building serves as the **Brown v. Board of Education National Historical Park**, honoring the case that began in Topeka and eventually reached the U.S. Supreme Court. The ruling outlawed “separate but equal” education and further fueled the Civil Rights Movement.

Find more Freedom’s Frontier National Heritage Area sites at FreedomsFrontier.org



BLACK JACK BATTLEFIELD AND NATURE PARK
Wellsville

A HOME IN KANSAS

After the Civil War, many headed for Kansas, driven by the pursuit of employment and the chance at long-awaited freedom.

Formerly enslaved people established the town of Nicodemus in 1877, offering an opportunity for Black settlers to begin new lives in northwest Kansas. Get a sense of their newfound freedom by exploring a historic home, churches and schoolhouse at **Nicodemus National Historic Site**. A few decades after the founding of Nicodemus, the railroad industry around Dodge City was booming—outpacing the labor force in the state’s southwest. So Mexican immigrants arrived to work on expanding the railroad, living in a collection of row houses that grew to become the vibrant Mexican Village. Discover what life was like there by examining photos, stories and artifacts at **Boot Hill Museum’s Mexican Village** exhibit.



NICODEMUS NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE
Nicodemus

Find the latest lineup of commemorative America 250 events across the state at America250KS.com



ROUTE 66

Just 13.2 miles long, the Kansas stretch of the Mother Road is the shortest portion in any state. But the quick cruise through the state's southeast corner packs a big punch when it comes to unique backstories and family fun. Plot your path to these eight landmarks, and choose from a trio of unique overnights with nods to the game-changing road.

CARS ON THE ROUTE **Galena**

A rusty tow truck outside this former Kan-O-Tex service station inspired the Tow Mater character in the Pixar film *Cars*. Inspect the original "Tow Tater" and other vehicles with personality before purchasing souvenirs, snacks and burgers inside the restored gas station.

GEARHEAD CURIOS **Galena**

At 23 feet tall, the new Big A statue (named for owner Aaron Perry) offers a gargantuan greeting to this former filling station. While you're outside, admire Big Boy and Betty Boop figures, an American flag made of license plates, and a 1951 Hudson Hornet painted blue to resemble Doc Hudson from *Cars*.

MINERS PARK **Galena**

Pose in front of the small park's *Greetings from Galena* mural by Chris Auckerman and Jon White. It's made of more than 400 satin-finished porcelain tiles and depicts local landmarks. A creative photo op with the adjacent *Kansas 66* sculpture makes for the perfect Mother Road keepsake.

ROUTE
66

★ **100** ★

The nostalgia-packed route from Illinois to California celebrates its centennial in 2026. After you've covered the Kansas stretch, branch out to explore the rest of the state's treasure-filled Southeast. Learn more on page 27.

NELSON'S OLD RIVERTON STORE
Riverton

This roadside market opened its doors in 1925, predating Route 66 by a year. The place brims to the top of its pressed-metal ceiling with groceries, souvenirs and made-to-order deli sandwiches. Grab a bottle of cold Coca-Cola to go from the vintage cooler.

RAINBOW BRIDGE
Baxter Springs

This drivable Marsh Arch bridge (James Barney Marsh's trademark design) is the last of its kind along Route 66. Built in the 1920s, the single-span bridge crossing Marsh Creek helped connect the towns of Galena, Riverton and Baxter Springs.

KANSAS ROUTE 66 VISITORS CENTER
Baxter Springs

The Tudor-style Independent Oil and Gas Service Station was built in 1930 on the north end of downtown. These days, the refurbished station's volunteers will help you plan your next stop. Before you leave, you're invited to sign your name on the interior wall.

MONARCH PHARMACY AND SODA FOUNTAIN
Baxter Springs

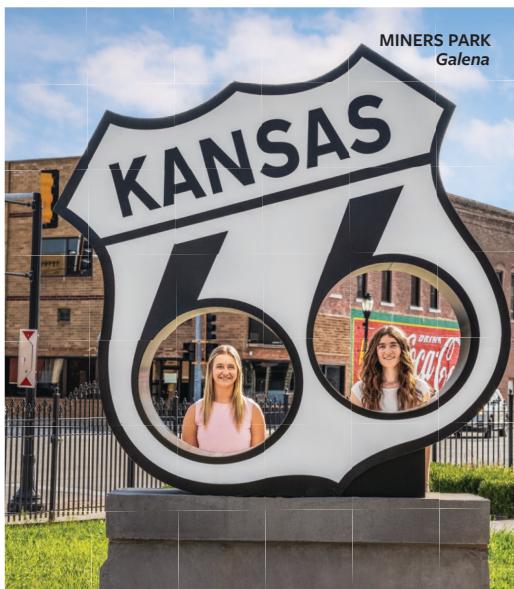
You don't need a prescription to belly up to the sparkling, old-fashioned soda fountain inside this working pharmacy. Looking for a sugar rush? Choose a chocolate or vanilla base for the peanut buttery Skye's the Limit shake, served in a chocolate-drizzled glass.



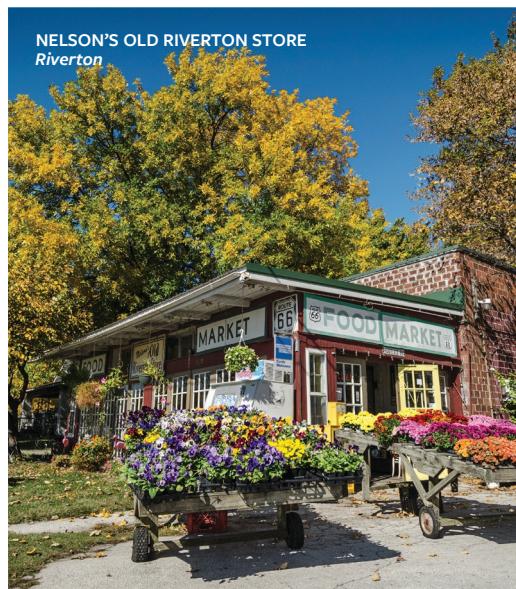
GEARHEAD CURIOS
 Galena



RAINBOW BRIDGE
 Baxter Springs



MINERS PARK
 Galena



NELSON'S OLD RIVERTON STORE
 Riverton

WESTON'S ROUTE 66 CAFE
Baxter Springs

The homestyle recipes at this local favorite are sure to satisfy any hungry traveler. Feast on chicken-fried steak for lunch. Savor a slice of cream pie for dessert. Or opt for one of the all-day breakfast options before resuming your journey.

PLACES TO STAY

No need to rush through the route, especially when you have retro-cool overnight options like these.

In Galena, **The Mollie Retreat** includes a suite decked out with midcentury modern decor, a marble-tile shower, and arcade games in the loft space. **The Old Riverton Post**, a former post office and mercantile, now houses a two-bedroom guesthouse with a covered balcony. Anyone stiff after a day of driving will benefit from a night at **Little Brick Inn**, where ultracomfy king beds are only steps away from downtown Baxter Springs attractions. Pop into the new **Lion Rojo** restaurant next door for fajitas and fried ice cream.

BEAUTY IN ALL SEASONS

COUNT ON FOUR FULL-FLEDGED SEASONS IN THE SUNFLOWER STATE, EACH WITH DISTINCTIVE CHARMS: BLOSSOMING SPRING GARDENS, SPLASHY SUMMER FUN, FALL FROLICS AT ORCHARDS AND PUMPKIN PATCHES, AND GLOWING WINTER CELEBRATIONS.

WRITER DEBBIE LECKRON MILLER



BOTANICA, THE WICHITA GARDENS
Wichita



SPRING AWAKENING

'Tis the season for botanical gardens to swing open their gates and showcase early bloomers, while downtowns spring to life with colorful events.

IN BLOOM

Splashy tulips usher in the season at **Kansas State University Gardens**, joined soon by irises and peonies that perfume the grounds. Roses and daylilies complete the springtime bouquet at Manhattan's historic campus garden and its 1930s limestone dairy barn and caretaker's cottage—now a visitors center.

See tulips in a different light at Topeka's **Ward-Meade Botanical Garden**. Come nightfall from mid-to-late-April, 25,000 tulips pair with light displays to stage an illuminating show during Tulips at Twilight. Follow pathways lined with glowing trees, larger-than-life flowers and other twinkling flourishes. On a larger scale, **Botanica, The Wichita Gardens** spreads Tulip Festival fun throughout its 20 acres. Some 70,000 tulips take center stage the first three Saturdays in April, but sideshows draw a crowd, too, with live music and food trucks. A Botanica bonus: Ride the Khicha Family Carousel after exploring the 30 themed gardens.

Get inspired to start your own plot of prairie with wildflowers and grasses for sale at **Dyck Arboretum of the Plains'** semiannual FloraKansas: Native Plant Days. During the April event in Hesston, stock up on purple coneflower, bee balm, butterfly milkweed, bluestem, blue grama and other Kansas thrivers. You can also explore this 29-acre native garden all season to spot favorite species.

When it comes to growing veggies and flowers, let Stilwell's **Coffey Grounds Farm** do it for you. Purchase fresh-picked onions and greens in spring, and savor the farm's bounty at monthly high teas and farm-to-table dinners.

DOWNTOWN CELEBRATIONS

OPEN STREETS ICT

Wichita

April–May

On a Sunday in April and May (and one in September), the city shuts down busy avenues to encourage community building and physical activity—running, biking, walking, skating and yard games—in a safe environment.

CINCO DE MAYO

Great Bend

May 2

Flashy floats, costumes and regional royalty parade down Main Street to the courthouse square festival grounds. The party heats up with Latino music, folk dancers, tacos, tamales, street corn and other flavors.

LAWRENCE BUSKER FESTIVAL

Lawrence

May 22–24

This college town gets full-on funky when a lineup of street performers from around the globe overtake downtown on Memorial Day weekend. Be entertained by the likes of Hilby the Skinny German Juggle Boy and The Last Carnival, a local troupe specializing in acrobatics, dance and pyrotechnics.

COOL SUMMER

Find everything you need for a chill vacation: scoops at ice cream shops, dips at aquatic parks, grooves at music festivals and snoozes at inspired lodgings.

FROZEN TREATS

At Lindsborg's **Indigo Moo'd Ice Cream**, small batches are slowly cooked in a stovetop pot using milk from a Kansas dairy. Fresh-picked blackberries, mint, lingonberries and locally roasted coffee grounds infuse a rotating lineup of flavors. You'll want to try them all in a made-from-scratch waffle cone. **Sylas and Maddy's Homemade Ice Cream** has dished up best-selling Da Bomb—cookie dough, Oreos and chocolate flakes—at its Lawrence and Olathe parlors for nearly 30 years. The 40-flavor menu always includes homemade cones. For 60-plus years, travelers on US-36 have pulled off at Mankato's **Sweden Creme** for burgers followed by Sweden Swirls ice cream crafted with house-made fruit toppings and pie crust crumbles.

SLIP AND SLIDE

Billed as an Oasis on the Plains, the town of Colby exudes vacation vibes with palm trees, parrots and tropical fish that dot the shores of **Colby Aquatic Park**. Just off Interstate-70, the serpentine slides, kiddie pool and lazy river draw travelers for a refresh. Garden City replaced the city's 2.6-million-gallon Big Pool with a full-fledged water park: **Garden Rapids at the Big Pool**. Grab the handrails and careen down Slip Stream, a rare stand-up waterslide experience. The park's two Fly Tyme slides result in serious airtime before you make a huge splash. At Derby's **Rock River Rapids**, youngsters flock to the zero-depth-entry pool and a host of spray features. (A giant bucket dumps water every 90 seconds.) Choose your water-based adventure at Lenexa's **Sar-Ko-Par Aquatic Center**: lap lanes, deep-water diving, slides, a lazy river and poolside climbing walls.

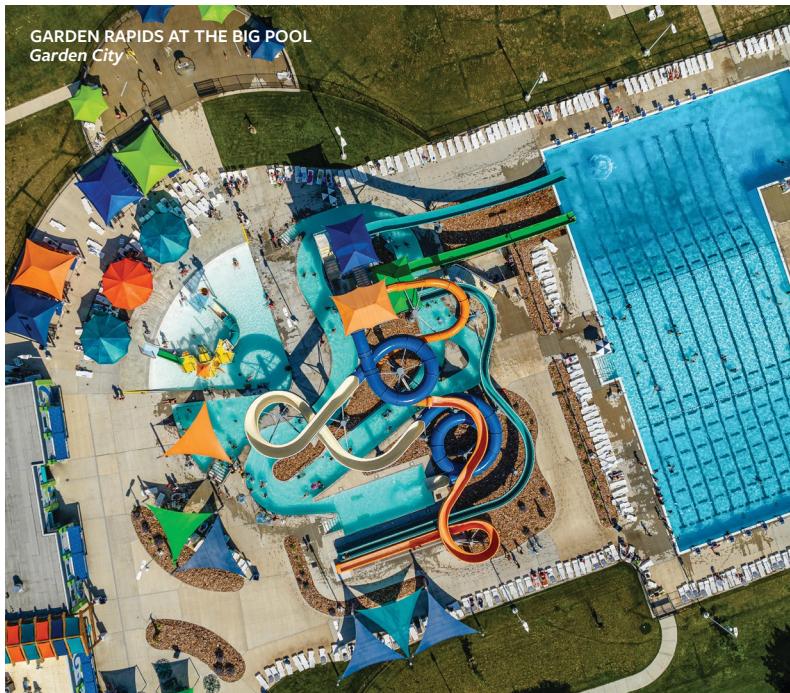
MARGARITAVILLE HOTEL
Kansas City



INDIGO MOO'D ICE CREAM
Lindsborg



GARDEN RAPIDS AT THE BIG POOL
Garden City





HIDDEN VALLEY WILDERNESS RETREAT
Easton

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UNIQUE RETREATS IN THE WOODS

Feel a sense of renewal at **Hidden Valley Wilderness Retreat**, home to three tree houses and a cabin suite in Easton. Climb the spiral staircase within Whispering Elm, take an alfresco shower on the deck of Graham's Treehouse, or dine on the spacious patio of Serenity Creek. Upon arrival, sign up for a slot to enjoy private outdoor hot tub time.

ON THE LAKESHORE

Overnight in a cabin, yurts or campsites that border **HorseThief Reservoir**, carved into a pristine prairie near Jetmore. Yurts come rustic (with no running water) or with creature comforts (a kitchen, television and shower), but all boast twilight vistas at the self-proclaimed Sunset Capital of Kansas. Hike, bike, boat, fish and disc golf during the day.

BY THE POOL

You're officially on island time at the new-in-2025 **Margaritaville Hotel Kansas City**. Chill in this tropical haven with a variety of Tex-Mex tacos and refreshing frozen cocktails at LandShark Bar and Grill, or amp up the activity level by scaling an indoor rock climbing wall and tackling the obstacle course. Outside, soak up some rays at the resort-style pool before retreating to spacious guest rooms accented with sea-, sand- and sky-inspired decor.



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FEEL THE RHYTHM

SMOKY HILL RIVER FESTIVAL

Salina

June 11–14

Fifty musical acts perform on three stages at this big gig, celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2026. The beat goes on with rock, folk, country and jazz music from across the globe. An arts show, kids' entertainment, and 30 food vendors anchor the riverside fun in Oakdale Park.

COUNTRY STAMPEDE

Bonner Springs

June 25–27

Scout your boots to one of the Midwest's largest and longest-running country music festivals, marking its 30th year in 2026.

A dozen stars put on a three-day show at Azura Amphitheater.

WALNUT VALLEY FESTIVAL

Winfield

September 16–20

At this premier pickin' party, thousands gather to hear acoustic folk and bluegrass music by 30-plus performers. Watch guitar and fiddle players vie for national championships, or pack your instrument for campground jamming. Kids get their own showcase and music camp.

COLORFUL FALL

You're off to see the Wizard, mingle with knights and spirits, watch mural artists at work, and navigate a bounty of pumpkin patches and orchards.



DIA DE LOS MUERTOS
Emporia



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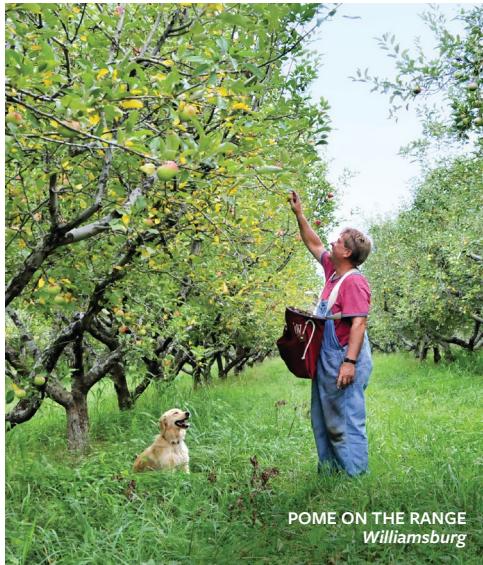
A AND H FARM
Manhattan

FRESH PICKS

Home to pomes (fleshy fruits), **Pome on the Range** in Williamsburg kicks off its U-pick party in late August, when early-bird Gala apples ripen. Stick around for pumpkin harvest, locally crafted wines, and the market's orchard-sourced produce and pies. At **A and H Farm** near Manhattan, Andrea, Hugo and their eight kids throw a full-blown fall festival. Ride a hayrack to the pumpkin patch or frolic at the farmstead's mega slide, corn maze and petting zoo. Get pickles and produce at the store and adult slushies at Grain Bin bar. Good luck choosing a take-home favorite among more than 50 varieties of pumpkins—including blue, white and pink varieties—at Spearville's **Hickory Hollow Pumpkin Patch**. The farm roundup includes a pumpkin train, haunted corn maze, and store stocked with fresh-baked goods and pumpkin candles. Kiddos also dig **Peckham's Pumpkin Patch** in Rantoul, with its hay bale maze, obstacle course and pedal carts. Ride a wagon to the pumpkin patch or choose from varieties that have already been picked.

AN AUTUMN DAY IN OZ

The town of Wamego prides itself on its *Wizard of Oz* appeal, and on October 3 this year, many visitors show up as their favorite character for **OZtoberfest**. Enter the costume contest or bring your pooch for the Toto look-alike judging. After the festivities, follow the Yellow Brick Road alleyway from **Wamego City Park** to downtown's Oz-somest attraction: the **OZ Museum**. Its 2,000 artifacts include Munchkin costumes and a Winkie spear from the 1939 classic, and other rare memorabilia that will delight the savviest fans. **Oz Winery** brews Squished Witch, Drunken Munchkin and other vinos that draw you in with their creative labels. Before you make your grand exit via hot-air balloon, rove around town to sniff out 18 adorable Toto statues.



ARTS AND CULTURE

KANSAS CITY RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL

Bonner Springs
September 5–
October 18

Throughout this 16-acre kingdom, mingle with hundreds of costumed performers and vendors selling handblown glass, pottery and turkey legs fit for a king. Catch fire-eaters, jugglers and comedy acts on 20 stages, and cheer knights jousting on horseback.

BOOM! SALINA STREET ART AND MUSIC FESTIVAL

Salina
October

Salina transforms when five muralists from around the world paint their stylistic masterpieces on buildings downtown and throughout the city. Observe the artists as they add to the city's already extensive collection of international murals—then hear from them at the panel discussion.

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS

Emporia
October

This Mexican celebration honors the memory of loved ones with a Parade of the Living Dead featuring flashy regalia and skull face paintings. Festivities carry on downtown with street corn and taco vendors, folkloric dancers and singers, a fire show, and other spirited entertainment.

WINTER MAGIC

Spark your holiday spirit in northwest Kansas, then keep the jolly vibes alive at festive gatherings across the state.

WAKEENEY WONDER

First dubbed **Christmas City of the High Plains** in 1950, WaKeeney glows bigger and brighter than ever today. With a 35-foot-tall tree at its core, the community rallies every holiday season to light up downtown and spark spirits with nostalgic charm.

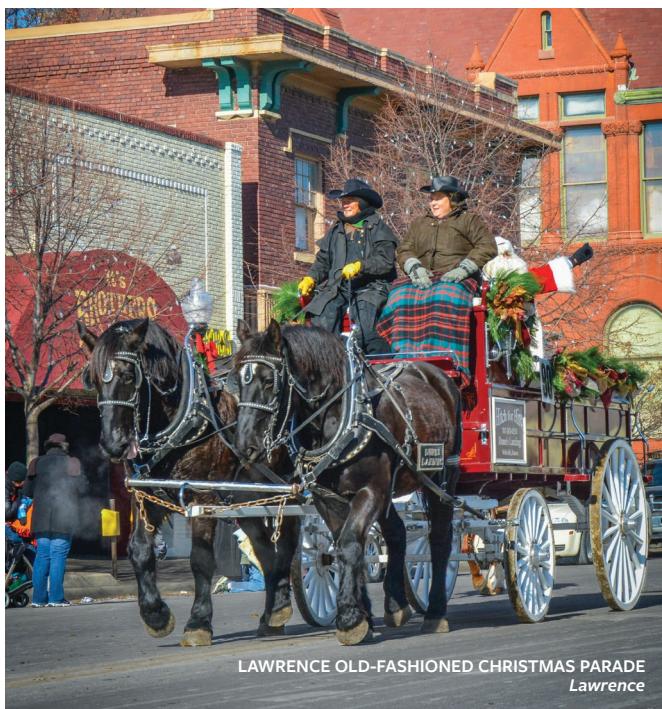
The merriment launches the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Family-owned **Hometown Bakery** opens at 6 a.m. so early birds can stock up on cinnamon rolls, breakfast sandwiches and German pancakes filled with apple compote. Next, shop at the daylong **Christmas Bazaar**, with 100-plus vendors filling three buildings and selling candles, jewelry, ornaments and baked goods.

Horse-drawn wagon and kids' train rides and live music lead up to Santa's highly anticipated arrival at 6:15 p.m. The jolly fellow flips the switch on the main attraction: a 35-foot-tall metal tree adorned with greenery and 3,000 lights. More greenery, wreaths, bells and lights drape the four-block downtown, which remains lit until New Year's Day.

Santa greets kids that evening at downtown's **North Pole Park**, an alley-wide space open year-round for selfies with life-size snowmen, elves and Santa's house. There, pick up a map for a walking tour of 3-foot-tall metal trees anchored in front of businesses and historic sites. Cap off any WaKeeney visit with burgers and Old-Fashioneds at **Rosie's Bar and Grill** inside **The Prairie Rose Inn**. Antiques furnish the 16 guest rooms, which are named after historic sites throughout Trego County.



CHRISTMAS CITY OF THE HIGH PLAINS
WaKeeney



LAWRENCE OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS PARADE
Lawrence



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**GATHER
AND GLOW**

**CHRISTMAS
AT THE SEELYE
MANSION**

Abilene

**November 27–
January 31**

Guides at this 1905 estate share holiday tales of yore during tours through 25 rooms adorned with 65 Christmas trees, 700 nutcrackers and a profusion of poinsettias. Built by Abilene’s patent medicine magnate A.B. Seelye, the showpiece includes a ballroom, bowling alley and grand hall.

**CANDLELIGHT
TOUR**

Fort Scott

December 4–5

Lanterns illuminate paths through Fort Scott National Historic Site, established in 1842 to provide security on the frontier. Soldiers recount life here at six vignettes, including stops at the stables and post headquarters. Report to Grand Hall for old-time music and dancing.

**LAWRENCE
OLD-FASHIONED
CHRISTMAS
PARADE**

Lawrence

December 5

Bundle up along Massachusetts Street to watch 50 horse-drawn carriages and wagons clip-clop past. Costumed riders and their festively decorated horses, mules and coaches make a striking procession. It’s one of the country’s few all-horse-drawn Christmas parades.



CANDLELIGHT TOUR
Fort Scott

WEEKEND *YOUR WAY*

HEAD TO THE HEART OF THE HEARTLAND FOR A MEMORABLE TRIP AROUND THE SOUTH CENTRAL REGION, WITH WICHITA SERVING AS YOUR HOME BASE. THIS TRIO OF OVERNIGHT GETAWAYS CATERS TO FAMILIES, COUPLES AND BESTIES.

WRITER GARY THOMPSON

BARTLETT ARBORETUM
Belle Plaine

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BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY

Wet and wild adventures for all ages beckon fun-seeking families. Everyone can bond over fascinating creatures and indulgent creature comforts.

EXPLORE

From launch to splashdown, the slides at space-themed **Blast Off Bay** indoor water park in Goddard offer rocket-trip thrills. Find missions for all your crew, including a surf machine, toddler splash area, lazy river and swim-up bar. For outdoor water fun, head to **Exploration Place** science museum in Wichita,

where a multilevel splash park anchors a brand-new 6.5-acre playscape. Inside the museum, marvel at a miniature display of 1950s Kansas and experience a simulated EF1 tornado. **Sedgwick County Zoo** is the nation's seventh largest, with more than 3,000 animals from 400 species on its nearly 250 acres. In

2025, the accredited zoo became the first in the United States to anticipate five African elephant births in a year. More amazing animal encounters await at **Tanganyika Wildlife Park** in Goddard. Visitors feed giraffes, hippos, ring-tailed lemurs and lorikeets, plus book playdates with penguins and a pygmy hippo.

Extinct creatures come to life at Derby's **Field Station: Dinosaurs**, where more than 40 true-to-size animatronic animals—including a 23-foot-tall *T. rex*—emerge from plants and native grasses.

EAT + DRINK

A downtown Wichita tradition since 1932, **Old Mill Tasty Shop** still serves ice cream treats from a marble-counter

soda fountain. Their slew of sandwiches includes a peanut butter, banana and honey fave. Thursday means legendary chicken-fried chicken. With a lakefront patio, **Deano's on Pier 37** offers a crowd-pleasing array of pizzas, burgers and other pub fare. Kick things off with bottomless shoestring onions, and wrap it up with indulgent fried cheesecake bites.

STAY

Watch cheetahs roam as you sit on the back deck at **Hawkins Estate**, a five-bedroom guesthouse near Tanganyika Wildlife Park. Perfect for large (or multiple) families, the spacious and modern home offers eight beds, 10 baths and a full kitchen, plus a pool and tennis and pickleball courts out back.



ROMANCE IS A BREEZE

Love is in the air all around Wichita. Find inspiration in a city art museum, a country garden and a pair of small-town culinary treasures.

EXPLORE

When you and your sweetheart gaze upon the 50,000 tulips that bloom each spring at **Bartlett Arboretum** in Belle Plaine, you know the town's name (French for "beautiful plain") is apt. Singer-songwriter Robin Macy (a founder of The Chicks) is now front woman for a band of volunteers who maintain the trees and tranquility. Pairs get pampered by couples' treatments from **Bohemia Healing Spa** in Wichita. A couples spa package includes a one-hour massage (with your choice of aromatherapy), a 45-minute hot river rock facial, and an invigorating back scrub with a moisture inspired many of

the works on display at the **Wichita Art Museum**: Current exhibitions include *Home and Place*, which explores the intersection of history, heritage and relationships for various cultures. Also check out *90 Years of American Art*, a showcase of some of the museum's first acquisitions as well as more recent ones.

EAT + DRINK

Have date-night dinner in the upscale restaurant at **Elderslie Farm** in Kechi. The chef's tasting menu changes with the seasons to highlight fresh, local ingredients. Expect house-made bread and pasta, entrees like braised short ribs, and perhaps blackberry galette for dessert.

Luciano's in Mulvane channels the romance and rustic flavors of *Under the Tuscan Sun*. The rotating lineup on the chef's menu includes items such as pasta e fagioli (a hearty Italian soup), panzanella (a Tuscan bread salad), and meaty scaloppine.

STAY

The Barns at Timber Creek in Winfield offers elegant country-themed guest rooms fashioned within farm buildings. The Barn Owl Treehouse is a love nest equipped with a queen bed, bathroom and kitchenette. Breakfast may include crepes and berries, waffles and sausage, or biscuits and gravy.



WICHITA ART MUSEUM
Wichita



ELDERSLIE FARM
Kechi



THE BARN AT TIMBER CREEK
Winfield

BEST FRIEND GETAWAY

BFFs get some R&R as they experience Wichita together. Come prepared to share big smiles, rowdy cheers and perhaps a few cocktails or beers.

EXPLORE

Good friends don't always make good roommates, but **Frank Lloyd Wright's Allen House** in Wichita is one place you'll enjoy sharing—at least for a tour. It was the master architect's last Prairie-style home, designed for newspaper publisher Henry Allen and his wife, Elsie. Feast your eyes on Wright-designed furniture and original art glass. Celebrate how your friendship has grown by creating—and imbibing—something botanical at **GROW Plant Bar** in Wichita. At the DIY plant bar, fill a terrarium with plants, paint a pot, make friendship bracelets or try one of the rotating craft offerings. Then toast each other with a cocktail,



like a fittingly floral Lavender Moon Margarita in spring and summer. You and your bestie can catch a ball game at state-of-the-art **Equity Bank Park**, where Minor League Baseball's Wichita Wind Surge play their home games. The team, a class Double-A affiliate of the Minnesota Twins, belongs to the Texas League.

EAT + DRINK

Hanging out on the patio at **Central Standard Brewing** in Wichita is like

having a beer with a pal in your backyard—except for the 16 options on tap, like flagship Wizard of Hops IPA. The taproom is even homier for best buddies, with vinyl swivel chairs, floral couches, plants and artwork. Old friends head to Old Town's **Public at the Brickyard**, where ingredients from local farms and producers flavor wings, bison sliders, brisket tacos and pizzas.

STAY

Friends who go back a long way will appreciate the nostalgic feel of **Hotel at Old Town**, a renovated warehouse with spacious suites and common areas that embrace the trendy neighborhood's industrial past. Exposed brick and prominent art add character, while the location lets you walk to Old Town's museums, independent shops, eclectic restaurants and nightlife.

SPORTS FOR ALL SEASONS

Whenever sports-minded friends visit Wichita, they'll find action on the court, field or ice.

BASKETBALL March–June

The Wichita Wizards of the Mid-America Basketball Association work their magic at Garvey PE Center on the Friends University Campus. They won the 2024 MABA championship.

INDOOR FOOTBALL March–June

After powering down in 2025, the Wichita ICT Regulators are recharged for the 2026 Arena Football One season. They play at Park City Arena in Park City.

SOCCER May–July

FC Wichita has a men's team in The League for Clubs and a women's team in the Women's Premier Soccer League. Both achieve their goals at Stryker Sports Complex.

HOCKEY October–April

The Wichita Thunder, a minor league affiliate of the NHL's San Jose Sharks, slice the ice at INTRUST Bank Arena. More than 5 million fans have attended games over the course of 30-plus years.

SEEK NEW HORIZONS

Just like your favorite well-worn travel maps and brochures, these pages point you toward adventure along Kansas' 12 byways and at its 29 state parks. Bring us along as you chart your course to unforgettable panoramas, wildlife encounters, cultural attractions, roadside marvels and more.



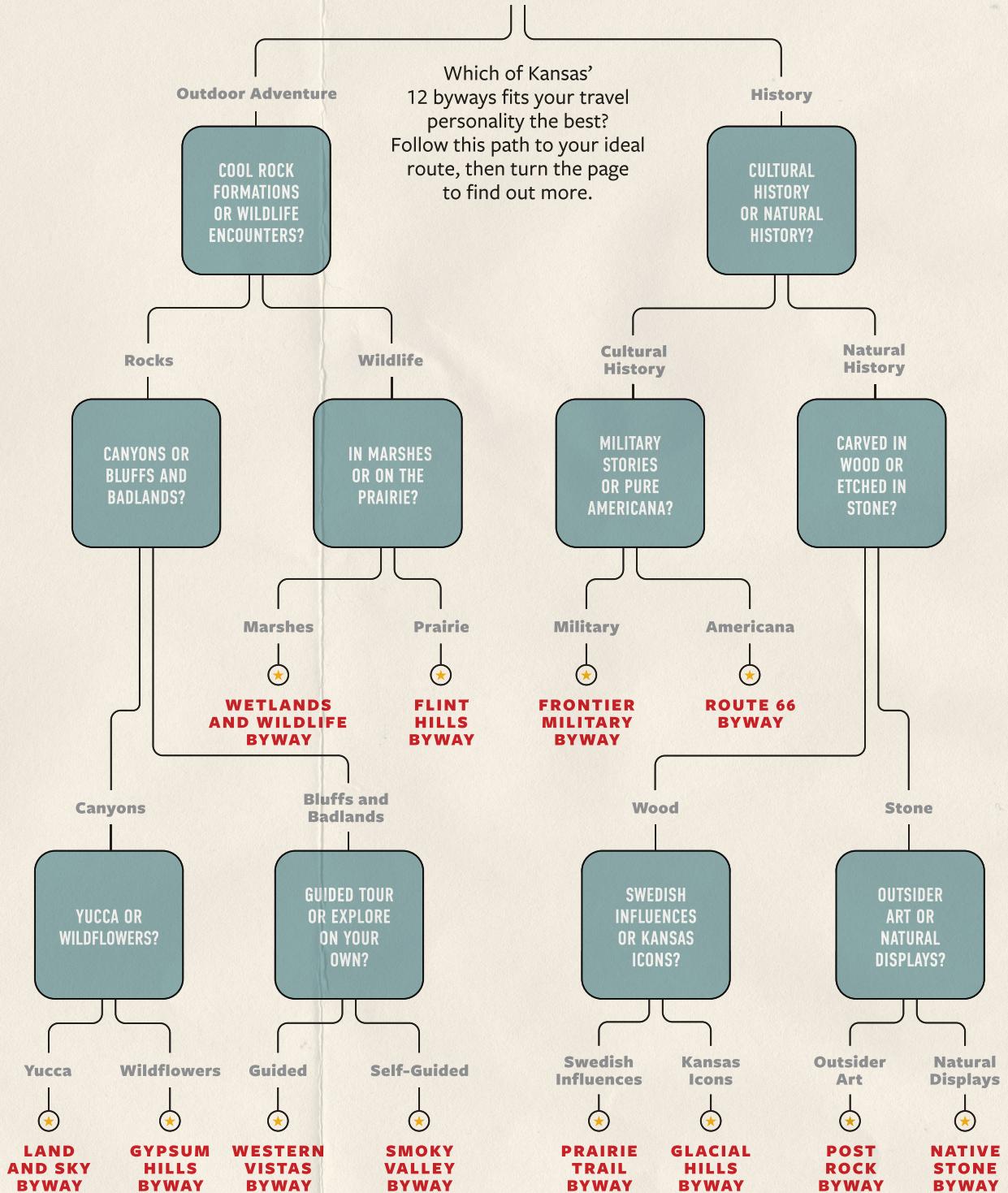
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FIND YOUR PERFECT BYWAY!

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR OUTDOOR ADVENTURE OR A TRIP THROUGH HISTORY?



BYWAYS

A dozen scenic byways traverse Kansas—a year’s worth of monthly adventures in different parts of the state. Each of the routes (organized east to west) reveals fresh aspects of Kansas terrain, history and culture. Where to start? Follow the flow chart on the previous page to find the byway that suits you best.

WRITER GARY THOMPSON

Frontier Military Historic Byway

168 miles

TOWNS: LEAVENWORTH, PLEASANTON, FORT SCOTT, PITTSBURG, BAXTER SPRINGS

Author Herman Wouk, a World War II veteran, wrote that the beginning of the end of war lies in remembrance. There’s much to remember along this route. The **Frontier Army Museum** at Fort Leavenworth displays military uniforms, weapons and equipment from the Lewis and Clark era to World War I. **Fort Scott National Historic Site** recalls the lives of pre-Civil War soldiers with tours of infantry barracks, officers’ quarters and other buildings, plus demos of artillery and drilling. The **Vietnam Memorial Wall**, a half-size replica of the original in Washington, D.C., anchors a veterans memorial plaza on the Pittsburg State University campus.

Glacial Hills Scenic Byway

63 miles

TOWNS: LEAVENWORTH, ATCHISON, TROY, WHITE CLOUD

Take a nostalgic ride on the restored 1913 carousel at the **C.W. Parker Carousel Museum** in Leavenworth—

and look for an ear of corn carved onto one of the saddles. Speaking of rides, the **Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum** in Atchison tells of the homemade roller coaster that gave wings to Earhart’s dream of flying. The **Tall Oak Indian Monument** in Troy reaches great heights—Peter Toth sculpted the 27-foot-tall statue from a burr oak log to honor Indigenous nations. On a clear day, the **Four State Lookout** in White Cloud (a town with an Indigenous namesake) offers views of Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Iowa.

Native Stone Scenic Byway

75 miles

TOWNS: MANHATTAN, WAMEGO, ALMA, ESKRIDGE, DOVER

Snow, wind, lightning, fire, smoke and twinkling fireflies are among the 4D effects in the immersive-experience theater at **Flint Hills Discovery Center** in Manhattan. They help tell the story of the region’s history, ecology and culture. Volland was once a thriving community near Alma. Today, **The Volland Store**—the town’s former grocery store and social hub—has been reimagined as an art gallery, event space and vacation rental. View the

art on weekend afternoons, then stroll the sculpture-studded **Volland Trail**. Visit the **Wabaunsee County Historical Society Museum** in Alma to learn about the area’s signature native stone fences (some have endured more than 150 years), arched stone cellars and one-room schoolhouses.

Flint Hills National Scenic Byway

48 miles

TOWNS: COUNCIL GROVE, STRONG CITY, COTTONWOOD FALLS, MATFIELD GREEN

Migrating waterfowl touch down at **Council Grove Lake**, while songbirds provide a soundtrack for the 1.25-mile **Pioneer Nature Trail** that loops the lake. Also in Council Grove, visit the **Kaw Mission State Historic Site** and **Last Chance Store**, remnants of complex and sometimes fraught interactions between Native Americans and settlers in the 1850s. The store re-creates an 1857 Santa Fe Trail trading post—once the last place to buy supplies before heading West. The **Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve** near Strong City affords a rare chance to view a vanishing ecosystem. Less than 4 percent of such prairie remains intact, mostly in the Flint Hills region.

Prairie Trail Scenic Byway

80 miles

TOWNS: LINDSBORG, MARQUETTE, ELLSWORTH

Channel your Scandi self in Lindsborg, aka Little Sweden, famous for its painted Dala horses around town. Take home a personalized Dala-shaped house sign from Swedish crafts shop **Hemslöjd**. Survey the town from a stone castle atop **Coronado Heights**, a 300-foot-tall bluff named for the Spanish explorer, who—according to lore—may have climbed it while searching for gold in the 1500s. Flash forward to post-Civil War Kansas at the **Hodgden House Museum Complex** in Ellsworth. The era tour includes an 1870s residence and a rare Union Pacific wooden caboose outside a depot.



KANSAS ROUTE 66 HISTORIC BYWAY

Happy 100th birthday to the Mother Road! Learn more about the 13-mile Kansas stretch of Route 66 in the “American Milestones” feature on pages 78-79.

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FORT SCOTT NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE
Frontier Military Historic Byway



C.W. PARKER CAROUSEL MUSEUM
Glacial Hills Scenic Byway



FLINT HILLS DISCOVERY CENTER
Native Stone Scenic Byway



TALLGRASS PRAIRIE NATIONAL PRESERVE
Flint Hills National Scenic Byway



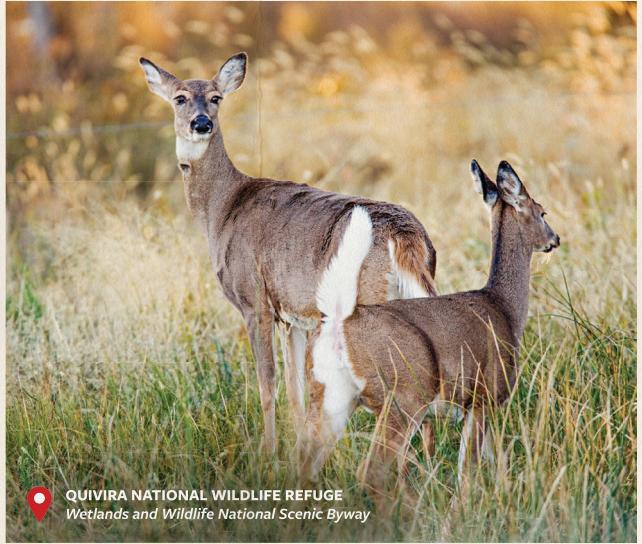
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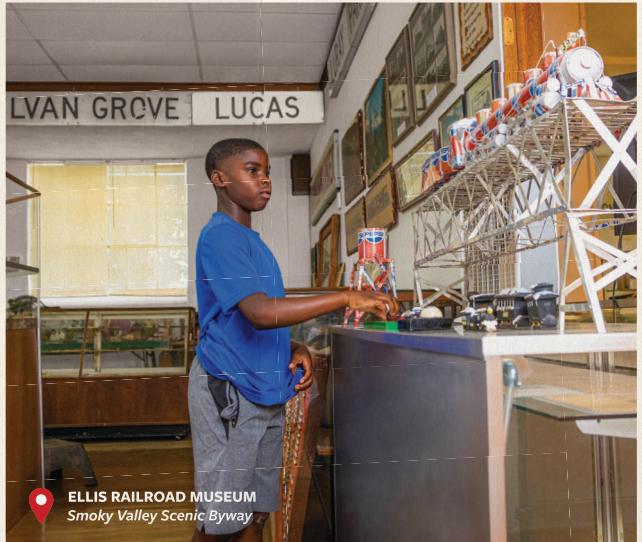
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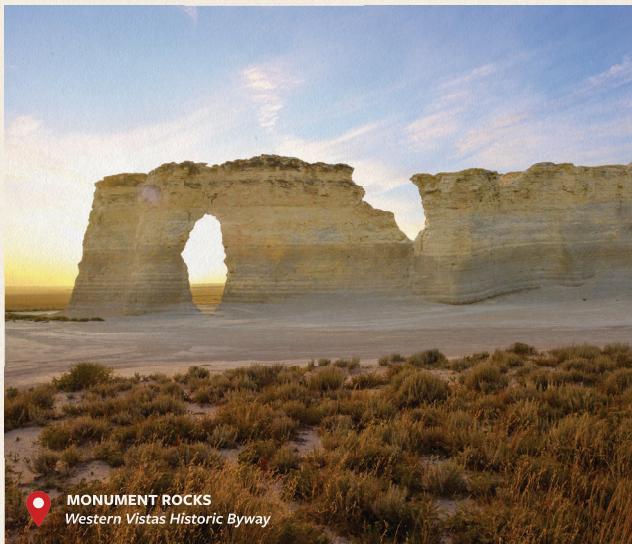
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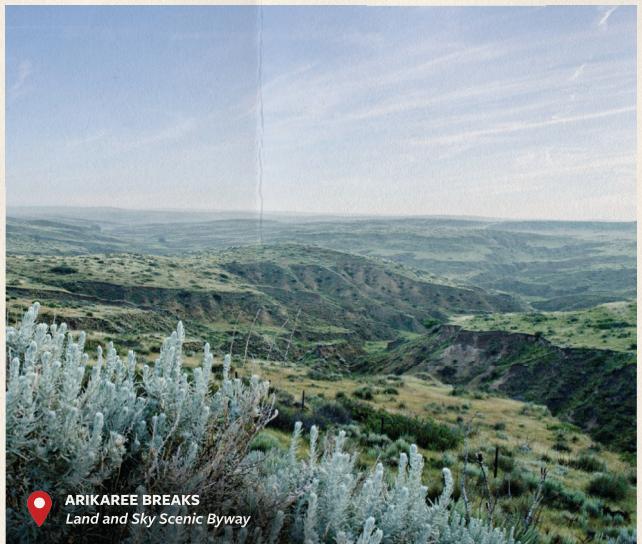
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Western Vistas Historic Byway



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Land and Sky Scenic Byway

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**CHECK OUT THE STATE MAP ON PAGES 2-3 FOR ALL 12 BYWAY ROUTES,
AND LET YOUR ROAD TRIP POSSIBILITIES UNFOLD.**

**Post Rock
Scenic Byway**

18 miles

TOWNS: LUCAS, WILSON

The little town of Lucas loves unconventional public art in a big way. Get oriented at the **Grassroots Art Center**, which spotlights works by self-taught “outsider” artists. Visitors are relieved to discover that one of the installations, **Bowl Plaza**, is a functional public restroom. The building is shaped like a toilet tank, with a 16-foot-tall mosaic oval “lid” at the entrance and curved benches forming the bowl. Find another shapely artwork in Wilson, where the **World’s Largest Czech Egg** measures 20×15 feet and weighs 7,000 pounds. The fiberglass-and-steel ovoid, standing upright in a gazebo, is painted with patterns that honor local Czech heritage.

**Wetlands and
Wildlife National
Scenic Byway**

77 miles

TOWNS: STAFFORD,
ST. JOHN, GREAT BEND,
ELLINWOOD, HOISINGTON

A rare combination of inland salt marsh and sand prairie, **Quivira National Wildlife Refuge** near Stafford acts as a layover for half a million migrating birds in the spring and fall. Besides ducks and geese, frequent-fliers include whooping and Sandhill cranes, herons, white pelicans, and bald eagles. About 40 miles north in Great Bend, the **Kansas Wetlands Education Center** overlooks another

essential habitat: **Cheyenne
Bottoms Wildlife Area**.

The center’s exhibits walk you through the history of Cheyenne Bottoms—the largest wetland in the interior United States—from ancient geological formation to modern-day environmental challenges. Spotting scopes and a nature trail lend a closer look at flora and fauna.

**Gypsum Hills
Scenic Byway**

42 miles

TOWNS: COLDWATER,
MEDICINE LODGE

Invigorate your senses at refreshing **Lake Coldwater**, the area’s only lake for swimming, fishing and boating. Carry Nation didn’t mind water, but she sure had opinions about booze. Learn about her life at **Carry Nation Home** in Medicine Lodge and see the hatchet she used to smash saloons where folks imbibed. Instead of painting the town red, artist Earl Kuhn, a native Kansan, paints the countryside in watercolors. See his works depicting contemporary ranch hands and their steeds in stunning detail at the **Sagebrush Gallery of Western Art**, also located in Medicine Lodge.

**Smoky Valley
Scenic Byway**

60 miles

TOWNS: ELLIS, OGALLAH,
QUINTER, WAKEENEY, RANSOM

Freight trains still pass through Ellis, a town founded as a trackside water station. The **Ellis Railroad Museum** preserves the spirit of early 1900s rail travel through a

replica depot displaying a telegraph machine, carts for luggage and mail, and a 5,000-square-foot model train layout. Limestone cliffs surround uncrowded waters for swimming, fishing, boating and skiing at **Cedar Bluff Reservoir** south of Ogallah. (If you’re not feeling that ambitious, just plant yourself on a sandy beach.) Rock chalk, indeed: **Castle Rock**, a 70-foot-tall limestone spire, rises dramatically from the horizon near Quinter. It was formed by the erosion of an ancient chalk bed.

**Western Vistas
Historic Byway**

102 miles

TOWNS: SCOTT CITY,
WALLACE, OAKLEY

Groups of 10 or more can take a free, historian-guided bus tour offered by Scott City’s **El Cuartelejo Museum**, an interactive venue with experiences spanning prehistoric times, Native American settlements and pioneer days. The tour includes stops such as **Battle at Punished Woman’s Fork**, **El Cuartelejo**, **Lake Scott State Park** and **Duff’s Buffalo Ranch** (all close to Scott City), plus **Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park** and **Monument Rocks** near Oakley. The tour lasts three to five hours, depending on the sites. (The museum can customize the itinerary and arrange a lunch stop.) Schedule a tour at least two weeks in advance. If you’re traveling with a smaller group, check out all these destinations on a self-guided driving tour. (But call ahead to visit Duff’s Buffalo Ranch.)

**Land and Sky
Scenic Byway**

88 miles

TOWNS: ST. FRANCIS,
WESKAN, GOODLAND

The **Arikaree Breaks** near St. Francis stuns with its 36-mile stretch of ravines and gullies carved and created by wind-deposited sand, silt and clay. Yucca plants, sage and buffalo grass accent the landscape. The **St. Francis Motorcycle Museum** holds rare sights too. Among more than 170 vintage models is a 1912 Sears Dreadnaught, one of only a handful thought to exist, and a 1914 Feilbach Limited—even fewer of those remain. **Mount Sunflower** in Weskan may be more hill than mountain, but it’s the highest point in Kansas, and a spectacular spot to watch sunrises and sunsets.

**BYWAY
SCAVENGER
HUNT**

See if you can spot these items on your next Kansas byway adventure:

- SOMETHING THAT FLIES
- A QUIRKY ROADSIDE STOP
- A NON-CHAIN RESTAURANT
- A COLORFUL MURAL
- A COOL CLOUD FORMATION
- A HISTORICAL MARKER
- A FOUR-LEGGED ANIMAL
- AN OVERSIZE OBJECT
- A UNIQUE ROCK FORMATION
- A BEAUTIFUL SUNSET

STATE PARKS

Hike through sandy dunes and craggy badlands, bike on the brink of canyons and bluffs, and paddle calm streams and wide-open waters. The 29 state parks of Kansas guarantee pristine spaces for short visits as well as overnight escapes.

WRITERS AUSTIN CANNON AND JESS HOFFERT

Northeast

Clinton State Park LAWRENCE

Near the college town of Lawrence, the park on the north shore of Clinton Lake is a playground for students of Mother Nature.

QUICK VISIT Take your adventure to the water by renting a pontoon from Clinton Marina or stay on land and steer a mountain bike along 25 miles of trails.

OVERNIGHT Make camp at one of 368 sites—many of them along the shore—or opt for climate control in one of seven modern cabins.

Eisenhower State Park OSAGE CITY

It's all about Ike at the state park named for the 34th U.S. president. Explore the tallgrass prairie or drift in and out of Melvern Lake's abundant coves.

QUICK VISIT Ike's General Store has kayaks and canoes for rent, but you'll have to bring your own bows and arrows to aim at the 23 targets on Ike's Archery Trail.

OVERNIGHT Camp like an ancient nomad in one of the park's yurts—though you'll still get to enjoy the modern comfort of a bed.

Flint Hills Trail State Park

COUNCIL GROVE TO OSAWATOMIE

The 93-mile-long rail-trail traverses forest and farmland before reaching the tallgrass prairie at its western end.

QUICK VISIT Rent a hybrid cruiser or gravel grinder at Ottawa Bike and Trail and head west to Pomona, where you can stop for tacos and tortas at Dos Amigos. (It's 20 miles round trip, so allow a few hours.)

OVERNIGHT Stay in one of two chic Airbnbs within an 1887 building at Weathered Wood Home in Council Grove. If you're just pedaling through town, stop for a handcrafted ale and savory snacks at Riverbank Brewing.

Hillsdale State Park PAOLA

More than 50 miles of shoreline afford plenty of opportunities to catch walleye, catfish and crappie.

QUICK VISIT Bring your steed. On the lake's east side, the Saddle Ridge Equestrian Area includes 32 miles of riding trails. South of the dam, fly model airplanes or drones in a designated area.

OVERNIGHT The Sunflower Campground houses 30 full-utility sites with concrete pads for RVs, plus 30 gravel sites.

Kaw River State Park TOPEKA

The park's 76 acres run along the Kansas River on the west side of Topeka. It's the only urban state park in Kansas.

QUICK VISIT Dirty Girl Adventures leads tours on the river. Paddle past towering cottonwoods, home to eagles and kingfishers.

OVERNIGHT The park is for day-use only. Once the sun sets, head downtown for brisket and baby back ribs at Iron Rail Brewing, then walk a few blocks and savor the luxe accommodations and amenities at Cyrus Hotel.

Perry State Park OZAWKIE

Perry's 2,500-acre lake is a paradise for wakeboarders, anglers and swimmers.

QUICK VISIT You'll have plenty to do on land, too, with 45 miles of hiking, biking and equestrian trails meandering through forests.

OVERNIGHT Rough it at the primitive campsite on Pelican Point, a small outcropping where you can fall asleep to water splashing against the shore.

Pomona State Park VASSAR

Grab the kiddos for a quick getaway to this well-shaded park with calm waters made for sunset cruises.

QUICK VISIT Get in a morning swim before spending the afternoon hurling your way through the disc golf course or hiking the park's four short trails.

OVERNIGHT Pomona's four modern cabins are ADA-accessible and include private bathrooms, heating and cooling.

Southeast

Crawford State Park FARLINGTON

Oak forests surround the 150-acre lake that the Civilian Conservation Corps built during the 1930s.

QUICK VISIT Explore two historical trails among the Ozarks landscape. The CCC Memorial Trail illustrates how the Corps built Lake Crawford, and the Spiderleg Bridge Trail reveals the ruins of a military outpost.

OVERNIGHT The Rocky Cove and Oak Point sites provide plenty of shade for campers, who can also snag some tasty home cooking at on-site Lake View Cafe.

Cross Timbers State Park TORONTO

In Verdigris River Valley, bursts of flora border Toronto Lake: prairie grass, hardwood forests and oak savannas.



FLINT HILLS TRAIL STATE PARK
Council Grove to Osawatimie



KAW RIVER STATE PARK
Topeka

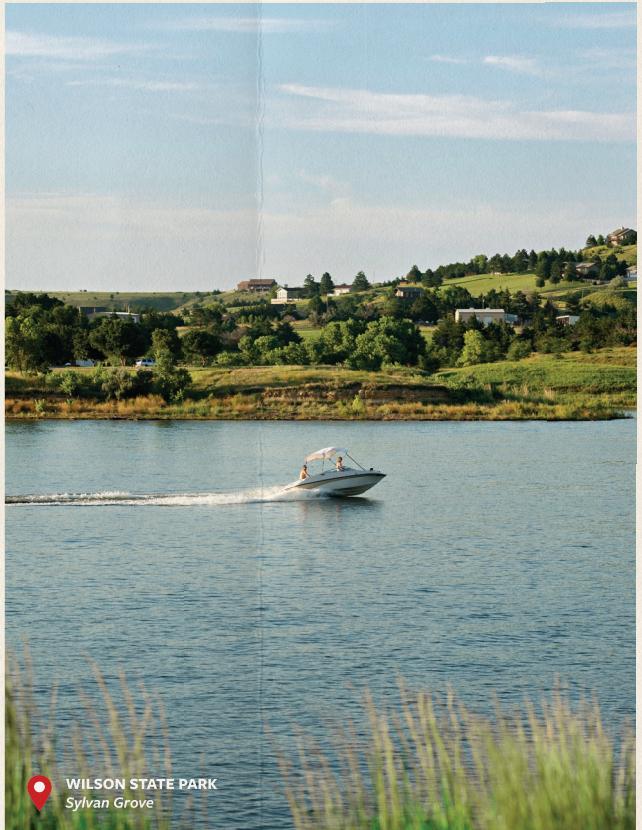
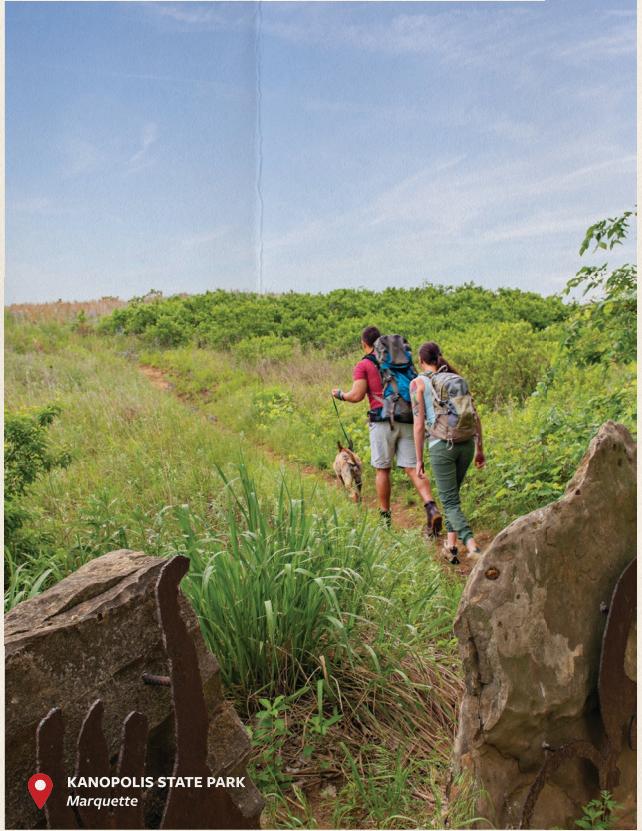
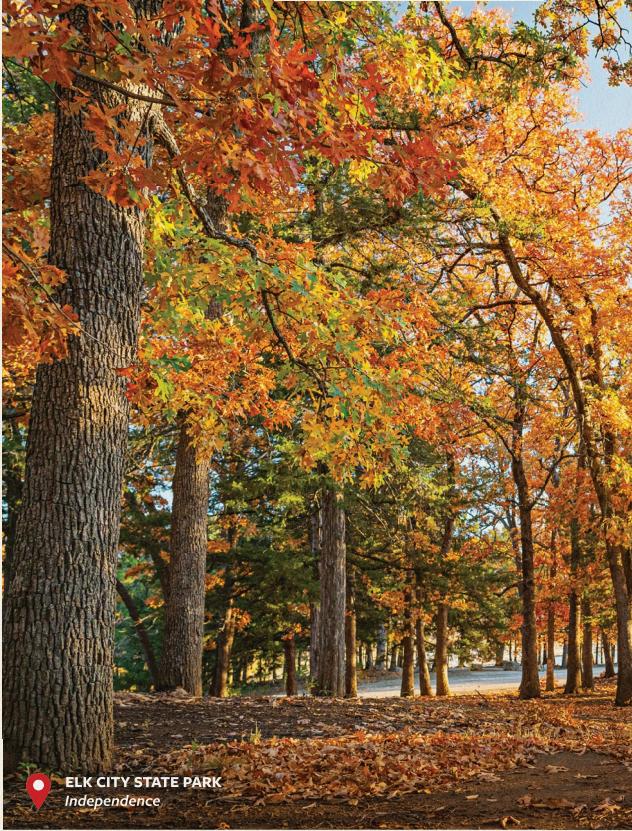


POMONA STATE PARK
Vassar



CROSS TIMBERS STATE PARK
Toronto

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QUICK VISIT The Chautauqua Hills and Overlook trails challenge even seasoned mountain bikers. On the Ancient Oak Trail, examine mighty trees that date to 1730.

OVERNIGHT Four modern cabins line the lakeshore, including the ADA-accessible Timber Walker cabin that houses up to six people. Or set up camp at one of 19 sites with full-utility hookups.

Elk City State Park INDEPENDENCE

Limestone bluffs loom over the north side of Elk City Reservoir, offering exceptional views of the water and bluestem prairie.

QUICK VISIT The Table Mound Hiking Trail begins atop the bluffs before descending through boulder fields and into a ravine. It also traverses three creeks.

OVERNIGHT Campers enjoy on-site basketball courts and a disc golf course. Children fish the kids-only pond while adults cast lines in the lake, where a record-setting, 123-pound catfish was caught.

Fall River State Park TORONTO

Dense forests, tallgrass prairie and blackjack savannas surround this off-the-beaten-path reservoir serving spectacular vistas, both by day and after dusk.

QUICK VISIT The ADA-accessible Overlook trail boasts one of the best views of the lake. On the water, canoe or kayak in the reservoir or along Fall River.

OVERNIGHT You'll find stellar stargazing outside your tent, RV or cabin. Don't miss the annual star party, featuring guided gazing with the Kansas Astronomical Observers each August.

Lehigh Portland State Park IOLA

This former cement plant opened as Kansas' newest state park in 2023 with some 14 miles of trails.

QUICK VISIT Wander or pedal singletrack through woodlands or crest the bluffs overlooking Lake Lehigh.

OVERNIGHT Peruse the gallery or attend a concert at Bowlus Fine Arts Center, then settle in at Experience the Lofts (two blocks away), where Victorian facades conceal six modern loft apartments and five suites.

Prairie Spirit Trail State Park IOLA TO OTTAWA

The 51-mile path is Kansas' original rails-to-trails park, passing through eight towns.

QUICK VISIT The Santa Fe Depot in Garnett marks the trail's halfway point. Grab shade and refill water bottles before setting off again.

OVERNIGHT After a hearty spread at Smoked Creations BBQ in Ottawa, kick back on the roomy patio or around the firepit at Maison de Joie, an Airbnb thoughtfully curated with local artwork.

North Central

Glen Elder State Park GLEN ELDER

Glen Elder Reservoir covers a mineral spring Native Americans called Waconda, or Great Spirit.

QUICK VISIT The Waconda Visitor and Education Center showcases Native American artifacts—drums, arrowheads and other items—and chronicles the history of the area's settlement with photographs.

OVERNIGHT The Cheyenne, Kanza, Kaw and Marina Cove campgrounds all offer ADA-accessible camping—providing perfect respites after a day of boating, fishing or archery.

Kanopolis State Park MARQUETTE

The first state park in Kansas boasts caves and canyons that make you feel like a star in your own Western film.

QUICK VISIT Wind through the 5.5-mile Horsethief Canyon trails that present water crossings and allow you to meander through canyons.

OVERNIGHT The Langley Point Area—which includes six modern cabins—sits on the shore of the Kanopolis Reservoir, allowing campers access to a boat ramp and swimming area.

Lovewell State Park WEBBER

Southern bluffs often block the wind, leaving calm waters for anyone looking to paddle or fish at Lovewell Reservoir.

QUICK VISIT Take advantage of the smooth water by renting a stand-up paddleboard or pedal boat from the marina.

OVERNIGHT As the sun sets, park at a picnic table with takeout pizza or sandwiches from Lovewell Marina and Grill.

Milford State Park MILFORD

The park is home to the state's largest lake—15,700-acre Milford Lake—which is frequented by bald eagles and waterfowl.

QUICK VISIT Crappie, white bass and largemouth bass fill Milford Lake. Learn about the park's swimming and roaming creatures at the Milford Nature Center.

OVERNIGHT Cozy up in a shoreline yurt at nearby Acorns Resort. The air-conditioned structures have decks overlooking the lake.

Mushroom Rock State Park MARQUETTE

The smallest state park in Kansas—only 5 acres—contains some truly curious geological formations.

QUICK VISIT The rocks (up to 27 feet in diameter) once served as landmarks for Native Americans and pioneers. They're leftovers from the Cretaceous Period.

OVERNIGHT Zoom to Marquette's Kansas Motorcycle Museum (home to rare and vintage bikes—including one linked to Elvis), then head 10 miles east to Lindsborg, where Dröm Sött Inn radiates cozy hospitality with Swedish pine accents and warm breakfast service.

Tuttle Creek State Park MANHATTAN

The park's 10,900-acre reservoir is an ideal place to catch blue and channel catfish in the Flint Hills.

QUICK VISIT Nature trails skirt around the campgrounds, snaking along the shore and revealing ample wildlife. The Cedar Ridge Trail's gentle grade and rest areas along its 0.7 miles make for an ideal family stroll.

OVERNIGHT Eleven modern cabins—which include air-conditioning and bathrooms—sit near Tuttle Creek Reservoir and Tuttle Creek River Pond, where avid anglers will find even more catfish and crappie.

Wilson State Park SYLVAN GROVE

Wilson Lake, regarded as the state's clearest lake, ripples beneath rusty-red, 30-foot-tall sandstone pillars.

PLOT YOUR PARK EXPLORATIONS ON THE KANSAS STATE MAP. (PAGES 2-3)

QUICK VISIT The Switchgrass Mountain Bike Trail's singletrack winds, dips and swerves for nearly 25 miles. It was the first Kansas biking trail rated EPIC by the International Mountain Bike Association.

OVERNIGHT The park's Hell Creek and Otoe areas feature waterfront campsites, some of them with cabins. Sample an international lineup of whiskeys at The Barn, Kansas Libations Club in nearby Wilson.

South Central

Cheney State Park
CHENEY

The windiest lake in the Lower 48? That would be right here, where breezy conditions beckon sailboat enthusiasts and windsurfers.

QUICK VISIT Part of the Spring Creek Wildlife Observation Trail spans over a stream and wetland. See if you can spy any pelicans, roadrunners or armadillos.

OVERNIGHT Five of the 12 cabins available to rent are ADA-accessible, and four can sleep eight or nine people across two bedrooms.

El Dorado State Park
EL DORADO

Kansas' largest state park sits just west of the Flint Hills, with 98 miles of shoreline.

QUICK VISIT Hike, bike or ride a horse on one of seven paths, including the paved, ADA-accessible Linear Trail that features a Dolly Parton Imagination Library Story Trail.

OVERNIGHT Choose from more than 700 campsites surrounding El Dorado Lake or book a stay in one of the 10 modern cabins. Their comfy beds await after a full day of exploring the shore.

Sand Hills State Park
HUTCHINSON

Winds blowing Rocky Mountains sediment formed these picturesque dunes that draw photographers and bird-watchers as well as everyday explorers.

QUICK VISIT Bring your binoculars and camera and then climb into one of the park's two wildlife observation blinds to spy geese, ducks, songbirds, muskrats and more.

OVERNIGHT Encircling a pond, the Sand Hills campground features 64 utility sites, 44 of which include water, sewer and electric hookups.

Northwest

Cedar Bluff State Park
ELLIS

More than 1,000 acres border the shores of Cedar Bluff Lake, where outdoor enthusiasts can Jet Ski, swim or fish for walleye beneath limestone cliffs.

QUICK VISIT Hike to the top of 150-foot-tall bluffs for a panoramic view of the reservoir as you explore the 6 miles of trails.

OVERNIGHT Reserve a modern cabin for your stay or rough it, pitching a tent in one of 12 campgrounds—most with vistas of the lake.

Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park
OAKLEY

An ancient ocean left behind these 100-foot-tall spires of Niobrara chalk that loom large over the prairie.

QUICK VISIT Spot ferruginous hawks while hiking the two trails (about 3 miles total) through the badlands and waving Great Plains buckwheat.

OVERNIGHT Stop at The Bluff in Oakley for Rocky Mountain oysters—a regional delicacy—before a stay at High Plains Hideaway. The modern Airbnb features floor-to-ceiling windows and a luxe bathroom.

Prairie Dog State Park
NORTON

Roughly 300 of the critters call it home, and you'll find their town (underground tunnels and burrows) a few steps into the park.

QUICK VISIT The 1.4-mile nature trail is worth a hike to see wildlife—geese, deer and other creatures. For a glimpse of frontier life, visit the 19th-century adobe home and a schoolhouse from the early 20th century.

OVERNIGHT The modern Prairie Dog and Eagle View cabins—equipped with full kitchens and bathrooms—overlook Keith Sebelius Reservoir. Campers looking to fish can set up on the public dock and boat ramp.

Webster State Park
STOCKTON

Golden and bald eagles swoop over Webster Lake in fall and winter. Also look for deer and turkeys wandering through wildflowers.

QUICK VISIT Explore the easy, 3-mile Coyote Trail loop or dink and lob on the park's pickleball courts.

OVERNIGHT Scope out a waterfront tent or RV site on the Rock Point Campground's peninsula, home to a boat ramp.

Southwest

Historic Lake Scott State Park
SCOTT CITY

Wooded canyons and craggy bluffs surround 100-acre Scott State Fishing Lake.

QUICK VISIT Discover the ruins of El Cuartelejo, the northernmost pueblo in the United States. Bluegill and bass abound in the lake.

OVERNIGHT The ADA-accessible Navajo and Taos cabins include kitchens with supplies for cooking and grilling lakeside meals.

Meade State Park
MEADE

The "Oasis on the Plains" is a worthy setting for excellent fishing and birding. Families enjoy the beachside swimming area and Wild Wood Playground.

QUICK VISIT Hike to the Meade Fish Hatchery before spending a sun-soaked afternoon with your line in Meade State Fishing Lake.

OVERNIGHT The lakeside campgrounds feature nearly 100 waterfront campsites (54 primitive and 42 with electric and water), where you can enjoy the day's catch of bass and catfish.



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 317 N Spruce St,
abilenekansas.org/murals
 Abilene kicks off America 250 with Kansas' first America 250 mural. Honoring America's founders and military, it's a downtown landmark for 2026 celebrations.

Abilene Cowboy Boots
 201 NW 2nd, (785) 263-2231,
abilenekansas.org
 Celebrating cowboy roots, this project pays homage to Drovers Boot Store from the 1870s. See a list of boots and locations at AbileneKansas.org/CowboyBoots.

Abilene Mural
 303 N Broadway St,
abilenekansas.org/murals
 Artist Whitney Kerr completed downtown's vintage postcard-inspired mural. Each letter depicts a part of Abilene's history.

Amanda's Bakery & Bistro
 302 N Broadway St, (785) 200-6622,
Find us on Facebook.
 Enjoy homemade bistro items, pastries, espresso and specialty teas. Gift shop. Open for breakfast and lunch Tue.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

American Bison Stamp Mural
 203 N Cedar St,
abilenekansas.org/murals
 The American bison is featured on this 6-cent stamp postmarked from Abilene and completed by local artist William Counter.

Big Spur
 1810 N Buckeye Ave, (785) 263-1800,
abilenekansas.org/CowboyArt
 At 28 feet high, the Big Spur stands on its ends to form an arch and weighs a ton. Located in front of Rittel's Western Wear.

Dickinson County Heritage Center
 412 S Campbell St, (785) 263-2681,
heritagecenterdk.com
 Ride a 1901 Parker Carousel with band organ. Tour the one-room school, blacksmith shop, cabin and store. Marvel at the vintage telephone museum.

Eisenhower Presidential Library, Museum & Boyhood Home
 200 SE Fourth St, (785) 263-6700,
eisenhowerlibrary.gov
 Learn about the five-star general and 34th president. Explore all-new museum exhibits, see rare artifacts, and hear Ike and Mamie's story in their own words.

Great Plains Theatre
 215 N Campbell St, (785) 263-4574,
greatplains theatre.com
 Celebrating 30-plus years of professional, live theater productions and family-friendly main stage performances.

Greyhound Hall of Fame
 407 S Buckeye Ave, (785) 263-3000,
greyhoundhalloffame.com
 Celebrate the world's fastest canine and learn about the racing industry. Two resident Greyhound dogs greet visitors. Admission is by donation.

I Like Ike Murals
 409 NW 3rd St,
abilenekansas.org/murals
 Completed 70 years after Ike's victory, these murals celebrate Ike's win in the 1952 presidential election. Ike earned 9 out of 10 votes cast in Abilene.

Ike Wins Mural
 401 N Buckeye Ave,
abilenekansas.org/murals
 This mural was completed on Nov. 5, 2022—70 years to the date that Ike's win made front page news in the *Abilene Reflector*.

Ike's 2.0
 100 NW 14th St, (785) 571-0790,
ikes20.toast.site
 An Eisenhower-themed restaurant featuring salads, sandwiches, dinners, steaks, a full bar and historic Eisenhower photos.

Iron Horse Trail
 500 S Campbell St
 The trail connects Abilene and Enterprise (5 miles) along the Abilene & Smoky Valley Railroad. Follow @IronHorseTrailKS on Facebook for updates.

Jeffcoat Photography Studio Museum
 321 N Broadway St, (785) 263-9882
 Explore three generations of photography. See exhibits of people and places of Abilene and displays on cameras.

Legacy Kansas: Munson's Prime & Brookville Hotel
 105 E Lafayette Ave, (785) 200-3973,
legacykansassabilene.com
 Two amazing restaurants in one great location. Featuring Munson's award-winning, dry-aged steaks and Brookville Hotel's world-famous fried chicken.

M & R Grill
 1720 N Buckeye Ave, (785) 263-9819,
mandrillabilene.com
 Appetizers, specialty sandwiches, salads, burgers, steaks, dinners, desserts and drink specials.

Midwest Creamery & Q
 102 N Buckeye Ave, (785) 571-0470,
Find us on Facebook.
 With homemade ice cream, snow cones and BBQ, we have flavors that make taste buds smile.

Old Abilene Town
 100 SE 5th St, (785) 571-7441,
oldabilenetown.org
 Relive the Wild West at the Alamo Saloon and General Store, and see gunfighters and can-can dancers. Open weekends from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

Rackets Tap House
 303 N Broadway St,
racketstaphouse.com
 In the historic Racket Store building, we offer Kansas beers and wines via self-service taps, charcuterie boards, games, a lounge, and outdoor seating.

Russell Stover Candies Factory Outlet
 1993 Caramel Blvd, (785) 263-0463,
russellstover.com
 Russell Stover, Whitman's and Pangburn's products, including sugar-free and Weight Watchers by Whitman's, plus ice cream.

Scooter's
 1406 N Buckeye Ave, (785) 576-9878
 This drive-through chain serves espresso and other coffee drinks, plus smoothies and pastries.

Seelye Mansion & Patent Medicine Museum
 1105 N Buckeye Ave, (785) 263-1084,
seelyemansion.org
 One of the 8 Wonders of Kansas, with original furniture, Edison light fixtures and a 1904 bowling alley. A must-see Georgian gem.

Sunflower Stamp Mural
 306 NW 3rd St,
abilenekansas.org/murals
 This stamp was issued in 1961 to celebrate Kansas' centennial and was completed by local artist William Counter.

The Abilene Cowboy
 1300 N Cedar St,
abilenekansas.org/CowboyArt
 Installed in 2020, it's one of a kind. It stands more than 15 feet tall and weighs more than a ton.

The Hickok Spirits & Eats
 311 N Spruce St, (785) 200-3930,
Find us on Facebook.
 A great downtown hangout. Open for lunch and dinner, serving barbecue sandwiches, salads, ribs, cocktails and more.

Train Mural
 207 NE 3rd St,
abilenekansas.org/murals
 Celebrating Abilene's days as a Chisholm Trail cow town, this mural depicts the railroad that carried hundreds of thousands of cattle to eastern markets.

Wild Bill Hickok Mural
 201 N Buckeye Ave,
abilenekansas.org/murals
 Paying respects to Abilene's famous former town marshal, this mural was completed in 2018 by local artist William Counter.

Wilkins Acres General Store
 2323 Fair Rd, (785) 263-1111,
Find us on Facebook.
 Your place for all things Kansas. Enjoy coffee and fresh pastries while shopping for products from more than 100 Kansas companies.

World's Largest Belt Buckle
 400 N Pine St, (785) 263-2231,
worldslargestbeltbuckle.com
 This can't-miss roadside attraction is nearly 14 feet tall and 20 feet wide (not including the frame). Climb the staircase to the top to take your photo.

World's Largest I Like Ike Button
 324 N Spruce St,
worldslargestikebutton.com
 This attraction celebrates the 34th president from the 34th state and one of the most iconic presidential campaign slogans of all time.

↑ NC
ALMA
Mill Creek Lodge At Volland Point
 34554 Old Hwy 10 Rd,
 (785) 765-3300,
millcreeklodgevollandpoint.com
 Enjoy guided range tours through the Flint Hills on a working cattle ranch. A perfect spot for fishing, hiking and biking. Schedule your tour today.

The Antique Emporium of Alma
 322 Missouri St, (785) 765-3332,
almaantiquetore.com
 This large downtown shop with multiple dealers is full of antiques and collectibles. Open Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

↑ NC
ALTA VISTA
Ag Heritage Park
 103 S Main St, (620) 767-2714,
agheritagepark.blogspot.com
 View a huge collection of memorabilia commemorating early agricultural life in rural America. Several events are hosted throughout the year.

EVENTS DINING SHOPPING ATTRACTIONS VISITOR INFORMATION WINERY / BREWERY / DISTILLERY

THINGS TO DO



ANTHONY

27th Annual Show & Shine Car Show

201 N Jennings Ave, (620) 842-3308
Featuring cars, trucks, trophies, prizes, music and food. 📅

28th Annual Sunflower Hot Air Balloon Festival

Anthony Airport & Anthony City, (620) 842-5456

Balloonists from around the country come to fill the skies with color and fun. Balloon rides, night glows, food vendors and more. 📅

Annual 4th of July Fireworks Celebration

Anthony Lake, (620) 842-5456, [Find us on Facebook](#).

A full-day celebration with music, food vendors, sand volleyball and a fireworks finale over the lake. 📅

Anthony Lake

Lake Shore Dr, (620) 842-5434, [anthonykansas.org](#)

A beautiful 153-acre lake with camping, boating, fishing, golf, trap shooting, archery, bird-watching, disc golf, kayaking, walking paths, a dog park and more. 📅

Harper County Community Development

201 N Jennings Ave, (620) 842-6041, [harpercountyks.gov/community](#)
Local dining, unique shops, festive events and outdoor wonders. 📅

Kansas Official 9/11 Memorial

700 W Main St, (620) 842-5434, [anthonykansas.org](#)

Honoring the patriots and victims lost on Sept. 11th. Visit the website or visit in person to sit, reflect and remember. 📅

Red Dragon Quilts

115 S Bluff Ave, (620) 914-2005, [reddragonquilts.com](#)

Your home for quilting, weaving, knitting and more. Longarm quilting services. Enjoy \$8 flat-rate shipping to anywhere in the U.S. 📅



ARCADIA

Cato Fall Tour

720 Ave & 200th St, (417) 825-2127, [catoschool.com](#)

Wagon ride tour; reenactments; music; schoolhouse presentations; and a feed of ham, beans and cornbread. See website for date. 📅

Cato Stone Schoolhouse National Historic Site

37 E Lake Rd Farlington, (417) 825-2127, [catoschool.com](#)

The site of a still-standing, 1869 one-room country school of native stone is an open-air museum. Includes log cabin and markers. 📅



ARKANSAS CITY

Visit Ark City

106 S Summit St, (620) 442-0230, [visitarkcity.org](#) 📅

Burford Theatre Arts

118 S Summit St, (620) 442-5895, [burfordtheatre.com](#)

Originally a vaudeville and silent movie spot, the 1924 venue reopened in 2016 with live concerts and events. The venue also hosts weddings. 📅

Chaplin Nature Center

27814 27th Dr, (620) 442-4133, [wichitaaudubon.org](#)

A 230-acre nature preserve along the Arkansas River. 📅

Cherokee Strip Land Rush Museum

31639 US-77, (620) 442-6750, [visitarkcity.org](#)

Founded in 1966 to honor those who participated in the Cherokee Strip Land Rush of Sept. 16, 1893. 📅

Etzanao: The Lost City

106 S Summit St, (620) 442-0230, [visitarkcity.org](#)

Rediscover the long-lost Native American city of Etzanao. Individual and group tours. 📅

Historical District of Arkansas City

106 S Summit St, (620) 442-0230, [visitarkcity.org](#)

A National Register Historic Commercial District since 1984, it boasts Italianate, Richardsonian Romanesque, Spanish Eclectic and Neoclassical designs. 📅

Land Rush Antique Mall

211 S Summit St, (620) 307-6009

The largest antique mall in Cowley County, with 85-plus vendors selling furniture, primitives, jewelry, vinyl, ephemera, books, hats, coins, military and Western items. 📅

Pumpkin Pants Ranch

27799 115th Rd, (620) 741-6477, [pumpkinpantsranch.com](#)

A pumpkin patch and corn maze. Enjoy the outdoors at this farm with lots of fall fun activities. 📅

Steamy Joe Cafe

216 W Central Ave, (620) 307-5798, [Find us on Facebook](#).

Community hub with craft beverages, artisan sandwiches, pastries and light breakfasts. ☒

The Sandbar

408 S Summit St, (620) 660-8265, [Find us on Facebook](#).

Voted Best Bar in Cowley County. A vibrant sports bar providing an energetic atmosphere, live music, trivia, paint and sip sessions, and other fun-filled events. ☒

Tuxedo Central/Snappy Chicks Boutique

111 S Summit St, (620) 660-1401, [snappychicksarkcity.com](#)

Experience the ultimate shopping destination for men and women. Shop the latest trends and find your perfect jeans, suits, fashionable snaps and gift sets. 📅

Wild Annie's Antique Boutique

218 S Summit St, (620) 660-9226

A full line of boutique items as well as more than 30 antiques vendors. Find turquoise jewelry, hand-poured candles and rusty gold. Open Tue.-Sat. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. 📅



ATCHISON

Visit Atchison

200 S 10th St, (913) 367-2427, [visitatchison.com](#) 📅

Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum

223 N Terrace St, (913) 367-4217, [ameliaeearhartmuseum.org](#)

Where world-renowned aviatrix Amelia Earhart was born and spent much of her childhood. 📅

Amelia Earhart Festival

200 S 10th St, (913) 367-2427

A yearly celebration on the 3rd weekend of July (July 16-18, 2026) honoring Earhart in her hometown with education, entertainment, kids activities and more. 📅

Amelia Earhart Hangar Museum

16701 286th Rd, (913) 372-0021, [ameliaeearhartmuseum.org](#)

Honoring Earhart's aviation legacy, with the world's last remaining Lockheed Electra 10-E (identical to Earhart's lost plane) and 14 interactive STEM exhibits. 📅

Evah C. Cray Historical Home Museum

805 N 5th St, (913) 367-3046, [evahcraymuseum.com](#)

A glorious example of opulence in the Victorian era, the home was built in 1882. Open for tours. 📅

Mount St. Scholastica

801 S 8th St, (913) 360-6200, [mountosb.org](#)

A guide walks guests through main halls and three chapels while giving a history of the monastery. Monastery tours take place Mon.-Sat. 2 p.m.-3 p.m. or by appt. 📅

Muddy River Music Festival

200 S 10th St, (913) 367-2427, [visitatchison.com](#)

On Sept. 12, 2026, enjoy a day with regional bands of all genres. 📅

Sallie House

200 S 10th St, [visitatchison.com](#)

Dare to enter the home where spirits lurk and shadows whisper. Visit by day or brave the night. Waivers are required for a reason. 📅

Taste Of Haunted Atchison

200 S 10th St, (913) 367-2427, [visitatchison.com](#)

A full weekend of events during the haunted season. Trolley tours, ghost hunts, haunted home tours, medium readings and more. 📅

Trinity Lutheran

200 S 10th St, (913) 367-2427, [trinityatchison.org](#)

Rooted in the rich heritage of the Lutheran Church. Built in 1866 and serves our neighbors in Christian love. Tours welcomed. 📅



ATWOOD

Rawlins County Economic Development

307 Grant St, (308) 660-3647, [rawlinscountyks.com](#) 📅

Rawlins County Historical Museum & Church

308 State St, (785) 626-3885, [Find us on Facebook](#).

See the mural painted by Rudolph Wendelin, illustrator of Smokey Bear. Don't miss the museum that depicts rural Kansas history and the 1904 historical church. 📅



BALDWIN CITY

Lumberyard Arts Center

718 High St, (785) 594-3186, [lumberyardartscenter.org](#)

This multidisciplinary arts center downtown provides rotating gallery shows, quilt exhibits, an arts boutique, and free visual and textile arts studio time. 📅



BAXTER SPRINGS

Baxter Springs Chamber of Commerce

1004 Military Ave, (620) 304-3431, [baxterspringsksc.com](#) 📅

Cowtown Days

1004 Military Ave, (620) 304-3431, [baxterspringsksc.com](#)

Enjoy Baxter Springs' biggest festival of the year May 1-2, 2026. Crafts, bands, food, hot dog eating contest, car show, 100-plus vendors, kids area, games and so much more. 📅

Lion Rojo Mexican Restaurant

1101 Military Ave, (620) 304-2061, [lionrojomexicanrestaurant.com](#)

Bringing a taste of home to Route 66 by blending our traditional Mexican cuisine with farm-fresh food and American delights. ☒

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BELLE PLAINE

Bartlett Arboretum
 201 N Line St, (620) 488-3451,
BartlettArboretum.com
 Stroll through a century-old tree canopy and botanical gardens at the historic arboretum. Visit our website for upcoming concerts and events. 📍

↑NC

BELLEVILLE

Belleville High Banks Hall of Fame & National Midget Auto Racing Museum
 1204 H St, (785) 527-2526, hbhof.com
 The museum honors 100-plus years of racing on the world's fastest ½-mile dirt track. Displays include race cars, photos, memorabilia and a gift shop. 📍

↑NC

BELOIT

Mitchell County Convention & Tourism
 102 S Mill St #7, (785) 534-7472,
discovermitchellcounty.com **i**

Chautauqua Park & Water Park

301 Chautauqua Dr, (785) 738-2270, beloitks.org
 At the bend of Solomon River, find a water park, RV park, tennis courts, picnic area, playground, disc golf, shelter houses, fishing area and walking bridge. 📍

Chautauqua Park Disc Golf Course

1723 N Hersey Ave, (785) 738-2270, beloitks.org
 The 18-hole disc golf course winds around the curves of the Solomon River and crosses the river via a wooden walking bridge. The course was updated in 2021. 📍

Liberty Bell at Presbyterian Church

321 E Main St, (785) 738-3091, mitchellcountykstourism.com
 Historic replica of Liberty Bell in an 1878 native limestone church. Rings regularly. Tours by appt. 📍

Little Red Schoolhouse

2044 US-24, (785) 534-7472, beloitks.org
 Restored 1942 one-room schoolhouse in a small park with picnic tables and a shelter house. Easy access on US-24, located across from eateries. Access to inside by appt. 📍

Mitchell County Courthouse

111 S Hersey Ave, (785) 738-3652, mitchellcountykansas.com
 A 1901 Richardsonian Romanesque design. Pitch-faced limestone, four-faces Seth Thomas clock, fireplaces, marble tiles. On National Register of Historic Places. 📍

Mitchell County Museum Annex

1945 N Independence Ave, (785) 738-5355, Find us on Facebook
 The display and meeting room building for Mitchell County Museum. Open Mon., Tue., Thurs. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. or by appt. 📍

Murals of Mitchell County

102 S Mill St #2, (785) 738-3000
 A tour of 15 creative murals in six communities around the county. More are added each year. 📍

St. John's Catholic Church

701 E Court St, (785) 738-2851, stjohnsbeloit.org
 Romanesque-Gothic architecture, stone ceilings and flying buttresses built around previous church from 1900 to 1904. On the National Register of Historic Places. 📍

Solomon River Trail

424 Elliott St, (785) 738-2270, beloitks.org
 The multiuse, 1.5-mile trail for walking, running and biking winds around the river and trees, offering beautiful views. 📍

↑NC

BENNINGTON

City of Bennington
 121 N Nelson St, (785) 407-0532, chooseottawacounty.com **i**

↔NW

BIRD CITY

Threshers Museum
 1375 Co Rd 29, (785) 734-2291, threshershow.org
 Explore a museum showcasing rare farming equipment and life on the Kansas high plains. Plan for a full day of discovery. Our buildings are full of treasures. 📍

↔NW

BLAKEMAN

Grass Roots Farms Pumpkin Patch
 16590 Rd R50, (785) 626-3921, grassrootsfarmsks.com
 Enjoy 27 acres of fall entertainment, food and shopping. Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on weekends. Weekly events, with accommodations for large groups and field trips. 📍

↑NC

BLUE RAPIDS

Blue Rapids Chamber of Commerce
 04 Public Square, (785) 363-7736, bluerapids.org **i**

Alcove Spring

1834 E River Rd, (785) 363-7612, marshallcooks.com
 A significant site along the Oregon Trail. Donner-Reed Party campsite, wagon swales, hiking and biking trails, and Independence Crossing on the Big Blue River. 📍

Blue Rapids Historical Museum

36 Public Square, (785) 713-9733, bluerapidsmuseum.com
 Capturing the history of Blue Rapids. Exhibits change frequently. Open Thur. 1-5 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-12 p.m. or by appt. 📍

Blue Rapids Public Library

14 Public Square, (785) 363-7709, bluerapids.lib.nckls.org
 On the National Register of Historic Buildings, it was built in 1875 for a library. Genealogy, plus kid and adult programs offered. 📍

Fire & Ice

604 Genesee St, (785) 629-0106
 In summer, find our food trailer at local events. Features spicy chicken sandwiches and slushies. ✂️

Historic Baseball Site

305 W 5th St, (785) 363-7612, marshallcooks.com
 The Chicago White Sox and New York Giants came to town in 1913 with legends like Jim Thorpe and John McGraw. The field they played on is still in use as a ball field. 📍

Holm Cabin

Public Square, (785) 268-0577, bluerapids.org
 Swedish-built, hand-hewn, two-room cabins built in 1876. Open Mon.-Sat., April-Oct. or by appt. 📍

Ice Age Monument

Public Square, (785) 713-9733, marshallcooks.com
 Unique monument to the ice age glaciers, animals and the oldest rocks in Kansas. Features information kiosks, sound and evening lighting. Open 24/7. 📍

Milly's

414 Main St, (785) 713-0472, Find us on Facebook
 Homemade sandwiches and sides, hand-dipped ice cream, and coffee. Specials on Tue. and Thurs. Open Mon.-Sat. 6 a.m.-9 p.m. ✂️

Riverside Market & Flowers

203 W 5th St, (785) 363-7300, bluerapidsflowershop.com
 Fresh, quality foods, including sandwiches, soups, salads and baked goods. Fresh grocery items, flowers, plants and gifts. 📍

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BONNER SPRINGS

Bonner Springs Tourism
 200 E 3rd St, (913) 667-1719, bonnersprings.org **i**

Bonner Springs Aquatic Park

1200 S 134th St, (913) 422-7011, bonnersprings.org
 Waterslides, diving boards, lap pool, zero-depth entry, climbing wall and more. Open daily, Memorial Day weekend to mid-Aug. \$5 admission. 📍

Cedar Ridge Disc Golf Course

1200 S 134th St, bonnersprings.org
 An 18-hole course at North Park. It's open to the public year-round and described as a very technical, heavily wooded course. 📍

Downtown Bonner Springs

126 Cedar St, (913) 667-1703, Find us on Facebook
 Explore, experience and enjoy the unique shops and locally owned restaurants of downtown, where you'll enjoy shopping and small-town service. 📍

Kansas City Renaissance Festival

633 N 130th St, (913) 721-2110, kcrenfest.com
 Travel back in time and partake in a Kansas City tradition since 1977. Nonstop entertainment for all ages. Open Labor Day weekend to mid-Oct. 📍

Kinfolk Creative

304 Oak St, (913) 543-6082, kinfolkcreated.com
 A Midwest apparel line rooted in Kansas history. Visit their Kansas Adventure HQ and plan your next Free State adventure. 📍

Moon Marble Company

600 E Front St, (913) 441-1432, moonmarble.com
 The unique store features handmade art glass marbles, marbles for play and collecting, and specialty toys and games. Marble-making demonstrations on-site. (Call ahead.) 📍

National Agricultural Center & Hall of Fame

630 N 126th St, (913) 721-1075, aghalloffame.com
 See the National Farmers Memorial and Museum of Farming. Farm Town features a one-room school, blacksmith shop, depot, icehouse and more. 📍

Olde Mill Properties

611 W 2nd St, oldemillproperties.com
 Home to the Fuel House, Ten & Two Coffee, Outfield Beer Co., Quentin's BBQ & Sides, Grip N Rip Indoor Golf, and Olde Mill Ice Cream. 📍

Sunflower Hills Golf Course

12200 Riverview St, (913) 573-8570, sunflowerhillsgolfcourse.com
 Sharpen your skills at one of the most challenging 18-hole golf courses in the KC metro. Spacious fairways and affordable prices. 📍

Wyandotte County Historical Museum

631 N 126th St, (913) 573-5002, wycokck.org
 History buffs and visitors alike enjoy the rich heritage Wyandotte County has to offer. 📍

EVENTS ✂️ DINING 📍 SHOPPING 📍 ATTRACTIONS 📍 VISITOR INFORMATION 📍 WINERY / BREWERY / DISTILLERY

THINGS TO DO

↑NE

BURLINGAME

Burlingame Chamber of Commerce
PO Box 102, (785) 654-2414,
burlingamekschamber.com **i**

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BURLINGTON

Coffey County Chamber of Commerce
305A Neosho St, (620) 490-0701,
coffeycochamber.com **i**

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BURNS

Walters' Pumpkin Patch
10001 NW US-77, (316) 320-4150,
thewaltersfarm.com
Where fall begins. Open Sept. 20-
Oct. 31. on Wed.-Sun. from 10 a.m.-
7 p.m. Harvest great memories. **📅**

↑NC

BURR OAK

Jewell County Community
Development
(785) 378-7036,
jewellcountykansas.com **i**

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CALDWELL

Caldwell Chamber of
Commerce
18 N Boyd St, (620) 845-5682,
caldwellkansas.com **i**

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CANTON

Maxwell Wildlife Refuge &
Bison Tour
2565 Pueblo Rd, (620) 654-7230,
maxwellwildliferefuge.com
Enjoy a tram ride to view over
2,800 acres of prairie habitat,
including buffalo, elk, other wild
game, birds and flowers. Visitor
Center and shopping. **📅**

↓SC

CASSODAY

Romney Farms, LLC
7261 NE 140th St, (316) 621-0128,
romneyfarms.com
We bring fresh foods to our
community so we can all get back
around the table. From our farm to
your table, just as it ought to be. **📅**

↑NC

CAWKER CITY

Hesperian Historical
Museum
7th St & Lake Dr, (785) 781-4961,
mitchellcountystourism.com
The museum, "The Old Library,"
is on the National Register. First
building built by a Woman's Club in
Kansas. G.W. Chapman geological
collection. Open by appt. **📅**

Oldest Church Pipe Organ in Kansas

608 Lake Dr, (785) 781-4961,
1886pilcher.weebly.com
Built in 1886 by Pilcher's Sons of
Louisville, the organ is played at
United Methodist Church at Sun.
services. Also view by appt. **📅**

World's Largest Ball of Twine

[Wisconsin St/US-24](http://WisconsinSt/US-24), (785) 781-4470,
cawkercitykansas.com
The twine ball weighs over
17,320 pounds and has a 40-foot
circumference. Owned by Cawker
City Community Club. Frank
Stoeber started the ball in 1953.
Join the August Twine-a-Thon. **📅**

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CHANUTE

Chanute Area Chamber
of Commerce & Office of
Tourism
21 N Lincoln Ave, (620) 431-3350,
chanutechamber.com **i**

Artist Alley Festival

110 E Main St, (620) 431-0056,
chanutemainstreet.com
An annual arts and crafts
festival held the last Sat. in Sept.
Downtown vendors, food booths,
train rides, music, pancake feed,
book sale and more. **📅**

Cardinal Drug Store & Gifts

103 E Main St, (620) 431-9150,
cardinaldrugstore.com
Old-fashioned soda fountain
with homemade fudge, sandwich
lunches, gifts, cards, baby items,
jewelry and more. Full-service
pharmacy. Open Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-
6 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m.-12 p.m. **📅**

Chanute Art Gallery

17 N Lincoln Ave, (620) 431-7807,
chanutechamber.com
Houses a permanent collection
of more than 600 works of art.
Exhibits change monthly, with Quilt
Month in Oct. Artist receptions.
Open Tue.-Sat. 12-4 p.m. **📅**

Chanute Bit & Spur Saddle Club Rodeo

2730 S Katy Rd, (620) 212-2794,
chanutesaddleclub.org
Two nights of rodeo, including
bull riding, barrel racing and
entertainment. Held annually
on the last weekend in Sept.
Admission and entry fees. **📅**

Chanute Historical Museum

0 E Elm St
Operated by the Chanute Historical
Society. Exhibits on Chanute history,
the railroad, aviation and sports.
Open weekends and by appt. **📅**

Chanute Veterans Memorial

3401 S Santa Fe, chanutepost170.org
A project of Chanute American
Legion Post 170 and American
Legion Riders. Laser-etched granite
wall depicts U.S. conflicts. **📅**

Chanute-Wright Brothers Memorial

5 W Main, (620) 431-3350,
chanutechamber.com
The sculpture honors the Wright
Brothers, and engineer and city
namesake Octave Chanute, mentor
to the Wrights. Sculpture and
cutouts move with the wind. **📅**

Howard's Toys for Big Boys

216 E Main, (620) 902-5100,
chanutechamber.com
Classic cars and other automotive
memorabilia. Open Mon.-Thurs. 9
a.m.-4 p.m.; Fri. 1-4 p.m. Weekends
and other times by appt. **📅**

Lakeview Recreation Area

208 W 35th Pkwy, (620) 431-4199,
chanuteks.myrec.com
Features an outdoor fitness area,
play pods and 2-plus miles of
walking trails. **📅**

Maring Aquatic Center

400 S Highland Ave, (620) 431-5237,
chanute.org
Lazy river, children's play area, slide
and competition pool. Party room
for rent. Refreshments on-site. **📅**

Martin & Osa Johnson Safari Museum

111 N Lincoln Ave, (620) 431-2730,
safari-museum.com
The Johnsons were the first to film
and photograph in Africa, the South
Seas and Borneo. Also houses
Elizabeth Main LeBlond's photo
collection from the late 1800s. **📅**

Stone Creek Golf Course

511 S Country Club Rd,
(620) 432-8056, chanute.org
A public par-71 golf course with
bentgrass greens and Bermuda on
the tees and fairways. Four sets of
tees for men, women and juniors.
Restaurant on-site. **📅**

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CHENEY

Cheney State Park
16000 NE 50th St, (316) 542-3664,
ksoutdoors.com
Ideal for sailors and windsurfers.
Nature trails and wheelchair-
accessible fishing. Rent a cabin,
pack a tent or bring the RV. **📅**

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CHERRYVALE

Cherryvale Chamber of
Commerce
PO Box 112, (620) 205-9808,
cherryvaleusa.com **i**

Cherryvale Museum

322 E Main, (620) 336-2241,
Find us on Facebook.
See 1870s history come alive as
you explore the Bender replica
cabin and view artifacts. Learn
Cherryvale's history of oil and gas,
the railroad, bricks, and glass. **📅**

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CLAY CENTER

Explore Clay County
517 Court St, (785) 632-5674,
claycokansas.com **i**

A Mural Movement

517 Court St, claycokansas.com
Enjoy a self-guided mural tour
through downtown. Come
experience more than 20 diverse
murals, from abstract paintings to
realistic scenes. Worth the trip. **📅**

Happy Hippie Studios

811 5th St, (785) 777-2636,
happyhippiestudios.org
Yoga classes, a health bar,
esthetician services, massage
therapy and sauna treatments.
Come in, unwind and feel good
about you. **📅**

Public Utilities Zoo & Park

4th & Pomeroy, (785) 632-2137,
cityofclaycenter.com
A free zoo with numerous exhibits.
Come enjoy animals, a playground,
a fountain, gazebos, picnic areas,
limestone architecture, a pond,
walking trails and more. **📅**

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COLBY

Colby Visitor's Center
2015 S Range Ave, (785) 460-0076,
oasisontheplains.com **i**

B-Hive

170 W 4th St, (785) 460-8813
This local bar serves old-fashioned
burgers and sandwiches with
yummy, fried sides. Pool table,
shuffleboard, darts and more. **✕**

Barnwood & Bling

148 S Adams Ave, (785) 443-0415,
m-arrowranchco.com/barnwood-bling
Western-style clothing with bling.
Purses, jewelry, home decor,
backpacks and so much more. **📅**

Brewing Up Words

435 N Franklin Ave, (785) 405-0369
A unique spot where coffee,
tea and books blend perfectly.
Offering a wide selection of books,
toys and games that spark both
curiosity and conversation. **📅**

City Limits Bar & Grill

2227 S Range Ave, (785) 462-6565
A modern, rustic gathering spot
with a bar offering cocktails and
classic American fare. As a local
favorite, they serve tender steak
and delicious daily specials. **✕**

Colby Aquatic Park

1610 S Franklin Ave, (785) 460-4429,
cityofcolby.com
Enjoy a leisure pool with a lazy
river, zero-depth entry, floatable
walk area, family slide, speed slide,
flume slide and water slide. **📅**

Colby Cinema

1935 S Range Ave. (785) 460-9600, colbycinema.com
Enjoy the latest blockbusters on the big screen or test skills in the arcade. Perfect for a family outing or a night of entertainment. 📺

Cooper Barn

1905 S Franklin Ave. (785) 460-4590, prairiemuseum.org
Named one of the 8 Wonders of Kansas Architecture in 2008, it's the largest barn in Kansas. 📺

El Dos de Oros

1921 S Range Ave. (785) 460-5816, eldosdeoros.t2-food.com
Authentic Mexican cuisine with bold, flavorful dishes like sizzling fajitas, enchiladas and tacos, plus refreshing margaritas. ✕

Fike Park

8th & Franklin Ave. (785) 460-7643
Scenic walking trails, picnic areas and playgrounds. Capture photos with the replica Statue of Liberty, a vibrant mural and tree carvings throughout the park. 📺

Goulosh

470 N Franklin Ave. (785) 460-9488
A Christian store offering Bibles, study kits and inspiring Christian clothing. Find meaningful items that lift spirits while traveling I-70. 📺

Grain Bin Mural

135 N Franklin Ave. (785) 460-7643
In the heart of downtown, this vibrant mural celebrates Colby's agricultural roots and adds a colorful touch to the downtown landscape. 📺

Healing Hub

355 N Franklin Ave. nicholeolsen.com
A haven for holistic wellness. Offering Reiki sessions, energy healing and spiritual guidance, it's the perfect stop to rejuvenate your mind, body and spirit. 📺

J & B Meat Market

1615 W 4th St. (785) 460-0414
A family-owned butcher shop and deli offering hand-cut USDA choice steaks, sandwich specials and soft-serve ice cream. ✕

La Loteria Mexican Store

445 N Franklin Ave. (785) 460-0005, mittiendamexicana.com
Visit the Mexican ice cream parlor, authentic dishes from the in-store restaurant, Mexican ingredients and party supplies (piñatas). 📺

Maevius & Magpie

1005 E 4th St. (785) 460-0100
A charming boutique offering rustic farmhouse and primitive home decor. Explore unique treasures to adorn your home and enjoy a one-of-a-kind experience. 📺

Nesting

400 N Franklin Ave. (785) 460-6378, shopnesting.com
This shop for young moms and new parents specializes in stylish and comfy baby, maternity and women's apparel and accessories. 📺

Oasis Travel Center

700 Horton Ave. (785) 460-0044
Fuel, convenience store, EV charging stations and restrooms. Also Qdoba, City Wok, Starbucks and Simple Simon's Pizza. ✕

Prairie Museum of Art & History

1905 S Franklin Ave. (785) 460-4590, prairiemuseum.org
Home to the world-class Kuska Collection, the largest barn in Kansas (Cooper Barn), and structures and items depicting Thomas County history. 📺

Purdy Petals

185 E 4th St. (785) 460-9492, purdypetalsks.com
A charming shop offering fresh bouquets, custom arrangements and gifts for every occasion, plus home decor and seasonal gifts. 📺

Quilt Cabin

1525 S Range Ave. (785) 462-3375
A haven for quilting enthusiasts. Offering nearly 6,000 bolts of quality fabrics, patterns, Janome sewing machines and supplies alongside expert advice. 📺

Spirit of the Prairie Statue

300 N Court Ave. (785) 460-4500, colbychamber.com
A breathtaking bronze sculpture honoring the strength and resilience of pioneer mothers. 📺

Thomas County Courthouse

300 N Court Ave. (785) 460-4500, colbychamber.com
Built in 1906, the courthouse on National Register of Historic Places, showcases early 20th-century architecture and local history. 📺

Twisters Bar & Grill

735 E College Dr. (785) 460-7888
Delicious burgers, wings and comfort food in a friendly atmosphere with great drinks, service and live entertainment. ✕

Villa High Park

1116 Terrace Dr. cityofcolby.com
Created in the 1960s, the 20-acre park includes playground equipment, picnic shelters, disc golf, a trail and a fishing lake. 📺

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COLUMBUS

Columbus Chamber of Commerce
320 E Maple St. (620) 429-1492, chamberofcolumbus.com 📺

Columbus Day Festival/

Hot Air Balloon Regatta
320 E Maple St. (620) 429-1492, columbusdayballoons.com
Activities for all ages during the day. Hot-air balloon glow and lightoffs (weather permitting). 📺

Mined Land Wildlife Area

7545 NW Bellevue Rd. (620) 429-1492, ksoutdoors.gov
Fish in 150 pits stocked with trout and other fish. Hunt for white-tailed deer and wild turkey in season. 📺

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CONCORDIA

Cloud County Tourism
130 E 6th St. (785) 243-4303, cloudcountytourism.com 📺

Broadway Plaza

600 Broadway St. (785) 243-2010, broadwayplazaconcordia.com
An outdoor venue with a stage, LED screen, splash pad, restrooms, concessions, and seating for concerts, festivals and more. 📺

Brown Grand Theatre

310 W 6th St. (785) 243-2553, browningrand.org
The 1907 French Renaissance theater is a 534-seat venue with eight box seats, two balconies and a Napoleon drop curtain. 📺

Cloud County Historical Society Museum

635 Broadway St. (785) 243-2866, cloudcountytourism.com
In a former Carnegie Library, see a Lincoln-Page biplane, sweet shop, iron lung, Marion Ellet, Boston Corbett and bank robbery exhibits. 📺

Frank Carlson Library

702 Broadway St. (785) 243-2250
Named for Sen. Frank Carlson, it includes a room dedicated to his political career with custom stained glass and artifacts. 📺

National Orphan Train Complex

300 Washington St. (785) 243-4471, orphantraindepot.org
The Orphan Train Movement (1854-1929) placed out over 250,000 orphaned children in 48 states. Includes a restored train car. 📺

Nazareth Convent

13th & Washington St. (785) 243-2113, csjkansas.org
Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse built in 1902. Five stories of grand architecture, stained glass, artwork and a gift shop. Tours by appt. Mon.-Fri. 2-4 p.m. 📺

Statue Stroll

300 Washington St. (785) 243-4471, orphantraindepot.org
Take the Orphan Train Statue Stroll throughout downtown and Cloud County. The 50-plus bronze statues of children tell the stories of Orphan Train riders. Open 24/7. 📺

Whole Wall Mural

130 E 6th St. (785) 243-4303, cloudcountytourism.com
Largest sculpted brick mural in the U.S. The 140-foot-long brick wall, made of 6,400 hand-carved bricks, tells the story of the county. 📺

WWII German POW Camp Museum

1550 Union Rd. (785) 243-4303, pwcampconcordia.org
The camp housed 4,000-plus German prisoners during WWII, and five original structures remain. Exhibits and museum on-site. Tours by appt. May-Oct. 📺

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COTTONWOOD FALLS

Chase County Chamber of Commerce
318 Broadway St. (620) 273-8469, heartoftheflinthills.com 📺

A Chase County Country Christmas

Countywide. (620) 273-8469, heartoftheflinthills.com
Held annually the Fri. and Sat. after Thanksgiving, this county-wide event includes a parade, silent auction and open houses. 📺

Chase County Courthouse

300 Pearl St. (620) 273-8469
Built 1872-1873, this French Renaissance native limestone building is the oldest working courthouse in Kansas. Guided and self-guided tours available. 📺

Emma Chase Friday Night Music

220 1/2 Broadway St. (620) 273-6003, prairiepasttimes.org
The public is welcome to jam sessions and open mics for local and visiting musicians. Held the first, third and fifth Fridays of each month from 7:30-9:30 p.m. 📺

Prairie PastTimes

220 1/2 Broadway St. (620) 273-6003, prairiepasttimes.org
Featuring more than 40 artists and Flint Hills-themed art: glass, woodwork, photography, furniture, textiles, paintings, ceramics, wearables, jewelry and more. 📺

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COUNCIL GROVE

Destination: Council Grove
512 E Main St. (620) 767-5413, councilgrove.com 📺

Kaw Mission & Last Chance Store Museums on the Santa Fe Trail

500 N Mission St. (620) 307-2754, kansashistory.gov/kaw_mission
On the Santa Fe Trail, the mission was home and school to 30 Kaw boys in the 1850s. Find more on the crossroads of cultures here and at the Last Chance Store. 📺

EVENTS ✕ DINING 📺 SHOPPING 📺 ATTRACTIONS 📺 VISITOR INFORMATION 📺 WINERY / BREWERY / DISTILLERY

THINGS TO DO

Trail Days Arts & History Center

803 W Main St, (620) 767-7986, traildayscafeandmuseum.org
A unique spot for travelers to the Flint Hills and along the Santa Fe Trail, with performing arts and artifacts of the Flint Hills.

Trail Days Cafe & Museum

803 W Main St, (620) 767-7986, traildayscafeandmuseum.org
Be transported back in time when homes along the Santa Fe Trail served as eating places. Enjoy made-from-scratch foods.

Trail Days Historic Site

803 W Main St, (620) 767-7986, traildayscafeandmuseum.org
This Santa Fe Trail site features the 1861 Rawlinson-Terwilliger stone home, 1858 log house, 1902 schoolhouse, 1930 cabin, 1943 cabin and 1947 grocery.

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COURTLAND

Irrigation Ales

414 Main St, irrigationales.com
Offering handcrafted beers, plus Kansas wines, cider, kombucha and snacks. Near Lovewell Lake and the Republican River.

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DAMAR

St. Joseph's Church

107 N Oak St, (785) 839-4343, damarkansas.com
National Register of Historic Places. The limestone Romanesque construction was finished in 1917.

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DELPHOS

City of Delphos

112 N Main St, (785) 407-0532, chooseottawacounty.com

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DERBY

Decarsky Dog Park

1600 Line Dr, (316) 788-0301, derbyks.gov
Agility course, two yards, a dog pond with a dock, water bubblers, a washing station and benches. Open daily, sunrise to sunset.

Derby Historical Museum

710 E Market St, (316) 788-9003, derbykshistorymuseum.org
Featuring 16 rooms full of artifacts and displays highlighting Derby and Kansas history. Open Sat. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. from April-Oct. Free.

Derby Skate Park

424 E Market St, (316) 788-0301, derbyks.gov
Features a half-pipe, stairs, rails, a four-foot-deep bowl and other street skating elements. Designed by California Skate Parks.

Field Station: Dinosaurs

2999 N Rock Rd, (855) 833-3466, kansasdinos.com
Create memories with a prehistoric experience with over 40 true-to-size dinosaurs, original live shows, 18 holes of mini golf and more.

High Park

2801 E James St, (316) 788-0301, derbyks.gov
More than 2 miles of hiking and biking paths, sand volleyball, shelters, playgrounds, baseball and softball fields, and a fishing lake.

Madison Avenue Central Park

512 E Madison Ave, (316) 788-0301, derbyks.gov
Offers two event venues, an all-access playground and splash pad, an amphitheater, and a ½-mile path for hiking and biking.

Rock River Rapids

1900 E James St, (316) 788-3363, rockriverrapids.com
Play structures, a lazy river, four waterslides, a lap pool and concessions. Open all summer from 12:30-7 p.m.

Stone Creek Disc Golf Park

2819 N Woodlawn Blvd, (316) 788-0301, derbyks.gov
An 18-hole wooded course that's fun for all ages and skill levels.

Warren Riverview Park

321 W Market St, (316) 788-0301, derbyks.gov
On the banks of the Arkansas River. Features a kayak/canoe access point, event space, picnic area and ropes course playground.

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DODGE CITY

Dodge City Visitor Center
400 W Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 225-8186, visitdodgecity.org

2nd Avenue Art Guild & Gallery

608 N 2nd Ave, (620) 255-1447, 2ndaveartguild.com
Original artwork by Dodge City and regional artists in ceramics, sculpture, glass, photography, pastels, acrylic, oil, wood, drawings, jewelry and more.

Amtrak Station

101 E Wyatt Earp Blvd, amtrak.com
Dodge City welcomes Amtrak passengers twice daily on the *Southwest Chief* route between Chicago and Los Angeles.

Boot Hill Antiques

509 N 2nd Ave, (620) 255-4263
With over 10,000 square feet of display area, this seven-time winner of Dodge City's Best of the Best award will wow you with its wide array of vintage items.

Boot Hill Casino & Resort

4000 W Comanche Ave, (620) 682-7777, boothillcasino.com
Have fun in historic Dodge City. Play slots and table games, and bet at our sportsbook.

Boot Hill Distillery

501 W Spruce St, (620) 371-6309, boothilldistillery.com
Kansas' only soil-to-sip distillery proudly distills spirits from grain grown on the owner's family farm. Enjoy tours, tastings, cocktails and special events.

Boot Hill Museum

500 W Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 227-8188, boothill.org
A world-class Old West history museum situated on the site of Boot Hill Cemetery. Open all year, with special entertainment in the summer.

Carnegie Center for the Arts

701 N 2nd Ave, (620) 225-6388, carnegieartsdodgecity.com
New exhibits monthly. Library history and monthly paint classes. Venue available for small weddings, showers and meetings. Final Fridays 5:30-7 p.m.

Central Station Bar & Grill

207 E Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 225-1176, centralstationdc.net
Best mesquite grill in town. A unique dining experience in a railroad-themed restaurant with railroad memorabilia. Voted best steakhouse for seven years.

Chilton Park Disc Golf

1100 W Comanche St & Manor Dr, (620) 225-8100, dodgecity.org
An 18-hole disc golf course located in picturesque Chilton Park and Spiers Park.

Christmas in Dodge City

400 W Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 225-8186, visitdodgecity.org
This celebration kicks off the Mon. after Thanksgiving with the annual Parade of Lights and continues all month long with fun events.

Depot Theater

201 E Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 225-1001, depottheater.com
Where the footlights meet the rails. Experience this beautifully renovated historical theater with comedies, dramas, musicals and special events.

Dodge City Brewing

701 3rd Ave, (620) 371-3999, findusonfacebook.com
Located downtown, it was the first brewery in Southwest Kansas. Home of 1872 Lager (a classic American pilsner) and New York-style pizza. Drink local beer.

Dodge City Days

PO Box 939, (620) 227-3119, dodgecitydays.org
Celebrate Western heritage during the annual 10-day festival held the last weekend of July through the first weekend of Aug.

Dodge City Public Transportation

101 E Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 371-3879, dodgecity.org
Call our local office for information on transportation for the duration of your stay in Dodge City.

Dodge City Raceway Park

11322 110 Rd, (620) 225-3277, racedcrp.com
The premier Kansas dirt track. Featuring auto racing, monster trucks and more. Affordable family fun from April-Oct.

Dodge City Regional Airport

100 Airport Rd, (620) 225-8170, dodgecity.org/60/airport
Daily jet service with good fares to and from Denver International Airport. Rental cars available.

Dodge City Roundup Rodeo Arena

608 S 14th, (620) 225-2244, dodgecityroundup.org
Hosts events throughout the year, including rodeos, horse shows and roping. Xtreme Bulls and PRCA Rodeo in late July/early Aug.

Dodge City Trail of Fame

400 W Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 561-1925
Marked by medallions and bronze sculptures, and dedicated to famous residents, the trail winds through Old Dodge City.

Firesides at Boot Hill Casino & Resort

4000 W Comanche Ave, (620) 682-7777, boothillcasino.com
Enjoy a drink at the bar or order an evening meal in a welcoming atmosphere.

Founders Day Weekend

400 W Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 225-8186, visitdodgecity.org
Honor the city's founders June 12-14, with free concerts in the park, the Hoover Day Celebration and an old-fashioned ice cream social.

Historic Santa Fe Depot & Harvey Hotel

201 E Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 225-1001
A renovated train depot (completed in 1898) and former Fred Harvey House Hotel and Restaurant.

Historic Trolley Tour

400 W Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 225-8186, visitdodgecity.org
Visit the original locations of the Long Branch Saloon, Gospel Hill, Front Street and more.

Kansas Teachers' Hall of Fame & Gunfighters' Wax Museum
 603 Fifth Ave, (620) 225-7311, teachershallfamedodgecityks.org
 The Hall of Fame honors those who have devoted their lives to teaching. The wax museum features sculptures of people famous to the West. 📍

Legends Park
 108 Fourth Ave, (620) 225-8160, dodgecity.org
 Enjoy a player- and spectator-friendly atmosphere. This four-diamond, tournament-level facility includes turf infields. 📍

Liberty Garden
 71 N 2nd Ave, (620) 225-8100, visitudodgecity.org
 A place of remembrance and solitude to honor those touched by the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. 📍

Long Branch Lagoon
 111 Fourth St, (620) 225-8156, lblagoon.com
 A Western-inspired aquatics park downtown. A perfect oasis after a long day on the dusty trail. 📍

Long's Western Wear
 2207 Central Ave, (620) 227-2805
 Cowboy up with boots, hats, clothing and accessories that let you feel like part of the Old West. 📍

Main Street Dodge City
 101 E Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 371-3872, mainstreetdodgecity.org
 Along with many downtown events, enjoy shopping, dining and much more. 📍

Main Street Festival
 101 E Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 227-9501, mainstreetdodgecity.org
 Held downtown the first Sat. in June. Featuring 298 duck races, a car show, an array of vendors, food trucks and local entertainment. 📅

Mariah Hills Golf Course
 1800 Matt Down Rd, (620) 225-8182, mariahhillsgolf.com
 Course the High Plains. Bluegrass fairways and manicured greens. Restaurant and club on-site. 📍

Mueller-Schmidt House 1881 Museum (Home of Stone Museum)
 112 E Vine, (620) 227-6791, fordcountyhistory.org
 Surround yourself with an 1881 atmosphere. Free guided tours June-Aug. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places. 📍

Prime on the Nine
 1800 Matt Down Ln, (620) 227-2736, primeonthenine.com
 Voted No. 1 Steak by Locals. Pair with cocktails and enjoy our dining, lounge and patio seating. 📍

St. Mary's Sports Complex
 240 San Jose Dr, (620) 225-8100, dodgecity.org
 A top-notch soccer complex with six full-size and three junior-size fields, broad parking, restrooms, concessions, and playground. 📍

United Wireless Arena & Boot Hill Casino & Resort Conference Center
 4100 W Comanche Ave, (620) 371-7390, unitedwirelessarena.com
 Hosts sports and entertainment events. The adjacent Conference Center has more than 7,000 square feet of meeting space with catering options. 📍

Western State Bank Expo Center
 11333 US-283, (620) 338-8284, westernstatebankexpo.com
 Host events like trade shows, livestock events, conferences, weddings and showers. Features an indoor rodeo arena with a warmup area and concessions. 📍

EDGERTON
Gieringer's Family Farm
 39345 W 183rd St, (913) 893-9626, goberryfarm.com
 Orchard and berry farm for U-pick, and the Farm Market. Spend time in the play area and enjoy ice cream, doughnuts and slushies. 📍

EL DORADO
Coutts Museum of Art
 110 N Main, (316) 321-1212, couthtmuseum.org
 Showcasing over 2,000 artworks. Hosts exhibits, events and educational programs. Connecting the community through art. 📍

El Dorado State Park
 618 NE Bluestem Rd, (316) 321-7180, ksoutdoors.com
 Seven trails for hikers, bikers and horseback. Boating, fishing and large ADA archery range. Horse campground with full-size arena and corrals. Cabin, RV sites and campsites. 📍

ELKHART
Cimarron National Grassland
 242 E US-56, (620) 697-4621, fs.usda.gov
 More than 108,000 acres of wildlife watching, fishing, hiking, camping and 23 miles of the Santa Fe Trail. 📍

ELLIS
Rooster's Sport Haven
 31094 State-147, (785) 726-4457
 At the entrance to Cedar Bluff State Park. All you need at the lake and on the byway. 📍

Walter P. Chrysler Boyhood Home & Museum
 102 W 10th, (785) 726-3636, chryslerboyhoodhome.org
 Walter P. Chrysler, founder of the Chrysler Corporation, once lived in Ellis. Many of his personal artifacts are on display here. 📍

ELMDALE
Middle Creek Historic Ranch
 867 Middle Creek Rd, (620) 382-5462
 Part of a working family ranch operation in the Flint Hills. A beautifully restored, 120-year-old farmhouse that we want to share with others who love this area. 📍

EMPORIA
Visit Emporia
 719 Commercial St, (620) 342-1600, visitemporia.com 📍

All Veterans Memorial
 933 S Commercial, (620) 342-1600, allveteransday.org
 U.S.'s first all-veterans memorial in the Founding City of Veterans Day. Military displays, Kansas Purple Heart and Medal of Honor Monument. Tablets of Honor. 📍

Bluestem Farm & Ranch Supply Inc.
 2611 W US-50, (620) 342-5502, bluestemfarmandranch.com
 Serving the Flint Hills for more than 60 years. Hardware, clothing, sporting goods and a wall of 8,000 pairs of jeans. 📍

David Traylor Zoo of Emporia
 75 Soden Rd, (620) 341-4365, emporiaks.gov/159/David-Traylor-Zoo
 Exhibits of native and exotic wildlife, botanical displays, educational programs and tours, and volunteer opportunities. Like EmporiaZoo on Facebook. 📍

Día de los Muertos
 Commercial St, (620) 342-1600, hottemporia.org/events
 Also known as Day of the Dead, it's a celebration of love and respect for deceased family and friends. Parade, live entertainment, food, beverages and more. 📅

Dynamic Discs HQ Disc Golf Course
 840 Overlander Rd, (620) 208-3472, dynamicdiscs.com
 A disc golf distributor in the Disc Golf Capital of the World. Visit us for a tour, to hear our story and to learn about disc golf. 📍

Flint Hills Beef Fest
 US-50 & Industrial Rd, (620) 528-3444, beeffest.com
 A celebration of the grass cattle industry. Hamburger feed, ranch rodeo, steak dinner, live entertainment and more. 📅

Hammond Park
 Merchant St & 18th Ave, visitemporia.com
 A great place to learn the game of disc golf, it's a tree-filled recreational course with a good mix of short to medium holes. Designed by Eric McCabe. 📍

Jones Park Disc Golf Courses
 2300 Lincoln St, (620) 341-4365, visitemporia.com
 A world-class course with a mix of long and short holes in lightly wooded areas. All skill levels welcomed. Play year-round. 📍

Lyon County History Center
 711 Commercial St, (620) 340-6310, explorelioncounty.org
 Discover area history and culture while exploring stories of resilience and sacrifice. Exhibits, archives, museum store and Kids Corner. 📍

National Memorial to Fallen Educators
 18th & Merchant, (620) 341-5660, nthf.org/memorial
 The first National Memorial in Kansas is dedicated to those who gave their all in the line of duty. Outdoor memorial on the ESU campus at 18th & Merchant. 📍

Radius Brewing Company
 610 Merchant St, (620) 208-4677, radiusbrewing.com
 A full-service brewpub serving modern American cuisine and beer from the on-site brewery. 🍺

Red Rocks State Historic Site
 927 Exchange St, (620) 342-2800, kansashistory.gov
 The home of the William Allen White family features the Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist who hosted well-known figures of the day, including five presidents. 📍

The Axe Shedd
 616 Commercial St, (620) 778-5291
 Bring family and friends for fun with axes, knives, cold beverages and more. Locally owned. Mobile unit available. 📍

The Sweet Granada
 803 Commercial St, (620) 342-9600, sweetgranada.com
 Experience downtown and the only chocolate shop that's home to Pop-Choc and over 200 handmade gourmet chocolates. 📍

EBSON
Echo Dell Farm
 779 J Rd, (785) 691-6040, Find us on Facebook
 A little off the beaten path, we are a farm-to-table venue with locally sourced dinners and wine pairings. Come and relax with us. 📍

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THINGS TO DO

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EUREKA

Greenwood County Historical Society Museum
120 W 4th St, (620) 583-6682,
gwhistory.com

Learn the history of the oil industry, cattle ranching, early settlers and more in Greenwood County. 📍

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FAIRWAY

Shawnee Indian Mission State Historic Site

3403 W 53rd, (913) 262-0867,
kansashistory.gov
A National Historic Landmark. Exhibits on trails, the mission where students from Shawnee and Delaware nations attended, Civil War, and territorial government. 📍

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FALL RIVER

Fall River State Park

2381 Casner Creek Rd,
(620) 637-2213, ksoutdoors.com
Camping, swimming, boating, hiking and picnicking. Other favorite pastimes include canoeing and bird-watching. Cabin rentals. 📍

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FARLINGTON

Crawford State Park

1 Lake Rd, (620) 362-3671,
ksoutdoors.com
Hiking and mountain biking trails offer adventure in the woods, giving a taste of the Ozarks. Cabin rentals, RV hookups and campsites. 📍

Friends of Crawford State Park

2 Lake Rd
Hosting Music on the Patio 6-8 p.m. every Fri. evening from May-Sept. Free music at Lakeview Cafe. 📍

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FORT LEAVENWORTH

Buffalo Soldier Monument
290 Stimson Ave, (913) 684-1718,
visitleavenworthks.com

A monument and Circle of Firsts busts honor African American soldiers. Get a day pass at the Visitor Control Center. 📍

Fort Leavenworth

Grant Ave, (913) 684-1719,
home.army.mil
Founded in 1827 by Col. Henry Leavenworth. Home to the oldest house in Kansas—the Rookery—built in 1834. Get a day pass at the Visitor Control Center. 📍

Frontier Army Museum

100 Reynolds Ave, (913) 684-3186,
history.army.mil
Depicts the history of the American frontier and Fort Leavenworth from 1804 to today. Get a day pass at the Visitor Control Center. 📍

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FORT RILEY

1st Infantry Division Museum

207 Custer Ave, (785) 239-2022
Constructed in 1905. Exhibits on the rich history of the Big Red One from 1917 to the present. 📍

Custer House

24 Sheridan Ave, (785) 239-2737
Constructed of native limestone in 1855 during the initial building phase of Fort Riley. Period rooms and displays offer a glimpse into the past. 📍

First Territorial Capitol State Historic Site

Bldg 693 E Huebner Rd,
(785) 784-5535, kansashistory.gov
A stone building where pro-slavery forces tried to guide the fate of Kansas Territory when the first Territorial legislature convened in July 1855. 📍

Fort Riley

I-70 Exit 301, (785) 239-2022
Named for Major Gen. Bennett C. Riley and founded in 1853, the post was originally established to protect settlers on the Oregon and Santa Fe trails. 📍

U.S. Cavalry Museum

205 Custer Ave, (785) 239-2737
Constructed in 1855 as the Post Hospital, the museum shares the colorful history of the American mounted horse soldier. 📍

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FORT SCOTT

Fort Scott National Historic Site

Old Fort Blvd, (620) 223-0310,
nps.gov/fosc
The story of America growing up. Each of the stories is a link in the chain of events that encircled Fort Scott from 1842 to 1873. 📍

Gordon Parks Museum

2108 S Horton St, (620) 223-2700,
gordonparkscenter.org
Highlights the life and work of Kansas-born Gordon Parks, an internationally known photographer, filmmaker, writer and musician. 📍

La Hacienda of Fort Scott

24 N Main St, (620) 223-4400,
lahaciendaoffortscott.menufy.com
Authentic Mexican cuisine prepared fresh daily. ✕

Lowell Milken Center for Unsung Heroes

1 S Main, (620) 223-1312,
lowellmilkencenter.org
Explore the Hall of Unsung Heroes, discover role models who made a positive impact on history, and learn the power of one to change the world. Free admission. 📍

Pioneer Harvest Fiesta

1906 Maple Rd, (620) 224-7761
One of the oldest antique tractor and engine shows in Kansas, held at the Bourbon County Fairgrounds in Oct. Three days of fun. 📅

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FRANKLIN

Miners Hall Museum

701 S Broadway, (620) 347-4220,
minershallmuseum.com
Showcasing immigrant and coal-mining history and the 1921 Amazon Army March. Includes art, murals, and a community park with playground and amenities. 📍

↘SE

FRONTENAC

Granny's Chip Chocolate Ice Cream & Candy Shop
214 E McKay St, (620) 670-6601,
grannyschipchocolateicecream.com
Delicious, high-quality scooped ice cream, candy, milkshakes, sundaes and novelties in a welcoming space downtown. 📍

↘SE

GALENA

Gearhead Curios
520 S Main St, (785) 554-7694,
[Find us on Facebook.](http://find.us.on.facebook)

A road trip destination on Route 66 and the Jefferson Hwy. This is a place to share stories and make memories, and it's home to the most unique photo ops around. 📍

Gravy's Place

316 S Main St, (620) 284-1511,
[Find us on Facebook.](http://find.us.on.facebook)
A hometown watering hole on Route 66. Visit with locals while enjoying drinks, darts, pool, pinocle, a giant 8-ball photo op and music. Porch and patio seating. See Facebook page for events. ✕

↘SW

GARDEN CITY

Finney County Convention & Visitors Bureau

1513 E Fulton Terrace,
(620) 276-0607, visitgck.com ⓘ

Amtrak Station

100 N 7th St, (800) 872-7245,
amtrak.com
Served by Amtrak's Southwest Chief line. Located downtown along the BNSF Railway La Junta Subdivision. ⓘ

Beef Empire Days

206 E Fulton Terrace, (620) 275-6807,
beefempiredays.com
Every June, experience more than a dozen events highlighting the cattle feeding industry, athletics, and High Plains arts and culture. 📅

Buffalo Dunes Golf Course

5685 S US-83, (620) 276-1210,
buffalodunes.org
This 18-hole, par-72 course boasts 6,806 yards of golf. One of the top courses in the area, it's an enjoyable challenge to novices as well as seasoned veterans. 📍

Crazy House

3502 N Campus Dr, (620) 275-1417
A Western clothing and tack store serving the working cowboy since 1960. Fine clothing, boots, tack, and Western-themed gifts and accessories. 📍

Escape the cLock

124 N Main St, (620) 805-5064,
escapetheclockgc.com
Find clues, solve codes and keep moving to reach your goal before your time is up. These themed adventure rooms are expertly coded and unforgettable. 📍

Finney County Historical Museum

403 S 4th, (620) 272-3664,
finneycounty.org
Unique exhibits in interactive settings, including prehistoric, cattle industry, Buffalo Jones, Sugar Beet Factory and True Crime. 📍

Finnup Center for Conservation Education

312 E Finnup Dr, (620) 276-1250,
leerichardsonzoo.org
Home to the zoo's education division. Interactive displays encourage visitors to get hands-on. Two classrooms and two meeting rooms available. 📍

Garden City Area Chamber of Commerce

1509 E Fulton Terrace,
(620) 276-3264, gckschamber.com
The chamber works to serve and connect local businesses, organizations and government to enhance economic growth and quality of life in Finney County. ⓘ

Garden City Arts

318 N Main St, (620) 260-9700,
gardencityarts.org
A hub for creativity. Workshops, community events and educational art programs for all ages. Art exhibits rotate monthly. 📍

Garden City Downtown Vision

120 E Laurel St, (620) 271-0891,
gcdowntown.com
A champion for small businesses. Creating and advocating for opportunities that ensure downtown flourishes. ⓘ

Garden City Regional Airport

2225 S Air Service Rd, (620) 276-1190,
fly2gck.com
Flights to Dallas/Fort Worth Intl. Airport (DFW) through American Airlines serviced by Envoy Air. ⓘ

Garden Rapids at the Big Pool

504 E Maple St, (620) 276-1255, garden-city.org
The first municipal pool in the Midwest to have a Splashtacular SlipStream Slide—a waterslide you ride while standing. 📍

Hidden Trail Brewing

2010 E Schulman Ave, (620) 315-4690, hiddentrailbrewing.com
A family-friendly option that's also open to well-behaved dogs. Enjoy 11 rotating beers, ciders and seltzers brewed on-site. 🍺

Historic Downtown Shopping District

Downtown, (620) 276-0891, gcdowntown.com
Tree-lined streets lead shoppers to antiques, jewelry, clothing, gifts and more. The best regional shopping in Southwest Kansas. 📍

Lee Richardson Zoo & Safari Shoppe

312 E Finnup Dr, (620) 276-1250, leerichardsonzoo.org
Home to hundreds of native and exotic animals on 50 landscaped acres. Open year-round and free to pedestrians, with areas for guests of all ages to enjoy. 📍

Parrot Cove Water Park

990 Stone Creek Dr, (620) 805-5303, swimatparrotcove.com
Enjoy 40-foot-tall waterslides, wave rides, rock climbing, a lazy river, a zero-depth kids' area and more at an indoor water paradise. 📍

Sandsage Bison Range & Wildlife Area

780 S Old Hwy 83, (620) 276-8886, ksoutdoors.com
Established in 1916, the bison range protects a herd of native buffalo in tracts of native sandsage prairie. Call to schedule a tour. 📍

Schulman Crossing Shopping Center

1670 Larue Rd, (620) 276-0607
Offering a wide variety of retail stores and dining options in a convenient location. A one-stop shopping experience for all. 📍

The Golf Club at Southwind

77 Grandview Dr, (620) 275-2117, southwind-gc.com
Championship golf, luxurious amenities and a restaurant that redefines dining—all in one stunning location. 📍

True Crime Exhibit

403 S 4th St, (620) 272-3664, finneycounty.org
Showcases artifacts and evidence on how law enforcement solved the Fleagle Gang crime spree and the Clutter murders that inspired *In Cold Blood*. 📍

Windsor Hotel

419 Main St, (620) 640-0470, visitgck.com
Dating to 1887, the Windsor was once one of the grandest hotels in America. Tours May-Oct. 📍

World's Largest Hairball Found in a Cow's Stomach

403 S 4th, (620) 272-3664, finneycounty.org
Discovered in the stomach of a cow that was processed in a nearby packing house, it was nearly 40 inches big and weighed 55 pounds wet when first removed. 📍

7NE

GARDNER

Gardner Historical Museum
204 W Main St, (913) 856-4447, gardnerhistoricalmuseum.com
Located near the junction of the Santa Fe, Oregon and California trails, it showcases the rich history of Gardner and its citizens. 📍

Transport Brewery

131 E Main, (913) 766-6673, transportbrewery.com
Located downtown. Featuring 12-plus beers on tap, handcrafted pizzas and two patio areas. Family-friendly with dogs welcome. 🍺

7NSE

GARNETT

City of Garnett Tourism
131 W 5th Ave, (785) 448-5496, simplygarnett.com 📍

6th Ave Boutique & Western Wear

427 W 6th Ave, (785) 448-2276
Apparel, shoes, boots and accessories for men, women and kids. Brands such as Ariat, STS, Hooley, Roper and more. 📍

7th Street Grocery

22800 NW 1700 Rd, (785) 204-1961, 7thstreetgrocery.com
Grab lunch, discount groceries, bulk items, freezer items and a wide variety of deli items. Online orders available for limited items. Closed Sun. 📍

Anderson County Flywheelers Gas Engine and Tractor Show

N Lake Rd, (785) 448-6767, Find us on Facebook.
See threshing and baling, steam engines, and tractors. Tractor parades, antique tractor pull and swap meet. First weekend in Oct. 📅

Anderson County Historical Museum

410 W 6th Ave, (785) 867-2966, historyandersoncoks.org
Showcasing the county and famous persons, including Arthur Capper, Edgar Lee Masters and John Brown. Genealogy info available. 📍

Arthur Capper Memorial

508 S Cedar, (785) 448-5496, simplygarnett.com
Visit the birthplace of the first native-born Kansas governor, five-term state senator, philanthropist, and creator of Capper Publishing and the Capper Foundation. 📍

Cedar Valley Reservoir

20499 NW 1500 Rd, (785) 448-5496, simplygarnett.com
Electric sites and wilderness camping—all with lakeside views and amenities. Reservations via campspot.com. 📍

Chamber Players Community Theatre, Inc.

140 W 5th Ave, (785) 304-1683, chamberplayers theatre.org
Live dinner theater featuring delicious local food and amazing local actors. Now in its 35th season. Performances in the 1857 Thelma Moore Community Playhouse. 📍

Cornstock

N Lake Rd, (785) 448-6767, accornfest.com
Top country and red dirt artists at Lake Garnett the fourth weekend in Sept. Corn, music, food and fun. 📅

Dutch Country Cafe

309 N Maple St, (785) 448-5711, dutchcountrycafe.com
Specialties include Dutch dishes, homemade baked goods and quality coffee drinks. Conference rooms and large banquet hall. ✕

Garnett BPW Square Fair

PO Box 97, (785) 448-8745, garnettbpw.com
This arts and crafts festival on the town square is held annually the Sat. before Mother's Day. Experience exhibits, food, music, a quilt show and more. 📅

Garnett Country Club Golf Course

1200 NE Lake Rd, (785) 304-0727, golfgarnett.com
Tee time is anytime on this well-maintained nine-hole course with additional tee boxes for the second nine. Amazingly reasonable greens fees and cart rentals. 📍

Garnett Farmers' Market

410 S Main St, (785) 448-6767, simplygarnett.com
Locally grown goods, freshly baked items, farm-raised meats and eggs, and much more. Open Thurs. 4:30-7 p.m. from May to Oct. 📍

Jammin' Nutrition

146 E 5th Ave, (913) 504-9414, Find us on Facebook.
On Garnett Square, a mother-and-son team serve protein shakes and coffees as well as clean energy beverages and kids refreshers. ✕

Kirk House

145 W 4th Ave, (785) 204-2987, thekirkhouse.net
This 1913 Victorian landmark on the National Register of Historic Places offers stays. A George Washburn-designed building. 📍

Lake Garnett Grand Prix Revival

N Lake Rd, (785) 448-5496, lggpr.org
Oct. 10-11. Car show, racing exhibition, track events and charity rides. Free for spectators. Racing enthusiasts welcome. 📍

Mi-Fu Restaurant

101 W 4th Ave, (785) 504-4115
With a variety of Chinese, Vietnamese and Thai foods available, there's something for everyone. Bring the family. ✕

Mundell's Pumpkin Patch

1662 S Maple St, (785) 423-0031, kansaspumpkinpatch.com
Pumpkins galore, family-friendly events and private party bookings. Bring the family and plan for a whole day of fun. 📍

North Lake Park (Lake Garnett)

N Lake Rd, (785) 448-5496, simplygarnett.com
Fun rules in this 300-acre park. Garnett's rec hub is home to fairs, festivals, motorsports, golf and disc golf around Lake Garnett. 📍

Prairie Spirit Trail State Park

Old Santa Fe Railroad along Main St, (785) 448-6767, ksoutdoors.com
This 52-mile hiking and biking trail reminds you of what's special about Kansas. Scenic trailside tent sites and lakeside RV camping, with amenities available in Garnett. 📍

Santa Fe Depot

821 S Main St, (785) 448-5496
The 1931 depot is an info center for Prairie Spirit Trail State Park. Picnic areas, restrooms and railroad memorabilia. 📍

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GIRARD

Chicken Annie's Girard
498 E KS 47, (620) 724-4090, chickenanniesgirard.com
Serving southeast Kansas fried chicken with our signature German potato salad and slaw since 1971. Family dining, carryout and catering. Specials on Facebook. ✕

Girard History Museum

300 S Summit St, (620) 724-4834, girardkshistory.net
The 1888 Episcopal Church is on the National Register of Historic Places. Early socialist history. Appeal to Reason and Little Blue Books. The Crawford County seat has many firsts west of the Mississippi. 📍

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THINGS TO DO

Painted Barrels on the Square
 127 S Summit St, (620) 724-4000,
paintedbarrels.com
 A vendor boutique on the historic square, with over 40 vendors. A unique mix of local crafts, vintage items, local flour, and locally raised beef and pork. 📍

↑NC GLEN ELDER

Glen Elder State Park
 2131 180 Rd, (785) 545-3345,
ksoutdoors.com
 Swimming, boating, hiking, volleyball and bicycling. Fish for crappie, walleye and bass. Cabins and RV sites. 📍

Statue of Liberty & Peace Pole
 105 S Mill St, (785) 545-3345,
discovermitchellcounty.com
 The statue is the centerpiece of the Wilson-Neff park on the city square. The Peace Pole recalls a post-Civil War search for peace and local settlement. 📍

Waconda Prairie Sculptures
 2131 180 Rd, (785) 545-3345,
waconda.com
 Native American metal art pieces of bison, a 35-foot arrow and a colorful arrow trail in the park with historical signage. 📍

Waconda Springs Replica
 2131 180 Rd, (785) 545-3345,
discovermitchellcounty.com
 A replica pool of historic Waconda Mineral Springs at Glen Elder State Park. The springs were a spiritual site and medicinal spa/hotel until 1960s. 📍

Waconda Visitor & Education Center
 2131 180 Rd, (785) 545-3345,
discovermitchellcounty.com
 See displays on Waconda Mineral Springs, the former Springs Hotel, Waconda Dam and Glen Elder State Park. Bathrooms and patio. Open by appt. 📍

↓SC GOESSEL

Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum
 200 N Poplar, (620) 367-8200,
goesselmuseum.com
 Discover life on the prairie and the agricultural contributions of Low German Mennonite immigrants. Also see a Liberty Bell replica made from wheat. 📍

KNW GOODLAND

Sherman County Community Development Corporation
 524 E US-24, (785) 890-3744,
thetopsideofkansas.org 📍

Flatlanders Fall Festival
 524 E US-24, (785) 890-3744,
thetopsideofkansas.org
 A car show, motorcycle show and vendors fill downtown the last full weekend in Sept. 📅

High Plains Museum
 1717 Cherry Ave, (785) 890-4595,
goodlandks.gov
 A local history museum and gift shop. The museum features America's first patented helicopter and special exhibits during the year. 📍

Land & Sky Scenic Byway
 PO Box 479, (785) 332-3508,
landandskyscenicbyway.com
 Along the byway, experience the Arikaree Breaks canyons, Giant van Gogh Painting, Mt. Sunflower and the Life Cycle of Crops. 📍

Northwest Kansas District Free Fair
 417 Main St, (785) 890-3744,
nwksfair.com
 Enjoy a home-owned carnival, food, music, 4-H exhibits and animals, and more. Last week of July/first week of Aug. 📅

The Big Easel - Giant van Gogh Painting
 Cherry St & E 19th St, (785) 890-3744,
cameronacross.com
 The 24x32-foot painting in Pioneer Park is a reproduction of Vincent van Gogh's *Three Sunflowers in a Vase*. 📍

↓SC
GREAT BEND
Great Bend Convention & Visitors Bureau
 3111 10th St, (620) 792-2750,
exploregreatbend.com 📍

Barton County Historical Society Museum & Village
 85 S US-281, (620) 793-5125,
bartoncountymuseum.org
 From prehistory to the microchip, learn the story of Barton County at the crossroads of the Central Flyway and Santa Fe Trail. 📍

Cheyenne Bottoms Wildlife Area
 204 NE 60 Rd, (620) 793-3066,
ksoutdoors.com
 A stopping point on the Central Flyway for millions of birds and a bird-lover's paradise. It is the largest wetland in the interior U.S. 📍

Downtown Art & Wine Walk
 1209 Williams St, (620) 793-4111,
exploregreatbend.com
 Explore downtown during this annual event the beginning of May. View art from local and regional artists, enjoy tastings, and check out great shops. 📍

Dry Lake Brewing
 1305 Main St, (620) 793-0400,
drylakebeer.com
 Offers 12 taps of brewed-in-house beer, plus seltzers and a full bar. Food trucks serve BBQ, tacos, pizza and Greek food. 📍

Great Bend Brit Spaugth Zoo
 2123 Main St, (620) 793-4226,
greatbendzoo.com
 This free-entrance zoo features new and traditional animal exhibits, plus educational programs and plenty of spots to take a break. Open 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. 📍

Great Bend Events Center
 3111 10th St, (620) 792-2750,
greatbendks.net
 An exceptional venue for meetings, weddings and more. Partnered with the Great Bend CVB, we're your go-to hub for local and statewide event expertise and info. 📍

Great Bend Sports Complex
 41 McKinley, (620) 793-3755,
greatbendsportscomplex.com
 Plenty of parking, shade, batting cages, concessions and restrooms. Near all local amenities. 📍

Kansas Wetlands Educational Center
 592 NE State-156, (620) 566-1456,
wetlandcenter.fhsu.edu
 Offering a gallery, classroom, auditorium, programs and gift store. A wheelchair-accessible nature trail gives visitors a taste of different environmental areas. 📍

Long Pumpkin Patch
 163 NE 30 Rd, (620) 792-3503,
longpumpkinpatch.com
 Pumpkins, corn maze, corn pit, gourd launcher, swing, hayrack rides, horse and buggy rides, and s'mores. Open last weekend in Sept. through Halloween weekend. 📍

Party in the Park
 3111 10th St, (620) 793-4111,
exploregreatbend.com
 Celebrate summer's end at Veterans Memorial Park. Games, races, contests, parades, concerts and fireworks the second Sat. of Aug. 📅

Rosewood Furniture Gallery
 1607 Main St, (620) 793-8599,
rosewoodfurnituregallery.com
 A manufacturing and retail furniture store that employs people with developmental disabilities. Quality furniture at low prices. Stains and paints to match decor. 📍

Rosewood Wine Cellar
 1901 Lakin, (620) 603-6410,
RosewoodWineCellar.com
 Enjoy more than 30 varieties of Kansas wine and free tastings while browsing specialty foods, bath products and unique gift items. Support people with disabilities. 📍

Veterans Memorial Park
 McKinley & 17th St Terrace,
 (620) 793-3755, greatbendrec.com
 Baseball and softball fields, sand volleyball, tennis courts, disc golf course, kayaking, fishing, playground, walking trails, picnic areas, dog park and fitness fun. 📍

Wetlands & Wildlife National Scenic Byway
 3007 10th St, (620) 792-2750,
kansasbyway.com
 The byway is anchored by two of the world's largest wetland ecosystems: Cheyenne Bottoms Wildlife Area and Quivira National Wildlife Refuge. 📍

Wetlands Waterpark at Great Bend
 2302 Main St, (620) 792-1516,
greatbendwaterpark.com
 Enjoy summer fun, with shaded areas, seven slides, a tipping bucket, a spray park, a zero-depth splash pool, a concession stand and bathhouses. 📍

LSW
GREENSBURG
City of Greensburg Convention & Tourism Bureau
 315 S Sycamore St, (620) 723-4102,
greensburgks.org 📍

5.4.7 Arts Center
 204 W Wisconsin, (620) 723-2600,
547artscenter.org
 A community arts center featuring new gallery exhibits about every two months and arts classes for all ages. Located in a building with unique and sustainable architecture. 📍

Angel's Heavenly Desserts & Daylight Donuts
 101 S Main St, (620) 388-5528,
Find us on Facebook
 Custom cakes, cupcakes, pies, brownies, cookies, breads, doughnuts and pastries. ✕

Big Well Museum & Visitor Information Center
 315 S Sycamore St, (620) 723-4102,
bigwell.org
 Houses the 109-foot-deep, hand-dug well that was finished in 1888. Also home to the 1,000-pound pallasite meteorite. 📍

Buffalo Nickel Lodge
 21288 33rd Ave, (620) 203-2106,
thebuffalonicel.com
 This gorgeous new lodge offers a haven to adventurers seeking the West and all of its glory. 📍

Cannonball Bar & Grill
 801 E Kansas Ave, (620) 723-2866,
Find us on Facebook
 Mexican-style food and drinks in a laid-back atmosphere. Play pool or darts at the bar. ✕

Crazy Mule Restaurant & Catering
 106 S Main St, (620) 723-9025,
[Find us on Facebook](#).
 Nestled in the heart of Kansas, we thrive on giving guests the best service and meals along US-54. 🍷

Emblazon, etc Boutique
 114 S Main St,
[emblazondesigns.myshopify.com](#)
 This downtown shop and online boutique offers fashionable clothing, accessories and other specialty items for all ages. 🛍️

Kiowa County Historical Museum & Soda Fountain
 320 S Main St, (620) 723-1125,
[kchmsoda.org](#)
 This museum features exhibits of Kiowa County's history. Enjoy a treat at the restored Hunter Drug old-fashioned soda fountain. 🍷

Kook's Meat
 115 W Kansas Ave, (620) 723-2121
 Fresh-cut meat, deli, homemade pies, 25-cent coffee, catering. 🍷

L7 Coffee Company
 800 W Kansas Ave, (503) 522-4922,
[Find us on Facebook](#).
 A family-owned, drive-through coffee shop. Open late. 🍷

La Terra Naturals
 118 S Main St, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 All-natural health products, including skin care, makeup and gifts. 🛍️

Reggie's Pizza
 321 W Kansas Ave, (620) 723-2200
 Pizza, pasta, salads and more. 🍷

Turquoise Ranch Boutique
 300 W Kansas Ave, (620) 723-2666,
[turquoise-ranch-boutique.com](#)
 A unique locally owned and operated boutique specializing in women's Western wear. 🛍️

Twilight Theatre & Community Auditorium
 200 S Main St, (620) 723-1092,
[Find us on Facebook](#).
 With the largest screen between Wichita and Denver, we provide state-of-the-art movies and performing arts entertainment. 🎬

Upland Inn Hunts
 407 S Walnut St, (316) 250-3038,
[uplandinnhunts.com](#)
 Located about 1 hour and 45 minutes west of Wichita and 45 minutes east of Dodge City. The best in guided hunts. 🍷

Where'd Ya Find That Antiques
 148 S Main St, (620) 388-3347, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 An eclectic selection of fun and fabulous vintage and antiques. 🛍️

↑NC
HADDAM
1901 Limestone Jail
 403 S Taylor, (785) 788-2818,
[washingtoncountyks.net](#)
 The jail was built by an all-female city council at a cost of \$325. Women were not given the right to vote until 1920, hence they were elected by men. 🗳️

↑NC
HANOVER
Hollenberg Pony Express Station State Historic Site
 2889 23rd Rd, (785) 337-2635,
[kansashistory.gov](#)
 Here in 1857, the Hollenbergs established a waystation for travelers on the Oregon-California Trail. From 1860 to 1861, they operated a Pony Express station. 🗳️

↓SW
HAVILAND
Heart of America Science Resource Center
 312 E US-54/400, (620) 862-5654,
[hoasrc.com](#)
 Blends hands-on science activities and science resources for young and old, groups and families. 🗳️

↓NW
HAYS
Hays Convention & Visitors Bureau
 2700 Vine St, (785) 628-8202,
[visithays.com](#) 📍

Breathe Coffee House
 703 B Main St, (785) 621-4080,
[breathecoffee.com](#)
 World-class coffee is perfectly roasted and prepared. Enjoy fresh pastries and crepes while you relax or have a conversation. 🍷

Defiance Brewing Company
 2050 Old Hwy 40, (785) 301-2337,
[defiancebeer.com](#)
 Enjoy ambitious beer crafted locally at two locations. Visit the taproom for beer selections and a downtown location featuring wood-fired pizza. 🍷

Downtown Hays Market
 110 E 10th St, (785) 621-4171,
[downtownhays.com](#)
 Named Best Market in Kansas, with 60-plus vendors offering locally sourced food, plants, music, education and crafts. Held Saturdays, May-Oct. 🗳️

Ellis County Historical Society Museum
 100 W 7th, (785) 628-2624,
[echshays.org](#)
 Collecting, preserving and displaying county history through limestone churches, a harness shop, the Volga German Haus, Firehouse Museum and exhibits. 🗳️

Fort Hays State Historic Site
 1472 US-183 Alt, (785) 625-6812,
[kansashistory.gov/fort_hays](#)
 Through innovative exhibits, learn stories of George Armstrong Custer, Buffalo soldiers, enlisted men, officers' wives and laundresses. 🗳️

Fort Hays State University
 600 Park St, (785) 628-3478, [fhsu.edu](#)
 Find beautiful art galleries, native limestone buildings, historic library collections and exciting MIAA athletic facilities. 🗳️

Fox Theatre
 1202 Main St, (785) 498-8621,
[thefoxtheatrehays.com](#)
 This restored theater features high ceilings, murals, multilevel seating, and the original stage for concerts and special events. 🗳️

Frontier Park
 1st & Main St, (785) 628-7375,
[haysusa.com](#)
 Walking trails, playgrounds, shelter houses, an 18-hole disc golf course, large shade trees and Hays' own bison herd. 🗳️

Gella's Diner & Lb. Brewing Co.
 117 E 11th St, (785) 621-2739,
[lbbrewing.com](#)
 An international award-winning microbrewery and restaurant offering locally brewed beers on tap and a seasonal menu. 🍷

Hays Aquatic Park
 4th & Main St, (785) 623-2650,
[haysrec.org](#)
 Water park with a lazy river, zero-depth-entry kid pool with playground, lap pool, two slides with plunge pools and concessions. 🗳️

Hays ARC Park & Splash Pad
 3300 Hillcrest Dr, (785) 628-8831,
[arcocentralplains.org/arc-park](#)
 The Accessible Recreation Complex provides safe, boundless play opportunities for individuals of all ages and abilities. 🗳️

Hays Arts Center
 112 E 11th, (785) 625-7522,
[haysartscouncil.org](#)
 The first arts council in Kansas. Enjoy seasonal art walks. Visit the website for dates and exhibits. 🗳️

Historic Churches Tour
 2700 Vine St, (785) 628-8202,
[visithays.com](#)
 Explore Ellis County churches with beautiful stained glass, hand-painted artwork and Gothic architecture. 🗳️

Kansas Merci Boxcar & Veterans Memorial Park
 15th and Haney Dr, (785) 623-6747,
[mercitrain.org](#)
 One of 49 boxcars France sent to America in 1949 in appreciation for the food the U.S. sent to France after WWII. Open by appt. 🗳️

Pete Felten's Limestone Statue Tour
 Old Hwy 40 & Commerce Pkwy,
 (785) 628-8202, [visithays.com](#)
 From a tabletop buffalo to the 24-ton *Monarch of the Plains*, these sculptures are cultural and iconic. Discover the limestone treasures and their significance. 🗳️

Popt Gourmet Popcorn
 1106 E 27th St, Ste 2, (785) 728-7711,
[poptpopcorn.com](#)
 A perfect stop for freshly popped popcorn, with more than 60 flavors. Try fudge, nuts, candy, gifts and more at this local favorite. 🗳️

Rolling Plains Motor Speedway
 1344 Fairground Rd, (620) 560-9396,
[myracepass.com](#)
 Dirt track racing events from April-Oct. with concerts, tractor pulls, demolition derbies, tough trucks, motorcycle events and more. 🗳️

Self-Guided Historic Walking Tour
 10th & Main St, (785) 628-8202,
[visithays.com](#)
 Downtown's 25 bronze plaques tell the stories of historic buildings, "Wild Bill" Hickok, "Buffalo Bill" Cody and Gen. George A. Custer. 🗳️

Sternberg Museum of Natural History
 3000 Sternberg Dr, (785) 628-4286,
[sternberg.fhsu.edu](#)
 Fossils, life-size prehistoric models and live animals tell the story of the region's natural history. The Discovery Room and fossil dig pit offer fun for kids. 🗳️

The Bricks in Downtown Hays
 1200 Main St, Ste 102, (785) 621-4171,
[downtownhays.com](#)
 Named The Most Beautiful Main Street in Kansas by MSN.com, downtown Hays offers a historical walking tour, boutique shopping, local art and restaurants. 🗳️

Volga German Oktoberfest
 1st & Main St, [oktoberfesthays.com](#)
 Annual two-day celebration of the German Russians of Ellis County. Games, food vendors, crafts, beer and musical entertainment. 🗳️

Wild West Festival
 1st & Main St, (785) 628-8202,
[wildwestfestival.com](#)
 This four-day event takes place around the 4th of July holiday. Concerts, parade and fireworks. 🗳️

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HAYSVILLE
Riggs Park
 706 W Sarah Ln, (316) 529-5900,
[hellohaysville.com](#)
 Hosts events like April's Party in the 060 and Fall Festival in Oct. 🗳️

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THINGS TO DO

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HERINGTON

Visit Herington

14 W Main St, visitherington.com ⓘ

Broadway Station

1 N Broadway, (785) 258-6106,
[Find us on Facebook](http://Facebook.com).

Herington's newest dining and entertainment attraction. Full-service and family-friendly, with live music, pool and darts in historic downtown. ⓘ

Father Juan de Padilla Park

407 Broadway, (785) 258-2271,
cityofherington.com

A city park with a large playground, 18-hole disc golf course, fishing lake, pool and bandstand on the edge of the Flint Hills Trail. ⓘ

Herington Historical Museum

800 S Broadway, (785) 258-2842,
heringtonhistory.org

Thousands of artifacts, exhibits and photographs. Microfilmed genealogy, obituaries and newspaper articles. Home to a Rock Island baggage car and Cotton Belt caboose. ⓘ

The Spot & Dining Car

304 W Walnut St, (785) 258-5987,
[Find us on Facebook](http://Facebook.com).

A bar and grill with outdoor seating. Located two blocks from downtown and a block from the Flint Hills Trail. Dine in or carry out. ✕

Uncle Bob's Bowling Center & Pinup Cafe

112 W Main St, (785) 258-8100,
[Find us on Facebook](http://Facebook.com).

Family-friendly bowling and food in the heart of historic downtown. One block from a swimming pool, park and the Herington trailhead of the Flint Hills Trail. ✕

Wildflowers

10 E Main St, (785) 258-3460,
wildflowersks.com

Our floral designers specialize in unique, custom arrangements that will make your special day extra special. Gifts, souvenirs and local art displays. ⓘ

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HESSTON

Hesston Chamber of Commerce

115 E Smith St, (620) 327-4102,
hesstonchamber.org ⓘ

Cotton Tail Home Decor

109 N Main St, (620) 869-8025,
cottontailhomedecor.com

Providing decor and interior design services crafted to fill your home with joy. Concepts are tailored to the client's unique style, from industrial to shabby chic. ⓘ

Dyck Arboretum of the Plains

177 W Hickory St, (620) 327-8127,
dyckarboretum.org

A native plant garden featuring more than 1,000 varieties of native and adaptable trees, shrubs, wildflowers and grasses. ⓘ

Hesston Golf Park

520 Yost Dr, (620) 327-2331,
hesstongolf.com

Offering immaculate playing conditions, a full-service golf shop, a practice facility with an indoor learning center, a clubhouse with a covered patio, and an event center. ⓘ

Lincoln Perk

709 E Lincoln Blvd, (620) 327-2349,
lincolnperk.com

Enjoy handcrafted coffee, specialty drinks, homemade scones, lunch items and other yummy eats. Dine in, linger on the patio, order a to-go meal or use the drive-through. ✕

The Nest

115 W Smith St, (620) 951-8300,
thenestat112.com

We carry a wide variety of gifts, candles, boutique clothing, locally crafted items, snacks and much more. ⓘ

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HIAWATHA

Hiawatha Chamber & Visitors Bureau

801 Oregon St, (785) 742-7136,
hiawathaks.com ⓘ

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HILL CITY

Graham County Travel & Tourism

410 N Pomeroy, (785) 639-1526,
grahamcotourism.com ⓘ

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HOWARD

Elk County Community Development

127 N Pine, (620) 205-7405,
elkcountyks.org ⓘ

Howard Benson Museum

141 S Wabash St, (620) 330-7721,
howard-benson-museum.com

Eight climate-controlled museums in downtown Howard feature 150 years of Elk County history. Jump off Hwy 96 to explore these excellent museums. ⓘ

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HOYT

Elm Creek Beef Local Market

116 W 4th St, (785) 230-8233,
elmcreekbeef.com

A specialty market with local meat, dairy and produce. Homemade deli sandwiches and specials. ✕

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HUMBOLDT

Humboldt Chamber of Commerce

205 N 9th, (620) 418-5465,
humboldtks.com ⓘ

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HUTCHINSON

Visit Hutch

117 N Walnut, (620) 662-3391,
visithutch.com ⓘ

Amelia's

129 S Main St, (620) 728-1414,
ameliasks.com

An upscale downtown boutique with two levels of amazing fashion. Huge selection of shoes, bags, jeans and slacks. Dressing you from ball game to board room. ⓘ

Apron Strings Kitchen Store

1 S Main St, (620) 259-7339,
apronstringsstore.com

The destination for your kitchen needs: cookware, knives, linens and more. Practical products with a flair for fun. Stop in and see what we've cooked up for you. ⓘ

Brick House Boutique

117 S Main St, (620) 662-6070,
shopbrickhousehutch.com

Big-city chic in a downtown boutique. On-trend, comfortable, affordable clothing for women. ⓘ

Carey Park Golf Course

9 Emerson Loop, (620) 694-2698,
careyparkgolf.com

This 18-hole course offers great rates and a relaxing atmosphere. Challenging yet enjoyable play at one of the best municipal courses in the state. ⓘ

Cosmosphere International SciEd Center & Space Museum

1100 N Plum St, (620) 662-2305,
cosmo.org

The world's largest collection of U.S. and Soviet-era space artifacts, live science demonstrations, planetarium shows, CosmoKids STEAM area, and more. ⓘ

Hutchinson Zoo

6 Emerson Loop E, (620) 694-2672,
hutchinsonzoo.org

Enjoy the Prairie Thunder Railroad, visit the mini farm, discover the Splash River Nature Playscape and explore Gateway to the Prairie. ⓘ

Hutchinson's Historic Fox Theatre

18 E 1st, (620) 663-5861,
hutchinsonfox.com

Presenting the finest live entertainment and film series in a fully restored, historic movie palace. One of Kansas' premier entertainment destinations. ⓘ

Inland Ocean Vineyards & Winery

4704 E 43rd, (620) 694-7944,
inlandoceanvineyards.com

Crafting estate wines exclusively from grapes ripened by the Kansas summer sun and harvested from our family vineyard. Call us or go online to schedule a tasting. ⓘ

Kansas State Fair

2000 N Poplar, (620) 669-3600,
kansasstatefair.com

The largest single event in the state features the best of all things Kansas. Sept. 4-13, 2026. ⓘ

Reno County Museum

100 S Walnut, (620) 662-1184,
renocomuseum.org

Collecting, preserving and interpreting Reno County history to inspire awareness and appreciation for future generations. ⓘ

Sand Hills State Park

4207 E 56th, (316) 542-3664,
ksoutdoors.com

Winding trails through sand dunes, native prairie and wetlands. Horse-friendly trails and campgrounds with corrals. Specialty blinds for wildlife viewing. RV sites. ⓘ

Skaets Steak Shop

2300 N Main St, (620) 662-9845

A full-service family restaurant serving breakfast all day, lunch and dinner. Known for the Moonburger. Open Tue.-Sun. 6 a.m.-9 p.m. ✕

Smith's Market

211 S Main St, (620) 662-6761,
eatmyveggies.com

A 93-year-old downtown business with local fruits and vegetables, over 300 varieties of old-fashioned candies, nostalgic sodas, nuts, trail mixes, gift items, and toys. ⓘ

Strataca

3650 E Ave G, (620) 662-1425,
underkansan.org

Explore an underground world where you can enjoy a train ride on the Salt Express or an adventurous guided tour on the dark ride. ⓘ

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INDEPENDENCE

Ane Mae's Coffee & Sandwich House

325 N Penn, (620) 331-4487,
[Find us on Facebook](http://Facebook.com).

Coffees, teas and specialty drinks along with freshly baked goods including muffins, scones, quiches and much more. ✕

Elk City State Park

4825 Squaw Creek Rd,
(620) 331-6295, ksoutdoors.com

Hiking, swim beach, playground, shelters, camping and RV hookups. Fish for catfish, bass and crappie. Explore nearby wildlife area. ⓘ

High Road Coffee Roasters
 107 E Main, (620) 249-4864,
order.dripos.com/High-Road-Coffee-Roasters

Enjoy a cozy vibe, fresh-roasted coffee and a warm welcome for locals and visitors alike. 📍

IGC-Sporting Heritage Center
 212 N Penn Ave, (620) 515-9353, [Find us on Facebook](#).

Promoting outdoor recreation and conservation through education, training and safe shooting. Experience the 350-plus taxidermy exhibits from around the world. 📍

Independence Historical Homes & Bronze Statues Tours

616 N Penn Ave, (620) 331-1890, indkschamber.org

A self-guided tour of historical homes and bronze sculptures throughout town. Brochures at the Chamber of Commerce. 📍

Independence Historical Museum & Art Center

123 N 8th, (620) 331-3515, independencehistoricalmuseum.org

Explore 24 captivating rooms filled with stories of early settlers, the oil industry and Native American culture with historical artifacts. 📍

Independence Science & Technology Center

125 S Penn Ave, (620) 331-1999, indysciotech.org

Making science fun and educational with hands-on exhibits of scientific principles, antivgravity simulator rides, a Van de Graaff generator and a dinosaur exhibit. 📍

Little House on the Prairie Museum

2507 County Rd 3000, (620) 289-4238, lhopmuseum.com

Walk in the footsteps of Laura Ingalls Wilder at her Kansas home site, One-room cabin, schoolhouse, post office and gift store. 📍

Neewollah

PO Box 311, (620) 331-1890, neewollah.com

Kansas' largest nine-day Halloween celebration. Enjoy live music, theater, a carnival, food trucks and exciting parades. 📅

Ralph Mitchell Zoo

400 Mickey Mantle Way, (620) 332-2512, independenceks.gov

See cougars, bears, monkeys, reptiles, a sloth and more. Don't miss Monkey Island, once home to the legendary Miss Able. 📍

Riverside Beach Family Aquatic Center

1300 N 5th, (620) 577-5113, indyrec.com

Three pools, four waterslides, play structures, a lazy river, rentable shelters and full concessions. 📍

Riverside Park

400 Mickey Mantle Way, (620) 332-2512, independenceks.gov

Explore scenic trails, green spaces and picnic areas. Enjoy playgrounds, miniature golf, a miniature train ride and a vintage carousel for family-friendly fun. 📍

Veterans Freedom Square

616 N Penn Ave, (620) 331-1890, veteransfreedomsquare.com

Honoring our American veterans, this beautiful memorial includes eight granite tablets containing major conflict details beginning with the Revolutionary War. 📍

William Inge Center for the Arts

1057 W College Ave, (620) 332-5492, ingecenter.org

A theater honoring the Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright. It's home to the annual Inge Festival and hosts performances, workshops, residencies and tours. 📍

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IOLA

Iola Area Chamber of Commerce & Office of Tourism

10 W Jackson St, (620) 365-5252, iolachamber.org 📍

Bowlus Fine Arts Center

205 E Madison Ave, (620) 365-4765, bowluscenter.org

This performing arts center with "The Best Leg Room in Kansas" brings music, family shows and a speaker series to the stage. 60-plus years of live entertainment. 📍

Lehigh Portland State Park

1600th St and Nebraska Rd, (620) 362-8128, lehightrails.com

Kansas' newest state park. Gravel-surfaced and natural singletrack trails for mountain biking, trail running and nature hikes. 📍

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JUNCTION CITY

Geary County Convention & Visitors Bureau

222 W 6th St, (785) 238-2885, visitgearycounty.com 📍

Buffalo Soldier Memorial

18th St & Buffalo Soldier Dr, (785) 238-3103, junctioncity-ks.gov

This memorial wall is constructed of native limestone and serves as a backdrop for a 9-foot-tall bronze sculpted statue of a Buffalo Soldier by his horse. 📍

C.L. Hoover Opera House

135 W 7th St, (785) 238-3906, jcoperahouse.org

Placed on the Historic Register in Nov. 2003, this "Jewel of the Prairie" is home to the performing arts. 📍

Downtown Junction City

129 W 7th St, (785) 209-3775, junctioncitymainstreet.org

Shop local and see what makes our community unique. We have the perfect location where friends and families can gather for shopping and socializing. 📍

Geary County Historical Museum

530 N Adams, (785) 238-1666, gearyhistory.org

The library and archives house an extensive collection of vintage photos, including J.J. Pennell's, newspapers dating from the Civil War and genealogical records. 📍

Heritage Park

6th & Washington, (785) 238-3103, visitgearycounty.com

Civil War Arch, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, 1st Infantry Division Memorial, Law Enforcement Memorial, a bandstand and a water fountain. 📍

Kansas Vietnam Veteran's Memorial

6th & Washington, (785) 238-3103, visitgearycounty.com

This 13x46-foot black granite memorial is Kansas' official monument dedicated to men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice in the Vietnam War. 📍

Playground Park & Pool Complex

1017 W 5th St, (785) 238-7529, visitgearycounty.com

With a new playground and a wealth of facilities, the park is alive with fun for everyone. 📍

Rathert Stadium

900 W 13th St, (785) 238-1678, jcbbrigade.com

Currently home to the Junction City Brigade baseball team. Visit the website for a schedule. 📍

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KANORADO

Kanorado Community Museum

201 Main, (785) 399-2355, cityofkanorado.com

View pieces of Kanorado's history and tour the newly renovated Rock Island Caboose, the Coal Shed and the Cook Shack. 📍

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KANSAS CITY

Visit Kansas City Kansas
 755 Minnesota Ave, (913) 321-5800, visitkansascityks.com 📍

7th Street Casino

777 N 7 St Trafficway, (913) 371-3500, 7thstreetcasino.com

Located on the corner of 7th St. and Ann Ave. in downtown KCK. The casino features over 600 slot machines. 📍

American Royal of Kansas City

118th & State Ave, (816) 221-9800, americanroyalonthefair.com

Coming soon: the new American Royal, the nation's premier food and agriculture event, plus an entertainment and engagement campus. 📍

Atlas 9

9700 State Ave, atlas9.com

An immersive art museum where movie scenes come alive through interactive exhibits and live performances. 📍

Boulevard Drive In & Swap N' Shop

1051 Merriam Ln, (913) 262-0392, [Find us on Facebook](#).

The world's first 4K drive-in cinema celebrated 75 years in 2025. Swap 'N' Shop flea market every Sat. and Sun. 📍

Cider Hill Family Orchard

3341 N 139th St, (913) 721-2507, ciderhillfamilyorchard.com

The U-pick apple orchard features seasonal hayrides, apple treats, kettle corn, a fishing pond and an event barn available for rental. 📍

Downtown Kansas City, KS Avenue of Murals

Minnesota Ave, (913) 321-5800, goo.gl/KcDgPU

Includes eight outstanding murals in a four-block-long corridor along Minnesota Ave. downtown. 📍

Dub's Dread Golf Course

12601 Hollingsworth Rd, (913) 721-1333, dubsdreadgolfclub.com

Known for its superb design, premier playing conditions and outstanding service. Local favorite and a must-play for visitors. 📍

F.L. Schlagle Library

4051 West Dr, (913) 295-8250, kckpl.org

The environmental learning center offers science and nature education, summer camps, reading programs, family events, and hiking and fishing on the grounds. 📍

Frontier Justice

10000 France Family Dr, (913) 215-9177, frontier-justice.com

A next-generation retail and firearms training facility with an indoor range, safety classes, a Western urban apparel boutique and more. 📍

Grinter Place State Historic Site

1420 S 78th St, (913) 299-0373, kansashistory.gov

Learn about Annie, a Lenape (Delaware), and Moses Grinter, who raised livestock, planted an apple orchard, and operated a ferry and trading post. 📍

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THINGS TO DO

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Hollywood Casino at Kansas Speedway
777 Hollywood Casino Blvd, (913) 288-9300, hollywoodcasinokansas.com
More than 2,000 thrilling slot machines, 40 exciting table games, a live poker room and sportsbook. Enjoy live music on weekends, fine dining and more.

John Brown Statue
27th & Sewell St, (913) 321-5800, visitkansascityks.com
Near the heart of the city, this statue pays tribute to John Brown, one of the nation's early-day opponents of slavery.

Kansas City Monarchs
1800 Village West Pkwy, (913) 328-5618, monarchsbaseball.com
The 2023 American Association of Independent Professional Baseball champions.

KCK Legacy Trail
755 Minnesota Ave, (913) 321-5800, visitkansascityks.com
Explore KCK's vibrant cultures and heritage, and learn about the journeys of people who migrated here and made KCK their home.

KCK Taco Trail
755 Minnesota Ave, (913) 321-5800, kcktacotrail.com
Includes 60-plus local taquerias serving street tacos, Tex-Mex-style tacos and more.

Korean-Vietnam War Memorial
91st and Leavenworth Rd, (913) 573-8327, wycokck.org/parks
The nation's first dual-war memorial is dedicated to veterans of the Korean and Vietnam conflicts. At the entrance of Wyandotte County Lake and Park.

Lakeside Speedway
5615 Wolcott Dr, (913) 299-9206, lakesidespeedway.net
Kansas City's premier ½-mile dirt track features USRA Modifieds, Grand Nationals, USRA B-Mods and factory stock cars.

NASCAR Racing Experience
400 Speedway Blvd, (704) 886-2400, nascarracingexperience.com
Experience the ultimate adrenaline rush, gripping the wheel in the driver's seat or riding shotgun in a NASCAR race car. Reservations required.

Nebraska Furniture Mart
1601 Village West Pkwy, (913) 288-6200, nfm.com
Covering 1 million square feet, this home furnishings superstore carries furniture, flooring, appliances, electronics and more.

Painted Hills Golf Course
7101 Parallel Pkwy, (913) 334-1111, paintedhillsgolf.com
The 18-hole public golf club features gently rolling hills, tree-lined fairways and beautifully contoured bentgrass greens.

Piano Technicians Guild Foundation's Jack Wyatt Museum
4444 Forest Ave, (913) 432-9975, ptgfoundation.org/museum
See historic pianos, tools, action models and artifacts at the home office of the Piano Technicians Guild. Call ahead to visit.

Quindaro Ruins & Overlook
27th & Sewell, (913) 573-5100, freedomfrontier.org
Peek into the past at the stone and brick foundations still standing at the port of entry for free soil immigrants traveling into Kansas from the Missouri River.

Quindaro Underground Railroad Museum
3436 N 27th St, (913) 529-9238, vernoncenterkck.org
In the historic Vernon Multipurpose Center, the museum has artifacts and documents that tell the story of the Quindaro town and people.

Rock Island Bridge
0 Kansas Ave, rockislandkc.com
The historic bridge is alive with music, dining, coffee shops, bars, trailhead services and more—all 60 feet above the Kansas River.

Rosedale Memorial Arch
3602 Springfield St, (913) 573-8327, rosedale.org
This memorial overlooks the KC area and was inspired by the Arc de Triomphe. Built to honor soldiers who served our country in WWI.

Rowe Ridge Vineyard & Winery
11255 Leavenworth Rd, (913) 721-9776, roweridge.com
A 5-acre vineyard and winery in an urban setting. All wines are estate-grown and handcrafted. Taste wine, browse the gift shop and stroll through the vineyard.

Spicin Foods
111 SW Blvd, (913) 432-5228, spicinfoods.com
Creating sauces, salsas, snacks and more for wholesale, retail and private label customers since 1998. Home to the world's hottest hot sauce: The Source.

Sporting Kansas City
Children's Mercy Park, (913) 387-3400, sportingkc.com
Celebrating more than 25 years in Major League Soccer with the ultimate fan experience at state-of-the-art Children's Mercy Park.

Strawberry Hill Museum & Cultural Center
720 N 4th St, (913) 371-3264, strawberryhillmuseum.org
A historic Victorian mansion built in 1887, this museum is dedicated to the promotion and preservation of ethnic heritage in KCK.

Tanger Kansas City at Legends
1843 Village West Pkwy, Ste C-127, (913) 788-3700, legendsshopping.com
Premier outdoor shopping, dining and entertainment destination. With 100-plus options, there's something for every style and budget.

The Kansas City Community College Art Gallery
7250 State Ave, (913) 288-7408, kckcc.edu
In the Jewell building of KCKCC, find captivating art exhibits, artist lectures, exhibit receptions and film screenings.

Wyandotte County Fairgrounds
13700 Polfer Rd, (913) 788-7898, wycocfair.com
Home to the Wyandotte County Fair as well as mud runs, shooting sports, events and concerts.

Wyandotte County Lake & Park
91st & Leavenworth Rd, (913) 573-8327, wycocck.org/parks
A lake with a marina, 1,500 wooded acres, shelters, a playground, fishing, wildlife, an off-leash dog area and archery range.

SW

KINGMAN

Kingman Expo Center
121 S Main, (620) 532-3925, kingmanarena.com
An indoor/outdoor arena. Meeting spaces for private or commercial events. Kitchen, showers, horse stalls and camper hooks.

SW

LA CROSSE

Kansas Barbed Wire Museum
120 W 1st St, (785) 222-9900, barbedwire.rushcounty.org
Learn the history of barbed wire, how it influenced the settlement of Kansas and its impact on society.

Post Rock Museum
202 W 1st St, (785) 222-2719, rushcounty.org
In a 19th-century limestone farmhouse, the museum tells the story of Post Rock with a quarry diorama, exhibits and artifacts.

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LARNED

Larned Area Chamber of Commerce
502 Broadway St, (620) 285-6916, larnedks.org

Doerr-Vernon Park & Splash Pad
620 Ft Larned Ave
A playground featuring a Fort Larned theme with splash pad, picnic area and tennis courts. Pawnee County All Veterans Memorial located nearby.

Edward's Street Brew & Bites
603 Edwards, (620) 910-7773, [Find us on Facebook](http://find.us.on.facebook.com).
The restaurant stands out in the culinary landscape of Larned with its inviting atmosphere and a menu that includes spirits, steaks and more.

Edwards Park Municipal Golf Course
E US-56, (620) 285-3935
A public par-35, nine-hole golf course. Located on the east edge of Larned in a hilly and scenic setting. Driving range and disc golf nearby. Bar and food available.

Fort Larned National Historic Site
1767 State-156, (620) 285-6911, nps.gov/fols
Experience one of the most complete and authentic frontier forts from the Indian Wars period on the Santa Fe Trail. Nine original buildings. Free admission.

Jordaan Park
1500 Toles Rd, (620) 285-6002, cityoflarned.org
Large park with walking track, baseball and softball diamonds, picnic area, playgrounds, disc golf, restrooms, community center, and 4-H building with a horse arena.

Larned Fishing Pond
S Main & Cleveland, (620) 285-8500
A free stocked fishing pond open to the public daily. Shaded picnic areas. Fishing license required.

Old Church Antiques
921 Broadway St, (620) 804-5002, oldchurch-antiques.com
With vintage treasures and current reads, our church-turned-marketplace is a haven for seekers of the past and the reusable.

Pawnee County All Veterans Memorial
620 Fort Larned Ave, legion.org
The memorial features granite benches and walls recording the names of Pawnee County and area veterans who served in conflicts dating back to the Civil War.

Roy Bach Auto Museum
1411 105th Ave, [Find us on Facebook](http://find.us.on.facebook.com).
The Santa Fe Trail Auto Club operates an auto museum with vintage and antique automobiles. Open on a limited basis. Check the club's Facebook page for info.

Santa Fe Trail Center Museum & Library
 1349 State-156, (620) 285-2054, santafetrailcenter.org
 The nine-building complex tells the story of the Santa Fe Trail—which blended Indian, Mexican and American cultures—and the story of settlement in central Kansas. 📍

Schnack Park
 1st and Carroll, (620) 285-8500, cityoflarned.org
 A beautiful tree-lined park with playgrounds, covered picnic areas, restrooms and a swimming pool with a slide. A miniature train runs at special times during summer. 📍

Scraps Coffee, Gift & Scrapbook Store
 612 Broadway St, (620) 285-8977, scrapslarned.com
 Visit the downtown spot for freshly roasted coffee, espresso, breakfast, lunch and a fresh salad bar. Shop in-store for a wide array of items. 📍

State Theatre of Larned
 617 Broadway, (620) 285-3535
 A community-owned and completely restored historic theater with concessions and first-run movies Fri.-Sun. evenings. 📍

The Diner
 424 SW Trail St, (620) 910-5200
 Renovated with a modern twist on a 1950s American diner. Serving freshly made burgers, fries, soft-serve ice cream and breakfast. 🍷

LAWRENCE
Explore Lawrence
 200 W 9th St, (785) 856-5282, explorelawrence.com 📍

Baker Wetlands Discovery Center
 1365 N 1250 Rd, (785) 594-4700, bakeru.edu
 One of the most diverse habitats in Kansas, with 927 acres of wildlife. This environment offers a unique opportunity for exploration. 📍

Booth Family Hall of Athletics & The DeBruce Center
 1700 Naismith Dr, (785) 864-8200, kuathletics.com
 The Hall of Athletics celebrates the history of KU athletics and recognizes fans. The DeBruce Center features Naismith's original Rules of Basketball. 📍

Clinton State Park
 798 N 1415 Rd, (785) 842-8562, ksoutdoors.com
 Boating, swimming, fishing, biking, hiking and birding. The marina offers boat ramps, docks, rentals, storage, a restaurant and a store. Cabins, RV sites and campsites. 📍

Explore Lawrence Mobile Visitor Center
 200 W 9th St, (785) 856-5282, explorelawrence.com
 Learn what makes us unmistakable at our mobile visitors center. 📍

Free State Brewing Company
 636 Massachusetts St, (785) 843-4555, freestatebrewing.com
 The first legal brewery in Kansas is a haven for beer-lovers, with good beer and food that inspire lively conversations and memorable experiences. 🍷

Haskell Cultural Center & Museum
 2411 Barker Ave, (785) 832-6686, haskellhistory.com
 Celebrates the culture of all tribal peoples and strives to continue the legacy through culturally based exhibitions. 📍

Historic Downtown Lawrence
 833 1/2 Massachusetts, (785) 842-3883, downtownlawrence.com
 Voted one of the most authentic Main Streets in the U.S., downtown is home to more than 100 shops, galleries, restaurants and more. 📍

Jayhawk Essential Tour & Phog Plus Tour
 1651 Naismith Dr, (785) 865-3506, kuathletics.com
 Learn about KU's rich history on an unforgettable walking tour. The tour takes fans through iconic athletic facilities, including Allen Fieldhouse. Fees apply. 📍

KU Natural History Museum
 1345 Jayhawk Blvd, (785) 864-4450, naturalhistory.ku.edu
 Explore four floors of exhibits highlighting past and present life on Earth, including the historic Panorama, live reptiles and insects, fossils, and more. 📍

Lied Center of Kansas
 1600 Stewart Dr, (785) 864-2787, lied.ku.edu
 Brings the world's most exciting performing arts events to town. Offers something for everyone. 📍

Prairie Park Nature Center
 2730 Harper, (785) 832-7980, lawrenceks.org/lprd
 Prairie, woodlands and wetlands with walking trails. Also hosts many educational programs. 📍

Robert J. Dole Institute of Politics
 2350 Petefish Dr, (785) 864-4900, doleinstitute.org
 Houses and preserves Sen. Robert J. Dole's papers from the House of Representatives, the Senate and beyond. Offers a lecture series. 📍

Spencer Museum of Art
 1301 Mississippi St, (785) 864-4710, spencerart.ku.edu
 A vibrant cultural center connecting art and people. Offering a variety of free programs to engage visitors of all ages and interests. 📍

Theatre Lawrence
 4660 Bauer Farm Dr, (785) 843-7469, theatrelawrence.com
 Creating and delivering great theater and education programs and performances that engage community members of all ages and backgrounds. 📍

Watkins Museum of History
 1047 Massachusetts St, (785) 841-4109, watkinsmuseum.org
 Exhibits explore Douglas County's cultural heritage, including settlement during Bleeding Kansas and many other eras. 📍

LEAVENWORTH
Leavenworth Convention & Visitors Bureau
 100 N 5th St, (913) 758-2948, visitleavenworthks.com 📍

C. W. Parker Carousel Museum
 320 S Esplanade, (913) 682-1331, visitleavenworthks.com
 Ride the 1913 Parker Carousel and visit the museum. Self-guided tours cost \$5 and guided tours cost \$6. Carousel rides are \$1.50 each. See 1950 and 1860 carousels. 📍

C.J. Gift Company
 430 Delaware St, (913) 364-5378, cjgiftco.com
 Unique gifts for you and your home. Stationery, home and seasonal decor, bath and body products, jewelry, souvenirs, and more. 📍

Carroll Mansion Museum
 1128 5th Ave, (913) 682-7759, leavenworthhistory.org
 This museum, archive and research center of early Kansas history has a collection of 30,000 glass-plate negatives. 📍

First City Museum
 743 Delaware St, (913) 682-1866, visitleavenworthks.com
 Everything Leavenworth from the 1800s to today: Buffalo Bill Cody, broom making, prisons, military, Wild West, industry, gambling, Native Americans, and trains. 📍

LECOMPTON
Bleeding Kansas Series
 319 Elmore, (785) 887-6520, lecomptonkansas.com
 An annual winter/spring series of talks and dramatic interpretations on the violent conflict over the slavery issue in Kansas Territory from 1854 to 1861. 📍

Constitution Hall State Historic Site
 319 Elmore, (785) 887-6520, lecomptonkansas.com
 In 1857, the nation's eyes were fixed on this site to see what constitution would be drafted and whether Kansas would join the Union as a free or slave state. 📍

Historic Lecompton Jail
 315 Elmore, (785) 887-6148, lecomptonkansas.com
 Reconstructed 1892 Lecompton City Jail. A one-room, native limestone building used until the 1920s. Has original door, hardware and hand-forged iron window bars. 📍

Kansas Territorial Capital Museum
 609 E Woodson Ave, (785) 887-6148, lecomptonkansas.com
 Civil War and Bleeding Kansas history. The former territorial Capitol site was completed in 1882 as Lane University. President Eisenhower's parents married here in 1885. 📍

Lecompton Historical Society
 620 E Woodson Ave, (785) 887-6148, lecomptonkansas.com
 A painting of 1858 Lecompton welcomes visitors to this historic city. In the mural is the territorial motto *Populi Voce Nata*, meaning born of the popular will. 📍

Lecompton Post Office
 525 E Woodson Ave, (785) 887-6494, lecomptonkansas.com
 Lecompton artist Ellen Duncan created a mural on the post office wall depicting Lecompton prior to 1915 using photos of pre-Civil War buildings downtown. 📍

Resilience
 620 E Woodson Ave, (785) 887-6148, lecomptonkansas.com
 A large mural by Rick Wright that features Lecompton territorial history and buildings, the Kansas River, a bald eagle, and the Kansas territorial seal motto. 📍

Territorial Democratic Headquarters
 226 E 2nd St, (785) 887-6148, lecomptonkansas.com
 The log cabin portion was possibly the first dwelling in Lecompton. The stone addition was built in the late 1850s. The site offers a unique view of the Kansas River. 📍

LENEXA
Lenexa Convention & Visitors Bureau
 11180 Lackman Rd, (913) 888-1414, visitlenexa.com 📍

THINGS TO DO

Legler Barn Museum Complex
14907 W 87th St Pkwy,
(913) 492-0038,
lenexahistoricalociety.org
In Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park, the museum features exhibits on Lenexa's history. Frisco Train Depot on-site. 📍

Lenexa City Center
87th St Pkwy and Renner Blvd,
lenexa.com
This exciting mixed-use neighborhood combines walkability, sustainability, density and community. A unique spin on urban living. 📍

Lenexa Public Market
8750 Penrose Ln, (913) 477-7516,
lenexapublicmarket.com
A food hall and market that brings together diverse merchants offering fresh food, beverages and locally sourced products, as well as classes and events. 📍

Thompson Barn
11184 Lackman Rd, (913) 477-7100,
lenexa.com
Once a barn on the historic Lackman-Thompson estate, it's now a beautifully rustic, modern event and meeting facility. 📍

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LIBERAL
Liberal Convention & Visitors Bureau
1 Yellow Brick Rd, (620) 626-0170,
visitliberal.com 📍

Adventure Bay Family Water Park
11th & Kansas Light Park,
(620) 626-0187, visitliberal.com
Outdoor water park with slides, tipping buckets, toys, basketball hoops, a lily pad rope course and a pirate ship. Open daily Memorial Day to mid-Aug. 📍

Arkalon Park Campground
11123 Arkalon Park Rd,
(620) 626-0515, cityofliberal.org
Camping, playground, trails, showers and a covered shelter. A great place for hiking, cycling, birding and observing nature. Pet-friendly. Open year-round. 📍

Baker Arts Center
624 N Pershing, (620) 624-2810,
bakerarts.org
Draw, play instruments, paint, build and enjoy art. Open Mon.-Sat. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. \$5 entry fee. 📍

Billy's Ayr Lanes & Blue Duck BBQ
2050 N Kansas Ave, (620) 626-4400,
billysblueduckbbq.com
A barbecue restaurant, bowling alley, bar and family establishment. Meeting room. Catering. Delivery in town. Open seven days a week. 📍

Brick House BBQ & Brew
24 E 2nd St, (620) 604-9846,
brickhousellk.com
Smoked BBQ and family-recipe sides. Brews on tap and mixed drinks (shaken, not stirred). 📍

Cattleman's Cafe 2
744 E Pancake Blvd, (620) 626-5553,
cattlemans.cafe
Family-owned and serving Kansas for 20-plus years. Offering classic options like meatloaf and chicken-fried steak. Half portions offered. Open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. daily. 📍

Coronado Historical Museum
567 E Cedar St, (620) 624-7624,
dorothyshouse.com
Open (Memorial Day-Labor Day) Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 1-5 p.m.; (Labor Day-Memorial Day) Tue.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 1-5 p.m. Free. 📍

Dorothy's House & The Land of Oz
567 E Cedar St, (620) 624-7624,
dorothyshouse.com
Immerse yourself in the Land of Oz. (Memorial Day-Labor Day) Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 1-5 p.m.; (Labor Day-Memorial Day) Tue.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 1-5 p.m. 📍

El Amigo Chavez
250 W Pancake Blvd,
(620) 626-6029, Find us on Facebook
The best Mexican food and burgers in town. Daily specials, carryout, alcohol. Open Tue.-Fri. 11 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sat.-Sun. 10 a.m.-9 p.m. 📍

El Ranchito Mexican Restaurant
4 Village Plaza, (620) 604-4010,
Find us on Facebook
Authentic, fast and fresh Mexican food. Catering, carryout, alcohol. Open 6 a.m.-9 p.m. daily. 📍

International Pancake Day Hall of Fame & Museum
318 N Lincoln, (620) 624-6423,
pancakeday.net
Located at the race finish line. Memorabilia from festival's 75-plus years. Open Wed. 9 a.m.-12 p.m., during event and by appt. 📍

Mid-America Air Museum
2000 W 2nd St, (620) 624-5263,
liberalairmuseum.com
Over 100 general aviation aircraft, including experimental, military and a Beech Starship. Open Tue.-Sat. 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sun. 1-5 p.m. Closed Mon. 📍

Napoli's Italian Restaurant
2 Rock Island Rd, (620) 309-4400,
ordernapolisitalianmenu.com
Located in historic Rock Island Depot with lunch specials and alcohol. Open Sun.-Thurs. 11 a.m.-9 p.m.; Fri.-Sat. 11 a.m.-10 p.m. 📍

Pancake House
640 E Pancake Blvd, (620) 624-8585,
Find us on Facebook
Serving breakfast and lunch. Almost everything made from scratch, with over 30 varieties of pancakes, crepes and waffles. Open Tue.-Sun. 6 a.m.-1 p.m. 📍

Tortuga Brewery
103 W 2nd St, (620) 209-9961,
Find us on Facebook
Small-batch brewed beer, food by Guayaba Cuisine, full bar, family-friendly. Open 11 a.m.-10 p.m. daily. Special events include live music and trivia. 📍

Vargas Restaurant
111 W 15th St, (620) 626-4914,
Find us on Facebook
Delicious Mexican food and a full bar. Daily lunch, dinner and drink specials. Located beside Best Western Plus. Open daily. 📍

Willow Tree Golf Course
1800 W 15th St, (620) 626-0175,
cityofliberal.org
A well-maintained course open 8 a.m. to dusk with driving range closing at 6 p.m. Tee times year-round, pro shop, cart rentals. 📍

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LINCOLN
Lincoln Area Chamber of Commerce
144 E Lincoln Ave, (785) 524-4934,
livelincolncounty.com 📍

Drug Store Museum
161 E Lincoln Ave, (785) 524-5383,
crispinsdrugstoremuseum.com
Experience an 1880s-1920s pharmacy. Apothecary bottles, remedies, cures, quackery and lots more. Tours and demos. Open most afternoons or by appt. 📍

Lincoln County Historical Museum
216 W Lincoln Ave, (785) 524-9997,
lincolnksmuseum.com
Includes exhibits on early businesses, military and schools. Genealogy library, Frank Cooper Room, Topsy School and two historic homes. 📍

Post Rock Scout Museum
161 E Lincoln Ave, (785) 524-5383,
postrockscoutmuseum.com
Girl Scout, Boy Scout, Camp Fire and other youth organization exhibits: uniforms, insignia, dolls, books, crafts, music and more. Open most afternoons or by appt. 📍

Seirer's Clothing
143 W Lincoln Ave, (785) 524-4752,
shopseirers.com
A rural boutique established in 1984. Shop hand-selected items for the whole family and enjoy a drink from our new coffee bar. 📍

Sideline Swag Printshop
139 W Lincoln Ave, (785) 531-0773,
Find us on Facebook
Featuring a create-your-own-shirt experience, a full-service print shop and several handcrafted items by local makers. 📍

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LINCOLNVILLE
The Three Crosses
US-77/US-56
A unique roadside attraction with three huge crosses, an angel and an eagle. A mile north of Lincolnville on US-77. 📍

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LINDSBORG
Lindsborg Convention & Visitors Bureau
104 E Lincoln St, (785) 227-8687,
visitlindsborg.com 📍

Anderson Butik
134 N Main St, (785) 212-0251,
toursweden.com
Providing imports from Sweden and tours to Sweden. 📍

Birger Sandzén Memorial Art Gallery
401 N 1st St, (785) 227-2220,
sandzen.org
Sharing the arts with the world through the life and vision of Swedish-American painter, printmaker and educator Birger Sandzén. 📍

Blacksmith Coffee Shop & Roastery
122 N Main St, (785) 212-6077,
blacksmithcoffee.com
A 19th-century blacksmith shop renovated into a quaint coffeehouse. Serving exquisite coffee roasted on-site, and house-made eats and treats. 📍

China Restaurant
108 N Main St, (785) 212-6188
Fresh, hot, delicious Chinese food that's made to order. Dine-in or carryout. Can cater large events. Open Tue.-Sun. 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Closed Mon. 📍

Clara Hatton Center
105 N Main St, (620) 504-9528,
clarahatton.art
A one-room art museum devoted to the work and life of Kansas artist Clara Hatton (1901-1991) and Kansas women printmakers and designers born before 1945. 📍

Collections & Essentials
110 S Main St, (785) 227-2278,
Find us on Facebook
A boutique with a variety of trendy to vintage finds, local metal artwork and other handmade items. Vintage Swedish items housed in the old bank vault. 📍

Connected - A Fair Trade Store
 129 N Main St, (573) 808-1980
 Enjoy handmade accessories, clothing and home accents, plus goods from small farming co-ops, makers and growers in developing parts of the world.

Coronado Heights
 Coronado Heights Rd, (785) 227-8687, smokyvalley-history.org
 A well-known scenic bluff popular with photo buffs, artists, picnickers and stargazers. Also a 1936 castle. Open daily. Free.

Crown & Rye
 121 N Main St, (785) 227-8422, crownandrye.com
 Treat your taste buds with classic and new Swedish and American fare, handcrafted cocktails, and homemade desserts. Takeout and large group seating available.

Designs
 103 N Main St, (785) 227-2202, floralbydesigns.com
 Even the gift shop is a work of art. See the G.N. Malm stencils and 1893 tin ceiling. Fresh flowers, home decor, gifts and jewelry.

Hemslöjd, Inc
 201 N Main St, (785) 227-2053, hemslöjd.com
 Scandinavian gifts, woodworking, resident artist, custom glass etching and quadricycle rentals. Home of the big Dala horse and Dala horse signs.

Indigo Mood: Homemade Ice Cream Shop
 125 N Main St, (785) 227-7411, Find us on Facebook.
 Enjoy homemade ice cream churned in-house on a homemade waffle cone. Inside a former movie theater made to feel like a European street.

Lindsborg Old Mill & Swedish Heritage Museum
 120 E Mill St, (785) 227-3595, oldmillmuseum.org
 Working three-story Old Mill, 1904 World's Fair Swedish Pavilion and eight historic buildings. Free audio tour. Gift shop. Open Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Millfest on May 2.

Öl Stuga
 119 S Main St, (785) 227-8762, theolstuga.com
 Enjoy amazing sandwiches, locally brewed drinks, and the finest bourbon and whiskey selection around. Open daily.

Prairie Sea
 108 S Main St, trollart.com
 Gallery, gift shop and museum featuring the "scientifically surreal" art of Ray Troll. Open by appt.

Red Barn Studio Museum
 212 S Main St, (785) 227-2217, redbarnstudio.org
 Once the working studio of professional artist and craftsman Lester Raymer, it's filled with paintings, prints, ceramics and metalwork.

Sister Bojangles Boutique & Home Gallery
 111 N Main St, (785) 452-1257, Find us on Facebook.
 A unique shopping experience featuring a Western boutique and a rustic home gallery. You and your home never looked so good.

Skandia Hem Boutique
 126 N Main St, (785) 227-2913, Find us on Facebook.
 Modern Scandinavian-inspired furniture and home decor. Perfectly curated to achieve your hygge (cozy and happy) home.

Small World Gallery
 127 N Main St, (785) 227-4442, smallworldgallery.net
 World-class work of National Geographic photographer Jim Richardson and jewelry by IBIS Woman. Cards, posters, prints, earrings, necklaces and books.

Smoky Valley Arts & Folklife Center
 114 1/2 S Main St, (785) 227-7034, smokyvalleyartsandfolklifecenter.org
 Experience the spirit of the Smoky Valley through exhibitions, workshops and events.

Smoky Valley Bakery
 118 S Main St, (785) 450-5350, Find us on Facebook.
 Freshly baked daily and always delicious. Now serving lunch.

Smoky Valley Restoration, Upholstery & Art Gallery
 125 N Main St, (620) 654-6771, smokyvalleyupholstery.com
 Browse local fine art, restored and unrestored furniture, fabric choices, quilts, and more. We can restore, refinish and upholster your treasured pieces.

TACOL Thrift Store
 509 E Swenson Ave, (785) 227-4710
 A large, well-curated store. Vintage glassware, funky and fun finds, gently used clothing and furniture. Proceeds fund assistance programs. Open Wed. 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Thurs. and Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fri. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The Good Merchant
 131 N Main St, (785) 212-6134, thegoodmerchant.net
 Purveyors of great stuff for inspired living. A mix of home decor, fashion accessories, gourmet foods, gifts, lotions and candles.

The White Peacock Tea & Coffee Shop
 124 S Main St, (785) 212-6108, whitepeacockcoffee.com
 A fun coffee shop serving fair-trade coffee, tea and more. Enjoy breakfast and lunch options, browse local art, and relax in our hidden courtyard. Open daily.

Trollslända Toy Store
 135 N Main St, (785) 212-1492, Find us on Facebook.
 Offering unique European toys, we welcome all ages to come play.

Wild Dala Herd
 104 E Lincoln St, (785) 227-8687, visitlindsborg.com
 The Herd of Wild Dala Horses roams freely throughout Lindsborg. Maps are available at the Travel Center, 118 N Main St.

LOGAN
City of Logan
 105 W Main St, (785) 689-4865, discoverlogan.com

Dane G Hansen Museum
 110 W Main, (785) 689-4846, hansenmuseum.org
 The museum hosts a permanent art collection as well as traveling Smithsonian exhibits.

LOUISBURG
Louisburg Chamber of Commerce
 215 S Broadway, (913) 837-2826, louisburgkansan.com

Captain Cook's Treasure Chest
 903 N Broadway St, (913) 837-2757, captaincookst treasurechest.com
 A family-operated antique store. Off the beaten path and worth the trip to treasure hunt for antiques, vintage finds, regional foods, garden decor and collectibles.

Louisburg Cider Mill
 14730 State-68, (913) 285-5300, louisburgcidermill.com
 Visit our Country Store daily for sweet and hard cider, fruit wines, Lost Trail soda, and apple cider doughnuts. Explore our pumpkin patch and corn maze this fall.

LUCAS
Lucas Area Chamber of Commerce
 135 S Main St, (785) 525-6288, lucaskansas.com

Bowl Plaza
 119 S Main St, (785) 525-6118, grassrootsart.net/bowl-plaza
 A unique public restroom. Shaped like a toilet tank, the entrance is a raised toilet lid. Front benches look like a curved toilet seat.

Brant's Market
 125 S Main St, (785) 525-6464, brantsmarket.com
 One of the oldest meat markets in the country. In Lucas and Plainville.

Garden of Eden
 305 E 2nd St, (785) 525-6395, gardenofedenlucas.org
 Built by Civil War veteran S.P. Dinsmore, the limestone log cabin home and property feature world-renowned grassroots art and architecture. Newly restored.

Grassroots Art Center
 213 S Main St, (785) 525-6118, grassrootsart.net
 Explore the work of more than 25 self-taught outsider artists from the Midwest. Featuring the Deeble Rock Garden, Post Rock Limestone Courtyard and a newly remodeled art gallery space.

Miller's Park
 315 E 2nd St, (785) 525-6395, kohlerfoundation.org
 The Millers of Lucas traveled and brought rocks back home to build miniatures of some of their favorite places and replicas of Lucas businesses and churches.

Switchgrass
 208 S Main St, (785) 639-4636, switchgrasscoop.com
 This nonprofit art co-op features more than 2,400 pieces of art created by 26-plus artists. We also have a coffee shop, art supplies, clothing, thrift and more.

LYNDON
Osage County Travel & Tourism
 717 Topeka Ave, (785) 829-5302, ext. 144, discoverosage.com

Lyndon Carnegie Library
 PO Box 563, (785) 828-4565, lyndonlibrary.org
 Built in 1910 by Andrew Carnegie. Smallest public library in Kansas. National historic preservation site. Active programs. Beloved by all.

LYONS
Rice County Tourism
 101 W Commercial, (620) 257-5166, ricecounty.us/visitors

MAHASKA
1856 Surveyor's Monument
 Meridan Rd, (785) 245-3368, washingtoncountyks.gov
 Beautiful 6th Principal/40th Parallel stone markers at the point where the states of Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming, Colorado and South Dakota were surveyed in 1854.

THINGS TO DO

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MANHATTAN

Visit Manhattan

501 Poyntz Ave. (785) 776-8829, [VisitManhattanKS.org](#)

Baskin Robbins

320 N 3rd St. (785) 537-3136
More than 31 flavors daily. Come have a scoop, cake or shake in the Manhattan Marketplace downtown. Locally owned.

Colbert Hills Golf Course

5200 Colbert Hills Dr. (785) 776-6475, [colberthills.com](#)

Offers a beautiful public golf course, a full-service restaurant, event spaces perfect for weddings and gatherings, and a stay-and-play lodge.

Crumbl - Little Apple

501 N 3rd Place, Ste C, (785) 706-9199, [crumblcookies.com/kslitttleapple](#)

Enjoy the best freshly baked desserts in town. Order from a weekly rotating menu of gourmet treats for pickup and delivery. Download the Crumbl app for more.

Flint Hills Discovery Center

315 S 3rd St. (785) 587-2726, [flinthillsdiscovery.org](#)
Explore the Flint Hills in this unique museum and science center. Enjoy a 4D film, rotating exhibits and a dedicated play space for kids.

Fragrant Blends Candle Bar

320 Poyntz Ave. (785) 340-2035, [fragrantblendscandlebar.com](#)
Custom-create candles, and shop for our hand-poured candles and other products, including our exclusive Kansas Collection.

Goodnow House State Historic Site

2309 Claflin Rd. (785) 565-6490, [kansashistory.gov](#)
See the charming stone farmhouse built by Manhattan's founders, the Goodnows, who established the college that became K-State.

K-State Athletics

1800 College Ave. (800) 221-CATS, [kstatesports.com](#)
Wear purple and cheer on the Wildcats against Big 12 Conference rivals in 16 sports, including football, basketball, baseball, soccer and volleyball.

K-State Gardens

1500 Denison Ave. (785) 532-3271, [k-state.edu/gardens](#)
This kaleidoscope of color on meandering paths is an educational resource and learning laboratory for K-State students and the visiting public. Open Mar.-Nov.

K-State Insect Zoo

1500 Denison Ave. (785) 380-9139, [k-state.edu/insect-zoo](#)
Exciting educational exhibits about bugs. Experience the sights, sounds and smells of live creepy crawlies behind the safety of glass. Great for groups.

Konza Prairie Biological Station

100 Konza Prairie Ln. (785) 587-0441, [keep.konza.k-state.edu](#)
Take in breathtaking views of the Flint Hills from the overlook just south of Manhattan on US-177.

Lazy T Ranch Adventures & Guest House

2103 Zeandale Rd. (785) 537-9727, [lazytranchadventures.com](#)
A historic family farm offering Flint Hills views and nature experiences. Hosting public and private events throughout the year.

Liquid Art Winery & Estate

1745 Wildcat Creek Rd. (785) 370-8025, [liquidartwinery.com](#)
A tasting and barrel room with drinks, charcuterie and pizzas. Also an event center and an outdoor concert amphitheater. Enjoy views of the vineyard and Flint Hills.

Manhattan Arts Center

1520 Poyntz Ave. (785) 537-4420, [manhattanarts.org](#)
Live theater, live music, a clay studio and galleries open year-round. Children's programs, summer camps, classes and more.

Manhattan Brewing Company

406 Poyntz Ave. (785) 775-0406, [mhkbeer.com](#)
We brew beer for the people of Manhattan—that's who we are and that's who we care about.

Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art

701 Beach Ln. (785) 532-7718, [beach.k-state.edu](#)
We collect, study and celebrate regional art, bringing art and artists from around the world to Kansas. Free admission and parking.

Museum of Art + Light

316 Pierre St. (785) 775-5444, [artlightmuseum.org](#)
The first art museum that presents immersive exhibition experiences from its inception, with displays of both digital art and fine art in an array of media.

One Egg Catering Kitchen

3033 Anderson Ave. (785) 537-1396, [one-egg.com](#)
Event catering featuring One Egg Group restaurants. Responsive planning, quality ingredients and genuine hospitality.

Riley County Historical Museum

2309 Claflin. (785) 565-6490, [rileycountyks.gov/museum](#)
Step into the past with changing exhibits on Riley County's history, from the turbulent territorial days to the present. Research library open by appt.

SNW Gallery & Custom Frames

328 Poyntz Ave. (785) 537-2099, [snwgallery.com](#)
Located downtown, SNW offers works by the finest Kansas and regional artists, and custom conservation framing of the highest quality.

Stagg Hill Golf Club

4441 Stagg Hill Rd. (785) 539-1041, [stagghillgolfclub.com](#)
Our 18-hole championship course along the Kansas River is open to the public. Driving range, practice green, pro shop and snack bar.

Sunset Zoo

2333 Oak St. (785) 587-2737, [sunsetzoo.com](#)
With 150-plus animals, the zoo offers up-close views of nature's most fascinating wonders in the 26-acre park. Open 360 days a year.

Tallgrass Tap House

320 Poyntz Ave. (785) 320-2933, [tallgrasstaphouse.com](#)
A local brewery and full-service restaurant featuring craft brews and an American menu. A rooftop bar overlooks downtown.

TheraPie

106 S 4th St. (785) 317-8604, [therapiellc.com](#)
Manhattan's favorite pie. Sweet or savory, made from scratch. Enjoy a slice in our cozy little shop.

Tuttle Creek Reservoir, State Park & Wildlife Area

5020 Tuttle Creek Blvd. (785) 539-8511, [ksoutdoors.com](#)
Enjoy camping, fishing, hunting, boating, off-road vehicle areas, disc golf and more.

Vista Drive-In

1911 Tuttle Creek Blvd. (785) 537-0100, [vistadrivein.com](#)
Serving Manhattan since 1964. Featuring our ¼-pound Vistaburger, hand-dipped corn dogs, fresh-squeezed limeades and the hot fudge brownie à la mode.

Wildwood Adventure Park

375 Johnson Rd. (785) 477-9543, [mhkadventures.com](#)
Experience the Flint Hills by zipline. Seven lines ranging from 100 to 1,400 feet long and a 40-foot free fall. Call ahead or book online.

Wolf House Museum

630 Fremont. (785) 565-6490, [rileychs.com](#)
Victorian home life of the 1880s comes alive in this limestone boarding house, which also features special exhibits.

Wonder Workshop Children's Museum

506 S 4th. (785) 776-1234, [wonderworkshop.org](#)
Ignite creativity and learning with hands-on exhibits, engaging STEAM programs, and interactive fun designed to inspire curiosity in visitors of all ages.

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MANKATO

Jewell County Historical Society

118 N Commercial. (785) 378-8100, [Find us on Facebook](#).
Visit the Mammoth Capital of the Great Plains and immerse yourself in the rich history of Kansas.

Possibilities

121 N Commercial St. (785) 378-8484, [mankatogifts.com](#)
Step into our cozy small-town shop where the aroma of fresh coffee meets the beauty of flowers, thoughtful gifts and one-of-a-kind creations by local artists.

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MARION

28th Annual Chingawassa Days

203 N 3rd St. (620) 382-3425, [chingawassadays.com](#)
June 5-7, 2026. Family festival in downtown's Central Park. Live music Fri. and Sat. night, contests, games, vendors and more. Follow us on Facebook.

48th Annual Art in the Park & Craft Show

203 N 3rd St. (620) 382-3425, [marionks.net](#)
Sept. 19-20, 2026. In Central Park, artists and craftpeople gather from across the U.S. Lots of food.

Artisan Market

330 E Main St
Local honey products and other farm-to-table items.

Aunt Bee's Floral, Gifts & Garden Center

1201 E Main St. (620) 382-3030, [Find us on Facebook](#).
Caters to your floral, gardening, purse, jewelry or gift needs.

Bearly Makin' It Antiques

1953 Sunflower. (620) 382-6393, [bearlymakinitantiques.com](#)
Primitives, rust and furniture. Only at the Mill. Sat. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. or by appt. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

Bill & Essie's BBQ
 301 E Main St, (620) 833-4600,
[Find us on Facebook](#)
 American BBQ fusion featuring family recipes. Unique sauces and rubs. Try our smoked meatloaf or pulled pork. Follow us on Facebook. Online ordering available.

CB Baked Goods
 420 E Main St, (620) 381-0288,
[cbbakedgoods.com](#)
 The owner has handmade over 100,000 bierocks and bolsos. Traditional bierock filling, bolso with choice of ham and cheese, breakfast, pizza, and more. Carryout only.

Crafty Cactus Studio
 329 E Main St, (620) 381-4427
 Handmade items and craft supplies. Custom orders welcome. Classes for all ages. Ladies' night and couples' date night. Birthday parties and bridal showers welcome.

Diamond C Fitness
 1222 E Main, (316) 282-2731,
[diamondcfitness.com](#)
 Gym and physical fitness center. Check our Facebook page for more information. Call, email or send a Facebook message for details on daily and weekly passes.

Flint Hills Surf Company
 210 E Main St
 In historic downtown, stop by and check out unique gift and food items from Flint Hills-area folks. You are sure to find something for yourself or friends.

Gambino's Pizza
 114 E Main St, (620) 382-3821,
[gambinospizza.com](#)
 Check out this family-owned restaurant in business for 36 years. Find us on Facebook for hours and current specials. We look forward to seeing you.

Historic Elgin Hotel Tours
 115 N 3rd St, (620) 382-3200,
[historiceelginhotel.com](#)
 This grand 1886 limestone hotel is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is one of the state's finest fully renovated boutique hotels. Tours by appt.

Holly Jolly Christmas
 203 N 3rd St, (620) 382-3425,
[HollyJollyChristmasInKansas.com](#)
 An annual event with a full day of holiday-themed activities for all ages on Small Business Sat. Evening lighted parade downtown.

Jetset Clothing Company
 331 E Main St, [jetsetclothingco.com](#)
 A women's and children's boutique offering a full range of sizes and styles as well as custom embroidery.

Lanning Pharmacy
 217 E Main St, (620) 382-2135,
[lanningpharmacy.com](#)
 A large selection of gifts and decor. Greeting cards, candles, jewelry, bags, boutique items and locally crafted products.

Last Chance Bait Shop
 2193 Pawnee, (316) 570-3610,
[Find us on Facebook](#)
 Minnows, worms, tackle, ice, firewood, groceries, hunting and fishing licenses, and more. A stone's throw from Marion Reservoir.

Marion City Library
 101 Library St, (620) 382-2442,
[marion.lib.nckls.org](#)
 Voted Best Library in Kansas in 2023, it's in a restored 1912 Santa Fe Depot. Annual events: Christmas Home Tours 1st Sun. in Dec. 1-4 p.m.; Easter Egg Hunt; Quilt Show.

Marion County Lake Bait & Tackle
 1 Office Dr, (620) 382-3240
 Open seven days a week from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at Marion County Park and Lake. Snacks, drinks, fishing tackle, bait, charcoal, propane and more. Heated fishing dock.

Marion Historical Museum
 601 E Main, (620) 382-9134,
[marionks.net](#)
 Located in an 1880s church that remained active until 1956 when it was deeded over to be a museum. Open May-Oct. and by appt.

Marion Sports & Aquatic Center
 100 N Thorp St
 A community facility for walkers, joggers and swimmers year-round, with rec classes for all ages. Marion Aquatics Center on Facebook.

Next Level Marion
 626 E Main St, (620) 381-3073
 Healthy drinks, shakes and snacks for everyone.

Parlour 1886
 115 N 3rd St, (620) 777-1744,
[parlour1886.com](#)
 Inside the Historic Elgin Hotel, enjoy locally sourced fine dining in an atmosphere that exudes the elegance of the late 1800s.

S&S MedSpa LLC
 308 E Main, (620) 381-7767,
[ssmedspa.org](#)
 Professional spa with full range of services. Relax and restore with unique treatments and products.

St. Luke Hospital Auxiliary Shoppe
 321 E Main St
 Gently used clothing and housewares. Proceeds to St. Luke Hospital and Living Center. Open Fri. 12-5 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Shannon Novak Massage Therapy
 17 Jerome St, (702) 465-3001
 Professional massage therapy. Deep tissue, Swedish, Reiki and manual lymphatic drainage at Marion County Lake. Also available for mobile service.

Silk Salon & Boutique
 125 E Main St, (620) 382-7940,
[Find us on Facebook](#)
 Clothing and accessories for your fresh-cut style, for the whole family. Manicures and tanning bed.

Taco's Food Truck at That One Place
 1018 E Main St, (818) 635-4886,
[Find us on Facebook](#)
 Cali-style street tacos. Try crispy shrimp or sweet Thai pork tacos made from scratch.

TC's What Not Shop
 901 E Main St, (620) 382-2014,
[Find us on Facebook](#)
 Antiques, vintage, yard art, sports memorabilia, health and beauty products, and more. A total of 5,000 square feet with 20 vendors.

The Copper Shed
 1832 140th St, (620) 382-2041,
[Find us on Facebook](#)
 Works crafted from copper, brass and old machinery parts. Unique crafts and antiques. Call ahead.

The Sit Down
 301 Santa Fe, (620) 957-4181,
[thesitdownmarion.com](#)
 Coffee, breakfast, lunch, dinner (seasonal), baked goods and ice cream. Menu on our website.

Wagon Wheel Express
 202 W Main St, (620) 382-3544
 The best burgers around with fresh-cut fries. Fried pickles and yummy pie. Dine-in or carryout.

Willy J's 9th Lane
 131 S Thorp, (620) 382-2630
 Serving burgers and fries, typical bar food appetizers, cold beer, and soda—all in a family atmosphere. Open Mon., Wed., Fri. and Sat. 5-8 p.m. Summer hours vary.

MARQUETTE
Kanopolis State Park
 200 Horsethief Rd, (785) 546-2565,
[ksoutdoors.com](#)
 Towering sandstone bluffs, and caves and crevices in Horsethief Canyon. Explore 27 miles of trails for hikers, bikers and horse riders. Cabins, RV and equestrian sites.

Kansas Motorcycle Museum
 120 N Washington, (785) 546-2449,
[ksmotorcyclemuseum.org](#)
 Home of Stan the Man Engdahl with 140-plus cycles dating to the early 1900s, some very rare. Flat track racing items on display.

Mushroom Rock State Park
 200 Horsethief Rd, (785) 546-2565,
[ksoutdoors.com](#)
 Mushroom Rocks are the remains of beach sands and sediments of the Cretaceous Period. The largest formation is 27 feet in diameter.

MARYSVILLE
Marshall County Tourism
 101 N 10th St, (785) 562-2122,
[marshallcoks.com](#)

Black Squirrel Bark Park
 711 Jackson St, (785) 562-3101,
[visitmarysvilleks.org](#)
 Located just off US-77, the 3-acre park offers fenced areas for small and large dogs to run and play.

Black Squirrels On Parade
 611 Broadway, (785) 562-3101,
[visitmarysvilleks.org](#)
 See Marysville's official mascot, with 51 five-foot-tall fiberglass black squirrels located in the city. Maps available downtown.

Blue River Rail Trail
 7th St & Broadway,
[blueriverrailtrail.org](#)
 A 13-mile crushed limestone trail for walkers, joggers and cyclists that runs along the Big Blue River. It connects with the Chief Standing Bear Trail in Nebraska.

Historic Courthouse Museum & Genealogical Library
 1207 Broadway, (785) 562-5012,
[mchsk.org](#)
 A three-story 1891 Romanesque building with a vaulted courtroom ceiling, 20 rooms and genealogical library. Open year-round.

Historic Trails Park
 Call for directions, (785) 562-3101,
[visitmarysvilleks.org](#)
 See a life-size replica of the rope-powered ferry used by emigrants, the military and Native Americans to ford the Big Blue River. Also get information on eight trails.

Koester House Museum & Gardens
 919 Broadway, (785) 562-2417,
[koesterhousemuseum.com](#)
 An 1870s home with original furnishings, 12 white bronze statues, gardens, summer kitchen and icehouse. Lions guard the gates. Open daily April-Oct.

Lee Dam Center for Fine Art
 201 S 9th St, (785) 859-4260,
[marshallcountyarts.org](#)
 Monthly exhibitions and other art-related events, including workshops, concerts and community events. Open Tue., Thurs., Sat., Sun. and by appt.

EVENTS DINING SHOPPING ATTRACTIONS VISITOR INFORMATION WINERY / BREWERY / DISTILLERY

THINGS TO DO

LifeTiles Murals

7th & Broadway, (785) 562-3101, visitmarysvilleks.org
History in motion. Three interactive murals depict the Pony Express, Union Pacific Railroad and history of Marysville. Always open. 📍

Marysville Historic Union Pacific Depot

Hedrix & Alston St, (770) 235-5015, marysvilledepot.org
A 1929 architectural marvel with exhibits on local railroad history. Available for tours and event rental. Along the Blue River Rail Trail. 📍

Pony Express Barn & Museum

106 S 8th St, (785) 562-3825, ponyexpress.museum
A Pony Express station on its original site, with a barn built 1859-1860. Video, exhibits, kids area, gift shop and more. 📍

Pony Express Horse & Rider Statue

7th & Broadway, (785) 562-3101, visitmarysvilleks.org
A bronze Pony Express horse and rider sculpted by Richard Bergen. In Pony Express Plaza. Open 24/7. 📍

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MATFIELD GREEN

Pioneer Bluffs
695 State-177, (620) 753-3484, pioneerbluffs.org
Self-guided tour, nature trail, exhibits, weddings. Music, youth and history programs. Preserving Flint Hills ranch heritage. Open daily. 📍

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MCCUNE

Circle's Pecans & Country Store
2499 US-400, (620) 632-4382, kansaspecans.com
Freshly grown pecans, homemade pies, dine-in deli, fudge, locally grown produce, local raw honey, jams, jellies, sugar- and gluten-free items, souvenirs, and T-shirts. 📍

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MCPHERSON

McPherson Convention & Visitors Bureau/Kansas Travel Center
1111 E Kansas Ave, (620) 241-3340, visitmcperson.com ⓘ

McPherson Community Building

122 E Marlin St, (620) 245-2576, mcpcty.com
A newly renovated multiuse downtown venue. The historic structure was home court to the McPherson Globe Refiners, the first-ever Olympic gold medal champions. 📍

McPherson Museum & Arts Foundation

1111 E Kansas Ave, (620) 241-8464, mcpersonmuseum.com
Fossils, a full Harlan's ground sloth skeleton, meteorites, sports memorabilia, a model train exhibit and more. Free admission. 📍

McPherson Opera House

219 S Main, (620) 241-1952, McPhersonOperaHouse.org
Enjoy 21st-century amenities with 19th-century charm. A mix of acts and rental spaces provide something for everyone. 📍

McPherson Public Library

214 W Marlin St, (620) 245-2570, macpl.org
Books, movies, local passes, focus rooms, telescopes, computers with Wi-Fi, archives, Library of Things, art gallery, stained glass, programs and more. 📍

McPherson Water Park

511 N Lakeside Dr, (620) 504-5757, mcpersonwaterpark.com
Open daily Memorial Day through mid-Aug. Zero-depth entry, lazy river, splash pad and waterslide. 📍

Three Rings Brewery

536 S Old US-81, (620) 504-5022, threeringsbrewery.com
Beers that are unique, flavorful and of the highest quality. Featuring 12 taps of year-round, seasonal and small-batch brews. 📍

Turkey Creek Golf Course

1000 Fox Run, (620) 241-8530, golfturkeycreek.com
An 18-hole course with bluegrass fairways and bentgrass greens. Four sets of tees (4,597 yards to 6,300 yards) with a par of 70. 📍

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MEADE

Meade State Park
12165 S V Rd, (620) 873-2572, ksoutdoors.com
Known as the Oasis of the Plains, Meade is ideal for anglers and nature enthusiasts. Enjoy a dip at the swimming beach or tour the fish hatchery. Camping and RV sites. 📍

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MEDICINE LODGE

Stockade Museum & Carry Nation Home
211 W Fowler, (620) 886-3553
Experience what life was like in a stockade in the 1870s. Journey to a time in our country's past where life was hard but hope was strong. 📍

The Medicine Lodge Indian Peace Treaty Association

211 W Fowler, (620) 886-3553, peacetreaty.org
The Medicine Lodge Peace Treaty Festival is in Sept. Honoring local history and heritage. Rodeos, powwows and much more. 📍

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MELVERN

Melvorn Lake Marina
31271 Marina Pkwy, (620) 256-6566, melvornlakemarina.com
Renting out kayaks, paddleboards, pedal boats and tubes. 📍

Melvorn Riverfront Park & Trails

710 N Pine, (785) 248-1518
An outdoor natural science lab with rugged trails, plus a limestone-screened trail with signage with facts about wildlife and trees. Also a scenic overlook and gazebo. 📍

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MERRIAM

Merriam Community Center
6040 Slater, (913) 322-5550, merriam.org/MCC
A year-round destination for fitness, aquatics, classes and events. Featuring an outdoor courtyard and an art gallery. 📍

Merriam's Art & History Tours

6304 E Frontage Rd, (913) 322-5533, exploremerriam.com
Explore Merriam on the Otocast app with audio guides, images, directions and social sharing—all in the palm of your hand. 📍

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MILFORD

Milford State Park
3612 State Park Rd, (785) 238-3014, ksoutdoors.com
On Kansas' largest lake, it's a spot for boating and fishing. Full-service marina, swimming beaches and horse camping with corrals. 📍

Rolling Meadows Golf Course

6514 Old Milford Rd, (785) 238-4303, jrollingmeadows.com
The course stretches over 160 acres, offering tree-lined bentgrass and rye grass fairways, 29 sand bunkers, and six lakes to challenge golfers of all levels. 📍

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MINNEAPOLIS

City of Minneapolis
200 W 2nd St, (785) 407-0532, chooseottawacounty.com ⓘ

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MOUND CITY

Linn County Economic Development
306 Main, (913) 795-2274, linncountyks.com ⓘ

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MULLINVILLE

Fromme-Birney Round Barn
2351 O St, (620) 723-1125, fromme-birneyroundbarn.org
Built in 1912, this 16-sided barn is a marvel on the National Register of Historic Places. 📍

M.T. Liggett Art Environment

207 Elm St, (620) 723-2600, mtliggettartenvironment.org
Marvel at kinetic metal art displays by local grassroots artist M.T. Liggett. Visitors center. 📍

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NESS CITY

Ness County Bank Building
102 W Main, (785) 798-2413, Find us on Facebook
Known as the Skyscraper of the Plains, the building is an 8 Wonders of Kansas Architecture. 📍

Ness County Historical Museum

123 S Pennsylvania Ave, (785) 798-3298, Find us on Facebook
Information on George Washington Carver, Smokey Joe Wood, and former Gov. and U.S. Sen. Andrew Scheppel. 📍

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NEWTON

Newton Area Convention & Visitors Bureau
201 E 6th St, (316) 284-3642, choose-newton.com ⓘ

Blue Sky Sculpture

1699 N Kansas, (316) 284-3642, kansassampler.org
Enjoy the sculpture from various angles as natural light reflects off ceramic tiles. One of the 8 Wonders of Kansas Art. 📍

Carriage Factory Art Gallery

128 E 6th St, (316) 284-2749, carriagefactoryartgallery.com
Beautiful art in a historical setting. Three levels of regional art in a variety of media. Also enjoy the gift shop and courtyard park. 📍

Faith & Life, Inc

606 N Main St, (316) 283-2210, faithandlifebookstore.net
Books, Bibles, music, cards, jewelry, decor, stationery, kids' items and much more. 📍

Gallery Mostaza

615 N Main St, gallerymostaza.com
Pottery designed to integrate into your routine, with pieces that blend beauty and practicality. 📍

Prairie Market & Deli

601 N Main St, (316) 283-6623, prairie.com
Local food, home goods, outdoor essentials and Kansas products. The deli has soups, sandwiches and desserts for lunch. ✕

Warkentin House

211 E 1st St, (316) 283-3113, choose-newton.com
Step into the Victorian era to see how the Warkentins lived, and learn more about the man who helped Kansas earn the reputation as the Breadbasket of America. 📍

✕ Contact individual businesses for information on ADA compliance.

KNW

NICODEMUS

Nicodemus National Historic Site

510 Washington Ave, #B1, (785) 839-4321, nps.gov/nico
Enslaved African Americans left Kentucky to experience freedom in Kansas. It's the oldest and last remaining Black settlement west of the Mississippi River.

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NORTH NEWTON

Kauffman Museum

2801 N Main St, (316) 283-1612, kauffmanmuseum.org
Learn stories of 1870s Mennonite immigrants to the Central Kansas plains, along with the land, animals and people they encountered.

KNW

NORTON

Norton Chamber of Commerce/Travel & Tourism

529 Wilmington St, (785) 877-2501, discovernorton.com

Prairie Dog State Park

13037 State-261, (785) 877-2953, ksoutdoors.com
Home to a thriving 300-plus prairie dog colony. Hike nature trails and view wildlife. Explore the 1892 adobe house in its original location. Cabin rentals available.

KNW

OAKLEY

Annie Oakley Park
627 E 5th St, (785) 671-1000, visitoakleyks.com
Swimming pool, wading pool, playground, picnic areas with grills and gazebo. Play disc golf or stroll the walking trail. Dog park.

Bertrand Park

700 W 3rd, (785) 671-1000, discoveroakley.com
A memorial honors our local service men and women. Gardens, playground, basketball court, walking trail around the park.

Buffalo Bill Bronze Sculpture

3083 US-83, (785) 671-1000, buffalobilloakley.org
The twice life-size sculpture stands 16 feet tall and weighs 9,000 pounds. View it 365 days a year.

Buffalo Bill Cultural Center

3083 US-83, (785) 671-1000, buffalobilloakley.org
Free coffee and clean restrooms. Travel brochures and maps available, as well as a gift shop.

Fick Fossil & History Museum

700 W 3rd, (785) 671-4839, visitoakleyks.com
Fossil art gallery and geological specimens. Self-guided tours or schedule a group tour. Free.

Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park

County Rd 400 & Gold Rd, (620) 872-2061, ksoutdoors.com
Kansas' most dramatic Niobrara chalk formation. Two hiking trails take you to scenic overlooks. Call for our guided tour schedule.

Monument Rocks National Landmark

Gove 16, (785) 671-1000, visitoakleyks.com
This Niobrara chalk formation is Kansas' first National Natural Monument. On private land (no services, camping or climbing).

Spirit of the American Dough Boy Memorial

126 E 2nd, (785) 671-1000, visitoakleyks.com
This city park statue honors the Dough Boy troops of WWI. Made of pressed copper, it's one of only three in Kansas.

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OGALLAH

Cedar Bluff State Park
State-147, S of I-70, (785) 726-3212, ksoutdoors.com
Along the Smoky Valley Scenic Byway. Stunning views from 150-foot-high limestone bluffs. Bboating, water sports and fishing. Cabins and RV hookups.

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OLATHE

Visit Olathe
260 E Santa Fe St, (913) 764-1050, visitolathe.org
Mahaffie Stagecoach Stop & Farm Historic Site
1200 E Kansas City Rd, (913) 971-5111, mahaffie.org
Living history, 1860s-style. Like others traveling across Kansas, you are welcome at the home of J.B. and Lucinda Mahaffie.

Sweet Tee's Coffee Shop

2063 E Santa Fe - Main Shop, (913) 544-9705, Find us on Facebook
Locally owned with coffee, tea, smoothies and pastries, with gluten-free and vegan options.

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ONAGA

Onaga Historical Society Museum Complex
310 E 2nd St, (785) 889-4456, Find us on Facebook
Military history, agricultural artifacts, log cabin, one-room schoolhouse, Union Pacific caboose and railroad items.

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OSAGE CITY

City of Osage City
201 S 5th

Eisenhower State Park

29810 S Fairlawn Rd, (785) 528-4102, ksoutdoors.com
Beach, sand volleyball, archery, disc golf, 20-mile horse trail and fishing ponds. Rent a kayak or canoe. Yurts, cabins, RV and campsites.

The Star Block

520 Market St, (785) 829-5302, ext. 144, thestarblock.com
Built in 1883. Steeped in history with charming, modern amenities including five Airbnb units and a coffeehouse. On the National Register of Historic Places.

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OSAWATOMIE

Osawatomie Chamber of Commerce
561 Main St, (913) 755-4114, osawatomiechamber.org

Flint Hills Trail State Park

Osawatomie to Council Grove, (785) 448-2627, ksoutdoors.com
Kansas' longest rail-trail reaches from railroad yards to the Marais des Cygnes River valley. Open to foot, bike, and horse traffic.

John Brown Museum State Historic Site

1000 Main St, (913) 755-4384, kansashistory.gov
Visit the log cabin that was John Brown's headquarters on the Underground Railroad, now at the Battle of Osawatomie grounds.

Osawatomie History Museum & Railroad Depot Museum

628 Main St, (913) 755-6781, osawatomiemuseum.org
Known as the Cradle of the Civil War, Osawatomie became a railroad hub and a national leader in mental health. Our museums highlight these stories.

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OTTAWA

Franklin County Visitors Center
2011 E Logan, (785) 242-1411, franklincocks.org

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OVERLAND PARK

Johnson County Museum
8788 Metcalf Ave, (913) 826-2787, jcprd.com
See the 1950s All-Electric House, KidScape, the *Becoming Johnson County* exhibition and more.

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OZAWKIE

Perry State Park
5441 W Lake Rd, (785) 246-3449, ksoutdoors.com
Nestled in forested hills, with hiking, swimming, boating, fishing, bird-watching, horseback riding and wildlife. Cabins available.

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PAOLA

Paola Chamber of Commerce
6 W Peoria, (913) 294-4335, paolachamber.org

Fire Lake Soapery

5 E Pankishaw St, (913) 259-5035, firelakesoapery.com
Artisan soaps are made in small batches with high-quality ingredients that are free of toxins and harsh chemicals. Each bar looks as amazing as it smells.

Hillsdale State Park

26001 W 255th St, (913) 594-3600, ksoutdoors.com
Over 45 miles of trails for hikers and horseback riders. Boating, fishing, swimming and wildlife viewing. Camp and RV sites.

Wade Ranch

32700 W 255th St, (913) 285-3039, waderanch.net
Hunt, fish, horseback ride and stay at Hillsdale Lake. Private DIY hunts from \$150 per day. Located 40 minutes from KC.

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PARSONS

Labette County Tourism Bureau
506 Main St, (620) 421-6500, visitlabette.com

Golfing in Labette County

506 Main St, (620) 421-6500, visitlabette.com
Learn more about our several golf courses and more than six regional 18-hole disc golf courses.

Katy Days

506 Main St, (620) 421-6500, katydays.com
Celebrate 150 years of Parsons and railroad history at this Memorial Day weekend festival.

Parsons Historical Society Museum

401 S 18th, (620) 450-6060, parsonsk.com
Katy Railroad and other Parsons history. Historical items and replicas of the community and railroad. Caboose and engine on-site.

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PAWNEE ROCK

Pawnee Rock State Historic Site
1/2 mile N of US-56, (785) 272-8681, kansashistory.gov/11906
This sandstone citadel on Pawnee hunting grounds marked the halfway point of the Santa Fe Trail.

EVENTS DINING SHOPPING ATTRACTIONS VISITOR INFORMATION WINERY / BREWERY / DISTILLERY

THINGS TO DO

Rosewood Ranch & Winery
1171 SW 20 Rd, (620) 982-4487,
rosewoodwinery.com

West of Great Bend. Showcasing locally produced wines, a vineyard, an orchard and equine therapy. 📍

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PHILLIPSBURG

Phillips County Convention & Visitors Bureau
205 F St, (785) 543-2321,
visitphillipscounty.org ⓘ

C & R Railroad Museum

860 Park St, (785) 543-5535
See a 57-foot-long mountain range, with O-scale trains traveling on 1,200 feet of track. Call for tours. 📍

Fort Bissell Museum

501 Fort Bissell Ave, (785) 543-6212,
fortbissellmuseum.org
Step back into the 1870s. Showcasing pioneer life with a one-room schoolhouse, sod house and stockade. 📍

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PIQUA

Buster Keaton Memorial Museum

202 S Hill St, (620) 468-2385,
Find us on Facebook.
Learn about the Piqua native actor, writer and director at this museum in a water district office. 📍

St. Martin's Catholic Church

1368 Xylan Rd
A historic oratory open 24/7. Featuring ornate architecture and a well-kept cemetery and grounds. Visible from US-54. 📍

Silverado's

112 2nd St, (620) 468-2132,
Find us on Facebook.
A family restaurant and bar offering American cuisine. Prime rib every Sat. Boiled shrimp the first weekend of the month. Specials posted daily. We cater. 📍

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PITTSBURG

Explore Crawford County
117 E 4th St, (620) 231-1212,
ExploreCrawfordCounty.com ⓘ

ArtForms Gallery

620 N Broadway St, (620) 240-0165,
artforms-gallery.com
An artists' cooperative gallery that offers handmade art and fine crafts for sale, as well as hands-on workshops led by member artists in a casual atmosphere. 📍

Chicken Annie's Original, Inc.

1143 E 600th Ave, (620) 231-9460,
chickenanniesoriginal.com
Something to crow about since 1934. Ask about our German potato salad and German coleslaw. 📍

Drop the H Brewing Company

107 E Rose St, (620) 404-4019,
droptheh.com
Welcome to our one-of-a-kind brewery and pizza restaurant. Enjoy fresh ingredients, tasty food and delightfully crafted beers. 📍

Little Balkans Days Festival

813 Memorial Dr, (620) 231-1000,
littlebalkans.com
Held Labor Day weekend, the festival pays homage to the region's diverse immigrant heritage, blending family entertainment, art, crafts, food, music and more. 📍

The Pitt

516 N Broadway St, (620) 308-6888,
qrco.de/thePitt
Regularly voted the best burger by Four States Finest. Also enjoy wings and a bar. Live music on many weekends. The place to watch sports in Pittsburg. 📍

TOAST

401 N Broadway St, Ste D,
(620) 249-2441, Find us on Facebook.
A funky little diner with fresh food made from scratch and big flavor on a kick-ass menu. Seasonal ingredients pair with locally baked artisan bread. #gettoasted 📍

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PLAINVILLE

Rooks County Golf

1850 N US-183
A nine-hole public grass greens course north of Plainville on US-183. Daily green fees. Carts available. 📍

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PLEASANTON

Marais des Cygnes Massacre State Historic Site

20485 State-52, (913) 352-8890,
kansashistory.gov
In 1858, pro-slavery men killed and wounded free-state men here, shocking the nation. 📍

Mine Creek Civil War

Battlefield State Historic Site
20485 State-52, (913) 270-4217,
kansashistory.gov
See the visitors center and battlefield where, in 1864, Union troops defeated Confederates in one of the largest cavalry battles in the Civil War. 📍

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QUINTER

Blended Acres
7048 County Rd Z, (402) 649-3835
Just off I-70, enjoy shopping Kansas products and attending seasonal farm events. Plenty of space for picnics and stretching your legs. 📍

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RANTOUL

Memory Lane Light Display

2710 Vermont Rd, (785) 229-2474,
pleasantridge.com
Enjoy a ½-mile drive through the Christmas Tree Farm with 60 lighted scenes or figures and an emphasis on memories of Christmas past. 📍

Pleasant Ridge

2710 Vermont Rd, (785) 229-2474,
pleasantridge.com
Have a blast with hayrides, a big hay bale maze, the Pumpkin Ninja Course, a bounce house, Toddler Town, a barrel train, and many other games and activities. 📍

The Memory Tree

2710 Vermont Rd, (785) 229-2474,
pleasantridge.com
The lighted 40-foot-tall tree is the highlight of the Memory Lane Light Display. Share memories on a bulletin board near the tree. 📍

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REPUBLIC

Pawnee Indian Museum State Historic Site

480 Pawnee Trail, (785) 748-2205,
kansashistory.gov
The site of a late 1700s Pawnee village. See the excavated floor of a large Pawnee earth lodge and rare family bundle. 📍

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REXFORD

Judy McCarty Dairy Learning Center

3179 US-83, (785) 269-3022,
jmdairylearningcenter.com
Experience modern dairy farming while exploring hands-on exhibits, watching the 120-cow milking carousel and taking a farm tour. 📍

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ROSE HILL

Meadowlark Farm Orchard & Cidery LLC

11249 SW 160th St, (316) 518-8907,
themedowlarkfarm.com
Sample hard cider year-round, and pick peaches, apples, strawberries and pumpkins in-season. 📍

Morning Grit Farm

15499 SW 140th St, (316) 208-4528,
morninggritfarm.com
A beautiful venue where visitors can interact with a variety of miniature farm animals and take part in Kansas country life. 📍

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ST. FRANCIS

Cheyenne Community Development Corporation
107 W Washington, (785) 332-3508,
ccdcks.com ⓘ

Land & Sky Scenic Byway
(785) 332-3508,
landandskyscenicbyway.com

Along the Land and Sky Scenic Byway, travelers experience the Arikaree Breaks Canyons, Giant van Gogh Painting, Mt. Sunflower and the Life Cycle of Crops. 📍

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SALINA

Visit Salina
120 W Ash St, (785) 827-9301,
visitsalinaks.org ⓘ

67401 Mural

141 N Santa Fe Ave, (785) 827-9301,
salinakansas.org
This favorite photo op is near Santa Fe Ave. and Ash St. downtown. 📍

Artwork Alley

140 S Fifth St, (785) 827-9301
This outdoor mural installation (near 140 S 5th St.) grew from a Mural Expo in May 2022. Multiple artists and diverse perspectives. 📍

Fossett Plaza

2035 Beechcraft Rd, (785) 827-3914,
salinaairport.com
Commemorates Steve Fossett's record-setting around-the-world flight in the *Global Flyer* that started and ended at Salina Airport. 📍

Kenwood Cove Aquatic Park

701 W Kenwood Park Dr,
(785) 309-5765, kenwoodcove.com
Open daily late May through mid-Aug. Wave pool, 1,400 feet of slides, lap pool, kiddie area and lazy river. 📍

Kustom Kempfs of America

730 Oakdale Dr, (417) 847-2940,
kustomkempsofamerica.com
Leadsled Spectacular: July 23-26. More than 1,500 classic cars bring special memories. Classic cruise, car show, drags and more. 📍

Rolling Hills Zoo

625 N Hedville Rd, (785) 827-9488,
rollinghillzoo.org
Nestled among the Smoky Hills, the zoo is home to more than 80 amazing species. Don't miss the immersive wildlife museum. 📍

Salina Art Center

242 S Santa Fe Ave, (785) 827-1431,
salinaartcenter.org/cinema
Free contemporary art museum with regional, national and international exhibitions. Accredited by AAM. Check out the Art-o-mat. 📍

Salina Art Center Cinema

150 S Santa Fe Ave, (785) 452-9868,
salinaartcenter.org
Salina's only downtown movie theater. Screening new independent films and documentaries weekly. 📍

Salina Kanvas Project
 343 N Santa Fe Ave, (785) 827-9301, kanvasproject.com
Mural at the Mill was the first. More downtown murals have been added via the BOOM! Street Art and Mural Festivals. 📍

Salina Symphony
 151 S Santa Fe Ave, (785) 823-8309, salinasymphony.org
 Performs in the Stiefel Theatre. Featuring soloists from orchestra members to internationally acclaimed artists. 📍

SculptureTour Salina
 120 W Ash, (785) 827-9301, sculpturetoursalina.org
 A jurored outdoor exhibit downtown of about 20 sculptures on loan from artists, changing each May. A free family experience. Great selfies. Vote for your favorite. 📍

Smoky Hill River Festival
 730 Oakdale Dr, (785) 309-5770, riverfestival.com
 Salina's signature event, June 11-14, 2026. Fine art, fine crafts, live music on multiple stages, children's fun, food and more. 📅

Tri Rivers Fair
 Saline County Expo Center, (785) 827-4425, tririversfair.org
 Exhibits, live entertainment and delicious food. Join us July 31-Aug. 2, 2026. 📅

Webster Conference Center
 2601 N Ohio St, (785) 827-6565, webstercc.org
 Facilities include sleeping rooms, meeting rooms, dining areas, recreational facilities and large areas of open space where you can get away from it all. 📍

SCAMMON
Heartlands Railroad Museum
 6769 NW 20th, (620) 448-1065, heartlandsrailroadmuseum.org
 Located 4 miles east of Big Brutus, we have 7,500 square feet of railroad artifacts. Outside, we have railroad structures, rolling stock and the 1023 steam locomotive. 📍

SCOTT CITY
Scott City Tourism
 221 W 5th St, (620) 872-5612, visitscottcity.com 📍

El Cuartelejo Museum
 902 W 5th St, (620) 872-5912, elcuartelejomuseum.org
 Historic interactive timeline museum. Fossils to the Frontier, El Cuartelejo pueblo replica, fossil lab, and exhibits on Native Americans, the railroad, pioneers and modern times. Open Tue.-Sat. 1-5 p.m. 📍

Historic Lake Scott State Park
 101 W Scott Lake Dr, (620) 872-2061, ksoutdoors.com
 Hiking and horseback riding trails. Swimming beach and pedal boat rentals. Remains of El Cuartelejo, a pueblo built by the Taos in the 1660s. Cabins and RV sites. 📍

Jerry Thomas Gallery & Collection
 902 W 5th St, (620) 872-5912, jerrythomasartgallery.com
 See work by artist-historian Jerry Thomas, plus Little Bighorn, Native American, Punished Woman's Fork and Civil War artifacts. 📍

SENECA
Seneca Area Chamber & Downtown Impact
 523 Main St, (785) 336-1313, comeseeseneca.com 📍

Antique Stutz Fire Engine-Fire House Museum
 6th and Main St, (785) 336-1313, comeseeseneca.com
 See a 1922 antique Stutz Fire Engine and other antique fire equipment. Tours by appt. 📍

Historic Main Street Shopping District
 Main St, (785) 336-1313, comeseeseneca.com
 Antiques, home decor, shoes, apparel, furniture and even an old-fashioned variety store. Something for everyone. Shop with us. 📍

Nemaha County Historical Museums
 113 N 6th St, (785) 336-6366, nemahacountyhistoricalsociety.com
 Home to the historic Nemaha County Jail and Sheriff's residence, Military Museum, and Widest Hand-Dug Well in Kansas. Open Tue. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. or by appt. 📍

Seneca Pony Express Museum
 327 Main St, (785) 336-1313, Find us on Facebook.
 Learn Pony Express and Wild West history in Seneca. Open Memorial Day-Labor Day; Fri. 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., or by appt. 📍

Spring Creek Golf Course
 1800 Spring Creek Dr, (785) 336-3568, springcreek-seneca.com
 Rated the No. 1 public golf course in Kansas for 2020. Enjoy amenities of a professional-grade golf club on our par-71, 18-hole course. 📍

SHARON SPRINGS
Eagletail Disc Golf Course
 406 Main St, (785) 891-3564
 A challenging, moderately wooded nine-hole disc golf course located at Sharon Springs City Park. 📍

Land & Sky Scenic Byway
 (785) 332-3508, landandskyscenicbyway.com
 See the Arikaree Breaks, Giant van Gogh Painting, Mt. Sunflower and the Life Cycle of Crops. 📍

Penny's Diner
 State-27 & Commerce St, (785) 852-4664, travelwallacecounty.com
 A classic 1950s diner. Burgers, salads, shakes, ice cream sundaes, breakfast and more. Open 24/7. 📍

Sharon Springs Golf Course
 S State-27, (785) 852-4220, Find us on Facebook.
 A nine-hole course offering year-round play on the High Plains. 📍

The Country Store
 102 US-40, (785) 852-4333, 76.com
 Made-to-order pizzas, grab-and-go sandwiches, fountain and bottled drinks, beer, snacks, and more. Fuel available 24/7. 📍

The Farmhouse
 1685 US-40, (785) 852-4005, Find us on Facebook.
 Homestyle cooking in a family restaurant. Sat. prime rib buffet and unique daily specials. 📍

Towns End Tavern
 117 N Main St, Find us on Facebook.
 Gourmet burgers, sandwiches, steaks and prime rib. In a renovated historic building downtown. 📍

SHAWNEE
Visit Shawnee
 15100 W 67th, Ste 202, (913) 631-6545, visitshawneeks.com 📍

Aztec Shawnee Theater
 1119 Johnson Dr, (913) 207-4147, aztecsawnee.com
 Fully restored 1920s retro theater specializing in 1960s-1990s cover bands and classic movies. 📍

Downtown Shawnee
 11110 Johnson Dr, (913) 631-2500, shawnee-ks.com
 Home to Aztec Shawnee Theater, three craft breweries, two award-winning cocktail bars, restaurants, Moonlight Market and Shawnee Town 1929 museum. 📍

Shawnee Town 1929
 11501 W 57th, (913) 248-2360, shawneetown.org
 Step back into a 1929 farm truck community. Award-winning events and great kids programming. 📍

Transport Brewery
 11113 Johnson Dr, (913) 766-6673, transportbrewery.com
 Shawnee's first brewery serves a variety of styles. A welcoming place for locals and visitors. 📍

Wandering Vine
 12401 Johnson Dr, (913) 379-1300, wanderingvine.com
 An extraordinary wine and fine-dining experience in a historic castle, featuring a menu that celebrates the American West. 📍

SPEARVILLE
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Windthorst
 10845 131 Spur Rd, (620) 640-3685, windthorstks.org
 An early 20th-century Gothic Romanesque Revival church built in 1913. Tours by appt. 📍

SPRING HILL
Spring Hill Chamber of Commerce
 107 S Main St, (913) 592-3893, springhillsks.org 📍

Purple Meadows Lavender Farm, LLC
 26560 W 207th St, (913) 717-6731, talktamefloral.com
 Shop our flower and gift shop, pick your own lavender, take a tour, take photos, or enjoy a picnic while relaxing among our three different varieties of lavender. 📍

STERLING
Sterling Chamber of Commerce
 114 N Broadway, (620) 904-7002, sterlingkschamber.com 📍

STOCKTON
Rooks Company Economic Development/Rooks County Airport Commission
 115 N Walnut, (785) 425-6881, rookscounty.net 📍

Rooks County Courthouse
 115 N Walnut, (785) 425-6881, rookscounty.net
 Completed in 1923, it's one of the outstanding courthouses in Kansas. On the National Register of Historic Places. 📍

Rooks County Museum
 921 S Cedar, (785) 425-7217, rookscounty.net
 Historical artifacts, displays and info from the county's past. Open Tue., Thurs. and Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. 📍

Webster State Park
 1140 10 Rd, (785) 425-6775, ksoutdoors.com
 A sandy beach awaits guests seeking a retreat in a prairie setting of rolling hills. Fossils dot the formations around the lake. Hike, bike, fish, camp and more. 📍

THINGS TO DO

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STRONG CITY

Flint Hills Rodeo Association
300 E 7th St, flinthillsrodeo.org
The 88th Annual PRCA Rodeo takes place May 28-30, 2026 at 8 p.m. nightly. Parade at 2 p.m. Sat. Events for kids, food trucks, vendors and dances on Fri. and Sat. 📍

Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve

2480 B State-177, (620) 273-8494, nps.gov/tapr
The only national park dedicated to preserving the last stand of tallgrass prairie. Enjoy wildflowers, roaming bison, 40 miles of trails and historic buildings. 📍

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STUDLEY

Cottonwood Ranch State Historic Site

14432 E US-24, (785) 627-5866, kansashistory.gov
Signs tell of the Pratt family, their unique sheep ranch on the High Plains and Yorkshire architecture. Operated with Friends of Cottonwood Ranch. 📍

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SYLVAN GROVE

Sylvan Grove Historic District
Main St, (785) 524-6034
The district contains native limestone structures, a restored depot and a museum—all on Main Street. Open 1-5 p.m. most Sundays in summer and fall. 📍

Wilson State Park

3 State Park Rd, (785) 658-2465, ksoutdoors.com
Home to the 24-plus mile Switchgrass Mountain Bike Trail. The clearest lake in Kansas satisfies boating enthusiasts. Great for camping and nature viewing. 📍

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TESCOTT

City of Tescott
PO Box 53, (785) 407-0532, chooseottawacounty.com 📍

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TIPTON

Ringneck Ranch, Inc.
655 Solomon Ln, (785) 373-4835, ringneckranch.net
Upland game bird hunting on a fifth-generation homestead in the scenic Blue Hills. Meals, lodging and services provided on-site. 📍

St. Boniface/Grotto of Lourdes

308 Gambirinus, (785) 373-4455, salinadiocese.org
The grotto was built around 1934. Rocks from nearby Blue Hills as well as those brought by Father Menig from Lourdes, France. 📍

Tipton City Park

302 State St, (785) 373-4575, tiptonkansas.com
This new park has four covered picnic areas, recycled rubber tire mulch surfaces, slides, a digger, the Terry-go-round, rockers, swings, tether ball and a zipline. 📍

Tipton Heritage Museum

602 Main St, (785) 373-4800, discovermitchellcounty.com
Visit one of the town's original limestone buildings from 1877, with two floors of artifacts and displays. Open Fri. 1-4 p.m. or by appt. 📍

Tipton Woods Park & Trail

Corner of Buffalo St & State St, (785) 373-4575, tiptonkansas.com
A 1.5-mile natural surface trail with woods, benches, a bridge, picnic tables, metal animal cutouts, a pollinator plot and a shelter. Walk, run and bike. 📍

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TONGANOXIE

Tonganoxie Community Historical Society
201 W Washington, (913) 845-2960, tonganoxiehistoricalsociety.org
Local history is displayed in 1932 dairy barns, a historic spring, a 1916 one-room schoolhouse, a 1918 church and a 1936 fire pumper truck. New school exhibit. 📍

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TOPEKA

Brown v. Board of Education National Historical Park
1515 SE Monroe St, (785) 354-4273, nps.gov/brvb
The Supreme Court decision that ended public school segregation at the start of the Civil Rights Movement. Tour historic Monroe School 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. 📍

Charles Curtis House State Historic Site

1101 SW Topeka Blvd, (785) 272-8681, kansashistory.gov
The Charles Curtis family home from 1907 until his death in 1936. He was a member of the Kaw and Osage nations and the first Indigenous U.S. Vice President. 📍

Kansas Museum of History

6425 SW 6th Ave, (785) 272-8681, kansashistory.gov
New exhibits tell the story of Kansas and her people through interactive experiences, the 1880s steam locomotive and train, 1914 biplane, and Civil War flags. 📍

Kansas State Archives

6425 SW 6th Ave, (785) 272-8681, kansashistory.gov
Researchers of all ages welcome. Find a wealth of resources, whether you are researching your family, house or community in Kansas. 📍

Kansas State Capitol

300 W 10th St, (785) 296-3966, kansashistory.gov
See the visitors center, Capitol Store, Senate, House, John Steuart Curry murals, Old Supreme Court and State Library. 📍

Kaw River State Park

300 SW Wanamaker Rd, (785) 273-6740, ksoutdoors.com
Provides access to the Kansas (Kaw) River. The wooded park also offers hiking trails and wildlife viewing. 📍

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TORONTO

Cross Timbers State Park

144 State-105, (620) 637-2213, ksoutdoors.com
Wildlife viewing, fishing and nature enthusiasts. Backcountry camping available by special permit on parts of Chautauqua Hills Trail. 📍

Woodson State Fishing Lake & Wildlife Area

738 Fegan Rd, (620) 637-2748, ksoutdoors.com
Explore 2,885 acres of pristine wildlife area with hunting, fishing, primitive camping and more. 📍

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ULYSSES

Grant County Chamber of Commerce
113B S Main St, (620) 356-4700, ulysseschamber.org 📍

Alejandro's

816 W Oklahoma Ave, (620) 356-3163, Find us on Facebook
Featuring Mexican and American cuisine. A separate dining room may be reserved for business meetings or conferences. ✕

Anderson Imaging

106 W Sykes, (620) 356-3001
Find just the right Ulysses hat, T-shirt or other souvenir item to tuck into your suitcase. 📍

Bear Creek Coffee

107 N Baughman, (620) 424-3414, Find us on Facebook
Stop in for coffees, teas or other beverages, and enjoy our pastries and lunch specials. Meeting room and catering available. ✕

Bentwood Golf Course

S Stubbs Rd, (620) 356-3097, bentwoodgolfcourse.com
A beautiful and challenging 18-hole course with cart and club rental available. 📍

Country Style Stoves

13540 E US-160, (620) 657-2620, countrystylestoves.com
Wood-burning stoves, grills and accessories, and home decor. Specialty gift items. 📍

Creative Creations

425 N Colorado, (620) 356-1021
Find the perfect gift for everyone on your list, including fresh floral arrangements and other items. 📍

El Ranchito

111 E Oklahoma Ave, (620) 356-9255
A multigenerational family business serving excellent Mexican and American specialties. The back room is available for small groups. ✕

Frank's Rental Service

53 Sunset St, (620) 952-0402
This wheelchair-accessible venue can accommodate 300 people. Ideal for weddings, reunions, quinceañeras and meetings. 📍

Frazier Park Campground

1380 Frazier Park Rd, (620) 356-3097, cityofulysses.com
Abundant wildlife is visible from walking and biking trails. Campsites and RV hookups with dump station available. 📍

Grant County Civic Center

1000 W Patterson Ave, (620) 356-1808, grantcocks.org
Hosts meetings, the county fair, an annual home show and other events. Campground for groups only (prearrangement required). 📍

Grant County Library

215 E Grant Ave, (620) 356-1433
Meeting rooms available to the public. Computer and Internet access available. 📍

Grant County Recreation Center

204 W Wheat Ave, (620) 356-4233, grantrec.com
Enjoy an indoor-outdoor swimming pool with two waterslides, diving boards and a workout facility open to visitors and locals. 📍

Grant County Swimming Pool Complex

204 E Wheat Ave, (620) 356-4233, grantrec.com
Indoor, outdoor and kiddie pools with two waterslides. Lap swimming lanes are available in the indoor pool. 📍

Historic Adobe Museum Complex & Hotel Edwards

300 E Oklahoma, (620) 356-3009, grantcocks.org
This award-winning museum is a must-see for all visitors. High Plains history comes to life in this National Parks Interpretive Center for the Santa Fe Trail. 📍

Katie's Goody Shop

222 S Main St, (620) 356-1986
Enjoy a quick meal, then finish it off with ice cream, homemade cookies and brownies, or snow cones. ✕

La Botana Sabrosa
 209 N Main St, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 Experience a vibrant fusion of Mexican and seafood flavors. Every dish is crafted to delight your palate in a lively atmosphere.

La Estrella
 117 S Main St, (620) 339-1183
 Enjoy Mexican cuisine at its finest with top-notch customer service. A great menu full of unique Mexican dishes. Open daily except Sun.

Main Artery Plus
 103 S Main St, (620) 424-3828, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 Antiques, gourmet foods, clothing and more.

Next Door
 215 N Main St, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 Wedding and baby gift registries available. Enjoy coffee while you browse gourmet foods, jewelry, home decor, toys and more.

Nora-Bene's Sweetz N Spudz
 112 S Main St, (620) 356-4585
 Stop in for a delicious spud with your choice of toppings, then satisfy your sweet tooth with the selection of candy and other treats.

Paleteria y Neveria Cuahtemec
 211 N Main St, (620) 356-2290
 Offering ice cream made on-site, popsicles and other authentic sweet treats.

Reese's Flowers, Gifts, Custom Creations, Novelties & More
 119 W Oklahoma Ave, (620) 356-1039, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 Shop 10,000 square feet of flowers, gifts, vape, novelty items, jewelry, party supplies, costumes, custom photo gifts, T-shirts and more.

Tate's Barbecue
 1280 W Oklahoma Ave, (620) 356-8343, [tatesbbq.com](#)
 Some of the best barbecue in southwest Kansas. An event center is adjacent to the restaurant.

The Main ARtery
 103 S Main St, (620) 356-3828, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 Featuring area artists who use a variety of media. Paintings, pottery, sculptures, photography and classes.

The Movies
 200 N Main, (620) 356-1732, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 The locally owned and operated theater shows newly released films. Enjoy a bucket of delicious buttered popcorn.

Wagon Bed Springs on the Santa Fe Trail
 S on State-25 for 8 miles, take turnoff 3.5 miles on Wagon Bed Springs Rd
 One of the few watering stops available to Santa Fe Trail travelers. Mountain Man Jedediah Smith is thought to have died here.

Wagon Wheel Cafe & Bakery
 8551 E US-160, (620) 424-1368
 Fresh breads, pies and cookies tantalize taste buds. Enjoy menu items or the daily special.

7NE VALLEY FALLS
 Valley Falls Chamber of Commerce
 (785) 945-6612, [valleyfalls.org](#)

Aaah Some Blossom
 301 Broadway St, (785) 945-0181, [aaahsomeblossom.com](#)
 Your haven for fresh blooms, unique gifts and vintage treasures.

7NE VASSAR
 Pomona State Park
 22900 S State-368, (785) 828-4933, [ksoutdoors.com](#)
 Fishing, boating, hiking and wildlife viewing. Full-service marina. Cabin rentals, RV and campsites.

7NC VERMILLION
 Vermillion Depot Museum
 102 Main St, (785) 382-6256, [marshallcoks.com](#)
 Built in 1869, the depot contains original furnishings. Next door, the city hall and library (built in 1885 as a hotel) has a museum.

7NW WAKEENEY
 WaKeeney Travel & Tourism
 408 Russell Ave, (785) 743-8325, [wakeeney.org](#)

Big Creek Golf Course
 24073 J Rd, (785) 743-2420, [tregocountyks.com](#)
 A public nine-hole course with long open fairways and greens. Driving range and golf cart rentals. No tee time required.

Christmas City of the High Plains
 200 Main St, (785) 743-8325, [wakeeney.org](#)
 Between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day, enjoy a light display. In the off-season, enjoy a self-guided tour of trees and historic homes. Maps at North Pole Park.

F-14 Tomcat Fighter Jet
 Eisenhower Park, (785) 743-5791, [wakeeney.org](#)
 A retired Navy F-14 Tomcat fighter jet (like the one in *Top Gun*) sits just off I-70 Exit 127. A military tribute.

Gibson Health Mart Pharmacy
 125 N Main St, (785) 743-5753, [gibsonhealthmart.com](#)
 Since 1892, this authentic soda fountain has been serving up treats. Full-service pharmacy, gift shop and floral. Find us on Facebook.

Iwo Jima Memorial
 I-70 Exit 127, (785) 743-8325, [wakeeney.org](#)
 WWII memorial proudly honors all branches of the armed forces, veterans and their families.

North Pole Park
 122 N Main St, (785) 743-8325, [wakeeney.org](#)
 Bringing Christmas to downtown throughout the year. Here, you can be an elf or snowman or pose with Santa for a picture.

Queen of Stars Quilt Shop
 128 N Main St, (303) 808-0659
 For the quilter on the road. Stop in for everything you need. Find us on Facebook.

Rosie's Bar & Grill
 320 S Ave, (785) 743-8008
 Good food and libations. Burgers, barbecue and daily specials. Located inside The Prairie Rose Inn, just off I-70 Exit 127.

Scout Park
 116-198 N 9th St, [dgcoursereview.com](#)
 A disc golf course at Russell Ave. and 10th St. Baskets are arranged in the large open space behind the log cabin Scout house.

Shiloh Vineyard & Winery
 16079 M Rd, (785) 743-2152, [shilohvineyard.com](#)
 A small family-owned winery founded in 2008. Enjoy boutique wines created on-site. Family-friendly with scenic views.

Smoky Valley Scenic Byway
 PO Box 275, (785) 743-8325, [ksbyways.com](#)
 The byway greets with stunning views and passes through Cedar Bluff State Park and Reservoir. Geocache on the way.

Table 529
 529 Russell Ave, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 Enjoy lunch downtown, with unique menu options in a restored historic building. Lunch served Mon.-Fri. 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

The Brazen Bull
 717 S 2nd St, (785) 743-BOLD, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 A family-owned restaurant with bold takes on steaks, burgers, sandwiches and salads. On the north side of I-70, Exit 127, next to WaKeeney Motor Lodge.

The Well Coffee Shop
 418 Russell Ave, (785) 656-3834, [thewellks.com](#)
 Enjoy a cup of coffee, a latte, smoothies and other specialty drinks downtown. Open Mon.-Fri. 6:30 a.m.-12 p.m. and 2-5 p.m.; Sat. 7 a.m.-12 p.m.

Trego County Historical Society Museum
 128 N 13th St, (785) 743-2964, [tregohistorical.org](#)
 Located on the Trego County Fairgrounds along US-283. See interesting items from the area, including fossils and fashion.

WaKeeney Self-Guided Tree Tour
 408 Russell Ave, (785) 743-8325, [wakeeney.org](#)
 Metal trees are located in front of businesses and historic homes. Maps at North Pole Park.

Western Kansas Saloon & Grill
 121 N Main St, (785) 743-2050, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 Located on Main St and open Thurs.-Sat. 5 p.m.-10 p.m. Enjoy good food and cowboy history.

Wilcox School
 US-238 & Trego Co Rd X, (785) 743-8325, [wakeeney.org](#)
 A native limestone schoolhouse on the Smoky Valley Scenic Byway. On US-283, with a geocache.

7NW WALLACE
 Wallace County Visitors Bureau
 2655 US-40, (785) 891-3564, [travelwallacecounty.com](#)

Fort Wallace Cemetery
 2655 US-40, (785) 891-3564, [ftwallace.com](#)
 The only remnant of old Fort Wallace, originally constructed in 1866. Limestone walls surround old gravesites. Open sunrise to sunset.

Fort Wallace Museum
 2655 US-40, (785) 821-1864, [ftwallace.com](#)
 The Fight'n'est Fort in the West connects Wallace's frontier past and present. History of the American West, cowboys, Native Americans, dinosaur fossils and more.

The Memory Bank & Wallace Trading Company
 202 E 2nd St, (720) 298-1133, [travelwallacecounty.com](#)
 Located in the restored 1918 brick bank on the corner of Wall Street, it's the perfect spot to grab coffee, snacks and antiques.

THINGS TO DO

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WAMEGO

Mount Mitchell Heritage Prairie
29000 Mt Mitchell Rd,
mountmitchellprairie.org
Roam past head-high bluestem to valley views. Signage explains the site's Underground Railroad and Native American connections. ADA-compliant facilities. 📍

↑NC

WASHINGTON

Washington County Tourism
214 C St, (785) 325-2116,
washingtoncountys.gov ⓘ

Horse Soldier Monument

214 C St
Honors the "Horse Soldiers" who fought against the Taliban and inspired the movie *12 Strong*. See a piece of the World Trade Center. 📍

Washington County Courthouse

214 C St, (785) 325-2116,
washingtoncountys.gov
The Art Deco courthouse was built in 1933 and welcomes visitors. Open Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4 p.m. 📍

Washington County State Lake

National & 25th Rd, (785) 325-2116,
ksoutdoors.com
This fishing lake harbors quail, pheasant, doves, white-tailed deer and other wildlife, as well as migrating waterfowl in spring and fall. Camping is primitive. 📍

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WATERVILLE

Anntie M's Attic
101 E Commercial, (785) 363-2343,
Find us on Facebook

View women's fashions from the 1850s to the 1990s. Enjoy a Victorian tea or 1950s-style malt shop refreshment. Open by reservation. 📍

Central Branch/Missouri Pacific Railroad Train

118 S Kansas, (785) 363-2343,
centralbranchrailroad.com
Ride on one of the oldest and longest historical lines in the state. It once served as an emigrant train, orphan train and more. By appt. 📍

Coffee Crossing Drive Thru

500 E Main, (785) 640-1821
Nestled between the highway and historic rails. Savor a world of flavor and small-town charm, with specialty drinks and eats. 📍

Waterville Depot & 1925 Caboose Museums

113 S Kansas, (785) 363-2343,
marshallcoks.com
Find Central Branch Railroad memorabilia in the depot and the Caboose Museum. By appt. 📍

Waterville Opera House

200 E Front St, (785) 363-2515,
marshallcoks.com
Built in 1903, it's located across from the Missouri/Pacific Railroad tracks and the Weaver Hotel. On the National Register of Historic Places. Rentals available. 📍

↑NC

WEBBER

Lovewell State Park
2446 250 Rd, (785) 753-4971,
ksoutdoors.com
Playground, volleyball, disc golf, basketball and a beach. Full-service marina with boat and kayak rentals. Cabins, RV and campsites. 📍

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WELLINGTON

Wellington Area Chamber of Commerce/Convention & Visitors Bureau
208 N Washington, (620) 326-7466,
wellingtonkschamber.com ⓘ

Chisholm Trail Museum

502 N Washington, (620) 326-3820,
ctmuseumks.com
Thousands of artifacts representing the early pioneers, organizations and businesses who helped form Wellington and Sumner County. 📍

Kansas Wheat Festival

208 N Washington Ave,
(620) 326-7466,
wellingtonkschamber.com
Join us for the 126th festival July 7-11, 2026. Street dances, carnival, parade, car show, agricultural education, contests, food trucks and more. 📅

↑NW

WESKAN

Mount Sunflower
2415 Rd 3, travelwallacecounty.com
The highest point in Kansas, at an elevation of 4,039 feet, features folk art, a small shelter, a picnic table, a lending library and limitless western Kansas views. 📍

Wallace County Veterans Wall of Honor

219 Coyote Blvd, Find us on Facebook.
The granite memorial is engraved with Wallace County veterans' names. A plaza and park with flying flags and plantings. Walking path, shade and seating. 📍

↑NC

WESTMORELAND

Citizens for Courthouse Conservation
106 Main St, (785) 845-7981,
historicpottawatomiecounty courthouse.org
Built in 1884 and placed on the National Register in 2018. The only Italianate courthouse in Kansas. 📍

Main Street Mercantile

209 Main St, (785) 556-1626,
Find us on Facebook.
Antiques, primitives, collectibles, a large cast-iron selection and crocks. Also selling automotive, fishing and hunting supplies. 📍

Rock Creek Valley Historical Society Museum Complex

507 Burkman St,
westmorelandkshistory.org
Museums featuring 1880s-1930s domestic and farm items, original stone church, Wiziarde traveling circus barn, Summerville Cabin, and a small genealogy library. 📍

↓SC

WICHITA

CityArts
334 N Mead St, (316) 350-3245,
wichita.gov
Classes and artistic opportunities for all ages and experience levels, with four galleries and the Art Shoppe showcasing local work. 📍

Mid-America All-Indian Museum

650 N Seneca, (316) 350-3340,
theindianmuseum.org
The museum preserves American Indian culture and art, challenging stereotypes and connecting people to Native life. 📍

Museum of World Treasures

835 E 1st St N, (316) 263-1311,
worldtreasures.org
Walk with a T. rex, marvel at ancient Egypt, and see dazzling gems and military relics in Old Town. 📍

Old Cowtown Museum

1865 W Museum Blvd,
(316) 350-3323, oldcowtown.org
An open-air living-history museum that preserves and presents local history of the 1870s. 📍

The Kansas African American Museum

601 N Water St, (316) 262-7651,
tkamuseum.org
Learn more about the Kansas African American experience, including challenges, triumphs and significant contributions. 📍

Watermark Books & Cafe

4701 E Douglas, (316) 682-1181,
watermarkbooks.com
An independent bookstore and cafe in the heart of historic College Hill. We've been local, literary and independent since 1977. 📍

↑NC

WILSON

A Walk To Remember
State-140 & Ave E, (785) 658-2211
A self-guided tour featuring buildings, Czech eggs and parks. Visit Midland Hotel or downtown kiosks for a brochure. 📍

After Harvest Czech Festival

2407 Ave E
Promoting Czech heritage and encouraging community with activities for all ages. 📅

Betty Kepka Art Gallery & Museum

2711 Ave E
View the artwork and skills of the late Betty Kepka. Showcasing her talent and Czech heritage throughout the community. 📍

Cozy Coffee Cafe

821 27th St, (785) 658-5512,
wilsonrvpark.com
Located at Wilson RV Park, we offer premium coffees, teas, gourmet drinks, fresh pastries and breakfast items, along with retail. 📍

Czech Opera House

415 27th St, (785) 658-6091,
wilsonoperahouse.com
This open-air theater features preserved limestone walls. The historic venue serves as a cultural hub with events. 📍

Exhibition by Arthur Jellison

2711 Ave E
Take a step back in time with displays of historic photos. Preserving the history and showcasing area heritage. 📍

Granny's Junktiques

427 27th St, (785) 658-2633
Visit for unique antique finds. 📍

Kansas Originals Market & Gallery

233 State-232, (785) 658-2602,
kansasoriginals.com
The largest selection of Kansas-made and Kansas-grown art, crafts and food under one roof. *Wizard of Oz* sculptures and Smoky Hill wine. Tourist information. 📍

Legion Park: War Memorial & Lady Liberty

414 26th St, (785) 658-2284,
midlandrailroadhotel.com
A must-stop full of history as you travel I-70. Honor our local veterans at the War Memorial. 📍

Made From Scratch

527 27th St, (785) 658-3300
Offering down-home cooking, a daily buffet, fresh pie and homemade ice cream. 📍

Paper Moon Festival

414 26th St, (785) 658-2284,
midlandrailroadhotel.com
This annual event showcases Paper Moon filming locations along with activities for all ages. The festival takes place the first weekend in May. 📅

Roots & Blues Festival
 414 26th St, (785) 658-2284, midlandrailroadhotel.com
 Showcasing live music by Kansas artists at the historic Midland Railroad Hotel. Hosted annually the last weekend of Sept. 📅

Stop 2 Shop Food & Fuel
 2720 Ave E, (785) 658-2559
 Offering a daily deli counter with pizza, burgers, sandwiches, salads and wraps along with refreshments, fuel and merchandise to all travelers. ✕

The Midland & Mercantile & Art Gallery
 2711 Ave E, (785) 658-2278, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 A sister location to the historic Midland Railroad Hotel. Offering a boutique shopping experience of gifts, souvenirs, local and Kansas-made products, and artwork. 📍

The Sample Room Tavern & The Barn at Midland Railroad Hotel
 414 26th St, (785) 658-2284, midlandrailroadhotel.com
 Offers distinctive dinners that reflect the down-home quality of a bygone era. A variety of menu offerings and events. ✕

The Snack Shack
 186 Old 40, (785) 658-2600
 Fast, friendly and delicious. Come on down and enjoy a burger with fries or maybe some ice cream. Check ahead for winter hours and daily specials. ✕

Wilson Foods & Hardware
 2546 Ave E, (786) 658-2120, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 Stock up for your trip. Featuring homemade smoked meats. A short drive from Lake Wilson. 📍

Wilson Heritage Museum
 411 24th St, wilsonks.municipalonline.com
 Showcasing the history of Wilson and Czech heritage. 📍

Wilson Wine & Spirits
 521 27th St, (785) 658-3431
 Located near beautiful Lake Wilson. Offering a wide selection of beer, wines and spirits along with Kansas products. 📍

World's Largest Czech Egg
 2520 Ave D, wilsonkschamber.com
 Must-see attraction 2 miles from I-70. Showcasing Czech heritage. 📍

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WINFIELD
 Winfield Convention & Tourism
 123 E 9th, (620) 221-2421, visitwinfield.com ⓘ

Bloomer Botanicals LLC
 215 W 9th Ave, (620) 705-5657, winfieldchamber.org
 Hemp CBD supplements and oil, products for natural skin care, fair-trade pottery, organic chocolates, teas, and other items. 📍

Cowley County Historical Society Museum
 1011 Mansfield St, (620) 221-4811, cchsm.com
 Furniture, business and residential equipment used in Cowley County since 1869. On the National Register of Historic Places. 📍

Do It Up Studio
 110 E 9th Ave, (303) 570-9735
 Beauty and skin care products, local merchandise, and more. 📍

Eagle Nest, Inc.
 112 E 9th Ave, (620) 229-8282, eaglenestinc.org
 A faith-based organization providing a women's clothing resale store. 📍

Gottlob Lawn and Landscape
 5001 E 9th Ave, (620) 222-8870, gottloblawnandlandscape.com
 See a large selection of flowers, plants and garden items. Nursery and garden center open in season. Regular classes and events. 📍

Island Park
 200 N Main St, (620) 221-2420, visitwinfield.com
 Grab your lawn chair and enjoy free music in Island Park during the Duck Jam in the Park Concert Series. 📍

Lighted Christmas Parade
 123 E 9th Ave, (620) 221-2420, winfieldchamber.org
 Watch dazzling lighted floats on Main Street during the annual parade. Second Sat. of Dec. 📅

Main St. Skate
 515 Main St, (620) 402-5017, mainstskate.com
 Winfield's local skating rink is back. We're here to provide a great entertainment experience in Cowley County. See website for hours and pricing. 📍

Pre-Festival Music Crawl
 123 E 9th Ave, (620) 221-2420, winfieldchamber.org
 Enjoy free music downtown during this event held the Tue. before the Walnut Valley Festival in Sept. 📅

Quail Ridge Golf Course
 3805 Quail Ridge Dr, (620) 221-5645, golfquailridgeonline.com
 Nestled in the beautiful Walnut Valley of the Flint Hills with carpet-like fairways, ponds, creeks and bentgrass greens. A public 18-hole course with a driving range. 📍

South Kansas Symphony
 100 College St, (620) 399-3999, southkansassymphony.com
 Our volunteer community symphony welcomes you to enjoy performances through the school year. Since 1912, we've thrilled audiences with great music. 📅

Trunk N Treasures
 1016 Main St, (620) 218-0946, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 Home decor, furniture, primitives, antiques, stickers, crafts, repurposed items, honey, coffee, coins, toys and so much more. 📍

Vietnam War Memorial
 401 E 9th, (620) 221-2421, visitwinfield.com
 This beautiful memorial lists the names of all 777 servicemen and nurses from Kansas who lost their lives or are missing in action from the Vietnam War. 📍

Walnut Valley Festival
 1105 W 9th Ave, (620) 221-3250, wvfest.com
 Held the third weekend of Sept., this festival is one of the premier music events in the Midwest. Featuring all kinds of acoustic music and instrumental contests. 📅

Werner Creek Farm Store
 104 W 6th Ave, (620) 222-4580, wernercreekfarm.com
 Bringing farm-fresh foods to a convenient downtown location. Browse locally grown produce, fresh-baked breads and pies, canned goods, and more. 📍

Winfield City Lake
 PO Box 646, (620) 221-5635, winfieldks.org
 Boating, RV hookups, primitive camping, swimming, fishing, water-skiing and hunting available. Scan the lake from the high bluffs along the south shore. 📍

Winfield Fairgrounds
 1105 W 9th Ave, (620) 221-5600, visitwinfield.com
 Camp along the banks of the Walnut River among deer, wild turkeys and other wildlife native to South Central Kansas. Located minutes from downtown. 📍

Winfield Historic & Caton Homes Driving Tours
 123 E 9th, (620) 221-2421, visitwinfield.com
 Pick up a self-guided driving tour brochure and venture down Winfield's tree-lined streets to find many superb examples of Victorian-style and Caton architecture. 📍

Winfield Isle of Lights
 200 Main St, (620) 221-2420, winfieldisleoflights.org
 A nearly mile-long, drive-through extravaganza featuring thousands of Christmas lights in Island Park. Free; donations appreciated. 📅

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WOODBINE
 My Tyme Cafe
 101 N Broadway, (785) 257-3075, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 Authentic German food in a cute cafe setting. Serving breakfast and lunch, with orders personalized. A quaint small-town atmosphere. ✕

↓SE
YATES CENTER
 Woodson County Chamber of Commerce
 110 N Main, (620) 625-3235, woodsoncountycenter.org ⓘ

South Owl Lake & Campground
 1010 Reservoir Rd, (620) 625-2118, cityofyatescenter.com
 Offering a boat ramp, fishing piers, RV campground, playground, shelter house and bathroom. Great fishing opportunities and easy access to Lakeside Golf Course. 📍

Woodson County Historical Museum
 208 W Mary St, (620) 625-5233, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 See Civil War, Native American and pioneer artifacts in a historic log cabin and country schoolhouse. Open seasonally and by appt. 📍

Yates Center Historic Town Square & Courthouse
 105 W Rutledge
 Via redbrick streets, view historic Woodson County Courthouse, Hotel Woodson, Light Hardware Building and Carnegie library while enjoying shopping and dining. 📍

Yates Center Reservoir
 989 80th Rd, (620) 625-2118, cityofyatescenter.com/lakes
 Offering fishing, boating, water-skiing, hiking, hunting, primitive camping, a boat ramp, fishing piers, a shelter house and an all-season vault restroom. 📍

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YODER
 Carriage Crossing Restaurant & Bakery
 10002 S Yoder Rd, (620) 465-3612, [Find us on Facebook](#).
 A family-style restaurant in Amish Country. Featuring scratch-made pies, bread and cinnamon rolls, plus comfort food dinners and a unique country store. ✕

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ABILENE

Abilene Inn & Suites

110 E Lafayette Ave, (785) 576-5031, choicehotels.com

Near I-70. Pool, gym, free Wi-Fi and a hot breakfast. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Abilene's Victorian Inn B&B

820 NW 3rd St, (785) 263-7774, AbilenesVictorianInn.com

Relax in parlors or on a large porch. Next to Eisenhower Park and near Eisenhower Presidential Library & Museum and other attractions. 🏠

Engle House B&B

102 Highland Dr, (785) 479-3749, englehouse.com

Newly renovated. One of the few Mission Arts and Crafts homes on the National Register of Historic Places. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

103 E Lafayette Ave, (785) 576-9933, ihg.com

One of the newest hotels on I-70. Enjoy an indoor pool, business center, small conference room and free Express Start breakfast. 🏠

↑NC

ALMA

Brandt House

402 Missouri Ave, (785) 910-7799, brandthouse.com

The historic hotel in the heart of Alma offers both historic charm and modern sophistication. 🏠

Mill Creek Lodge At Volland Point

34554 Old Hwy 10 Rd, (785) 765-3300, millcreeklodgevollandpoint.com

The ranch homestead dates to 1865 and is a National Historical Site. The three-story stone guesthouse provides nine bedrooms, a meeting/dining room and a barn bunkhouse. 🏠

↓SC

ANTHONY

Anthony Lake

Lake Shore Dr, (620) 842-5434, anthonykansas.org

A beautiful 153-acre lake with camping, boating, fishing, a golf course, trap shooting, archery, bird-watching, disc golf, kayaking, walking paths and a dog park. 🏠

↓SC

ARKANSAS CITY

America's Best Value Inn

1617 N Summit, (620) 442-1400

All rooms and the lobby area were updated in 2008. 🏠

Best Western Plus Patterson Park Inn

6100 Patterson Pkwy, (620) 307-6767, bestwestern.com

Free high-speed Internet, free breakfast, fitness center, indoor pool, smoke-free. Pets allowed. 🏠

Quality Inn

3232 N Summit, (620) 307-5842, choicehotels.com

Banquet facilities, indoor pool, video game area and free Wi-Fi. 🏠

Super 8

3228 N Summit, (620) 506-0559

Renovated rooms and suites. The Wyndham Rewards Member hotel offers a free hot breakfast, on-site laundry and free Wi-Fi. 🏠

↓SC

BEAUMONT

Beaumont Hotel

11651 SE Main St, (620) 843-2422, hotelbeaumontks.com

A fly-in destination for private pilots. Also great for motorcyclists, car buffs and hunters. Includes a cafe and vintage water tower. 🏠

↑NC

BLUE RAPIDS

Blue Rapids Riverside Park

W 5th St, (785) 268-0577, bluerapids.org

RV hookups are first come, first served for \$15 per day. Ball diamonds, pool, playground, picnic areas, basketball and pickleball courts, and dump station. 🏠

The Overlook Guest House

No. 40 Public Square, (785) 556-0071, overlookbr.com

On the Historic Square. A gateway to museums and trails of Marshall County. Guided tours available. 🏠

↖NW

BREWSTER

The Cabin in Brewster

109 First St, Find us on Airbnb.

Located off I-70. Furnished with a double bed and futon on the lower level and a twin bed in the loft. Games, puzzles and books. 🏠

↓SE

BURLINGTON

Country Haven Inn

207 Cross St, (620) 364-8260, countryhaveninnkansas.com

Off Hwy 75, with queen-size beds, interior corridors, free Wi-Fi and a meeting room—all at great rates. 🏠

↓SE

CHANUTE

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

3401 N Blue Comet Dr, (620) 431-0817, ihg.com

Hot breakfast, indoor pool, business center, free high-speed Internet, fitness center, outdoor grill and patio area. On US-169 at the 35th Street Chanute exit. 🏠

Lil' Toledo Lodge

10600 170th Rd, (620) 244-5668, liltoledo.com

A year-round retreat along the Neosho River. Lodging, hunting, sporting clays and fishing. 🏠

Safari RV Campground

3499 S Santa Fe Ave, (620) 431-5250, chanute.org

Camp for up to 10 days. First night free, then \$10/day. Pull-through padded sites with water and electric. Dump station nearby. No reservations taken. 🏠

Summit Hill Gardens

2605 160th Rd, (620) 212-3878, summithillgardens.org

Soaps and lotions with essential oils. Event center in renovated barn. Soapmaking demos. Open Sat. and by appointment. Stay in a cottage or schoolhouse. 🏠

Super 8

3502 S Santa Fe, (620) 431-7788, wyndhamhotels.com

Located near Chanute exit off US-169. Hot breakfast, outdoor pool, free Wi-Fi, pet-friendly. 🏠

↑NC

CLAY CENTER

Cedar Court Motel

905 Crawford St, (785) 632-2148, cedarcourtotel.com

With 52 rooms including fridges and microwaves, Continental breakfast, free Wi-Fi, outdoor swimming pool, and El Puerto Mexican restaurant adjoining. 🏠

↑NC

CLYDE

Clyde Hotel

422 Washington St, (785) 446-2231, clydekshotel.com

Historic charm with modern conveniences. Established in 1870. Nine rooms on second floor. Balcony, courtyard, free laundry. 🏠

↖NW

COLBY

Budget Inn & Suites

1745 W 4th St, (785) 462-3318

With 34 pet-friendly units, free breakfast and a location near local restaurants. 🏠

Colby Comfort Inn

2225 S Range Ave, (785) 462-3833, choicehotels.com

All rooms include a coffee maker, iron/board, hairdryer, clock radio, cable TV/HBO and 25-inch TV. Meeting room and exercise room. Breakfast with eggs and waffles. 🏠

Colby RV Park

155 E Willow, (785) 460-6000, colbyrvpark.com

Safe and quiet with large, level pull-through sites. Full hookups with 30/50 amp electrical and free Wi-Fi throughout the park. 🏠

Country Club Inn

460 S Country Club Dr, (785) 462-7568

On Hwy 24. A 24-hour front desk, free self-parking, and free Wi-Fi in all 23 rooms and public areas. Minutes from local attractions. 🏠

Days Inn

1925 S Range Ave, (785) 462-8691, wyndhamhotels.com

A comfortable, budget-friendly stay with free breakfast and Wi-Fi, and an indoor pool. Located near Colby Community College. 🏠

Guest Suite in Colby

840 E 8th, Find us on Airbnb.

Renovated kitchen space with cabinets, countertops, double sink, refrigerator and stove. Close to Fike Park, downtown, baseball fields and Colby Country Club. 🏠

Hampton Inn

1000 E Willow Rd, (785) 460-2333, hilton.com

Free breakfast, Wi-Fi and a fitness center. Enjoy spacious rooms and easy access to attractions and dining. 🏠

High Plains Hideaway

1782 County Rd J, Find us on Airbnb.

This one-of-a-kind work of art offers one of the best stays between Denver and Kansas City. Located on a quiet, paved road 4 miles from Colby. 🏠

Hippie Chic Oasis

1782 County Rd J, Find us on Airbnb.

Enjoy a quiet night in this bohemian abode meticulously decorated with plants, paintings, photos and souvenirs from travels around the world. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express

645 W Willow, (785) 462-8787, hiexpress.com/colbyks

Beautiful hotel located just north of I-70, Exit 53. Located a short drive to local dining and attractions. 🏠

Motel 6

1985 S Range Ave, (785) 462-8201, motel6.com

Clean, modern rooms with free Wi-Fi and easy access to local attractions. Great value and convenience in the heart of western Kansas. 🏠

Sleep Inn & Suites

2075 Sewell Ave, (785) 460-0311, choicehotels.com

Comfortable, modern rooms with cozy bedding, free Wi-Fi, a hot breakfast, an indoor pool and a small meeting facility. 🏠

Super 8

1040 Zelfer Ave, (785) 462-8248, wyndhamhotels.com

Cozy rooms, free breakfast and Wi-Fi, and convenient access to local attractions and dining. 🏠

The 5acre

1782 County Rd J, Find us on Airbnb.

Glamp on the high plains in a Quonset hut. This secluded, rustic getaway offers a unique experience. 🏠

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LODGES & CABINS
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HOTELS & MOTELS

The West Place Ranch House
1537 County Rd R, [Find us on Airbnb](#).
This three-bed, two-bath home is a clean farmhouse original to a fifth-generation cattle ranch. Family room, dining room and full kitchen. Sleeps nine. 🏠 🚿

COLLYER
Collyer Lodge

704 Ainslie Ave, (530) 933-8225, [Find us on Vrbo](#).
A remodeled brick home in the heart of hunting heaven, with a full kitchen, five bedrooms, 2.5 baths, DirecTV, Wi-Fi and laundry. Well-behaved dogs are welcome. 🏠 🚿

COLUMBUS
Rowdy's Rustic Moose Lodge

1131 W Country Rd, (620) 762-2416, [Find us on Facebook](#).
Modern cabins on a lake, with Wi-Fi and an event center. 🏠 🚿

Smittle House
426 S Kansas, (620) 429-2420, [Find us on Facebook](#).
A charming Victorian B&B with in-house catering and private dining by reservation. Rooms upstairs with private bath. 🏠 🚿

T & S RV Park
1308 E Hwy 160, (620) 674-3304
Full hookups and propane on-site. Dry camping available. 🏠 🚿

CONCORDIA
Airport Park RV Park
3015 Blosser Dr, (785) 243-2670, [concordiaaks.org](#)
With 14 free hookups (10 drive-through and four back-in), trees, electricity, water, a dump station, a dog park and disc golf. Donations accepted. No reservations. 🏠 🚿

Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites
2175 Lincoln St, (785) 243-2700, [ihg.com](#)
With 61 rooms (four accessible rooms), an indoor pool and spa, a fitness center, a full Continental breakfast, a meeting room, free Internet, and free parking. 🏠 🚿

Kansas Creek Inn
1330 Union Rd, (785) 335-3300
Refresh your spirit. In the quiet countryside on a paved road. Unique rooms, gardens, farm animals and country breakfast. 🏠 🚿

Regency Inn
89 Lincoln St, (785) 243-4545
One floor and 47 rooms with an outside entrance. Reasonable rates, pet-friendly, truck parking, free Wi-Fi and weekly rates. 🏠 🚿

Super 8
1320 Lincoln St, (785) 243-4200, [super8.com](#)
Two floors with 44 rooms on US-81 next to Sonic and McDonald's. Free light breakfast and Wi-Fi. Truck/bus/RV parking. Accessible rooms. Pet-friendly. Nonsmoking. 🏠 🚿

COTTONWOOD FALLS
The Larkinn Guesthouses
(620) 273-1135, [TheLarkInn.com](#)
In historic Cottonwood Falls, we're your home for getaway lodging in the heart of the Flint Hills. 🏠 🚿

COUNCIL GROVE
Young Guest House
324 N Union, (620) 767-6103, [groveoccasions.com](#)
Whole house rental with 4.5 bedrooms and three baths close to Main Street. Retreat to simpler times while enjoying comfort and modern conveniences. 🏠 🚿

DODGE CITY
Best Western North Edge Inn
404 W Frontview, (620) 371-6441, [bestwestern.com](#)
On US-50 away from the bustle of the business corridor but within easy access of amenities. Kitchenettes in every room. 🏠 🚿

Best Western Plus
506 N 14th Ave, (620) 225-7378, [bestwestern.com](#)
Located off US-50 in the center of Dodge City, the hotel is less than 10 blocks from Boot Hill Museum. 🏠 🚿

Dodge House Hotel & Convention Center
2408 W Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 225-9900, [dodgehousehotel.com](#)
Four banquet rooms, heated indoor pool, hot tub, indoor sport options, arcade, weight room, airport and casino shuttle, ample parking. 🏠 🚿

Silver Spur Vintage Inn & Suites
1510 W Wyatt Earp Blvd, (620) 227-2125
Located 4.5 miles from the airport. Recently remodeled rooms. Two-room suites with kitchenettes and one-room suites. 🏠 🚿

EMPORIA
Comfort Inn & Suites
2921 W 18th Ave, (620) 341-9393, [choicehotels.com](#)
Near I-35 and minutes from downtown. Free hot breakfast, Wi-Fi and indoor pool. Pet-friendly. 🏠 🚿

La Quinta Inn & Suites
2930 Eaglecrest Dr, (620) 342-4445, [lq.com](#)
Conveniently located near I-35. Free Wi-Fi and breakfast, and a heated indoor pool. 🏠 🚿

Mainstay Suites
2602 Candlewood Dr, (620) 343-7756, [choicehotels.com](#)
For overnight or extended stays. Each suite comes with a fully equipped kitchen. Free Internet, fitness center and laundry. 🏠 🚿

FRANKFORT
The Banker's Inn
123 N Kansas Ave, (785) 292-4225, [thebankersinn.com](#)
In a historical bank downtown. Each suite has a private bath, free Wi-Fi, Smart TV and kitchenette. Walk to shops and restaurants. 🏠 🚿

GARDEN CITY
America's Best Value Inn
1818 Comanche Dr, (620) 275-5095, [sonesta.com](#)
Located just west of the junction of State-156 and Bypass US-83 on Comanche Drive. 🏠 🚿

AmericInn Lodge & Suites
3020 E Kansas Ave, (620) 272-9860, [vindhamsuites.com](#)
Enjoy peaceful nights in oversized rooms. Easy access to Applebee's and Walmart. 🏠 🚿

Best Western Plus Emerald Inn & Suites
2412 E Kansas Ave, (620) 277-7100, [bestwestern.com](#)
Spacious and clean hotel. Helpful staff, full bar, free hot breakfast and indoor saltwater pool. Meeting, fitness and laundry facilities. 🏠 🚿

Clarion Inn & Conference Center
1911 E Kansas Ave, (620) 209-4344, [choicehotels.com](#)
With 15,000 square feet of meeting space, a Grand Ballroom, an airport shuttle and more, this hotel delivers exceptional accommodations and service. 🏠 🚿

Comfort Inn
2608 E Kansas Ave, (620) 765-4385, [choicehotels.com](#)
Near Schulman Crossing Shopping Center and Parrot Cove Water Park. Meeting room and whirlpool suites. Smoke-free and pet-friendly. 🏠 🚿

Country Inn & Suites
2502 E Kansas Ave, (620) 277-9278
Whether you're here on a work trip or a family getaway, we offer a comfortable stay with easy access to US-83 and US-400. 🏠 🚿

Finney County Fairgrounds & Campground
209 Lake Ave, (620) 272-3844
480 #110 electrical outlets, 48 #220 electrical outlets. Water available at select sites. Trash cans and dump station available with proper equipment. 🏠 🚿

Flamingo Motel Inc
1612 Jones Ave, (620) 276-7601
Affordable daily, weekly and extended rates. Three- or four-bed guest rooms available for larger parties. Convenient parking in front of every room. Pet-friendly. 🏠 🚿

Garden City Inn
1202 W Kansas Ave, (620) 276-7608, [gardencityinnhotelkansas.com](#)
Quiet, clean rooms with an indoor pool, laundry facility and complimentary Continental breakfast. Transportation services to airport and train station. 🏠 🚿

Hampton Inn
2505 Crestway, (620) 272-0454, [hamptoninn.com](#)
Well-appointed rooms, with options for connecting rooms or a king study with sofa sleeper. Free hot breakfast, fitness center and meeting facility. 🏠 🚿

Magnuson Hotel Red Baron
2205 E Fulton St, (620) 276-4164, [magnusonhotels.com](#)
Truck parking, on-site laundromat, free Wi-Fi and business center. Outdoor picnic area with barbecue grills. Pet-friendly. 🏠 🚿

National 9 Inn
123 Honeybee Ct, (620) 275-0677
Budget-friendly comfort off Hwy 50. Clean rooms with essential amenities. El Zarape Mexican restaurant steps away. 🏠 🚿

New Sunflower Inn & Suites
1311 E Fulton St, (620) 276-2387
Spacious rooms feature TVs, microwaves, fridges and free Wi-Fi. Meeting room and business center available. Pet-friendly. 🏠 🚿

Sleep Inn & Suites & Conference Center
1931 E Kansas Ave, (620) 765-4405, [choicehotels.com](#)
With 60 rooms, 4,574 square feet of meeting space with teleconference services, high-speed Internet, truck/bus parking, and airport shuttle. Free hot breakfast. 🏠 🚿

Sunnyland B&B
501 N 5th St, (620) 276-0500, [sunnylandbandb.com](#)
This Victorian home offers a glimpse into the past with exquisite architecture, antique furnishings and hospitality. 🏠 🚿

Towneplace Suites

3510 E Kansas Ave, (620) 805-6717, marriott.com

Relax and feel at home with a fully equipped kitchen and fast, free Wi-Fi. Fitness center, laundry services and free hot breakfast. 🏠

↘SE**GARNETT****Cedar Valley Reservoir**

20499 NW 1500 Rd, (785) 448-5496, simplygarnett.com

Electric campsites, with wilderness camping available. Lakeside views and amenities. Reservations required via campspot.com. 🏠

Garnett Campground

409 W S Lake Dr, (785) 448-5496, simplygarnett.com

Bring your fishing pole and bicycle. Campsites are lakeside. Walk or bike Prairie Spirit Trail State Park to the downtown square. 🏠

Garnett Hotel & RV Park

109 Prairie Plaza Pkwy, (785) 448-6800, garnetthotelrvpark.com

On US-169, the hotel offers king suites, free Wi-Fi, a fitness center, coin laundry, Continental breakfast, a hospitality/meeting room and interior corridors. 🏠

Kirk House

145 W 4th Ave, (785) 204-2987, thekirkhouse.net

National Register of Historic Places, George Washburn design. Stay at a 1913 Victorian landmark. Next to an art gallery with nearby dining, shopping and a bike trail. 🏠

Lazy Z RV Park

23211 NW 1700 Rd, (785) 448-8650

A quiet, rural RV park on the west edge of Garnett. Offering full-utility hookups and a lake for fishing. 🏠

North Lake Park Campgrounds

N Lake Rd, (785) 448-5496, simplygarnett.com

Electric and water hookups, electric only and tent campsites around Lake Garnett. Dump station, recreation center, outdoor pool and more. Reservations required. 🏠

↖NW**GOODLAND****Comfort Inn & Suites**

2631 Enterprise Rd, (785) 890-9060, choicehotels.com

Off I-70 Exit 17. Free breakfast and Wi-Fi. Near Sugar Hill Golf Club, downtown and The Big Easel. 🏠

Goodland KOA Journey

1114 E Hwy 24, (800) 562-5704, koa.com

A quiet campground with a relaxing atmosphere. Pool and putt-putt golf, with four cabins. Located off I-70 Exit 19. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express

2725 Enterprise Rd, (785) 728-4090

Includes an indoor pool, hot tub, Internet, hot and cold breakfast, and other amenities. 🏠

Motel 6

2420 Commerce Rd, (785) 890-5672, motel6.com

Located off I-70 Exit 17. Fast-food restaurants nearby, accessible and nonsmoking rooms. Fax and Internet available. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Quality Inn

2519 Enterprise Rd, (785) 728-4068, choicehotels.com

A great location off I-70, Exit 17. 🏠

Soldiers Memorial County Park

1735 Rd 54, (785) 890-4806, soldierswalkmemorialpark.com

Offering 15 RV hookups. Campsites available on a first-come, first-served basis. Fishing and walking trails. No reservations needed. 🏠

Super 8

2520 S Commerce Rd, (785) 890-7566, super8.com

Off I-70 Exit 17. Large vehicle parking, group rates, free cribs. Children 17 and under free with parent in the same room. Enjoy the Super 8 Super Start Breakfast. 🏠

↘SC**GREAT BEND****Baltzell Lodge**

705 E 10th St, (620) 792-4395, Find us on Facebook

A quiet and quaint motel with cottages. Weekly rates and hunting packages available. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Best Western Angus Inn

2920 10th St, (620) 792-3541, bestwestern.com

Clean and comfortable with accessible rooms and suites. Indoor pool, hot tub, exercise room, gaming area, large courtyard. 🏠

Big Bend Travelers Inn & Santa Fe Trail Campgrounds

4200 W 10th St, (620) 793-5448

Feel at home in spacious rooms with all of the luxuries you need in a reasonably priced space. 🏠

Days Inn

4701 10th St, (620) 792-8235, wyndhamhotels.com

As a guest, you can expect warm hospitality and clean, comfortable rooms where everything works to make your stay trouble-free and enjoyable. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

3821 10th St, (620) 603-6565, ihg.com

This bright, modern hotel offers spacious rooms, an indoor pool, a Jacuzzi, a fitness center, a business center and a breakfast buffet. Meeting and banquet rooms. 🏠

Quality Inn

3500 10th St, (620) 793-8486, choicehotels.com

This newly remodeled hotel has great rooms and free hot breakfast, an indoor pool, a free newspaper, and much more. 🏠

Super 8

911 Grant St, (620) 793-9000, wyndhamhotels.com

Our staff welcomes you to enjoy a free Continental breakfast, an indoor pool, an exercise room, and suites and accessible rooms. Bus and truck parking available. 🏠

Travelodge

3200 W 10th St, (620) 792-7219, wyndhamhotels.com

Convenient parking, a Continental breakfast and spacious guest rooms with many amenities. 🏠

↘SW**GREENSBURG****Best Western Night****Watchman Inn**

515 W Kansas Ave, (620) 723-2244, bestwestern.com

Enjoy a free hot breakfast with waffles and sausage and gravy. There's also an indoor pool and hot tub, plus 37-inch LCD TVs. 🏠

Greensburg Inn

800 E Kansas Ave, (620) 723-2141, Find us on Facebook

On US-54 near Cannonball Golf Course, this nonsmoking hotel offers free Wi-Fi, cable TVs and air-conditioning. 🏠

The Lodge at Greensburg

723 S Elm

Meeting and lodging space in a relaxing, inviting and clean atmosphere. 🏠

Upland Inn Hunts

407 S Walnut St, (316) 250-3038, uplandinnhunts.com

Less than two hours west of Wichita and 45 minutes east of Dodge City. The best in guided hunts. 🏠

↘SC**HAVEN****Irish Creek Lodge/Outfitters**

3907 E Irish Creek Rd, (620) 960-3946, irishcreekoutfitters.com

This lodge near Hutchinson and Wichita has seven bedrooms, four bathrooms, two furnished kitchens and two laundry rooms, all in a quiet setting on a working farm. 🏠

↖NW**HAYS****AmericInn**

377 Mopar Dr, (785) 201-9984, wyndhamhotels.com

Smoke-free, free Wi-Fi, fitness center, indoor pool, hot tub and free hot breakfast. Close to restaurants and shopping. 🏠

Avid Hotel

206 W 43rd St, (785) 625-1101, ihg.com

Smoke-free, Wi-Fi, outdoor parking, mini fridges, heated indoor pool and 24-hour gym. Grab-and-go breakfast and 24-hour bean-to-cup coffee. Pets allowed. 🏠

Baymont Inn & Suites

3801 Vine St, (785) 625-8103, wyndhamhotels.com

Smoke-free, fitness center, free hot breakfast, free Wi-Fi, free bus/truck/RV parking and fitness center. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Best Western Plus Butterfield Inn

1010 E 41st St, (785) 621-4337, bestwestern.com

Smoke-free, Wi-Fi, free breakfast, free parking, indoor pool, fitness center. Pet-friendly. Near I-70. 🏠

Comfort Inn & Suites

1001 E 41st St, (785) 625-9322, choicehotels.com

Pet-friendly, smoke-free, premium free Wi-Fi, free outdoor parking and free hot breakfast. Heated indoor pool and fitness center. 🏠

Creek Side Resort RV Park & Campground

3301 Hwy 183 Alt, (785) 259-0927, creeksidehays.com

RV spots, cabins with private hot tubs, an outdoor movie theater and a pond. Propane available. Laundry facility and store on-site. 🏠

Days Inn

3205 Vine St, (785) 628-8261, wyndhamhotels.com

Free Wi-Fi, seasonal outdoor pool, free coffee and hot breakfast, and free parking. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Econo Lodge

3503 Vine St, (785) 625-4839, choicehotels.com

Smoke-free, free Wi-Fi and free breakfast. Pet-friendly. Restaurants nearby. Multiple awards. 🏠

Hampton Inn

4002 General Hays Rd, (785) 621-4444, hilton.com

Smoke-free, Wi-Fi, accessible rooms, free hot breakfast, laundry, microwaves, fridges, indoor pool, fitness center, meeting space. 🏠

Hilton Garden Inn & Convention Center

221 W 43rd St, (785) 727-7721, hilton.com

Smoke-free, Wi-Fi, restaurant and bar, fitness center, indoor pool, pet-friendly. The convention center hosts up to 500 guests. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

4650 Roth Ave, (785) 625-8000, holidayinnexpress.com

Smoke-free, free Wi-Fi, laundry, indoor pool and fitness center. Free hot breakfast. Meeting space. 🏠

PLACES TO STAY

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HOTELS & MOTELS

Quality Inn

2810 Vine St, (785) 628-8008, choicehotels.com
Pet-friendly, smoke-free, premium free Wi-Fi, heated indoor pool, free parking and breakfast. Restaurants and shopping nearby. 🏠

Sleep Inn & Suites

1011 E 41st St, (785) 625-3067, choicehotels.com
Smoke-free, free Wi-Fi, indoor pool and fitness center. Guest laundry available. Free hot breakfast. 🏠

Super 8

3730 Vine St, (785) 625-8048, wyndhamhotels.com
Smoke-free, free Wi-Fi, laundry facilities available. Free breakfast. Pet-friendly. Near I-70. 🏠

The Bissing House

117 W 13th St, (913) 363-4297, bissinghouse.com
This charming structure features unique architectural work, suites named after historical figures, and antiques inherited from the original owners. 🏠

TownePlace Suites

4001 General Hays Rd, (785) 261-9630, marriott.com
Smoke-free, free Wi-Fi and hot breakfast. Fitness center, indoor pool, kitchenette and laundry. 🏠

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HERINGTON

Herington Lake & Reservoir
500 Ave & Sage Rd, (785) 258-0150, cityofherington.com/lake-reservoir
Campsites include RV sites with electric hookups. Enjoy swimming, boating, hiking, picnics, and fishing for annually stocked crappie and channel catfish. Hunt for migratory waterfowl. 🏠

Railer RV Park

101 S 3rd St, (719) 310-8996
Located near downtown. The park has 16 back-in RV sites with full hookups, including 20/30/50 amp electric, sewer and water. 🏠

Remote Prairie Home Getaway

2441 X Ave, (601) 717-2129, Find us on Airbnb.
Enjoy the solitude of the Flint Hills. Windows overlook the prairie. Amazing stargazing and wildlife. A perfect escape. 🏠

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HUTCHINSON

Comfort Inn & Suites
1601 Super Plaza, (620) 669-5200, choicehotels.com
Enjoy a free hot breakfast in the morning and a meet-and-greet at the evening reception Mon.-Thurs. Free Wi-Fi, a fitness center, an indoor pool and a whirlpool. 🏠

Fairfield

1111 N Lorraine, (620) 259-8787, marriott.com/ictu
Near shopping, dining and entertainment. Enjoy free breakfast, an indoor pool, a hot tub and a 24/7 gym. Spacious, modern rooms and a large meeting space for events. 🏠

Hampton Inn

1401 1/2 E 11th Ave, (620) 665-9800, hutchinson.hamptoninn.com
Offers 70 recently renovated guest rooms near local attractions. Enjoy a free hot breakfast or grab an on-the-go breakfast bag. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express

911 Porter St, (620) 259-8656, ihg.com
Located within a mile of shopping, restaurants and entertainment. Large rooms, microwaves, fridges, Wi-Fi and 42-inch TVs. Group rates available. 🏠

Yaggy

4603 Nickerson Blvd, (620) 259-6916, yaggy.com
A perfect setting for reunions, retreats and weddings. Historic side-by-side homes are nestled among a tree-lined drive less than 5 minutes from downtown Hutchinson. 🏠

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INDEPENDENCE

Apple Tree Inn & Suites
201 N 8th, (620) 331-5500
Within steps of downtown restaurants, bars and shops. Offering breakfast, free Wi-Fi, free parking, a pool and a hot tub. 🏠

Comfort Inn & Suites

3000 W Main St, (620) 332-2222, choicehotels.com
Located off the highway near shopping and dining. Nicely decorated rooms, an indoor pool and hot breakfast. 🏠

Kansas Inn

3222 W Main St, (620) 331-7300
This affordable hotel is located off the highway near shopping and dining. Wi-Fi and daily Continental breakfast. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Lamplighter Inn

2320 W Main St, (620) 331-4655, Find us on Facebook.
This affordable hotel is near the highway and close to dining and shopping. Single-level, exterior rooms offer easy access. 🏠

Microtel Inn & Suites

2917 W Main St, (620) 331-0088, wyndhamhotels.com
Newly renovated. Off the highway near shopping and dining. Breakfast, Wi-Fi and suites. Perfect for family and business travel. 🏠

Super 8

2800 W Main St, (620) 331-8288, wyndhamhotels.com
Near the highway, with free truck and RV parking. Breakfast, free Wi-Fi, outdoor pool and more. 🏠

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JUNCTION CITY

Best Western
604 E Chestnut St, (785) 210-1212, bestwestern.com
Free hot breakfast, indoor pool, fitness center, microwaves, fridges, laundry, and truck and RV parking. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Budget Host Golden Wheat Motel & RV Park

820 S Washington, (785) 238-5106, budgethost.com
Located off I-70 Exit 296. At-door parking, cable TV and HBO, microwaves, fridges, RV parking with full hookups, and free high-speed Internet. 🏠

Candlewood Suites

100 S Hammons Dr, (785) 238-1454, candlewoodsuites.com
An extended-stay property with a full kitchen in every room, free high-speed Internet, guest laundry, a fitness center, a sports court and a DVD lending library. 🏠

Comfort Inn & Suites

120 N East St, (785) 762-4200, choicehotels.com
Features a heated indoor pool, hot tub, cable TV, exercise room, hot breakfast, microwaves, fridges, free Wi-Fi, laundry, pet-friendly rooms and meeting space. 🏠

Econo Lodge

211 W Flint Hills Blvd, choicehotels.com
Off I-70, Exit 299. Microwaves, fridges, a Continental breakfast, high-speed Internet, free cable and HBO, and guest laundry. 🏠

Express Inn & Suites

1214 S Washington St, (785) 579-6464, sites.google.com/view/expressinn, grandviewplazainn.com
Features a Continental breakfast, high-speed Internet, a heated indoor pool, a hot tub, microwaves and fridges, and cable TV. 🏠

Grandview Plaza Inn & Suites

110 E Flint Hills Blvd, (785) 579-6987, grandviewplazainn.com
Free Wi-Fi, fridges, microwaves and flat-screen TVs with cable. 🏠

Great Western Inn

201 Continental Dr, (785) 238-5147
Remodeled rooms, microwaves, fridges, high-speed Internet, cable, HBO, free local calls. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Hampton Inn

1039 S Washington St, (785) 579-6950, hamptoninn.com
Indoor pool with Jacuzzi, fitness room, free hot breakfast, meeting room for 60 people and high-speed Internet. Shuttle service. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express

221 E Ash St, (785) 579-5787, ihg.com
Off I-70, Exit 298. Free hot breakfast buffet, business center, conference room, indoor pool, fitness center. 🏠

Motel 6

1931 Lacy Dr, (785) 762-2215, motel6.com
Outdoor heated pool, microwaves, fridges, guest laundry, HBO/ESPN and electrical hookups. Pet-friendly and hunter-friendly. AARP and military discounts. 🏠

Quality Inn

305 E Chestnut, (785) 784-5106, choicehotels.com
With 44 guest rooms, free Wi-Fi, Continental breakfast, business center, heated outdoor pool, fitness center, microwaves and fridges in rooms, guest laundry, HBO. 🏠

Red Lion Inn

1133 S Washington St, (785) 530-5961
Continental breakfast, free high-speed Internet, fridges, microwaves, HBO, laundry service, exercise room. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Sonesta Essential

310 Hammons Dr, (785) 210-1500, sonesta.com
Off I-70, Exit 298, with 119 rooms, business library, high-speed Internet, indoor pool, fitness center and lobby lounge/bar. Next to Geary County Convention Center. 🏠

Thunderbird Marina & RV Resort

4725 W Rolling Hills Rd, (785) 238-5864, thunderbirdmarinaandrresort.com
A full-service marina with a bar and grill, convenience store, RV sites and day-use sites. The private, gate-controlled property also features Wi-Fi, a sandy beach, shower houses and boat slips. 🏠

WoodSpring Suites

311 E Ash St, (785) 762-2221
Furnished studios with free expanded TV service, biweekly housekeeping, full kitchens, high-speed Internet and laundry facilities. Has 105 guest rooms. 🏠

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KANSAS CITY

American Motel
7949 Splitlog Ave, (913) 299-2999, myamericaninn.com
Minutes from Kansas Speedway, Hollywood Casino, Children's Mercy Park and Legends Outlets. Outdoor pool. Easy access to I-70. 🏠

Baymont Inn & Suites

501 Southwest Blvd, (913) 624-9678, wynndhamhotels.com
Close to KU Med Center, the hotel features 112 rooms, a complimentary breakfast, an outdoor pool and spa, a fitness and business center, and Wi-Fi. 🏠

Best Western Premier KC Speedway Inn & Suites

10401 France Family Dr, (913) 334-4440, bestwestern.com
Located at the entrance of Kansas Speedway. Well-maintained with upgraded accommodations. Complimentary full breakfast. 🏠

Candlewood Suites Kansas City Speedway

10920 Parallel Pkwy, (913) 788-9929, candlewoodsuites.com
Relax and feel at home with a fully equipped kitchen and fast, free Wi-Fi. Fitness center, laundry services and free hot breakfast. 🏠

Chateau Avalon Hotel & d'Nile Wine Bar

701 Village W Pkwy, (913) 596-6000, chateauavalonhotel.com
Themed guest suites with jetted tubs, this six-time winner of the KC Visitors Choice Award also offers a spa and award-winning bar. 🏠

Comfort Suites at the Speedway

3000 N 103rd Terrace, (913) 305-5938, choicehotels.com
Featuring 84 suites, free breakfast, an indoor pool, a fitness center, Wi-Fi and a business center. 🏠

Country Inn & Suites

1805 N 110th St, (913) 428-9992, countryinns.com
Near Kansas Speedway, Legends Outlets and Children's Mercy Park. Free breakfast, indoor pool, fitness center and Internet. 🏠

Days Inn Kansas Speedway

7721 Elizabeth Ave, (913) 624-3459, wynndhamhotels.com
With 78 rooms, free breakfast, indoor pool, fitness center, and high-speed Wi-Fi. Near I-70. 🏠

Fairfield Inn & Suites

1925 N 98th St, (913) 218-1500, marriott.com
An 88-room hotel with indoor pool, fitness center and meeting area. 🏠

Great Wolf Lodge

10401 Cabela Dr, (913) 299-7001, greatwolf.com
A 281-room, all-suite lodge with themed and premium suites, a 40,000-square-foot indoor water park, a full-service restaurant, catering, and meeting space. 🏠

Hampton Inn

1400 Village West Pkwy, (913) 328-1400, hamptoninn.com
Off I-435, 20 minutes west of metro KC. Kansas Speedway, Hollywood Casino, Children's Mercy Park and Legends Outlets within a mile. 🏠

Hilton Garden Inn

520 Minnesota Ave, (913) 342-7900, hiltongardeninn.com
Located downtown, with updated guest rooms, a restaurant and bar, a business center, Wi-Fi, an indoor pool, and a fitness center. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express

1931 Prairie Crossing, (913) 328-1024, hiexpress.com
An unforgettable stay with accommodating amenities and unbeatable staff in Village West. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

3932 Rainbow Blvd, (913) 236-8700, hiekansascity.com
Across from KU Medical Center, with restaurants and entertainment nearby. Free hot breakfast, Wi-Fi, fitness center and indoor pool. 🏠

Home2 Suites

3440 Rainbow Blvd, (913) 335-9950, home2suites.com
Near KU Medical Hospital, with 89 rooms, free breakfast, indoor pool, fitness and business center. 🏠

Homewood Suites

10922 Parallel Pkwy, (913) 288-9999, hilton.com
In the Legends Outlets/Village West area, with 108 all-suite rooms, free breakfast and indoor pool. 🏠

Margaritaville Hotel

1491 N 98th St, (913) 335-9950, margaritavilleresorts.com
Offers a tropical vibe with a resort-style pool, indoor pool, restaurants, bars and event spaces. 🏠

Quality Inn I-70 Speedway

234 N 78th St, (913) 871-5517, choicehotels.com
Featuring an indoor pool, a fitness center, a business center, Wi-Fi and free hot breakfast. Near I-70. 🏠

Residence Inn Kansas City at The Legends

1875 Village West Pkwy, (913) 788-5650, marriott.com
Extended stays with the comforts of home. Spacious bedrooms, living rooms and full kitchens. 🏠

LA CYGNE

Linn County Park & La Cygne Lake
100 Marina Rd, (913) 757-6633
A wooded park with 113 RV sites, 31 tent sites and seven cabins. Two bathhouses, laundry, sprinkle park, playground, two boat ramps. Pay at kiosk in front of marina. 🏠🚐

LARNED**Camp Pawnee Campground**

2 miles W to Jct 264, 1/2 mile S, (620) 285-3721, pawneecountykansas.com
A serene, wooded campground 2 miles west of Larned. Playground, picnic areas, meeting lodge, walking track and RV hookups. 🏠

Santa Fe Trail RV Park

125 S State St, (620) 793-2809, santafellc.com/rv-park
RV park and convenience/liquor store in a quiet neighborhood on the southwest edge of Larned along US-56. Close to the park, swimming pool and city pond. 🏠

Townsmen Inn

123 E 14th St, (620) 285-3114, townsmaninnlarned.com
A charming hotel nestled in the heart of town. Convenient location and excellent amenities. 🏠

LAWRENCE**Baymont Inn & Suites**

740 Iowa St, (785) 371-0165, wynndhamhotels.com
Where down-home hospitality meets on-the-road convenience. 🏠

Circle S Ranch & Country Inn

3325 Circle S Lane, (785) 843-4124, circlesranch.com
The ranch boasts a variety of room accommodations, amazing venue spaces and beautiful scenery. See longhorn on a tour. 🏠

Comfort Inn

151 McDonald Dr, (785) 330-7241, choicehotels.com
Indoor heated pool, exercise room, sauna and business center. 🏠

Country Inn & Suites

2176 E 23rd St, (785) 749-6010, radissonhotelsamericas.com
Offering easy access to Lawrence. Each room includes a microwave, fridge and free Wi-Fi. 🏠

Days Inn

730 Iowa St, (785) 841-6500, wynndhamhotels.com
Offers inviting rooms, free Wi-Fi and more great amenities to help you start the day right. 🏠

DoubleTree

200 McDonald Dr, (785) 841-7077, hilton.com
Minutes from KU and sports facilities. Recreation for the entire family, including a heated indoor pool, fitness center and Jacuzzi. 🏠

Econo Lodge

2525 W 6th St, (785) 841-8410, choicehotels.com
Enjoy easy access to local points of interest. The beautiful downtown is less than a mile away. 🏠

Eldridge Hotel

701 Massachusetts St, (785) 749-5011, eldridgehotel.com
Occupying the most historic corner in Kansas, this is where history and hospitality converge. 🏠

Hampton Inn

2300 W 6th St, (785) 841-4994, hilton.com
Two miles from KU, enjoy great service, free breakfast and more. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

3411 Iowa St, (785) 749-7555, ihg.com
Near shopping, entertainment and dining. Also near the starting point of the South Lawrence trail, with free bike rentals for guests. 🏠

Motel 6

1130 N 3rd St, (785) 749-4040, motel6.com
Free HBO/ESPN and free morning coffee. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Quality Inn & Suites

2309 Iowa St, (785) 371-2105, choicehotels.com
Enjoy a variety of amenities and friendly service. Pet-friendly and less than a mile from KU. 🏠

SpringHill Suites

1 Riverfront Plaza, Ste 300, (785) 841-2700, marriott.com
In the heart of downtown, you'll have easy access to a diverse selection of dining, shopping, galleries and experiences. 🏠

StoneHill

6101 Rock Chalk Dr, (785) 330-9520, stonehilllawrence.com
A conveniently located hotel with free Internet, an indoor heated saltwater pool and a charging station for electric cars. 🏠

The Oread Lawrence

1200 Oread Ave, (785) 843-1200, theoread.com
Luxury in a pinnacle location with great service and majestic limestone architecture. On the KU campus, steps from many attractions. 🏠

TownePlace Suites

900 New Hampshire, (785) 842-8800, marriott.com
Free breakfast, outdoor firepit, pool and Jacuzzi. Pet-friendly. 🏠

TRU

510 Wakarusa Dr, (785) 727-4244, trulawrence.trubylhilton.com
Within steps of West Lawrence shops and 4 miles from KU. Free Wi-Fi, parking and breakfast. 🏠

Virginia Inn

2903 W 6th St, (785) 843-6611, virginiainnlawrence.com
In the heart of Lawrence, 2 miles from KU and 3 miles from historic buildings on Mass Street. 🏠

PLACES TO STAY

7NE

LENEXA

Candlewood Suites

9630 Rosehill Rd, (913) 888-3300, ihg.com

In a prime mixed-use neighborhood with retail stores, restaurants, offices and homes. A short distance from KC and Lenexa City Center. 🏠

Extended Stay America

8015 Lenexa Dr, (913) 894-5550, extendedstayamerica.com

Enjoy comforts of home and fully equipped kitchens. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Extended Stay Lenexa Studios

9775 Lenexa Dr, (913) 541-4000

Designed especially for longer stays, with studios featuring kitchens or kitchenettes and plenty of work space. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

9620 Rosehill Rd, (913) 492-4516, ihg.com

In the heart of Johnson County at the crossroads of 95th Street and I-35. Minutes from everything in KC and major corporations. 🏠

Hyatt Place

8741 Ryckert St, (913) 742-7777, hyatt.com

In the exciting City Center neighborhood. Meeting and event space available. 🏠

La Quinta Inn

9461 Lenexa Dr, (913) 492-5500, wynndhamhotels.com

A perfect base for business and leisure travel, with comfortable accommodations and a convenient location off I-35. 🏠

Motel 6

9725 Lenexa Dr, (913) 541-8558, motel6.com

Guests enjoy a fully smoke-free facility, modern guest rooms with free Wi-Fi, and an outdoor pool. Truck parking available. 🏠

Quality Inn & Suites

12601 W 96th Terrace, (913) 871-5518, choicehotels.com

Located within easy driving distance of a wide variety of destinations and attractions. 🏠

Radisson Hotel Lenexa

12601 W 95th St, (913) 624-9035, radissonhotelsamericas.com

Experience a comfortable business trip or family vacation. Located 20 minutes from downtown KC and all major attractions. 🏠

SpringHill Suites

17190 W 87th St Pkwy, (913) 225-9955, marriott.com

Offers a prime location in City Center, with a variety of amenities for business and leisure travel. 🏠

Studio 6

15151 W 101st Terrace, (913) 956-6000, motel6.com

Located off I-435 near shopping, dining and entertainment venues. Rooms include kitchenettes, free Wi-Fi and morning coffee. 🏠

Super 8

9601 Westgate St, (913) 428-0261, wynndhamhotels.com

Located off I-35 with easy access to KC metro-area attractions. 🏠

Woodspring Suites

14700 W 112th St, (913) 327-1101, woodspring.com

An extended-stay hotel providing affordable, apartment-style accommodations. 🏠

LSW

LIBERAL

American Inn of Liberal

564 E Pancake Blvd, (620) 624-6203

Smoking and nonsmoking rooms, with 30 total units. Microwaves, fridges and Wi-Fi. Affordable prices. Pet-friendly. Truckers welcome. 🏠

Arkalon Park Campground

11123 Arkalon Park Rd,

(620) 626-0515, cityofliberal.org

Camping, playground, walking trails, showers and covered shelter. A great place for hiking, cycling, birding and observing nature. Pet-friendly and open year-round. 🏠

Best Western Plus Liberal Hotel & Suites

1550 N Lincoln Ave, (800) 780-7234, bestwestern.com

Indoor pool, fitness center, family suite, breakfast included, guest laundry, smoke-free, Wi-Fi and meeting room. Near the college, hospital and restaurants. 🏠

Budget Inn LaFonda Motel

229 W Pancake Blvd, (620) 624-5601, budgethost.com

Offering 46 rooms with microwaves, fridges, coffee makers and Wi-Fi. Restaurant nearby. Property staffed 24/7. Truck parking. 🏠

Comfort Suites

2891 Centennial Blvd, (620) 626-5439, choicehotels.com

An 80-room, all-suite hotel off US-83. Offers a 10 percent discount at select local restaurants. Meeting rooms, indoor pool, hot tub. 🏠

Days Inn

405 E Pancake Blvd, (620) 626-7377, wynndhamhotels.com

On US-54 near Dorothy's House. Enjoy Wi-Fi, fridges, microwaves, free breakfast, an indoor pool and a hot tub. Pet-friendly and smoke-free rooms. Truck parking. 🏠

Fairfield Inn & Suites/ Conference Center

501 Hotel Dr, (620) 624-1200,

marriott.com

On US-54 (Pancake Blvd) with indoor pool, laundry, fitness center, bar and Internet. Next to the Conference Center and Hampton Inn. 🏠

Hampton Inn & Suites

508 Hotel Dr, (620) 604-0699, hampton.com

Located on US-54 (Pancake Blvd) with meeting facilities, suites, a lounge area, smoke-free rooms, an indoor pool, a hot tub, and 24/7 fitness and business centers. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites

412 Ziegler Ave, (620) 624-2485, hiexpress.com

The newest property on US-54 (Pancake Blvd), near Dorothy's House. Indoor pool, fitness center, breakfast, Wi-Fi, pet-friendly rooms and meeting facilities. 🏠

Hometown Inn

603 E Pancake Blvd, (620) 624-7254

Quiet, simple, budget-friendly hospitality. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Kansan Motel

310 E Pancake Blvd, (620) 624-7215, tripadvisor.com

Rooms have microwaves, fridges, TVs, high-speed Internet and Wi-Fi. Fax and wake-up service available. Daily, group, family, weekly and monthly rates available. 🏠

Motel 6

722 E Pancake Blvd, (620) 604-0217, motel6.com

Located on US-54, two blocks east of Dorothy's House. A six-minute drive to downtown and 10 minutes to the airport. Pet-friendly rooms, Wi-Fi, microwaves and fridges. Truck parking. 🏠

Motel 9

230 W Pancake Blvd, (620) 624-7287, motel-9-liberal.edan.io

Microwaves, fridges, nonsmoking rooms, cable TV and DD TouchTone phones. Senior discounts available. 🏠

OYO Hotel

101 E Pancake Blvd, (620) 624-6231, oyorooms.com

Features 19 clean rooms at a low rate. Microwaves, fridges, phones, and cable TV in nonsmoking and smoking rooms. Restaurants within walking distance. 🏠

Quality Inn

720 E Pancake Blvd, (620) 624-0242, qualityinn.com

A mid-scale hotel with free hot breakfast, a fitness room, a business center, Wi-Fi and meeting rooms. Truck parking. 🏠

Rodeway Inn

488 E Pancake Blvd, (620) 626-5650, choicehotels.com

Clean rooms with microwaves, fridges and Wi-Fi. Enjoy a free Continental breakfast and guest laundry. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Southwind Inn

619 E Pancake Blvd, (620) 624-6236

Newly remodeled with 47 units. Weekly rates. Pet-friendly. Very good guest reviews. 🏠

Super 8

747 E Pancake Blvd, (620) 624-8880, wynndhamhotels.com

This 71-room motel along US-54 contains an indoor pool, hot breakfast and low rates. Discount rates for groups and businesses. Restaurants nearby. 🏠

Thunderbird Inn

2100 N Kansas, (620) 624-7271

The motel's 29 units are AAA and Mobile Guide rated and include DD phones, cable TV and HBO. Close to hospital. Nonsmoking rooms and a fax machine available. 🏠

NSC

LINDSBORG

Coronado Motel & RV Park

305 N Harrison St, (785) 227-3943

Within steps of downtown. Shaded, full-service RV spots, with free Wi-Fi and breakfast. 🏠

Dröm Sött, Sweet Dreams Inn

112 W Lincoln St, (785) 227-2985, sweetdreamsinn.com

This charming, renovated boutique inn celebrates modern conveniences and nostalgic interiors. Within walking distance of local eateries and shops. 🏠

Lindsborg Vacation & Executive Rentals

In and near downtown Lindsborg, lindsborgvacationrentals.com

Single travelers, couples and families are welcome to stay in studio apartments downtown or nearby historic homes, including Stenhuset 1877 Historic Stonehouse. 🏠

Old Mill Campground

600 Old Mill Rd, (785) 227-3595, oldmillmuseum.org/campgrounds

Shaded riverside campground with twelve 30-amp and six 50-amp hookups and tent spaces near a nature trail. Picnic area and shelter house. Online payment available. 🏠

Rosberg House

103 E State St, (785) 250-0508, rosberg.house

Offering a beautiful, top-rated B&B to stay and relax downtown. All rooms come with private baths, a wonderful breakfast and updated rooms. Pool open seasonally. 🏠

Viking Motel

446 Harrison, (785) 227-3336, vikingmotellindsborg.us
Freshly remodeled rooms. An easy walk to downtown and Bethany College. Close to restaurants. Ask about wedding and group discounts. Free Wi-Fi. Outdoor garden and patio. 🏠

↑NC

LUCAS**Horseshoe Lodge LLC**

414 N Main, (787) 525-7717, [Find us on Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/horseshoelodge)
Stay in one of 20 rooms for lake fun, family reunions, weddings or a weekend away. 🏠

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LYNDON**City of Vassar**

717 Topeka Ave, (785) 828-4933, discoverosage.com
Recreation opportunities include fishing, boating, hiking and wildlife viewing. Full-service marina. Cabin rentals, RV sites and tent sites. 🏠

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MANHATTAN**Bluemont Hotel**

1212 Bluemont Ave, (785) 473-7091, bluemonthotel.com
This boutique hotel next to K-State and Aggieville offers a free hot breakfast buffet, lounge, rooftop patio and meeting space for 250. 🏠

Candlewood Suites

210 Blue Earth Place, (785) 320-7995, ihg.com
This extended-stay hotel has fully equipped kitchens in every room. High-speed Internet, guest laundry and fitness center. Comfortable recliners and lending locker. 🏠

Courtyard

715 N 12th St, (785) 587-1972, marriott.com
Opened in 2021 with 127 spacious guest rooms, a parking garage, a bistro serving breakfast and dinner with a full bar, a 24/7 gym, meeting space, and a rooftop patio. 🏠

Hilton Garden Inn

410 S 3rd St, (785) 532-9116, hilton.com
Connected to the 41,000-square-foot Manhattan Conference Center. Close to Flint Hills Discovery Center, K-State and Manhattan Regional Airport. 🏠

Holiday Inn at the Campus

1641 Anderson Ave, (785) 539-7531, holidayinn.com/universityks
Walk to K-State, Aggieville and Manhattan Conference Center. Enjoy Houlihan's restaurant as well as the fitness center, outdoor seasonal pool and Wi-Fi. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

115 Blue Earth Place, (785) 320-7454, ihg.com
Located by the Flint Hills Discovery Center, Manhattan Conference Center and Museum of Art + Light. Enjoy the indoor pool, fitness center and free breakfast. 🏠

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MARION**Country Inn Motel**

1305 E Main St, (620) 382-2147
A motel with accessible rooms, kitchenettes and cable TV with HBO. Weekly rates available. 🏠

Historic Elgin Hotel

115 N 3rd St, (620) 382-3200, historicelginhotel.com
Nestled in the Flint Hills, this fully renovated 1886 hotel offers suites that blend historic charm with modern amenities for a unique stay-and-dine experience. Great for weddings, meetings, retreats and celebrations. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places. 🏠

↑NC

MARYSVILLE**Heritage Inn Express**

1155 Pony Express Hwy, (785) 562-5588, marysvilleheritageinn.com
Featuring 41 remodeled rooms, some with hot tubs. Clean and comfortable. Enjoy free Wi-Fi and Continental breakfast. 🏠

Marysville City Park Campground

10th & Spring St, (785) 562-3101
A tree-shaded park with 30/50-amp and 110 hookups, plus tent camping. The free sites are first come, first served. Amenities include a playground, pool, tennis courts, disc golf and more. 🏠

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MERRIAM**Extended Stay America**

6451 E Frontage Rd, (913) 236-6006, extendedstayamerica.com
All nonsmoking, suite-style rooms feature fully equipped kitchens. Located along I-35, minutes from IKEA, downtown Kansas City and Country Club Plaza. 🏠

Hampton Inn & Suites

7400 W Frontage Rd, (913) 236-0465, hilton.com
Stay with us to enjoy thoughtful amenities, friendly service and affordable accommodations in a safe and inviting community near all of Kansas City. 🏠

Hotel Lotus

9009 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, (913) 384-6000, hotellotusks.com
Located at I-35 and Shawnee Mission Parkway. Start your day with a free hot breakfast, then enjoy an indoor pool and hot tub. 🏠

Quality Inn

6401 E Frontage Rd, (913) 262-2622, choicehotels.com
Newly renovated and pet-friendly. Located near attractions, shops and restaurants. Affordable rates. 🏠

Walnut Grove RV Park

10218 Johnson Dr, (913) 262-3023, walnutgroverv.com
A full-service RV park in the KC metro, off I-35 and Johnson Drive. Good Sam Park, events, attractions, dining and shopping nearby. 🏠

↑NC

MILFORD**Acorns Resort**

3710 Farnum Creek Rd, (785) 463-4000, acornsresortkansas.com
Cabins, yurts, camping and RV sites. A pool for residents, boat and kayak rentals, hunting and fishing guides, beach access, and Milford Lake Conference Center. 🏠

Flagstop Resort & RV Park

302 Whiting St, (785) 463-5537, flagstoprvpark.com
Pull-through sites, seasonal restaurant, canoe rentals, sandy beach, Wi-Fi, satellite, convenience store, gated entrance. 🏠

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OAKLEY**Annie Oakley Motel**

428 Center Ave, (785) 672-3223, [Find us on Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/annieoakleymotel)
A newly remodeled 13-room motel with microwaves, fridges, Wi-Fi and door-front parking. Walking distance to downtown. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Kansas Country Inn & Campground

3538 Hwy 40, (785) 672-3131, kansascountryinn.com
Spacious guest rooms, free hot breakfast, Wi-Fi, microwaves, fridges, outdoor pool and RV hookups. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Knights Inn

3506 Hwy 40, (785) 672-3254
Free breakfast, high-speed Internet, outdoor pool, in-room coffee, microwaves, fridges, hair dryers, iron and iron board, Pet-friendly. 🏠

Sleep Inn & Suites

3596 E Hwy 40, (785) 671-1111, choicehotels.com
Indoor pool, fitness room, free breakfast, Wi-Fi, 24-hour check-in guaranteed with a credit card. Pets are allowed for a small fee. 🏠

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OSAGE CITY**The Star Block**

520 Market St, (785) 829-5302, ext. 144, thestarblock.com/project
Built in 1883 and steeped in history. Amenities include five Airbnb units and a coffeehouse. On the National Register of Historic Places. 🏠

↗NE

PAOLA**Wade Ranch**

32700 W 255th St, (913) 285-3039, waderanch.net
Hunt, fish, horseback ride and stay at Hillsdale Lake (40 minutes from KC). Private DIY hunts from \$150/day. 🏠

↓SE

PARSONS**Edwards Manor House**

1527 Morgan Ave, (979) 575-9290, edwardsmanorhouse.com
A B&B and private event venue with six unique bedrooms. Step back in time to a slower-paced, gracious era. 🏠

↑NC

PAXICO**Mill Creek Campground & RV Park LLC**

22470 Campground Rd, (785) 636-5321, millcreekcampground.com
With 45 pull-through sites and 31 full hookups. Storm shelters, showers and group rates. Pet-friendly. 🏠

↖NW

PHILLIPSBURG**Econo Lodge**

320 W State St, (785) 543-5223, choicehotels.com
Near Courthouse Square in the heart of town. High-speed Wi-Fi and plug-ins for trucks and boats. 🏠

Rodeway Inn & Suites

130 E US Hwy 36, (785) 540-4391, choicehotels.com
Affordable, reliable lodging near Phillipsburg Golf Course and Courthouse Square. 🏠

↖NW

REXFORD**Historic Philip Houston House**

340 Kansas St, (785) 687-2565, shepherdstaff.org
A classic Victorian listed on the Kansas Registry of Historic Places, it's 20 miles north of I-70 and US-83 in a quiet setting near Colby. 🏠

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ROSE HILL**Morning Grit Farm**

15499 SW 140th St, (316) 208-4528, morninggritfarm.com
A farm venue where visitors interact with miniature farm animals and take part in country life. 🏠

PLACES TO STAY

HUNTING & FISHING LODGES
CAMPGROUNDS / RV PARKS
GUEST RANCHES / RETREAT CENTERS
LODGES & CABINS
VACATION RENTALS
BED & BREAKFASTS / VACATION RENTALS
HOTELS & MOTELS

↑NC

SALINA

Baymont Inn & Suites

1740 W Crawford St, (785) 823-6900
Near I-135, Salina Regional Airport, K-State Salina and restaurants. Dogs welcome. 🏠

Best Western Plus Midwest Inn & Suites

745 W Schilling Rd, (785) 493-9800, bestwestern.com
Near shopping, dining, Salina Airport and K-State Salina. Indoor pool and waterslide. 🏠

Candlewood Suites

2650 Planet Ave, (785) 823-6939, candlewoodsuites.com
Great for long-term stays. Near the I-135 Magnolia exit. Close to South Industrial businesses, Salina Regional Airport, K-State Salina, shopping and dining. 🏠

Courtyard

3020 Riffel Dr, (785) 309-1300, marriott.com/slncc
Near I-35 at the Schilling Exit, with easy access to restaurants, shopping and local attractions. 🏠

Days Inn South

632 Westport Blvd, (785) 827-9315, wyndhamhotels.com
Along I-135, near restaurants and Salina Regional Airport. 🏠

Hampton Inn

401 W Schilling Rd, (785) 823-9800, hilton.com
Easy access to I-135, downtown and attractions. A tranquil indoor pool, business center and new renovations to beautiful rooms. 🏠

Hilton Garden Inn Hotel & Convention Center

3320 S 9th, (785) 309-0440, hilton.com
In south Salina off I-135, near restaurants, shopping, K-State Salina and Salina Regional Airport. Convention space, upscale atmosphere and great service. 🏠

Homewood Suites by Hilton Salina Downtown

115 E Mulberry, (785) 515-2600, hilton.com
A five-story, all-suites luxury hotel downtown. Free breakfast, Wi-Fi, saltwater pool, fitness center, courtyard, Wednesday socials. 🏠

Quality Inn & Suites

2110 W Crawford St, (785) 825-2111, choicehotels.com
Near I-135 at Crawford Street. A full-service hotel with a restaurant, bar and meeting space. 🏠

Sleep Inn

1820 W Crawford St, (785) 826-1711, wyndhamhotels.com
Guest rooms include coffee maker, Internet, hairdryer, iron/board, clock radio and cable with HBO. 🏠

Super 8

705 W Schilling Rd, (785) 404-2771, super8.com
Off I-135 and designed with your comfort in mind. Indoor pool, Wi-Fi and free breakfast. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Super 8 I-70

120 E Diamond Dr, (785) 823-8808, super8.com
Queen to deluxe rooms with microwaves, fridges, hairdryers and in-room coffee makers. Guest laundry 24/7. Near I-70. 🏠

Webster Conference Center

2601 N Ohio St, (785) 827-6565, webstercc.org
Sleeping rooms, meeting rooms, dining areas, recreational facilities and large areas of open space to get away from it all. 🏠 🏠

↑NE

SENECA

Altenhofen Inn & Suites

1615 North St, (785) 336-3663, altenhofennin.com
Minutes from restaurants, historic downtown and Spring Creek Golf Course. Proud to offer hotel rooms and suites that fit your needs. 🏠

Starlite Motel

4th and North St, (785) 336-2191
"Seneca's finest. Where friendliness comes first." Clean, comfortable rooms with all the touches of home. Close to restaurants. Reasonable rates. 🏠

↑NW

SHARON SPRINGS

Dinkel RV Sites

525 S Main St, (785) 852-4886
Near Sharon Springs Park, which includes a walking path, basketball court and playground. Near the highest point in Kansas. 🏠

Mt. Sunflower B&B

229 N Gardner, (785) 852-4004, mtsunflowerbedandbreakfast.com
Eight rooms tucked in a charming old church. Where the prairie and the sky meet your eye. Highest point in Kansas at Mt. Sunflower. 🏠

The Motor Inn

702 N Hwy 27, (785) 515-8162, [Find us on Facebook](http://find.us.on.facebook.com).
Clean and affordable rooms. New RV hookups (11 sites, 30/50 amp, water and sewer). Picnic shelter and laundromat. A great stop for hunters. Pets allowed with restrictions. 🏠 🏠

Travelodge

109 E Commerce St, (785) 258-6112, wyndhamhotels.com
Located on State-27. Business and leisure travelers welcomed. Nearby sites include Mt. Sunflower and Fort Wallace Museum. 🏠

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SHAWNEE

Comfort Inn & Suites

16510 Midland Dr, (913) 962-5555, choicehotels.com
Budget-friendly. Great for families. Rooms include microwaves, coffee makers, mini fridges and access to pool with a waterslide. 🏠

Courtyard

17250 Midland Dr, (913) 631-8800, marriott.com
Perfect for business and family travelers. Newly renovated. 🏠

Fairfield Inn & Suites

16550 Midland Dr, (913) 248-4444, marriott.com
This business- and family-friendly lodging offers rooms and suites with plenty of room to settle in. 🏠

Hampton Inn

16555 Midland Dr, (913) 248-1900, hilton.com
Free hot breakfast, free high-speed Wi-Fi, an indoor pool and an exercise room. Several restaurants and an 18-screen movie theater are within walking distance. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

17346 Midland Dr, (913) 400-2509, ihg.com
Perfect for the on-the-go traveler, with easy access to I-435. Amenities include a meeting space, Internet, heated pool, 24-hour gym and more. 🏠

↑NW

STOCKTON

M Motel

1401 Main St, (785) 425-6706, [Find us on Facebook](http://find.us.on.facebook.com).
A clean, historic roadside motel with front-door parking and Wi-Fi. Taylor Swift stayed at this motel in 2007. Pet-friendly. 🏠

↑NC

TIPTON

Ringneck Ranch, Inc.

655 Solomon Lane, (785) 373-4835, ringneckranch.net
Upland game-bird hunting for over 42 years on a fifth-generation homestead in Mitchell County's scenic Blue Hills. Meals, lodging and services provided on-site. 🏠

↑NE

TOPEKA

Ravenwood Lodge

10147 SW 61st St, (785) 256-6444, ravenwoodlodge.com
Private hunting, lodging, sporting clays, weddings, fundraisers, private dinner parties and retreats. The family-owned property was established in 1985. Follow us on Facebook. 🏠 🏠 🏠

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ULYSSES

Corporate East Hotel

1110 E Oklahoma Ave, (620) 356-5010, corporateeasthotel.com
The perfect spot for comfort and relaxation. A great place to spend a few nights. Meeting room. 🏠

Peddlers Inn

2093 W Oklahoma Ave, (620) 356-4021, ulysseschamber.org
A nice, clean, budget motel with a large parking area. 🏠

Sands Motel

622 W Oklahoma Ave, (620) 356-1404
A nice, clean motel with a gazebo for enjoying beautiful evenings. Conveniently located on US-160. Satellite TV and budget rates. 🏠

Single Tree Inn

2033 W Oklahoma Ave, (620) 356-4700, singletreeinn.net
Located along US-160. Single, king and double queen rooms as well as spacious suites available. 🏠

Wagon Bed Inn

1101 E Oklahoma Ave, (620) 356-3111
A clean, budget-priced motel with 52 rooms. Located on US-160. 🏠

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VALLEY FALLS

The Barn B&B Inn

14910 Bluemound Rd, (785) 945-3225, thebarnbb.com
Delicious food and delightful amenities await at this B&B. A great place for couples, reunions, retreats and craft events. 🏠

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WAKEENEY

1906 Cottage Garden B&B

510 Warren Ave, (785) 259-4538, [Find us on Airbnb](http://find.us.on.airbnb.com).
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438 N Main, (785) 650-1014,
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Historic church converted into a lovely stay. Sleeps 14, with four bedrooms, 3.5 baths and a full kitchen. Near downtown. 🏠

Prairie Rose Inn

320 S Ave, (785) 743-8008,
[Find us on Airbnb.](#)

Everything you need in one spot. Private rooms, coffee shop and a restaurant. Covered wagons. Off I-70, Exit 127. 🏠 🚗 🚚

Super 8

709 S 13th St, (785) 367-4665,
[wynndhamhotels.com](#)

Off I-70, Exit 128, between Denver and Kansas City. Free breakfast and Wi-Fi. Pet-friendly. 🏠

WaKeeney KOA

25027 S Interstate, (785) 743-5612,
[koa.com](#)

Easy access from I-70. Tents, RV pull-through sites and cabins. Laundry, shower house, pool. 🏠 🚗 🚚

WaKeeney Motor Lodge

705 S 2nd St, (785) 743-5505

Family-owned with new owners. Near I-70 Exit 127 and The Brazen Bull restaurant. Pet-friendly. 🏠

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102 Front St, (720) 298-1133,
[ftwallace.com](#)

Near the 1879 Kansas Pacific Railroad House, a coffee shop and a playground. Self-pay or pay at Fort Wallace Museum. 🏠

ANC**WATERVILLE****The Weaver Hotel**

126 S Kansas St, (785) 363-2515,
[theweaverhotel.com](#)

A renovated 100-year-old railroad hotel with two party rooms, lunch Tue. and Thurs., gift shop, and elevator. Wheelchair-accessible. 🏠

Waterville City Campground

400 E Walnut, (785) 363-2367,
[CityofWatervilleKS.org](#)

East of downtown on Commercial Street and near a golf course. Four hookups (20/30/50-amp), water, dump station, patrolled area. \$10 daily. First come, first served. 🏠

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3642 N Oliver Ave, (316) 744-1100,
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Designed for global travelers who love open spaces, open thinking and open expression. 🏠

Ambassador Hotel

104 S Broadway St, (316) 239-7100,
[ambassadorwichitaks.com](#)

In the entertainment district, with 117 rooms and suites. 🏠

Baymont Inn & Suites

12111 E Central Ave, (316) 689-8000,
[wynndhamhotels.com](#)

Budget-friendly. Comfortable rooms, free breakfast, Wi-Fi. Great for business or leisure travelers. 🏠

Best Western Governors Inn & Suites

4742 S Emporia St, (316) 522-0775,
[bestwestern.com](#)

Spacious rooms, free breakfast, Wi-Fi, outdoor pool and hot tub. 🏠

Best Western Plus Eastgate Inn & Suites

8300 E Kellogg Dr, (316) 682-3000,
[bestwesternwichita.com](#)

Fully nonsmoking. Indoor pool and spa, free breakfast, fitness center, business center, guest laundry. Near shopping and dining. 🏠

Best Western Plus West Wichita Airport Inn

3800 W Kellogg Dr, (316) 854-5050,
[wichtawestairportinn.com](#)

Pillow-top mattresses, free breakfast, a fitness center and a business center. 🏠

Candlewood Suites

5211 E Kellogg Dr, (316) 677-8220,
[candlewoodsuites.com](#)

A residential-style, extended-stay hotel with modern luxury, comfort and a convenient location. 🏠

Candlewood Suites Wichita Northwest

2405 N Ridge Rd, (316) 729-5700,
[candlewoodsuites.com](#)

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Comfort Inn & Suites Wichita Northeast

7856 E 36th St N, (316) 634-2303,
[choicehotels.com](#)

Free breakfast, an indoor pool and a fitness center. Located near popular tourist sites and dining. 🏠

Comfort Inn East

9525 E Corporate Hills Dr,
(316) 686-2844, [choicehotels.com](#)

Features 58 rooms, an indoor heated pool and spa, free hot breakfast, free Internet, and free HD cable TV with HBO. 🏠

Comfort Suites Wichita Airport

7515 W Taft St, (316) 773-1700,
[choicehotels.com](#)

Indoor pool, hot tub, sauna, fitness center, free guest laundry, free hot breakfast and free Internet. 🏠

Country Inn & Suites East

333 S Webb Rd, (316) 685-0333,
[radissonhotels.com](#)

Outdoor pool, fitness center and free buffet breakfast. 🏠

Courtyard Wichita at Old Town

820 E 2nd St N, (316) 264-5300,
[marriott.com](#)

Near restaurants, entertainment, theaters and museums. 🏠

Courtyard Wichita East

2975 N Webb Rd, (316) 636-4600,
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Spacious, smartly designed rooms with free Wi-Fi, work desks, plush bedding, indoor pool and more. 🏠

Days Inn & Suites South

4875 S Laura St, (316) 500-7618,
[wynndhamhotels.com](#)

Friendly service. Just 10 miles from Rock River Rapids Water Park. 🏠

DoubleTree Wichita Airport

2098 Airport Rd, (316) 945-5272,
[wichtaaairport.doubletree.com](#)

Modern rooms, fitness center, indoor pool, and free shuttle. 🏠

Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview

400 W Douglas Ave, (316) 262-5000,
[druryhotels.com](#)

Newly renovated downtown rooms. Free breakfast, evening beverages and airport shuttle. 🏠

Extended Stay America Select Suites Wichita Airport

7525 W Taft St, (316) 721-3313,
[extendedstayamerica.com](#)

Suites with full kitchens and on-site laundry. Near the airport. 🏠

Extended Stay America Select Suites Wichita North

3401 N Great Plains Dr,
(316) 858-3500,

[extendedstayamerica.com](#)
Internet access, a pool, laundry facilities and spa services. 🏠

Extended Stay America Select Suites Wichita South

4665 S Broadway Ave,
(316) 350-1300,

[extendedstayamerica.com](#)
Guest rooms with kitchens with full-sized fridges/freezers and stove tops. 🏠

Fairfield Inn & Suites Wichita Downtown

525 S Main St, (316) 201-1400,
[marriott.com](#)

Smartly designed rooms and lobby, free Wi-Fi and free hot breakfast. 🏠

Fairfield Inn & Suites Wichita East

417 S Webb Rd, (316) 685-3777,
[marriott.com](#)

Modern lobby and rooms, free Wi-Fi, and free hot breakfast. 🏠

Hampton Inn & Suites Wichita Airport

7230 W Harry St, (316) 942-2000,
[wichtaaairport.hamptonbyhilton.com](#)

125-room hotel with 32 suites. Free shuttle, hot breakfast and Wi-Fi. 🏠

Hampton Inn & Suites Wichita Northeast

2433 N Greenwich Rd,
(316) 636-5594,

[wichtanortheastsuites.hamptoninn.com](#)

Located near an abundance of shopping and dining options. 🏠

Hampton Inn East

9449 E Corporate Hills Dr,
(316) 686-3576, [hilton.com](#)

Free breakfast, indoor pool, fitness center and Wi-Fi. 🏠

Hampton Inn Northwest

10047 W 29th St N, (316) 925-6600,
[hilton.com](#)

Off I-235, just a mile from New Market Square. Indoor pool, free hot breakfast and free Wi-Fi. 🏠

Hawthorn Suites Wichita Airport

5500 W Kellogg Ave, (316) 202-3718,
[wynndhamhotels.com](#)

Off I-235 and US-54. Indoor pool, fitness center, free breakfast and rooms with a kitchenette. Event space available. 🏠

Hawthorn Suites Wichita East

411 S Webb Rd, (316) 686-7331,
[wynndhamhotels.com](#)

Spacious suites, free breakfast, a pool and a fitness center. 🏠

Hilton Garden Inn Bradley Fair

2041 N Bradley Fair Pkwy,
(316) 219-4444, [hilton.com](#)

The Great American Grill serves breakfast and dinner. The Pavilion Pantry is open 24 hours a day. 🏠

Hilton Garden Inn Downtown

401 E Douglas Ave, (316) 669-6175,
[hilton.com](#)

Cooked-to-order breakfast, free Wi-Fi, a pool with see-through glass and a restaurant. 🏠

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Comfortable rooms, free breakfast, a fitness center, business center, an indoor pool and more. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Wichita Northeast

2340 N Greenwich Rd, (316) 927-3850, ihg.com

Premier accommodations for business and leisure travelers. 🏠

Holiday Inn Express Wichita South

4860 S Laura St, (316) 558-8001, ihg.com

With 90 rooms, hot breakfast buffet, high-speed Internet, indoor pool, fitness center and guest laundry. Meeting space. 🏠

Holiday Inn Wichita East I-35

549 S Rock Rd, (316) 686-7131, ihg.com

With 198 guest rooms, outdoor space with firepit, restaurant and bar, pool, fitness center, and more. 🏠

Home2 Suites Wichita Downtown Delano

200 N Sycamore St, (316) 867-6505, hilton.com

An all-suite hotel with free breakfast, pool, outdoor firepit, outdoor seating area with grills, fitness center and laundry. 🏠

Homewood Suites at The Waterfront

1550 N Waterfront Pkwy, (316) 260-8844, hilton.com

All-suite hotel with full kitchens, free Internet, free breakfast, and evening meals Mon. through Thur. 🏠

Hotel at Old Town

830 E 1st St N, (316) 267-4800, hotelatoldtown.com

Boutique, all-suite hotel in a historic warehouse in Wichita's premier entertainment district. Local VIP perks with stay. 🏠

Hyatt Place at Wichita State University

4703 E 19th St N, (316) 364-4700, hyattplaceatwichtastateuniversity.com

An all-suite hotel with a restaurant, bar, health club and pool. 🏠

Hyatt Regency

400 W Waterman St, (316) 293-1234, hyatt.com

Rooms overlooking the Arkansas River, free airport and downtown shuttle, restaurant and bar. 🏠

La Quinta Inn & Suites Wichita Airport

6335 W Kellogg Dr, (316) 252-0704, wyndhamhotels.com

Wake up to a Bright Side Breakfast to get you started. 🏠

La Quinta Inn and Suites Wichita Northeast

2660 N Greenwich, (316) 500-6220, wyndhamhotels.com

The lobby is a great gathering space with its cozy furniture and bar. Enjoy free breakfast. 🏠

MainStay Suites Wichita

3141 N Webb Rd, (316) 634-6070, choicehotels.com

An all-suite, extended-stay hotel with full kitchens and free Wi-Fi. 🏠

Quality Inn South

4849 S Laura St, (316) 522-1800, choicehotels.com

Free breakfast, a pool and easy access to the Kansas Turnpike. 🏠

Red Roof Inn Airport

6815 W Kellogg Dr S, (316) 942-5600, redroof.com

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Red Roof Inn Plus East

7335 E Kellogg Dr, (316) 685-1281, redroof.com

Hot breakfast, pool and hot tub, fitness center, business center. 🏠

Residence Inn East at Plazzio

1212 N Greenwich Rd, (316) 682-7300, marriott.com

Spacious suites offer separate living and sleeping areas with plenty of space to relax, entertain or meet with colleagues. 🏠

Scotsman Inn West

5922 W Kellogg Dr, (316) 943-3800

Affordable and basic rooms with free Wi-Fi, parking and pet-friendly options. Near major highways and local restaurants. 🏠

Sky Palace Inn & Suites

7321 E Kellogg Dr, (316) 691-5000

Offers spacious and modern rooms, complimentary breakfast, an outdoor pool, and a fitness center. Located near the airport. 🏠

Sonesta Simply Suites Wichita Airport

570 S Julia St, (316) 942-0400, sonesta.com

This renovated all-suite hotel offers studios and one-bedroom suites. Each room includes a fully equipped kitchen, free Internet and free parking. Pet-friendly. 🏠

Spark Wichita East

8220 E Kellogg Dr N, (316) 685-8291, hilton.com

A three-story hotel located half a mile east of Towne East Square. Smoking and nonsmoking guest rooms with interior entrances. 🏠

SpringHill Suites East at Plazzio

1220 N Greenwich Rd, (316) 681-1800, marriott.com

Free Wi-Fi, a pool and fitness center. The market is open 24/7 for snacks and necessities. 🏠

SpringHill Suites Wichita Airport

6633 W Kellogg Dr S, (316) 260-4404, marriott.com/ictwv

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Staybridge Suites

2250 N Greenwich Rd, (316) 927-3888, ihg.com

An extended-stay hotel that's great for business and leisure travelers. Enjoy fully equipped kitchens. 🏠

Super 8 Wichita North

3741 N Rock Rd, (316) 636-2022, wyndhamhotels.com

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4848 S Laura, (316) 448-8427, wyndhamhotels.com

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TownePlace Suites

9444 E 29th St N, (316) 631-3773, marriott.com

Enjoy free breakfast, grab a snack or cook on an outdoor grill. 🏠

Tru Wichita Northeast

1236 N Greenwich Rd, (316) 925-5100, hilton.com

A mid-scale hotel that serves up effortless simplicity. 🏠

Waterwalk Wichita

411 W Maple St, (316) 201-1899, wyndhamhotels.com/waterwalk

All-inclusive unfurnished or fully furnished apartments. 🏠

Wichita Marriott

9100 Corporate Hills Dr, (316) 651-0333, marriott.com

Spacious rooms provide relaxation with plush bedding, 50-inch LCD TVs and free Wi-Fi. 🏠

Wyndham Garden Wichita Downtown

221 E Kellogg Dr, (316) 512-3414, wyndhamhotels.com

A full-service hotel near downtown's Century II Performing Arts and Convention Center and INTRUST Bank Arena. 🏠

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WILSON

Midland Railroad Hotel

414 26th St, (785) 658-2284, midlandrailroadhotel.com

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Wilson RV Park

821 27th St, (785) 658-5512, wilsonrvpark.com

With 21 parking spots, bathrooms, showers and a laundromat. Overnight horse boarding available. A short drive to Post Rock Scenic Byway and Lake Wilson. 🏠

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WINFIELD

Barns at Timber Creek LLC

14704 91st Rd, (620) 221-2797, timbercreekbarns.com

The beautifully restored wooden barn, tree house and Homestead Guesthouse are available for stays. The Stone Barn and Stone Quarry Chapel are great for events. 🏠🏠

Lynn Street Bungalow

1428 Lynn St, (620) 229-4306, [Find us on Airbnb](http://find.us.on.airbnb).

A charming two-bedroom, two-bath bungalow built in 1925. Remodeled bath with deep antique tub and shower. Fully stocked kitchen with cooking supplies provided. 🏠

Quality Inn & Suites

3800 S Pike Rd, (620) 221-7529, choicehotels.com/ks042

Enjoy hot breakfasts, free Wi-Fi, free local calls, an exercise room, a business center, meeting rooms and laundry facilities. Luxury suites are available and pets are welcome. 🏠

The Gatehouse

14209 182nd Rd, (620) 221-2217, thegatehouseofwinfield.com

A modern, spacious three-bedroom hideaway on 2 acres. Cozy comfort and entertainment amenities. Enjoy the best of nature in the countryside alongside a small-town experience. 🏠

Winfield City Lake

PO Box 646, (620) 221-5635, winfieldks.org

Boating, RV hookups, primitive camping, swimming, fishing, water-skiing and hunting available. Scan the lake from the high bluffs along the south shore. 🏠

Winfield Fairgrounds

1105 W 9th Ave, (620) 221-5600, visitwinfield.com

Camp along the banks of the Walnut River among deer, wild turkeys and other wildlife native to South Central Kansas. Located minutes from downtown. 🏠

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TO THE FOLK ARTISTS

Like so many Kansans, these creators and their innovative displays demonstrate equal parts character and quirkiness.

The Red Barn Studio Museum LINDSBORG

Inspired by Spanish painters, Mexican culture and religious symbolism, Lester Raymer used recycled and everyday objects to craft many of his carvings, paintings, furniture pieces, toys and stitchery. He also built this studio, where you can see many of the late artist's upcycled marvels.



M.T. Liggett Art Environment MULLINVILLE

Follow a field of whirligigs and rough-hewn metal totem poles along a red dirt road, and you'll quickly discover that M.T. Liggett was not just a celebrated repurposer of scrap metal and other found items, but also a man who expressed social opinions in bold and occasionally humorous ways.

S.P. Dinsmoor's Garden of Eden LUCAS

In 1907, at age 64, S.P. Dinsmoor began constructing a limestone log cabin home, surrounding it with cement sculptures reflecting his political views. It's now a focal point of Lucas, which has become a hub of unconventional art. The town's Grassroots Art Center provides an intro to the local creative scene.



CLOCKWISE, FROM TOP LEFT
THE RED BARN STUDIO
MUSEUM *Lindsay*;
M.T. LIGGETT
ART ENVIRONMENT
Mullinville; GARDEN
OF EDEN *Lucas*

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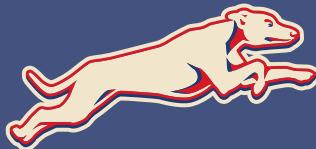
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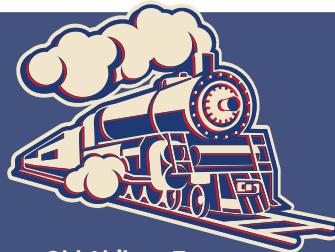
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