

BEAR RIVER HERITAGE AREA

*Heritage Sites,
Experiences,
Products,
Lodging and
Food Within
the Bear River
Basin of
Northern
Utah and
Southern
Idaho*

Blessed by Water,
Worked by Hand.

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Welcome to the Bear River Heritage Area (BRHA)! The BRHA sits in a dry part of North America, yet this watershed of the Bear River is greener than its surroundings, offering a hospitable home to wildlife and people alike. From early Shoshone and Ute Indians to nineteenth-century Mormons to modern entrepreneurs and outdoor enthusiasts, people have been attracted to this region. The head of the river in the Uinta Mountains is about 90 miles from where it ends at the Great Salt Lake to the west, yet the river makes a large, 500-mile loop through three states, providing water, habitat for birds, fish, and other animals, irrigation for agriculture, and hydroelectric power for homes and businesses. Stay a while in the Bear River Heritage Area and find out why it is Blessed by Water, Worked by Hand.

Native Americans and Trappers

The Indians migrated back and forth through this region with the seasons, taking advantage of the best weather and making use of plants and wildlife in their daily lives. The old Shoshone name for the Bear River is "Bia Ogoi," or "Big Water." Then in the early 1800s, when the fur trade was brisk, trappers of European extraction entered the area seeking beaver and other furs. They learned much from the Native Americans about survival in the area's sometimes harsh conditions, and they gathered annually at "rendezvous" (RON duh vooz) to sell their furs, buy new supplies, share news, and meet old friends. Over the approximately two decades of active fur trade, sixteen rendezvous were held. Four of the sixteen occurred in what is now the Bear River Heritage Area, and the other twelve were held within 65 to 200 miles of the BRHA. Cache Valley, which straddles the Utah-Idaho border (and is home to Logan, Utah, and Preston, Idaho, among others), was named for the mountain man practice of storing (caching) their pelts there.

Nineteenth Century Immigration

The Oregon Trail brought thousands of immi-

grants through this region, and the Mormon migration took place in the 1840s-1870s, when believers in the new religion fled persecution in Missouri, Illinois, and elsewhere to make a new home in an area where they thought they would be safe. Most 19th-century Mormon immigrants came from the eastern U.S., Great Britain, Scandinavia, and other parts of Europe. This settlement has had a profound effect on the landscape you see around you as you drive through the Heritage Area, from the layout of towns and farms to the architecture of barns, fences, and Mormonism's most sacred buildings, the temples. The temple in Logan, Utah is one of the earliest built by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (the official name of the church known popularly by its nickname, the Mormon Church).

On May 10, 1869, the transcontinental railroad was completed at Promontory, Utah, just north of the Great Salt Lake. This helped ensure the continued growth of the region as people and freight passed through on regularly scheduled trains.

"Reading" the Landscape

The heritage of the Bear River Heritage Area





Sunset in cattle country, Randolph, Utah

still shows today in its landscape, people, economy, and culture. Agriculture is still a primary occupation here. While we have a green spot in the arid west, we still worry about water, especially as populations grow. In many towns in the BRHA, you may see clear water flowing down gutters and in ditches. This is the irrigation system established by Mormon settlers, still in use today. A type of grain farming called “dry farming” is practiced on the hillsides, where no irrigation water can reach.

There are many businesses and institutions that were established early in the region’s history and that still operate today: farm supply stores, Utah State University in Logan, the raspberry farms around Bear Lake, the orchards on the western slopes of the Wasatch Mountains, and the family farms and ranches found throughout the region. Several of the communities have small museums, some only open by appointment. Watch for these, often housed in historic buildings such as log cabins or Mormon tithing houses. And visit some of the restaurants and other businesses operated by old timers and also ones established by more recent immigrants, like people from Japan, Mexico, Vietnam, and more.

Look for cultural markers on the landscape, like town welcome signs, historic barns and hay stacking machines, clusters of evergreen trees around old cemeteries, and town squares that often contain a church building (like the

tabernacles in Paris, Idaho, and Brigham City, Logan, and Wellsville, Utah, and the old Oneida Stake Academy in Preston, Idaho).

See if you can absorb the spirit of the people here. They place a high value on self-sufficiency and independence, so you are likely to find people who make for themselves what they can—they like to quilt, for instance, and home gardens and home canning are popular. Finally, if you are in the area when a local celebration is going on, come and join in the fun! Many of the community festivals are very old, such as Mendon, Utah’s May Day celebration, where songs written by pioneer ancestors are sung as little girls dance around the May poles. Many other celebrations are based on the agricultural-natural resource economy—the local harvest, whether it is raspberries, milk, peaches, wheat, or trout, is celebrated.

WHAT YOU WILL FIND IN THIS PUBLICATION

This brochure is not an exhaustive listing of every activity, restaurant, hotel, etc., that is available in the Bear River Heritage Area. Rather, it is a sampling of those products and institutions that provide a window into the local history and culture of the region.
Happy exploring!

AREA MAP



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UTAH



EXPLORE THE BEAR RIVER BASIN:
 a vast domain of rivers, mountains and valleys where native tribes, mountain men, pioneers, farmers and ranchers established a unique and enduring heritage.



THE FOUR HERITAGE REGIONS OF THE BEAR RIVER BASIN:

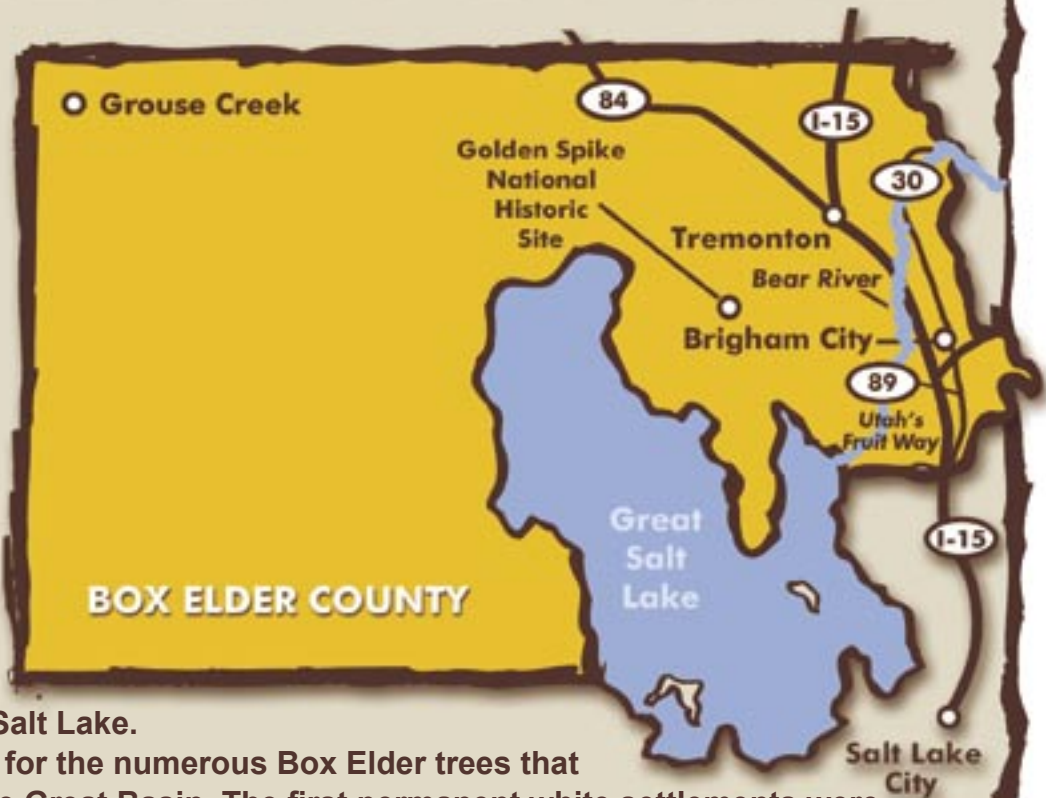
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GOLDEN SPIKE

The Golden Spike region of the Bear River Heritage Area consists of Box Elder County, Utah—located in the eastern portion of the Great Basin. It is named for the famous events of May 10, 1869, when the first transcontinental railroad was completed with the ceremonial driving of the golden spike. That event took place at Promontory, Utah, about 32 miles west of the county seat of Brigham City, near the northern end of the Great Salt Lake.

The county itself is named for the numerous Box Elder trees that grow here in this part of the Great Basin. The first permanent white settlements were established in 1851 when Mormons moved north from the Salt Lake City area and settled in what are now Willard and Brigham City. Shoshone Indians already lived in the area, and numerous violent incidents occurred until a treaty was negotiated in 1863. The economy is centered on agriculture (hay, grain, fruit, and livestock) and aerospace technologies, specifically Thiokol, which was established in 1957 and has been a major contributor of missiles, parts, and other technology for national defense and space exploration.



HERITAGE EXPERIENCES

Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge
This 74,000-acre site consists mostly of marsh, open

water, and mudflats, with some 9,000 acres of uplands, wet meadows, and ponds. Depending upon the time of year, you can see geese, ducks, cranes, herons, gulls, stilts, grebes, eagles, and hawks, including many rare species. "Throughout the refuge's long rich past, it has not only been an oasis for shorebirds and waterfowl, but many people have found solitude viewing the winter sun setting over the Promontory Mountains, or by watching a pair of American Avocets dancing in spring" (from the BRMBR website). Utah nature writer Terry Tempest Williams' celebrated 1991 book *Refuge* explored both the Bear River Refuge and her mother's death from cancer. There is a 12-mile driving tour of the refuge. A bird checklist to use while viewing birds is available at the BRMBR website. The BRMBR will celebrate its 75th anniversary in 2003. Location: About 15 miles west of Brigham City. Take For-

est Street (or, from Interstate 15, take Exit 366) west.
Open: Sunrise to sunset year round, though in winter and spring, roads may be impassable due to snow or water
Information: 435.723.5887 or
www.r6.fws.gov/bearriver/

Brigham City Depot

This depot was a site for thousands of cheerful hellos and tearful goodbyes during World War II. The Craftsman, hip-roof style depot was once a major shipping center for Union Pacific, but now houses an educational center for railroad history and seasonal entertainment. Tours by appointment.

Location: 833 West Forest Street, Brigham City
Hours: Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri., Sat., Noon – 6 pm (Summer), 1 pm – 5 pm (Winter)
Information: 435.723.2989

Brigham City Museum/Gallery

This museum features exhibits on local history and also hosts rotating art exhibits and quilts.

Location: 24 North 300 West, Brigham City
Hours: Tues. - Fri., 11 am – 6 pm, Sat., 1 pm – 5 pm
Information: 435.723.6769

Crystal Hot Springs

Geothermal activity is evident throughout this region, and hot springs can be found in numerous locations along the western slopes of the Wasatch Mountains. Crystal Hot Springs is a resort built around one of these natural hot springs 13 miles north of Brigham City in the town of Honeyville. It is said that the area was used as a winter campsite by the Shoshone Indians of the region. Then, as the transcontinental railroad was being built, Chinese workers found the springs and built cedar tubs to capture the waters and provide soothing mineral baths. The first commercial development of the springs was in 1901, when it became known as Madsen Hot Springs. The resort now features modern attractions such as water slides in addition to its traditional soaking pools.

Location: 8212 North Highway 38, Honeyville, Utah
Open: Mon. – Fri., noon – 10 pm; Sat. 10 am – 10 pm;
Sun. 10 am – 8 pm
Information: 435.279.8104

Eli Anderson's Wagons

Interested in horse-drawn vehicles? Western filmmakers are! You won't want to miss the largest private collection in the West.

Location: Brigham City



Wood was soaked in the farm pond so it could be bent to shape of roof—
Holmgren farm dairy, Tremonton, Utah

Open: By appointment only
Information: 435-854-3760

Golden Spike National Historic Site

On May 10, 1869, the final spike was driven, completing the transcontinental railroad and revolutionizing travel across North America. Visit Golden Spike National Historic Site, and witness historic reenactments, locomotive demonstrations, ranger programs, films, and you can take a self-guided auto tour over historic railroad grades. Within an eight-mile radius, you can experience one hundred years of transportation history by visiting the Golden Spike National Historic Site, where the transcontinental railroad was completed in 1869, and visiting the rocket display at Thiokol (see separate listing), where scientists helped put a man on the moon exactly 100 years later in 1969!

Location: Golden Spike National Historic Site, 32 miles west of Brigham City, Utah, via Highways 13 and 83.
Information: 435.471.2209, ext. 18



The event that united a continent, locomotives from the East and West meet at the driving of the Golden Spike at Promontory, Utah, May 10, 1869

Heritage Theatre

Housed in Perry's century-old former Mormon church building, Heritage Community Theatre offers musicals, children's theatre, and drama.

Location: 2505 South Hwy 89, Perry
General information and reservations: 435.723.8392

Holmgren Historical Farm

This working family farm was homesteaded in 1898 under the Homestead Act. The farmstead is on the National Register of Historic Places due to its unusual dairy barn that retains hay storage and dairy operations under one roof. Most dairy operations in the state either had separate buildings for each use or had constructed a milking parlor as an appendage to the barn. The farm has been in almost continuous use as a dairy production facility since its construction and has remained within the Holmgren family. The farm now hosts concerts, craft fairs, and other events, and has a rose garden with 500 rose plants, herbs, and wild flowers.

Location: 460 North 300 East, Tremonton
Open: May – October.
Information: 435.257.7696

Northern Box Elder County Museum

This museum in Tremonton contains local artifacts dating primarily from the mid-1850s to about 1950. It also has a

typical early schoolroom, post office, barbershop, etc., and a few prehistoric Native American artifacts.
Location: 150 S. Tremont Street, Tremonton
Hours: By appointment
Information: 435.257.3371

Northwest Band of the Shoshone Nation

Utah and Southeastern Idaho were settled first by the Shoshone. Today's Shoshone are especially well-known for their beadwork. Stop by the offices of the Northwest Band and get information on events and artisans from Patty Timbimboo-Madsen, Cultural and Natural Resource Director.

Location: 862 South Main, Brigham City
Open: Mon. – Fri., 8:30 am – 5 pm
Information: 435.734.2286

Old Barn Community Theatre

In an 1867 stage stop barn, the Old Barn Community Theatre produces four plays per year, each running four weekends. In the summer they host a barn burner with a Dutch oven dinner on opening night and at Christmas they host a Gala at opening.

Location: 3605 Bigler Road, Collinston
Information: For reservations call: 435.458.BARN

Thiokol Rocket Display

Thiokol, founded in 1929, is the world's largest producer of high-technology solid rocket motors for space, defense, and commercial uses. They produce the giant solid rocket motors for NASA's space shuttle program. The name Thiokol stems from the Greek words for sulfur and glue, a reference to its original products, synthetic rubber and liquid polymer sealants. Thiokol has a free outdoor display of solid rocket motors at its facility. Within an eight-mile radius, you can experience one hundred years of transportation history by visiting the Golden Spike National Historic Site, where the transcontinental railroad was completed in 1869 (see separate listing), and visiting the rocket display at Thiokol, where scientists helped put a man on the moon exactly 100 years later in 1969!

Location: About 25 miles west of Brigham City. Take Highway 83 west, through Corinne, taking the left fork coming out of Corinne. You will eventually see the rocket motor display on the right.

Open: Year round
Information: 435.863.3511

Village Dry Goods

Calling all quilters! For a week every June you can shop-hop to this and 14 other quilting shops along the Wasatch



A mosaic of produce is a feature of Peach Days in Brigham City

Front. In the fall, during deer hunting season, the quilt shops sponsor an overnight trip for all those "hunting widows."

Location: 33 South Main Street, Brigham City
Hours: Mon. – Sat., 10 am – 6 pm
Information: 435.723.1315



HERITAGE SITES

Below is a sampling of historic buildings and areas in Box Elder County. For a complete listing of properties that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, go to <http://www.nationalregisterofhistoricplaces.com/ut/Box+Elder/state.html>.

Brigham City Tabernacle

Built on "Sagebrush Hill," on a site chosen in 1865 by Brigham Young himself, this tabernacle took nearly fifteen years to build, then it was gutted by fire in 1896. The formerly somewhat plain building was rebuilt with a Gothic Revival tower and sixteen pinnacles. Free guided tours are available June through September.

Location: 251 South Main Street, Brigham City.

Brigham City Mormon Co-op Buildings

In the 1860s, Brigham Young instituted what came to be known as the "cooperative movement" in Utah. With the new transcontinental railroad came goods made elsewhere, and the church leaders feared that materialism and covetousness would grow among the Mormons. A system of businesses owned cooperatively was created, with existing private businesses and individuals getting shares for their resources and inventories that were contributed. Mormons were encouraged to buy from the "co-ops," which made a variety of goods, from flour to furniture. The Brigham City Mercantile and Manufacturing Association was the local co-op in Box Elder County. The remaining co-op buildings in Brigham City are the largest concentration of such in Utah and a model for others.

Locations: 5 North Main Street (This was the co-op store), 56 North 500 East (the woolen factory—now sells high-end imported woolen blankets)

Corinne, "The Gentile Capital of Utah"

The town of Corinne, Utah, was established in 1869 and for about a decade, it was known as "The Gentile Capital of Utah." (In Utah, the common use of the term "gentile" usually refers to non-Mormons rather than non-Jews, though it is used both ways.) The town was established to be just that by its founders, a group of former U.S. Army officers and non-Mormon merchants from Salt

Lake City. They established it on the Union Pacific line, hoping to become the primary transfer point for mines in Montana and elsewhere. It gained a reputation for wild and raucous living, and at one time had fifteen saloons and sixteen liquor stores. The founders even tried to work with Washington, D.C. supporters to get the town named the capital of Utah. Eventually, the "gentiles'" plans were foiled when Brigham Young ordered the construction of the Utah Northern Railroad from Ogden to Franklin, Idaho, bypassing Corinne. The UNR was bought by Union Pacific in 1877, and Corinne's glory days were over. Now Corinne has both Mormon and non-Mormon residents, and you can see some of its past in its historic buildings, including the small Methodist Church, which is on the National Register of Historic Places. Tours of Corinne are available by appointment.

Information: 435.744.2442

Honeyville Stone Houses Scenic Drive

Drive north from Brigham City along Highway 38, and you will see many late-nineteenth-century stone houses built from locally-quarried stone and generally reflecting vernacular building styles of the period. These charming private residences were built by pioneers and are now a part of the picturesque scenery on the drive between Brigham City and Honeyville.



History wrought in iron, Marble Park near Bothwell, Utah

Marble Park

Folk art at its best! Artistry in iron etches the skyline with prancing horses, wagons, and wheels. Have a picnic lunch or barbecue while your kids enjoy the playground, and view a display of horse-drawn wagons and equipment. Look for pieces like the Utah history timeline and the Bicentennial arch—all made from old scrap, tools, and farm equipment. You shouldn't miss this free attraction created by local resident Boyd Marble.

Location: 11150 West 11200 North, Bothwell (about 20 miles from the Golden Spike National Historic Site)

Open: year round

Willard Historic District

The first designated historic district in Utah, the Willard district reflects the Welsh heritage of many of the earliest settlers. The main builder of the homes was Shadrach Jones, a Welsh stonemason, and the homes are mainly Greek Revival and Gothic in style, forming the largest grouping of pioneer stone homes in Utah. Some forty homes predate 1895, 12 of which are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Location: the historic district is roughly bounded by 200 West, 200 North, 100 East, and 200 South Streets in Willard, just a few miles south of Brigham City on the west

side of U.S. 89

Open: tours are available April through October
Information: 435.734.8315



HERITAGE PRODUCTS

Clay Nicholas Saddlery

Clay has been building saddles for about six years. He started working with hides as a boy and continues to work leather into beautiful and functional saddles for the ranching community.

Location: 4780 West 2400 North, Corinne, Utah

Hours: Call for appointment

Information: 435.744.0228

Fruit Way

If you drive south from Brigham City on Highway 89, (or take exit 354 off of I-15) you will see numerous roadside stands selling local and imported fruit and vegetables. Some stands remain open year-round, but most open up once the local fruit trees and vegetable crops start producing. The season begins with cherries and continues through Halloween pumpkins. Enjoy the scenery of blossom-filled trees in the spring or jumbles of sweet corn and squash in the stands later in the summer along this highway. While you're there, take a look at some of the old stone and frame homes dating from the late 19th century, and see if you can spot any remaining evidence of the devastating flood that hit Willard in the 1920s, bringing silt down the canyon to cover roads, pathways, and main floor living areas.



Workers set out peaches at Nielson's Fruit Stand on Utah's Fruitway

Idle Isle Candy

In business for 81 years, Idle Isle Candy offers hand-dipped chocolates made daily in the store. Stop by and taste the house specialty and best seller, the almond cream toffee ball.

Location: 24 South Main, Brigham City

Hours: Mon. – Thurs., 11 am – 8 pm;

Fri. – Sat., 11am – 9 pm
Information: 435.723.8003

LaRue's Country Quilts

Quilting supplies galore to feed the "habit" of local quilters.
Location: 145 W. Main Street, Tremonton
Hours: Mon. – Fri., 9:30 am – 11:30 am and 1 pm – 2 pm (summer); 9:30 am – 11:30 am and 1 pm – 5 pm (winter)
Information: 435.257.0801

Lazy M Diamond G:

The Cowboy Folk Arts of Max Godfrey

Max Godfrey learned to braid rawhide from his father and continues to make rawhide gear for the local ranching community and his own use. He is a well-known cowboy poet whose repertoire includes the classics and his own poetry that reflects his ranching heritage.

Information: 435.458.3298



Saddlemaker Don Hansen of Tremonton

Leatherneck Saddlery

Don Hansen made his first saddle in 1939. In 1980, he opened his shop and has been making saddles full time since then. A master teacher for the Utah Arts Council's Folk Arts Apprenticeship Program, Don passes on the saddlemaking tradition to apprentices.

Information: 435.257.7355

Lehman Fruit Spread

The Lehman family makes delicious home-made fruit spread (whole fruit jam). They offer over 33 flavors and grow much of their own fruit.

Location: 718 North Main, Garland

Information: 435.257.6986



HERITAGE FOOD

Bert's Family Café

Opened in 1929 by grandfather Bert Olsen, this café is run by third-generation family members. They still offer the same rib-sticking hearty meals.

Location: 89 South Main, Brigham City

Hours: Mon. – Fri., 5:30 am – 8 pm; Sat.;

5:30 am – 6 pm; Sun.; 5:30 am – 2 pm

Information: 435.734.9544

Idle Isle Café

Locally owned and operated, the Idle Isle Café opened its doors in 1921, making it the third oldest restaurant still in operation in Utah. They serve up home style food and wonderful home-made desserts.

Location: 24 South Main, Brigham City

Hours: Mon. – Thurs., 11 am – 8 pm;

Fri. – Sat., 11 am – 9 pm

Information: 435.734.2468

Peach City Ice Cream

In operation since 1937, Peach City Ice Cream has been serving up tasty burgers and delicious shakes for over 65 years. Locally owned by the Morgan brothers, Harvey and Blynn, this local hangout serves over 20 flavors of homemade ice cream. The house specialties are the Big Joe burger and peach shakes made in season (late June through August). Harvey Morgan met his wife Bonnie at Peach City where Bonnie was a car hop and he was cook—now it's all in the family!

Location: 306 North Main Street, Brigham City

Hours: Sun. – Thurs., 11 am – 10:30 pm;

Fri. – Sat., 11 am – 11 pm

Information: 435.723.3923

Maddox Ranch House

Since 1949, the Maddox family has been serving delicious home cooked meals. Famous for their home-grown beef (there's a stockyard right behind the restaurant), Maddox also serves bison (less fat than regular beef—give it a try!), chicken, and fresh seafood. Now in their third generation, everything on the menu is made from scratch, including breads, rolls, ice cream and sodas. You can go inside for a juicy steak, or grab a burger at the drive-in section.

Location: Perry, south of Brigham City on Highway 89

Hours: Tues. – Sat., 11 am – 9:30 pm

Information: 435.723.8545

DIESEL AND STEAK!

Old Highway 89 and Interstate Highways 15 and 84 continue Box Elder County's transportation legacy dating from the days of covered wagons and steam locomotives that carried people and goods to the West

and to the gold fields in Montana, among other sites. The era of the automobile and highway freighting opened the way for the development of the truck stop. Box Elder County has several of these, whose characteristics are home style cooking and savory ethnic foods.

Crossroads Family Restaurant

Since 1932, meals prepared from scratch have pleased the hearty appetite or the dieter.

Location: 1600 East 20 South, Tremonton

Hours: Daily 6 am – 10 pm

Information: 435.257.3726

Kathy's Café

Kathy's Tennessee recipes seduce you—especially her yeast and cinnamon rolls!

Location: 2635 South Highway 89, Perry

Hours: Thur. – Mon., 7 am – 5 pm

Information: 435.723.7007

Mollie's Café

Mollie's joy of cooking is experienced in every meal.

Location: 15 East Main, Snowville

Hours: Daily, 6 am – 10 pm (11 pm in summer)

Information: 435.872.8295

Ranch House Diner

Rustic western atmosphere, hearty homestyle fare.

Location: 10 South Stone Road, Snowville

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 7 am – 10 pm

Information: 435.872.8338

ETHNIC RESTAURANTS

People from many parts of the world have moved to Box Elder County to make new homes, work on the railroad, in orchards and fields, or to start new businesses. You can sample world cuisines at these establishments.

ASIAN

Hunan Village

Chinese, Hunan, Szechwan, and Mandarin food

Location: 686 South Main St., Brigham City

Hours: Mon., Wed., Thur., 11 am – 9:30 pm;

Fri., 11 am – 10:30 pm; Sat., Noon – 10:30 pm

Information: 435.723.8885

Saigon Towers

Vietnamese cuisine

Location: 26 South Tremont Street

Hours: Dinner only

Information: 435.257.0443

MEXICAN

Melina's Mexican Restaurant

South of the border décor and food

Location: 40 West 700 South, Brigham City

Hours: Mon. – Thur., 11 am – 9 pm;

Fri. – Sat., 11 am – 10 pm

Information: 435.723.6000

Ricardo's Restaurant

Famous for their chiles rellenos and taco plate

Location: 131 South Main Street, Brigham City

Hours: Tues. – Thur., 11 am – 8:30 pm;

Fri., 11 am – 9 pm; Sat., Noon – 9 pm

Information: 435.723.1811



HERITAGE LODGING

This is a list of lodging locations that have historic or cultural importance in Box Elder County. For a complete list of all of the lodging opportunities in the county, contact Box Elder County Economic Development, 21 South Main, Brigham City, UT 84302; telephone: 435.734.3315.

Box C Guest Ranch

Enjoy this family cattle ranch for a western working experience, or just relax in peace and quiet.

Location: Grouse Creek, Utah (the far northwestern corner of Utah)

Information: 435.747.7400

Creekside Bed & Breakfast

Experience the charm of a leisurely breakfast in the family warmth of a home beside a rippling stream.

Location: 526 North 500 West, Brigham City

Information: 435.723.3333

KOA Campground

This campground features experiences like hay rides and storytelling.

Location: U.S. 89, south of Perry

Information: 435.723.5503

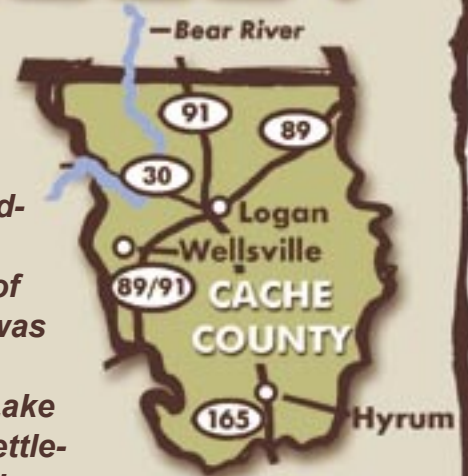
HISTORY

The past of the Bear River region is often visible in the daily lives of its residents. Historic buildings like barns, granaries, Mormon tithing offices (easily identified because they are usually tiny, square brick buildings used for storage of goods donated as tithing), railroad depots (both for the Continental railroad and for the smaller Interurban system that operated in the early 20th century), tabernacles, temples, schools, and courthouses are in almost every town. Many towns also have small museums, frequently operated by the Daughters of Utah Pioneers. The Oregon Trail and the Hudspeth Cutoff portion of it goes through the Heritage Area. There are also roadside markers for important events such as the Bear River Massacre, in which a group of California Volunteer soldiers under the command of Colonel Patrick Connor annihilated nearly 400 Northwestern Shoshone men, women, and children in January, 1863 (the roadside marker is about 5 miles northwest of Preston, Idaho, on Highway 91).

UTAH

CACHE VALLEY

Cache Valley was originally named Willow Valley because of the abundant willows growing along its many rivers and streams. Later, the name was changed to Cache Valley for the practice of early fur trappers to cache, or hide, their furs in the area. The valley is about 50 miles long, 20 miles wide, surrounded by rugged mountains, and straddles the Utah-Idaho border. It is a green oasis in the arid west, and even greener because of the irrigation system that was established by early settlers. It was originally only known to Indians (primarily Shoshone and Ute), then trappers. But soon after the Mormons settled in the Salt Lake Valley in 1847, they began colonizing nearby areas. The first settlement in Cache Valley was at Wellsville in 1856. Cattlemen tending Brigham Young's herds were here earlier, but encountered the area's cold winter, which killed the cattle and prevented settlement efforts until a year later. The southern or Utah portion of Cache Valley hosts 80% of the valley's population, with the northern end in Idaho being more rural.



HERITAGE EXPERIENCES

American West Heritage Center

Discover what western life was like from 1820 to 1920 at this 160-acre living history center. Learn to spin wool, weave rugs, milk a cow or just enjoy the fresh mountain air and beautiful scenery on a wagon ride around the site. The center offers hands-on learning as you visit with Native Americans, mountain men and pioneers dressed in period costume. Visit the spacious welcome center featuring exhibits on local history, a spectacular view of the Wellsville Mountains and an outstanding gift shop featuring "Made in Utah" products. For eight days at the end of July/first of August, the Festival of the American West is held at the center. Wander through arts and crafts demonstrations, visit military encampments, Native American villages and mountain men rendezvous sites. Enjoy a Dutch oven dinner and tap your toe to western entertainment!

Location: 5 miles south of Logan on US Hwy 89/91
Living history site open: Year round except holidays: Mon. thru Sat. 9 am - 5 pm
Festival: 10 am - 9 pm; Closed Sun.
Information: Call for special event info. Ticket info: 800.225.FEST or 435.245.6050

Cache Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum

The Daughters of Utah Pioneers organization has been collecting artifacts for a century, and many towns have pioneer "relic halls" or museums. This Logan site is one of the larger museums and displays an eclectic collection of artifacts from Cache Valley history. It is housed in the historic Chamber of Commerce building on Main Street.
Location: 160 North Main Street, Logan, Utah
Hours: Tues. thru Fri., 10 am - 4 pm, June to Labor Day. Other times of the year by appointment.
Information: 435.752.5139 (from May to September) or 435.753.1635

CANOEING

Spectacular bird and wildlife watching is available by canoe trip on the Bear River. You may see sandhill cranes, great blue herons, snowy egrets, Canada geese, white pelicans, common egrets, western grebes, and many more species of birds. One popular canoeing area is called the Cutler Wetlands Maze, where you can get lost among giant cattails mere yards from a busy highway. Information and maps are available at the website: www/bridgerlandaudobon.org/wetlandsmaze.



Two excellent boat launches are available: one at the Benson Marina, located on 3000 North and approximately 4800 West, near Benson, and the other at Cutler Marsh Marina, located on 200 North and approximately 4800 West, a few miles west of downtown Logan.

Muddy Road Outfitters Canoe Rentals

Location: Benson – call for directions and reservations
Information: 435.753.3693

Utah State University Outdoor Recreation

USU Students Only
Location: 1050 N. 950 E., Utah State University campus
Hours: 10 am - 6 pm
Information: 435.797-3264 / www.usu.edu/orc

Hardware Ranch Elk Refuge

Hardware Ranch Wildlife Management Area (WMA) was purchased by the State of Utah in 1945 as a location to operate a winter feeding program for Rocky Mountain Elk. Hardware Ranch WMA also provides habitat for many other species of wildlife, promotes wildlife research and management, and offers visitors recreational wildlife education. Through a cooperative effort with private contractors, Hardware Ranch offers opportunities during the winter season including horse-drawn sleigh rides to view the wintering elk, a restaurant offering a variety of meals, a coffee shop, a gift shop and summer weekend wagon rides.

Location: 15 miles east of Hyrum on US Hwy 101 in Blacksmith Fork Canyon
Hours: Daily 10 am – 5 pm, December 15 – March 15
Café: 435.753.6168
Information: 435.753.6206 / www.hardware ranch.com

Haviland's Old West Adventures

Experience Utah's spectacular mountain scenery from the seat of a bouncing covered wagon. You will be escorting a shipment of gold to hide in the hills of beautiful Wellsville Canyon. Enjoy a real chuckwagon dinner and some foot-stomping music and comedy of the Old West.

Location: Directly across from Sherwood Hills, Hwy 89, between Wellsville and Brigham City
Hours: from June to Labor Day
Information: 435.245.5054 or 800.532.5066



Maypole dance is a yearly tradition in Mendon, Utah

HORSEBACK RIDING

Many trails wind through the high mountains of the Bear River Heritage Area. Just minutes from the road you feel as if you have transcended time. Experience the feel of the Old West. Discover nature, wildlife and



Oxen driver, American West Heritage Center, Wellsville, Utah

CACHE VALLEY HISTORIC DRIVING TOUR

A self-guided heritage driving tour of Cache Valley provides an enjoyable day of learning about the history and settlement of this area. The tour takes you through 30 cities and towns located in Cache Valley, Utah and Idaho. You can obtain a copy of the Cache Valley Historic Driving Tour Guide and Map from the Tourist Information Center, 160 North Main Street in Logan.

the great outdoors. Trails leading from Millville Canyon east are popular with locals. Horses are available for riding at:

Beaver Creek Lodge

Location: in Logan Canyon, east of Logan
Hours: Mon. – Sat., 10 am – 7 pm
Information: 435.753.1076 or 800.946.4485

Sherwood Hills

Location: in Wellsville Canyon, south of Wellsville
Hours: Mon. – Sat., 8 am – 4 pm
Information: 435.245.5054 or 800.532.5066

Hyrum City Museum

Exhibits range from dinosaur bones and Egyptian artifacts to nineteenth century tools. Black light displays show off an extensive mineral and rock collection.

Location: 83 West Main, Hyrum, basement
Hours: Tues., Thurs, and Sat., 2 pm – 5 pm
Information: 435.245.6033

Logan Tabernacle Genealogy Library

Find out about your family history at this fascinating center, which has computers that tie into the famous genealogy library located in Salt Lake City. Just type in your name, and find a long-lost relative!

Location: 100 North Main, basement (parking and entrance are at the back of the tabernacle, on 100 East)
Hours: Mon. – Fri., 9:30 am – 5 pm; Tue – Thur., 9:30 am – 9 pm; Sat., 9:30 am – 2 pm
Information: 435.755-5598

NATURAL RESOURCES

Fishing, hunting, trapping, hiking, logging, phosphate mining, skiing, boating, folk medicine—what do these activities all have in common? They rely on the plentiful natural resources of the Bear River Heritage Area. The water, fertile soil, abundant wildlife and timber were some of the attractions for the earliest inhabitants of the region. Grizzly bears no longer live here, but black bears, moose, elk, deer, and many other animals roam the mountains and valleys of the BRHA. The Heritage Area includes parts of the Caribou National Forest, the Wasatch-Cache National Forest, the Sawtooth National Forest, all of the Curlew National Grassland, the Bear Lake National Wildlife Refuge, and the Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge. In addition, there are mineral deposits, hot springs, and wild plants that are unique to the area.

Museum of Anthropology, Utah State University

This teaching museum houses exhibits on the early inhabitants of the Great Basin and other regions of the world.

Location: Utah State University, Old Main Building (on the brow of the hill at the western edge of the campus), south end of the second floor in Room 252

Hours: Mon. – Fri., 8 am – 5 pm or by appointment

Information: 435.797.1230 or 435.797.0219

Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art

The museum has one of the largest permanent collections in the Intermountain Region, featuring western and international artists, a fine ceramics collection, and Native American artwork. Regularly changing exhibits bring a variety of fine arts and crafts to patrons.

Location: Utah State University, 650 North 1100 East

Hours: Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri., 10:30 am – 4:30 pm;
Wed., 10:30 am – 8 pm.

Information: 435.797.0163

Paint Utah Art School and Gallery

Michael and Suzanne Bingham run this art school for people of all abilities. Multi-day workshops are taught by nationally and internationally known artists, with some workshops being taught on location in Logan Canyon's beautiful scenery. The Paint Utah Gallery features the work of many of the teaching artists, bringing an unsurpassed opportunity to locals and visitors to see world-class art.

Location: 43 South Main Street, Logan (in the Bullen Center next to the Ellen Eccles Theatre)

Hours: Tues. – Sat., 10 am – 5 pm

Information: 435.750.5066 or toll-free from out of state, 866.278.8824; www.paintutah.com

Paradise Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum

Artifacts from the early history of Paradise and southern Cache Valley are preserved in this museum which is housed in the old Mormon tithing office.

Location: 8970 South 200 West, Paradise

Hours: By appointment

Information: 435.245.3842

Richmond Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum

Early Mormon, Native American, and other local history artifacts are preserved in this museum.

Location: 29 South State Street, Richmond

Hours: Thurs., 10 am – 3 pm or by appointment

Information: 435.258.5277

Smithfield Livestock Auction

Every Thursday at 10 am, farmers, ranchers, and buyers converge on the livestock auction in Smithfield, where cattle, sheep, and other livestock are sold. News is ex-

changed as well as animals. If you want to get a real feel for the agricultural way of life, try visiting the auction, and stop into the café there for a burger and a soft drink.

Location: 711 South 100 West, Smithfield

Hours: Thurs. 10 am until everything is sold

Information: 435.563.3259

Smithfield Implement

This farm and ranch supply business was founded in 1914. J.M. Roylance bought it in 1919, and his son still runs it. He says that their philosophy has been to "stack it deep and sell it cheap." You can get Dutch ovens, cowboy hats, rubber irrigating boots, blue jeans, tools, kitchen gadgets, and just about anything else that you might need. Many locals feel great loyalty to Smithfield Implement and would rather shop here than anywhere else.

Location: 99 North Main Street, Smithfield

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 9 am – 5:55 pm

Information: 435.563.3211

Twain Tippetts Gallery

This changing gallery features the work of student artists.

Location: Lobby of the Chase Fine Arts Center between the Kent Concert Hall and the Morgan Theatre, Utah State University Campus

Hours: Call for information on current shows.

Information: 435.797-3421

Wellsville Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum



Handmade items with beadwork by the Northwestern Band of Shoshone at the American West Heritage Center

See a collection of pioneer artifacts and take a tour of the Mormon tabernacle in the first town to be established in Cache Valley (the south end of the valley, just off Hwy 89/91)

Location: Wellsville Tabernacle, Main and Center Streets, Wellsville

Hours: By appointment

Information: 435.245.3745 or 435.245.3256



HERITAGE SITES

Below is a sampling of historic buildings and areas in Cache Valley. For a complete listing of properties that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, go to www.nationalregisterofhistoric-places.com/UT/Cache/state.html.

Cache County Courthouse

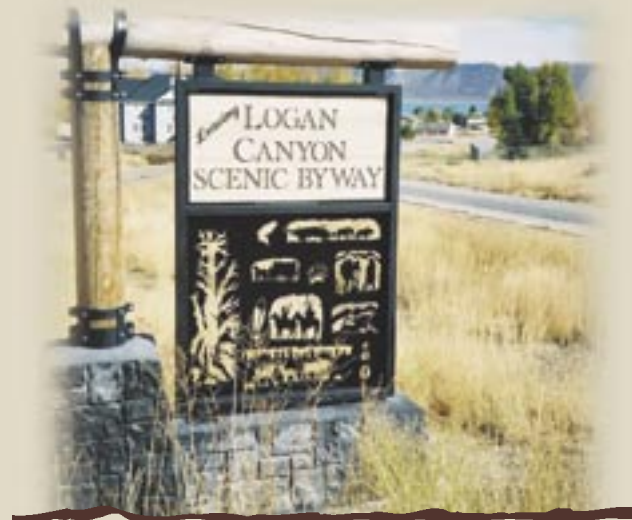
This building was built in 1883, designed by Truman O. Angell, Jr., who also designed the Logan Tabernacle and the Logan Temple. Until 2002, it was the oldest county building in Utah still being used for its original purpose.

Location: 179 North Main Street, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Fri., 8 am – 5 pm

Caine Lyric Theatre

This theatre was built in 1913 by the Thatchers, a locally prominent family who loved plays and operas. A wing was added in 2001, and the building was beautifully refurbished. A ghost that is partial to Shakespeare is said to haunt the theatre. Actors who have worked here claim that the ghost has been heard laughing during rehearsals of Hamlet. The Lyric is home to many performances during the year and is especially loved for its summer repertory



series run by the Utah State Univ. Theatre Dept.

Location: 28 West Center, Logan, Utah

Hours: June 13 – August 3

Information: 435.797.1500 or 435.752.1500

The Dansante

Built in 1900, the Dansante Building has played a central role in the social life of the Cache Valley community for a century. For decades it served as the valley's premier dance hall, hosting as many as 3,000 people on major holidays. It later became a clothing factory for two different companies, then fell into disrepair. After years of decline, the building was purchased by the Utah Festival Opera Company and was fully renovated and expanded to a 45,000 sq. ft. facility that now houses the company's administrative offices, a 124-seat recital hall, practice rooms, rehearsal halls, wig and makeup, prop, costume, and scene shops.

Location: 59 South 100 West, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Fri., 9 am – 5 pm

Information: 435.750.0300

Ellen Eccles Theatre

This magnificent theatre was built by the Thatcher family and opened in 1923 as the Capitol Theatre, hosting some of the famous vaudeville acts of the period. The theatre underwent a complete restoration and reopened to its original grandeur in 1993 as the Ellen Eccles Theatre. The theatre offers a variety of local and touring performing arts each year. The Utah Festival Opera Company is in residence each summer, and local arts organizations such as the Cache Valley Civic Ballet and Cache Community Theatre call the theatre home.

The Ellen Eccles Theatre and the surrounding cultural arts complex, including the Thatcher-Young Mansion and the Bullen Arts Center, is a gathering place for the community.

Location: 43 South Main, Logan

LOGAN CANYON NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY

This beautiful canyon is the link between southern Cache Valley and Bear Lake Valley via U.S. Highway 89 and was just recognized as a National Scenic Byway. It continues to be a favorite place for traditional activities like family reunions, hiking, and skiing. One of the most beloved spots is Tony Grove, a seven-mile side trip from the main highway about 27 miles from Logan. A century ago, it was common for wealthy Logan families to establish mountain camps to escape the summer heat in the valley. The women and children would stay in the mountains, and the men would work in town and retreat to the camps in the evenings or on weekends. Because it was popular with these rich folk, or "tonies," as they were called then,

it acquired the name Tony Grove, or so the story goes. The Tony Grove ranger station, 23 miles NE of Logan, is part of a National Historic District encompassing several buildings and a camp in the area. The canyon is also dotted with camping, fishing, and picnicking areas, and is home to Beaver Mountain Ski Resort.

A guide called Logan Canyon: 32 Sites and Stops is available at the Tourist Information Center, 160 North Main Street in Logan. This booklet details the geological and cultural history of the canyon.

Information: 435.752.0026 / www.ellenecclstheatre.org

Logan Mormon Temple

Located on a "bench" (the contemporary name for the shores of the ancient Lake Bonneville), this temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints can be seen from most of southern Cache Valley. One of the oldest Utah temples, the structure was designed by prominent Mormon architect Truman O. Angell and took seven years to build, opening in 1884. It is a modified Gothic style built out of stone quarried in nearby Green Canyon. The temple interior is only open to members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (the Mormons), but the handsomely landscaped grounds are open to the public.

Location: 175 North 300 East, Logan

Hours: Grounds 7 am – 9 pm

Information: 435.752.3611



Logan Temple, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Logan Tabernacle

This building is a good example of an early Mormon public meetinghouse built on a central town square. It was completed in 1891, and a beautiful pipe organ was installed in 1908. The building is still used by the Mormon church today for large gatherings that cannot be accommodated in standard church meetinghouses. It is also a venue for public lectures and concerts. An extensive genealogy library (a branch of the main family history library in Salt Lake City) is located in the basement of the building. Tabernacle tours are scheduled regularly throughout the summer.

Location: 100 North Main

Hours: After Memorial Day tours will be begin at 10 am

Information: 435.755.5598

Logan's Historic Downtown

Many beautiful turn-of-the-century homes and buildings are located in Logan. You won't want to miss the Bluebird Café, the Logan Tabernacle, or the Episcopal Church. A 45-minute downtown walking tour guide can be picked up at tourist information centers. The Logan Center Street Historic District (listed on the National Register of Historic Places and roughly bounded by 200 North, 200 South, 200 East and 600 West) features homes, churches, and the old courthouse in Classical Revival, Prairie School, and Late Victorian styles. Some of the finest homes can be viewed by starting at Main Street and traveling west on Center Street.

Old Morgan Pea Factory

In 1920 the Morgan Pea Factory, located on the west side of Main Street in Smithfield, began business. It was later bought by Del Monte Foods and has since been turned into a can-making factory. Look for the brick building with the original name built into the masonry.

The Old Depot in Richmond

In the early 20th century, many of the small towns in Cache Valley were linked by an electric railroad owned by the Utah-Idaho Central Railroad Company, known simply to locals as "the Interurban." A few old depot buildings like this one still exist and have been adapted to new uses since the last train traveled the line in 1947. This one is an antique and collectibles store now.

Location: 196 West Main Street, Richmond

Information: 435.758.4422

The Thatcher-Young Mansion

The Thatcher-Young Mansion was built in 1878 by G.W. Thatcher and his wife Mary Ann Angell-Young. The designer of the home is believed to be Mary Ann's cousin, Truman Angell Jr., who designed the LDS tabernacles in Brigham City and Coalville, Utah, and in Paris, Idaho, as well as the Cache Valley courthouse in Logan, Utah. The foundation stone is from the Green Canyon Temple/Tabernacle quarry and the framing lumber came from the Temple Fork Sawmill. The house has been carefully restored and is now home to the Alliance for the Varied Arts, housing galleries, offices, and classrooms.

Location: 35 West 100 South, Logan

Hours: Tues. – Sat., 11 am – 4 pm

Information: 435.753.2970

Utah State University Campus

Utah State University was founded as a land grant agri-

AGRICULTURE

Brought by European settlers, agriculture came to the Bear River watershed in the nineteenth century.

It is still an important economic activity here, and the landscape of fields, pasture lands, barns, and irrigation ditches reflects this. Ranching and dairy farming can be found throughout the region, and in various parts of the Heritage Area, you can find raspberry farms (around Bear Lake and Paradise in Cache Valley), potato farms (southeast Idaho), and fruit orchards (Box Elder County, Utah). Businesses that support agriculture, such as equipment dealers, feed stores, irrigation supply stores, and feed lots, are located in many of the towns. Agriculture has also helped bring new cultural groups into the region to work on the farms and ranches. Japanese-Americans came in the mid-twentieth century, and today, you may find workers with Latino, Asian, or Eastern European origins. The historic agricultural landscape includes hay derricks (made of large poles), rail fences, and old barns.



cultural college in 1888 and has developed into a major research university, especially in agriculture, natural resources, and space dynamics. The campus is filled with historic buildings and attractive landscaping. The oldest building on campus is Old Main, on the western edge of the campus. Its tower with the "A" (for "Aggies") on top is visible from most of Logan.

Information: 435.797.1000

Wellsville Tabernacle

This tabernacle was once used as a meeting house by early members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormons). It was built in 1908 and reflects Mormon architecture at the beginning of the twentieth century. Its Gothic English architecture and chapel with balcony, wooden benches and slanting floor are unique among Cache Valley's religious buildings.

Location: 75 South 100 East

Hours: tours available

Information: 435.245.0795



HERITAGE PRODUCTS

Aggie Ice Cream

Utah State University, the state's agricultural college, has played an important role in pioneering the production of ice cream. You can sample a taste of this locally famous confection in an assortment of flavors and in large servings at the dairy building on the university campus. The ice cream is also packaged and sold in selected local grocery stores. (Macey's & Lee's)

Location: 750 North 1200 East, Logan

Hours: Mon. thru Fri. 9 am to 10 pm; Sat. 10 am to 10 pm; Sun. 10 am to 9 pm

Information: 435.797.2109

Alvey's Candies

Alvey's Candies is a local family owned and operated shop that offers delicious chocolates and candies, including the house specialty, the Alvey candy bar. Store owner Shari Alvey grew up watching her grandmother make chocolates in her candy store and has carried on the family tradition.

Location: 1300 North Main, Logan, in the Cache Valley Mall

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 10 am – 9 pm; Sun., noon – 5 pm

Information: 435.753.8888

Apple Cider

Cache Valley is home to several apple orchards that produce delicious fresh apple cider. Visit any local grocery store and look in the refrigerator section for this tasty treat.

American West Heritage Center Gift Shop

Features many Utah-made, Native American and western items

Location: 5 miles south of Logan, Utah on US Hwy 89/91

Open: Mon. – Fri., 8 am – 5 pm; Memorial Day – Labor Day, also Sat., 9 am – 4 pm

Information: 435.245.6050

Bluebird Candy

This rich hand-dipped chocolate candy shouldn't be missed! The company has been in business since 1914. A second store is in the Albertson's shopping center on 400 North, next to the Shangri-La Health Food Store.

Location: 75 West Center, Logan, Utah

Open: Mon. – Sat., 10 am – 5 pm; Albertson's location Mon. – Sat., 10 am – 8 pm

Information: 435.753.3670

Brindley's Harness Works

Marla Brindley Trowbridge carries on a century-old tradition of harness making and leather repair. She makes and repairs anything from reins to full harness and gear for horses. She also makes leather apparel.

Hours: By appointment

Information: 435.752.9716 **Shop:** 435.245.4344

Cache Valley Cheese

Dairy farming and cheese making have been part of the Cache Valley economy for many decades. Cache Valley Cheese is one of the local cheese brands and is available in most grocery stores in the area. The cheese factory is in Amalga, just west of Smithfield, and is not open to the public. However, the Farm Store located next to the factory carries Cache Valley Cheese along with farm and ranch supplies.

Location: Farm Store, 2180 West 6550 North, Amalga

Hours: Mon. – Fri., 8 am – 5 pm; Sat., 8 am – 1 pm

Information: 435.563.4744

Cache Valley Gardeners' Market

The Cache Valley Gardeners' Market features locally grown fruits and vegetables from the Northern Utah area; as well as hand- and home-made crafts from local artisans and entrepreneurs. We often have live folk music, fresh coffee and bread, and informative demonstrations.

Location: Garff Wayside Park 150 South Main (behind Tony Roma's), Logan



Making hand-dipped chocolates at Blue Bird Candy Company, Logan, Utah

Hours: Open Mother's Day weekend: then each Saturday May - October, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
Information: 435.753.6029#30

Casper's Ice Cream Malt Shop

In the town that celebrates Black and White Days (named after black and white Holstein cattle) to honor dairy farming in Cache Valley, Casper's Malt Shop makes delicious dairy treats, including Casper's famous Fat Boy ice cream sandwiches and Casco ice cream sundaes on a stick.

Location: 11805 North 200 East, Richmond
Hours: Mon. - Sat., noon - 10 pm
Information: 435.258.2477

Charlie's Supreme Ice Cream

Charlie's Supreme Ice Cream has been scooping up tasty ice cream (made locally at Heart to Heart Foods) for years. Visit Craig "Charlie" Earl's shop and get a taste of real Utah ice cream.

Location: 1219 North Main, Logan
Hours: Mon. - Thurs., 11 am - 10:30 pm; Fri. - Sat. 11 am - midnight.
Information: 435.753.4355

Cherry Creek Soap Co.

Diane Bush's all-vegetable soaps are made by hand in small batches by the traditional cold process method, using natural pigment, herbs, spices, and essential and fragrance oils. Diane also makes lip balm, lotions and creams. You can buy Cherry Creek products at the American West Heritage Center Gift Shop, Chapter Two Book Shop, Accents, and in summer, at the gardener's market held on Saturday mornings in the park at 100 South and Main in Logan. You may also purchase products from the website.

Information: 435.258.4432
www.cherrycreeksoap.com

Country Village Antique and Craft Mall

A place to find the unique treasures you've been searching for. Original and unique crafts and antiques.

Location: 730 South Main, Logan
Hours: 10:30 am - 6:30 pm
Information: 435.753.1707

Cox Honeyland

This business has been owned by the same family since it was founded in 1929. The intermountain area, with its dry climate, is considered one of the best areas for production of low-moisture honey that stores well. A glass observation

hive on the premises allows visitors to watch the bees at work, and educational videos on honey production and why Utah is the Beehive State are available for viewing and purchase. Gourmet food products and unique gifts are available.

Location: 1780 South Highway 89/91, just south of Logan
Hours: Mon. - Sat., 10 am - 5 pm
Information: 435.752.3234

Craft Farm

Beautiful hand made wreaths and dried flowers available in arrangements or bulk.

Location: 230 East Mail, Wellsville
Hours: Call for exact hours
Information: 435.245.4579

Fuhriman's Framing and Fine Art

Locally owned and operated by Sue Fuhriman. With an excellent eye for art, Sue sells the work of local artists, including her husband Jerry's Cache Valley landscapes and the work of other local artists, including Richard Olsen, Colleen Howe and potter Sharon Brown-Mikkelson.

Location: 75 South Main, Logan
Hours: Mon. - Fri., 10 am - 6 pm; Sat., 10 am - 5 pm
Information: 435.752.0370

Gossner Foods

This family-owned company was founded in 1966 by Edwin Gossner, a cheesemaker from Switzerland who came to Cache Valley to start a cheese business because he felt the conditions here were ideal, similar to those in Switzerland. The company specializes in several varieties of cheese, plus shelf-stable milk—a form of milk that does not require refrigeration and which was pioneered here at Utah State University.

Location: 1051 North 1000 West, Logan
Hours: Mon. - Sat., 8 am - 6 pm
Information: 435.752.9365 / www.gossner.com

Heart to Heart Foods

Cache Valley is home to many dairy farms and dairy related businesses. Ice cream is the house specialty at Heart to Heart Foods. Visit the Heart to Heart factory store during the summer and buy a delicious Creamie or a scoop of Charlie's ice cream. For those of you visiting Cache Valley at other times, you can visit Charlie's Supreme Ice Cream in Logan and get both treats.

Location: 142 West 3200 North, Hyde Park
Open: Open to the public in the summer—call for times
Information: 435.753.9602

Nook and Cranny

Catering to Cache Valley's crafters, the Nook and Cranny rents out booth space to local crafters who sell their wares on consignment.

Location: 1300 North Main, Logan, in the Cache Valley Mall
Hours: Mon. - Sat., 10 am - 9 pm;
Sat. - Sun., noon - 5 pm
Information: 435.753.7816

Old Depot Antiques

Located in the old Interurban train depot, this shop features a variety of antiques and collectibles.

Location: 196 West Main, Richmond
Information: 435.758.4422

On the Avenue

A unique boutique of traditionally hand-crafted gifts.



Gossner's Foods produce cheese and other dairy products in Logan, Utah



Specializing in a variety of wood and fabric items for home decor. Handmade dolls, quilted runners, candles, pillows, floral arrangements, framed art, antique furniture, collectibles, seasonal and holiday decorative items. Many items are made by local Cache Valley artisans. Their quaint building was built in the early 1900s and located within Logan's Historic District on Federal Avenue.



Quilting a popular craft in the Bear River Heritage Area

Location: 34 Federal Avenue, Logan, Utah
Hours: Mon. – Sat., 10:00 am – 6 pm
Information: 435.753.1150

Only By Hand

Embroidery, needlepoint, crocheting, and other forms of needlework are very popular activities in northern Utah. Only by Hand has been in business for 11 years, carrying supplies for needle workers, including hardanger and cross-stitch patterns by nationally known local artist Emie Bishop. You can also find antiques and collectibles in this store, which is located inside the downtown mini-mall known as the Emporium, just across from the Mormon Tabernacle.

Location: 55 North Main, Logan UT
Hours: Mon. – Sat., 10:30 am – 6 pm
Information: 435.752.1401

Rasmussen Pottery Studio

K. & Kerri Rasmussen, husband and wife potters, work together to produce unique handmade functional and decorative pottery. Woven within the Rasmussen's work are designs from nature.

Location: 263 West 300 North, Hyrum
Hours: call for an appointment
Information: 435.245.5941

Somers Antiques

This shop carries a variety of antiques and also the picture-filled book on Cache Valley history that Ray Somers authored.

Location: 70 West Center Street, Logan
Hours: Mon., Thurs., 10 am – 8 pm; Tue., Wed., 10 am – 6 pm; Fri. – Sat., 10 am – 9 pm
Information: 435.752.6516

The Spirit Goat

The Spirit Goat offers handcrafted soap with goat's milk and a mixture of vegetable-based oils. Other natural ingredients, like oatmeal, honey, and calendula petals, are added to selected soaps to provide specific skincare qualities. They also offer other natural products including lotions, balms, and pet shampoo bars.

Location: Products can be purchased at the Nook & Cranny in Logan (see separate listing), or from the Spirit Goat website, www.spiritgoat.com.

Stylish Fabrics

Stylish Fabrics opened in the 1960s, supplying patterns and fabric for clothing. Today, the shop specializes in fabric and batting for quilt making, a well-developed local craft. Their inventory is so complete and high quality that they have many out-of-state customers who send for materials here. Stylish Fabrics also sells machine-quilted quilts made by local women—the front windows usually have a colorful display of these.

Location: 138 N Main, Logan
Hours: Mon. thru Sat., 9:30 am to 6 pm
Information: 435.752.4186

Theurer's Store

Family-owned since 1904, Theurer's (pronounced "Tire's") is a local favorite for residents of Cache Valley. Starting with a store in Providence, Theurer's grew to three stores around the valley. Currently, there are two stores, one in Richmond and one in Lewiston. Theurer's sells groceries, hardware items, fabric, and also has a custom meat shop. The fabric store has 750 to 1,000 bolts of quilting fabric that people come from all over to purchase. The owner also makes her own quilts and sells them at the store.

Locations: 1 North Main Street, Lewiston and 23 West Main Street, Richmond
Hours: Mon. – Sat., 8 am – 8 pm
Information: 435.258.2755 (Lewiston store) and 435.258.2252 (Richmond store)

Weeks Berries of Paradise

This is a 25-year-old business, family owned and operated. The Weeks family says that the growing conditions in Paradise produce superior flavor in their berries, which include strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, gooseberries, huckleberries, and black, red, and white currants in season. They also produce juices, syrups, and freezer jams that are available year round. Stop by to purchase their delicious wares, but call first in the summer because often everyone is out in the fields. Or, look for their products in many local stores, including Cox Honeyland (see separate listing).

Location: 880 East 8600 South, Paradise
Hours: By appointment
Information: 435.245.3377

Windy Hollow Llamas and Alpacas

Cache Valley's agricultural horizons are constantly expanding. Enjoy what nature gave the Andean people thousands of years ago, the luxurious fiber from alpaca. No other fiber animal comes in as many colors, from pure, sparkling white to blackest black and all the browns, tans and grays in between. At Windy Hollow, alpacas are raised and sold to other farmers, and handmade products like scarves, sweaters, and caps are available.

Location: 5336 Hollow Road, Nibley, UT 84321
Hours: by appointment
Information: 435.245.5123 or www.whalpac.com



HERITAGE FOOD



A central town square like this one in Wellsville, Utah is a feature of many Mormon towns.

WHAT ABOUT THOSE CRAZY ADDRESSES: MORMON TOWN PLANNING

Most towns established in the West by Mormon pioneers are laid out in the typical pattern often referred to as the "Mormon Village," with streets oriented to the cardinal directions in a grid pattern, with a town square at the center. This pattern was a modification of a townsite plan known as the Plat of Zion that was devised by the founder of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Joseph Smith. People lived in town and had large enough lots (usually eight 1.25-acre lots to a large 10-acre block) to accommodate a barn, granary, or other outbuildings, and a garden and yard. Fields to be farmed were located outside the borders of the town, requiring farmers to travel from their town dwellings to work the fields.

Streets in towns that were settled by Mormons were named for the number of blocks in a given direction that they were from the town square: 200 East is the second street east of the town square, for instance. Thus, you can locate any address in a Mormon-settled town by knowing its coordinates: 550 East 200 South is 5.5 blocks east and 2 blocks south of the town square.

In 1996 the American Planning Association presented the Planning Landmark Award to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in recognition of the contributions of Joseph Smith and Brigham Young in the development of early Latter-day Saint settlements. "The planning and founding of more than 500 communities in the American West is regarded by many planning historians as one of the most significant accomplishments in the history of American city development," said Bruce Parker, former president of the Utah chapter of the American Planning Association.

The cuisine of the Bear River region is rural western fare—beef, chicken, and the accompaniments. The beef is probably grown locally, and you might find a few local twists. For instance, fry sauce—a dipping sauce for French fries—is unique to this area, and desserts catering to the local sweet tooth are usually excellent. All the restaurants listed below are locally owned. Of course, there are many more restaurants in the area than are listed here. This list focuses on those that reflect local culture from the past to the present.

Angie's

This is a local gathering spot where farmers stop in for a cup of coffee in the morning, or students meet in the evenings.

Location: 690 North Main, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Thur., 6 am -10 pm; Fri. – Sat., 6 am – 11 pm; Sun., 6 am -10 pm

Information: 435.752.9252

The Bluebird

In business since 1914, this historic café has seen much business done over a cup of coffee and a handshake. Stop in for a cool drink at the old soda fountain. A mural in the back room depicts local history and predictions for Logan's future.

Location: 19 North Main, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 11 am – 9:30 pm

Information: 435.752.3155

Cabin Fever Cafe

Family dining in rustic setting with farm fresh taste prepared from scratch daily.

Location: 180 West 1200 South, Logan, Utah

Hours: Mon- Thur., 6 am – 9 pm;

Fri. –Sat., 6 am -10 pm

Information: 435.753.2667

Caffé Ibis

Located in historic downtown Logan, the Caffé Ibis features locally roasted coffees and an assortment of teas, healthful meals, and great desserts. Owners Randy and Sally Wirth offer a unique gathering spot for the community, with sidewalk tables and lively conversation.

Location: 52 Federal Avenue, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 6 am – 9 pm; Sunday 8 am – 6 pm

Information: 435.753.4777

Coppermill Restaurant

Located upstairs in the Emporium, across Main Street from the Logan Tabernacle, the Coppermill is a place where local folks come to do business or celebrate happy



events with a good meal.

Location: 55 North Main Street, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Thur., 11 am - 9:30 pm;

Fri. – Sat., 11 am – 10 pm

Information: 435.752.0647

Glauer's Restaurant

Family dining, steaks

Location: 25 West Center, Logan

Hours: 6 am – 9 pm every day

Information: 435.752.1681

(DeVerle's) Juniper Inn

A longstanding favorite place where locals expect to see someone they know on any given evening. Home-style

WATER AND IRRIGATION

In the semi-arid West, water is crucial for life to flourish. Mountain snows replenish ground and surface water supplies when they melt in the spring. Drought and flooding are part of the western experience, and past generations have taken steps to ensure that there is enough water: damming of streams to store water in reservoirs was one of those steps, and the development of a network of irrigation ditches was another. Stories of fights over water are still a common part of life here. Watch for aqueducts, ditches, headgates (devices designed to direct the flow of irrigation water down one ditch or another), makeshift irrigation dams (often just a sheet of plastic held down by rocks), and clear irrigation water flowing down city gutters. People also enjoy recreation on the rivers, lakes, and ditches, boating—"tubing" (floating on an old inner tube), swimming, fishing, and water skiing are all popular water-centered pastimes.



American cooking featuring steaks, chicken, fish.

Location: 4088 North Main, Logan (Hyde Park)

Hours: Mon. - Sat., 11:30 am – 10 pm

Information: 435.563.3622

Juniper Take Out

A take-out branch of the Juniper Inn. Similar local cooking, with excellent rolls and honey butter.

Location: 35 East 400 North (in the Albertson's shopping center)

Hours: Mon. – Thurs., 11 am – 9:30 pm;

Fri. – Sat., 11 am – 10 pm

Information: 435.752.3100

Kate's Kitchen

Hearty food served family style, with a prime rib night the third Saturday of the month.

Location: 71 E. 1200 North (Providence Road), Logan

Located a little bit off the road behind a car wash, so watch for it!

Hours: Tue. – Sat., 4 pm – 10 pm

Information: 435.753.5733, 435.753.1223 for takeout

L.D.'s Café

L. D. Bowcutt started L.D.'s Café 45 years ago. Serving breakfast, lunch and dinner, L.D.'s is a favorite of many valley residents. Weekends are popular at L.D.'s with their steak and shrimp dinners.

Location: 39 W. Main, Richmond

Hours: Mon. – Thurs., 7:30 am – 10 pm; Fri. – Sat., 7:30 am – 10:30 pm; Sun., 7:30 am - midnight

Information: 435.258-5135

Shaffer House Bakery

Family owned and operated for over 25 years, visit Shaffer's bakery for mouth watering cinnamon rolls, orange rolls, maple bars and more. Also serves soups and sandwiches.

Location: 1045 N Main, Suite A, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 5 am – 7 pm

Information: 435.752.0929

The White Owl

Located in a former bookstore, the "Owl," as locals call it, has been a favorite hangout for decades, serving up locally brewed beers from around the state. Located in historic downtown Logan, the Owl offers outdoor seating on the rooftop deck during the summer, where you can enjoy a mouth watering burger and a veggie basket. The Owl is also home to a large billiard room that was the original bar and billiard club in Logan. Proprietor John Calderwood can often be seen enjoying a beer while yakking with the customers.

Location: 36 West Center Street, Logan

Hours: Every day, 11:30 am to 1:00 am

Information: 435.753.9165

ETHNIC RESTAURANTS

Over the years, people from many parts of the world have moved to Cache Valley and have contributed to the constantly changing local culture. You can sample world cuisines at these businesses.

ASIAN

Formosa

Chinese food – Mandarin style

Location: 890 North Main, Logan

ETHNIC AND CULTURAL GROUPS

The Bear River region is home to many ethnic and cultural groups. The Northwest Band of Shoshone, who have inhabited the area for centuries, still live here and have their headquarters in Brigham City, Utah.

The Mormon migration of the 1800s primarily consisted of people from Great Britain and Scandinavia.

In the past century, people from Japan, the Pacific Islands, Mexico, several South and Central American countries, Vietnam,

Cambodia, and many other places have made homes in northern Utah and southeastern

Idaho. One sign of the presence of a variety of ethnic groups is the proliferation of new restaurants featuring authentic foods from many cultures. Several groups also hold holiday celebrations typical of their homelands that are open to the public.

Hours: Mon. – Fri., 11 am - 9:30 pm; Sat., 11 am – 10 pm; Sun., 12 noon – 9 pm
Information: 435.753.7889

Korea House

Korean food

Location: 111 South Main, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Thur., 11 am – 8 pm; Fri. – Sat., 11 am - 8:30 pm

Information: 435.755.9701

Lotus Place

Traditional Asian snack foods and groceries.

Location: 993 South Main, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 10:30 am – 6:30 pm

Information: 435.792.4280

Mandarin Garden

Chinese food – Mandarin style

Location: 432 North Main, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Thur., 11 am - 9:30 pm; Fri., 11 am – 10 pm; Sat., 12 noon – 10 pm

Information: 435.753.5789

Saigon Vietnamese Restaurant

Cache Valley is home to a strong Vietnamese community. Visit the Saigon Restaurant, which is locally owned and operated, and enjoy traditional Chinese-Vietnamese dishes.

Location: 1085 2 North Main, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 11 am - 9 pm

Information: 435.787.2132

Tanpopo

People from Japan started settling in this region before World War II, but the population grew rapidly after the war. Tanpopo's owner is from Japan, and the menu features her recipes, including sushi, fat noodles, and tempura.

Location: 55 West 1000 North, Logan

Hours: Tues. – Thurs., 5 pm – 9 pm;

Fri. – Sat., 5 pm – 10 pm

Information: 435.750.7099



Vietnamese Lion Dance mask used by Quang Nham, Logan, Utah

ITALIAN

Gia's

This favorite spot was established by an Italian family many years ago, and features a variety of Italian dishes.

Location: 119 South Main, Logan

Hours: Sun. – Thur., 11 am – 9 pm;

Fri. – Sat., 11 am – 10 pm

Information: 435.752.8384

Le Nonne Ristorante

Authentic Italian food including handmade ravioli.

Location: 132 North Main, Logan

Hours: Lunch, Mon. – Fri., 11:30 am – 2:30 pm; Dinner,

Mon. – Sat., 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Information: 435.752.9577

MEXICAN



Many businesses have been established to serve the growing Latino population.



El Toro Viejo

Authentic Mexican food, enchiladas, seafood, steak. Fresh salsa verde.

Location: 1079 North Main, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Thur., 11 am – 10 pm;

Fri. – Sat., 11 am – 11 pm; Sun., 12 noon – 10 pm

Information: 435.753.4084

La Ranchera

Mexican grocery and taqueria (taco shop).

Location: 96 North 100 West, Logan

Hours: Mon. - Thur., 9 am - 6 pm; Fri 8 am - 10 pm

Information: 435.753.9136

La Tormenta

Authentic Mexican food including tacos, burritos, steak.

Location: 95 East 1400 North

Hours: Daily, 9 am - 9:30 pm

Information: 435.787.4640

La Unica Taqueria

Authentic Mexican food, including enchiladas, tamales, tacos and aguas frescas (refreshing soft drinks). You can also buy fresh baked Mexican breads made locally.

Location: 473 South Main Street, Logan

Hours: Daily, 9 am – midnight

Information: 435.753.3161

Logan's Bakery (Jalisco Bakery)

Esperanza Colazo's full service Mexican bakery. To buy some goodies, pick up a tray from the stack, along with a pair of tongs from the wire, and use the tongs to take your selections—everything from buttered bread to empanadas (turnovers)—from the case. Place the items on the tray, then take the tray to the cash register, where they will be rung up and bagged for you.

Location: 41 West 1000 North, Logan

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 9:30 am – 9 pm;

Sun., 9:30 am – 3 pm

Information: 435.787.8900



HERITAGE LODGING

This is a list of lodging locations that have historic or cultural importance in Cache Valley. For a complete list of all of Cache Valley's lodging opportunities, contact Cache Valley Tourism at 160 North Main Street, Logan UT 84321; 800.952.UTAH or 435.752.2161, or visit their website at www.tourcachevalley.com.

Baugh Motel

Family owned and operated, the Baugh Motel was built in 1957 on the site of an old trolley car depot and is

reminiscent of 1950s brick roadside architecture. The registration office is an old gas station. The rock-walled ruins of a flour mill can be seen on the northwest corner of the motel property where the canal drops down from 100 North. While at the Baugh, dine at the Cottage Restaurant located behind the motel.

Location: 153 South Main, Logan.

Information: 435.752.5220



Logan House Inn

The Logan House Inn is a beautifully-appointed luxury inn and conference center. The stately Greek Revival/ Georgian Manor home with its beautiful columned porch was built at the turn of the last century by a prominent pharmacist named Riter. The estate was often used as a social gathering place and a center for music and entertainment. The rooms have been updated to include whirlpool baths and fireplaces.

Location: 168 North 100 East, Logan

Information: 435.752.7727 or 800.478.7459

www.loganhouseinn.com

Providence Inn Bed & Breakfast

This old Mormon meetinghouse is built of local stone and nestled in the pleasant community of Providence, just south of Logan. The Old Rock Church, as it is known locally, was built in 1871 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. An addition to the Old Rock Church, the Providence Inn Bed & Breakfast was built in 1926. The Inn provides comfort, charm, and a beautiful setting for a business or pleasure trip. Small conference facilities are available.

Location: 10 South Main Street, Providence

Information: 435.752.3432 or 1.800.480.4943



IDAHO

CACHE VALLEY

Like the rest of the Bear River Heritage Area, northern Cache Valley was home to Shoshone, Blackfoot, and Ute Indians before white settlers came. White people first saw the valley in the 1820s, when trappers working for the Rocky Mountain Fur Company came in search of fur-bearing animals. This part of Idaho was settled by whites before any other area of the state when in 1860, Mormons moved northward and founded the town of Franklin. Like many other Mormon settlements, Franklin was first settled in a fort formation, with cabins built wall-to-wall facing onto a large open square so that they could be easily defended. A well, corrals for animals, and other necessities were located inside the fort. The area covered by the fort was approximately 100 North to 200 South and from the railroad tracks to 300 East in modern-day Franklin. The county has kept its rural character, and agriculture continues to be the primary economic engine.



HERITAGE SITES

Below is a sampling of historic buildings and other significant sites in Cache Valley, Idaho. For a complete listing of properties that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, go to www.nationalregisterofhistoricplaces.com/id/Franklin/state.html.

Bear River Massacre Site

On January 29, 1863, Colonel Patrick E. Connor led a group of California Volunteers from Fort Douglas (Salt Lake City) in search of Shoshone Indians responsible for raids on settlers. The Indians had been pushed out of more and more of their lands in northern Utah, and some of them had reacted by attacking settlers. In the early morning darkness, the soldiers attacked the winter camp of Chief Bear Hunter on Battle Creek, trapping them in the ravine, and slaughtered at least 250 men, women, and children (some accounts say it was 400). It is the worst massacre of Native Americans in the West, but it occurred

during the Civil War, when Americans' attention was more on events in the East than those in the West. The event is noted by several historical markers on Highway 91 outside of Preston. The various markers show how the event has been remembered—first as a “battle,” and later as the massacre it was. There are often items of remembrance—possibly little bundles of cloth, or feathers, etc.—left by Native Americans at the site. Please do not disturb these if you see them.

Location: About 2.5 miles northwest of Preston on U.S. 91



Monument at the site of the infamous Bear River Massacre, where on January 29, 1863 over 250 Shoshone men, women and children were slaughtered by U.S. troops

Ezra Taft Benson Home and Gravesite

Whitney was the boyhood home of Ezra Taft Benson who served as Secretary of Agriculture in the Eisenhower Administration, and as President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints from 1985 to 1994. The home in which he was raised and the nearby barn still stand on the family farm. The home and farm are private property, not open to the public. Benson is buried in the Whitney cemetery nearby.

Location: 2003 East 800 South, Whitney

Bob's True Value Hardware

Bob's Mart, as locals call it, has been in operation in Preston since 1938. The building was originally built by J.C. Penney as the second store in the JC Penney chain (the chain originated in Kemmerer, Wyoming, some 100 miles to the east). As you walk on the hard wood floors of Bob's Mart, you'll get the historical feel of the building. Some local goods are sold here, but they mainly sell hardware and variety goods. Every Christmas Bob's sells tree permits for Christmas tree cutting.

Location: 44 South State Street, Preston

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 9 am – 7 pm

Information: 208.852.2627

Doney House

This is the second oldest house in Idaho, built in 1864 by John Doney, and an example of a pioneer rock house. Not open to the public.

Location: Behind house at 48 N. 300 East, Franklin

THE MINK CREEK GHOST

At the north end of Cache Valley is the small ranching community of Mink Creek, home to the most famous local phantom, the Mink Creek Ghost. The ghost was said to have arrived in a rushing wind at a farmhouse in the canyon, attacking a young girl by choking her.

This occurred repeatedly over a period of time, and no effort of the residents, including prayer, blessings, and neighbors staying in the home, was able to rout the spirit. Eventually, the family left the area after the death of the daughter who had been the target of the attacks.

Some people say that the ghost was the avenging spirit of a wealthy Danish relative who was killed by the girl's father after a visit. After the family moved away, the ghost never troubled the area again.

Franklin Relic Hall

The village of Franklin is the oldest European-American settlement in Idaho, having been established in April, 1860 by Mormon pioneers moving northward from Utah. The relic hall, a museum of local history, is housed in a log building that was built as a museum in 1937 as homage to the log homes of the early settlers. Exhibits inside the hall have remained relatively unchanged since they were installed in 1937. The collection includes farm implements, photos of settlers, and a Yellowstone Park Touring Stagecoach. In addition, there is a replica of the old fort that was the first structure when Franklin was settled. Next to the Relic Hall is the stone building that was the Franklin Cooperative Mercantile Institution, part of the cooperative movement instituted under Brigham Young. The idea was to locally produce as much of what was consumed as

possible, to avoid dependence on "imported goods" from the coasts.

Location: 111 E. Main, Franklin

Hours: By appointment

Information: 208.646.2620

Hatch House

This Greek Revival style house was built of local limestone in 1872 by Lorenzo H. Hatch, one of the earliest settlers of Franklin. A carpenter and farmer, he was the first Mormon Idaho legislator and served as mayor and Mormon bishop of Franklin. Since Hatch was the local bishop, he built his house large enough to accommodate visiting dignitaries and travelers. The original floor plan included a front parlor, hallway and staircase on one side, a kitchen in the back, and four bedrooms (three upstairs and one downstairs). A brick addition was built in 1905. Descendants of L.H. Hatch lived in the house until the 1940s. It is on the National Register of Historic Places. The house is not open to the public.

Location: 125 E. Main, Franklin



Hatch House, Franklin, ID— built in 1872 by early settler Lorenzo H. Hatch

Historical Markers

You will find markers at sites of historical significance throughout the Bear River Heritage Area. Many were placed by the states of Idaho and Utah, but many others, usually older than the state markers, were the work of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers. This organization for women who have at least one ancestor who came across the Plains before the railroad (1869), is organized into local "camps," which meet monthly to study history. For men, there is the Sons of Utah Pioneers organization.

Old Village Hall/Jail

Location: 122 E. Main, Franklin

Hours: By appointment

Information: 208.646.2313

Oneida Stake Academy

The Oneida Stake Academy was one of many schools founded by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. It was started in 1888 in Franklin, Idaho. When the time came in 1889 to build a building for the academy, Preston was chosen as the location because it was a larger community and more centrally located in the region. It is the oldest academy building still standing. Ezra Taft Benson and Harold B. Lee, former Mormon Church Presidents, were among the graduates of the school.

Location: 151 East 200 South, Preston, behind Preston High School

Shoshone Trail

The Shoshone Indians used this trail to cross the mountains between Cache Valley and Bear Lake Valley, and on into Wyoming. When Mormon settlers came, they used the trail to take mail between the valleys. A marker commemorating the pioneer mail route is located up Cub River Road (County Road 406 which turns off U.S. 91 about three miles south of Preston, Idaho), near Thomas Spring on Willow Flat Road (about 12 miles up Cub River Road).

Worm Creek Opera House

This old theater was named after a creek that flows through Preston. It was reopened about thirty years ago and now serves as a movie theater and a playhouse for Preston and West Side High School's plays and musicals. Productions by the Northern Cache Valley Theatre Guild are also performed here.

Location: 70 S. State Street, Preston

Hours: Fri, Sat, Mon., 7 pm - 9 pm

Information: 208.852.0088

Whitney, Idaho

Whitney, which remains to this day a farming community, was settled by farmers from Franklin. They had been using the land to raise crops prior to settlement, and then in 1869, they built homes and moved to the area. When the railroad came through in 1878, the town was known as Hulls' Crossing. It was given its present name in 1888.



HERITAGE PRODUCTS

Bear Claw Inc.

Russell D. and Susan Jorgensen have a national and international following in art circles for their wildlife and western art, limited edition sculpture, original oil paintings and limited edition prints. Having lived in western Wyoming and southeast Idaho has influenced Russell's choice of subject matter. Not only does he create the sculptures, but he also makes the molds that the limited editions are made from. Through extensive research and development he now uses two casting media: Stone casting allows an exact solid cast of the original using a granite particle composition, while cold cast bronze uses a more extensive mold and cast development, and is formed of metals and resin. The Russells do not have a public shop.

Location: 22 N. State Street, Preston

Hours: By appointment

Information: 208.852.3060

Papa Jay's

Locally owned and operated by Jay Moyle, Papa Jay's grocery offers homemade beef jerky.

Location: 10 South Main Street, Clifton

Hours: Mon. - Sat., 8 am - 7 pm

Information: 208.747.3772

Scenic Wonders

Angela I. Nielson is a freelance scenic photographer since 1988. Her photos have been published in travel brochures and are displayed in some local businesses.

Location: 153 East 200 North, Preston

Hours: By appointment

Information: 208.852.2889

LOCAL BUSINESSES AND INSTITUTIONS

Entrepreneurship has flourished in this region, and many businesses are rooted in local culture.

Small businesspeople like saddlemakers, sign painters, hot springs owners, Dutch oven cooks, and hunting guides continue to ply their trades. In the 1860s, Brigham Young instituted the "cooperative" movement, in which communities banded together in businesses such as dry goods, milling, and cabinetmaking. Some modern businesses are the descendants of these old "co-ops," and some of the buildings in which the co-ops were housed still stand. Cheese, ice cream, chocolate candies, and other confections are made here, with some businesses dating back to the early 1900s. You may see abandoned condensed milk and sugar beet processing plants in some communities, and we have agricultural implement stores that are more than a century old. Another institution, Utah State University, began as Utah Agricultural College, or the "A.C." Today, many businesses are located in historic buildings like old churches and depots, and businesses serving some of the newer immigrant groups can be seen in most communities.



Old barns in Preston, Idaho like this one reflect the regions agricultural heritage.



The Steel Gallery

Sheet metal cutouts are becoming increasingly popular throughout the West. Roy Waddoups creates such work, which is used as mailbox stands, ranch entrance signs, interior art, and yard ornaments. He is an Idaho native, originally from Butte County, and started doing light relief carving and painting of wood burls, mostly using redwood. After nineteen years, he switched to metalwork, which he has been doing for the past five years, though he still does some wood work on request. He has a shop in Franklin, with his work displayed out in front.

Location: 105 S. State Street, Franklin

Hours: As posted or by appointment.

Information: 208.646.2215

Viking Leather

Thirty years ago Max Gundersen started in the upholstery business in the Salt Lake area. Since moving to Idaho in 1974, he started to work in leather and tooling in leather. He creates gun cases, chaps, bridles, and other items. The business has a large market, both local and nationally, including selling to major stores and mail order companies.

Location: 1439 N. Westside Highway, Dayton

Hours: Mon. – Fri., 8 am - 4:30 pm; Sat, 10 am - 5 pm

Information: 208.747.3260

Wildgold

John Rasmussen is known for his antler carvings and antler composite products made of 70% pulverized antler. The artwork is sculpted and then painted in great detail. Raised near Island Park, Idaho, and a Preston resident for over twenty years, John has been carving since 1978. He creates images of game and other birds, moose, wild sheep, and others. He will carve exotic animals on consignment. His work is well known by hunters and collectors alike and is sold throughout the U.S. and internationally. Belt buckles, hat pins, bolo ties, & tie tacks are available.

Location: 306 E. 400 South, Preston

Hours: By appointment

Information: 208.852.3310



HERITAGE FOOD

Polar Bear

Since 1952, the Polar Bear has been a local favorite. Family run, the Polar Bear offers delicious milkshakes and tempting burgers that many locals find too good to pass up. Steve Larsen, who took over the business from his father, is the chief chef today. Stop by and see why this place is a town favorite.

Location: 145 South State Street, Preston

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 8 am – 9 pm, depending on business

Information: 208.852.1802



Whitewashed letters on hillsides celebrate local schools, Weston, Idaho

COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS

The yearly calendar is full of events that allow people to gather and celebrate. Some of these are open to the public, some are not. Among the public events are agricultural festivals like Raspberry Days (Garden City, Utah), Black and White Days (Richmond, Utah), Wheat and Beet Days (Garland, Utah), Peach Days (Brigham City, Utah), etc. Pioneer Day, which is July 24, is a Utah state holiday that commemorates the day that the Mormon pioneers entered the Salt Lake Valley. In Idaho, where the date is not an official holiday, it is often celebrated in small town churches. Ethnic events such as Cambodian memorial services, Chinese New Year, Cinco de Mayo, and Scandinavian Midsommar all occur in Bear River communities. All counties have rodeos, usually during the county fair (August is a prime month for county fairs). Many of these celebrations are marked by parades, pancake breakfasts, races, and other activities.

BEAR LAKE COUNTRY

ROAD TO ADVENTURE:

SOME THINGS ARE HARD TO FIND, BUT WORTH THE SEARCH

Bear Lake, the deep natural lake that changes color with the sky, is at the center of Bear Lake Valley. The lake is best known for its intense turquoise color that is evident on a sunny day. Shoshone and Bannock Indians lived and hunted in the valley. The first whites to see the valley were with the Donald MacKenzie Snake River expedition of 1818-19. Then, beginning in the 1840s, the Oregon Trail cut through the valley, bringing thousands of emigrants through the region. But the only one to settle here in the early years was Thomas L. "Peg Leg" Smith, who ran a cattle business, trading post, and horse exchange near present-day Dingle, Idaho. After the passage of the Homestead Act in 1862, Brigham Young feared that the valley would fall into non-Mormon hands, so he sent a group of people under the leadership of Charles C. Rich to colonize the valley. Between 1863 and 1870, they established several communities—today's Paris, Idaho, and Garden City (then called Kennedyville), Laketown, Woodruff, and Randolph, Utah. The valley is known for harsh winters and short growing seasons (Woodruff averages only 57 frost-free days a year), but there is fertile land for the production of livestock. The lake is a mecca for recreation, surrounded by traditional ranching country. The wetlands on the north end of the lake are a haven for wild birds, the flatlands near the lake host raspberry fields and towns, and the steep mountains on the west are part of Wasatch-Cache National Forest, with its fir-juniper forests, trails, and wildlife.

For more information on Bear Lake country, and to find information on lodging and accommodations, go to www.bearlake.org or email at judy@dcdi.net or phone toll free 800.448.BEAR (2327).



HERITAGE EXPERIENCES

Bear Lake Livery & Chuck Wagon

Enjoy a scenic ride on a wagon, eat delicious catered Dutch oven dinners with live music, and cowboy poetry set in the mountains surrounding Bear Lake. Reservations required.

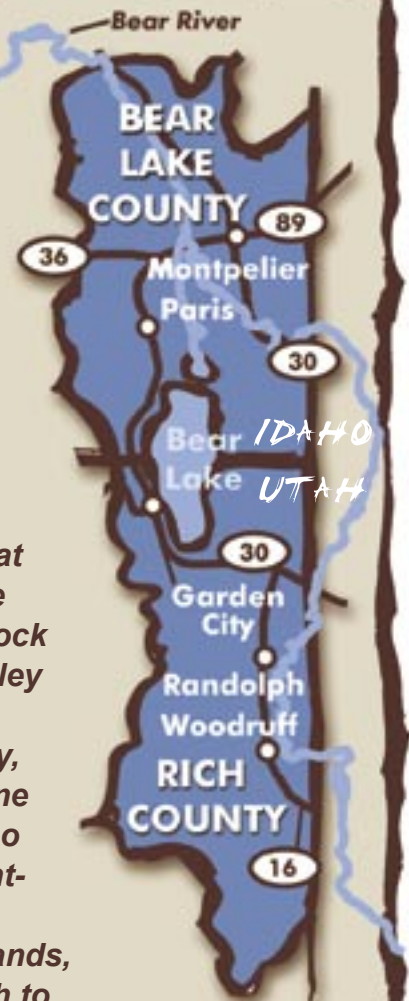
Location: 71 E Center Laketown, Utah

Hours: Call Mike and set up an appointment

Information: 435.946.8623

Bar-H-Bar Working Ranch

Located on the Oregon Trail and adjoining National Forest land, this cattle ranch has been worked by the Harris family for five generations. Recently McGee Harris and



his family converted it into a working ranch resort so that others could experience the adventures of ranching life. They have horses for every level of rider available, no experience necessary.

Location: 1501 8 Mile Creek Road, Nounan, Idaho (between Montpelier and Soda Springs)

Hours: Sunday night thru Saturday morning

Information: 800.743.9505

Bear Lake Hot Springs

This region has numerous hot springs. Emerging at 118 degrees Fahrenheit, the mineral water at Bear Lake Hot Springs is cooled as it is pumped from the mountain into the tubs. Characteristics similar to those of Lava Hot Springs to the northwest can be found in this water. Individuals from all around the area drive to relax in the pools while enjoying the view of Bear Lake. There is also dining and camping available.

Location: North Beach State Road on the north east side of Bear Lake (Idaho)

Hours: Mothers Day to Labor Day, 10 am – 10 pm daily

Information: 208.945.4545

Bear Lake National Wildlife Refuge

The Bear Lake National Wildlife Refuge is located at the north end of Bear Lake, just a few miles south of Montpelier, Idaho. The 17,600 acres of marsh, open water and grasslands provide nesting for mallard, pintail and canvas-back ducks, as well as sand hill cranes, herons, egrets, Canada geese and white pelicans.

Information: 208.847.1757

Bear River Basin Outfitters

Bear Lake is in the heart of the wilderness, and one should not miss the opportunity to enjoy the abundant fishing, hunting, and hiking available to visitors and residents.

With never a disappointed customer, the Bear River Basin Outfitters are known for their trophy catches, knowledge of the land, and ability to find bravura sunsets.

Location: Pugstone's Ripples & Waves Sporting Goods, 20 North Bear Lake Blvd., Garden City, Utah

Hours: 8 am – 6 pm

Information: 435.946.2855; 435.946.2876; or 435.946.8830

The Bear Trail



Fur trade reenactors at the southern shore of Bear Lake—the original site of the 1827 and 1828 mountain man rendezvous



Bear Lake is one of the deepest natural lakes in the West

A 4.2 mile paved walking and biking trail from Harbor Village to Ideal Beach with interpretive signs and park benches.

Diamond W Implement

Local farm supply store that caters to the ranching and farming community. The store represents the surviving ranching lifestyle of local residents.

Location: 10 N Main Randolph, Utah

Hours: 8 am – 5 pm

Information: 435.793.2725

Eco Tours

Guided pontoon boat tours of Bear Lake from the Bear Lake Marina. Licensed Coast Guard Captain. Personalized eco tours of the area feature historical, cultural, wildlife, ranches, and hiking information.

Hours: By reservation

Information: 435-946-8830; cell 435-757-6377
www.eco@dcdi.net

Elk Horn Guest Ranch

Location: 1354 Stauffer Canyon Road, Nounan, Idaho

Information: 866.467.2624

The Garden City Park Boardwalk

Amble through the cattails and learn about wetlands ecology on this short boardwalk from Garden City Park to the lakeshore.

Bear Lake Day Rides

Take a horseback ride through the mountains surrounding Bear Lake and take in the gorgeous views.

Location: 515 North Bear Lake Blvd (just north of the KOA Campground), Garden City, Utah

Hours: Call for reservations

Information: 208.390.1356; or 208.847.0605

Ice Fishing

Bear Lake has four species of fish that cannot be found anywhere else in the world, with the Bonneville Cisco being the most well known. It is an annual ritual for many people to come during the cold month of January, hoping to net some of these little fish through a hole in the ice!

Information: Wildlife Resources, 435.946.8501

Lakeside Recreation/Dance

Come and dance the night away!

Location: Garden City, Utah

Open: 9 pm – midnight, every Fri. and Sat. in the summer.

Information: 435.946.2947

Mavin's Museum

Local history of Bennington.

Location: Bennington, Idaho, on Highway 30

Minnetonka Cave

Located in Wasatch-Cache National Forest, this underground cave experience is one for the entire family. Its natural stalagmites, stalactites, and banded travertine have been forming for thousands of years and were discovered by Europeans in 1906. The cave is administered by the US Forest Service.

Location: 10 Miles up St. Charles Canyon in Idaho: watch for a sign on Highway 89

Hours: 10 am – 5:30 pm, June – Labor Day

Information: 435.245.4422

Paris Historical Museum

Artifacts and photos from local history.

Location: Paris, Idaho

Open: Memorial Day – Labor Day

Pickleville Playhouse

A delightful family operated theatre that features “meller-dramers” and other productions suitable for any audience, along with a meal for any appetite before the show. And yes, there really was a town called Pickleville, right here! It was named after Warren W. Pickle, who secured funding for a culinary water project in the 1870s. Pickleville and Garden City merged in 1890.

Location: 2049 South Bear Lake Blvd., Garden City, Ut

Hours: Nightly except Sunday; Late June – early September

Information: 435.946.2918

Pioneering Adventures

Mormon pioneer style living farm. Hay wagon & covered wagon rides, BBQ dinner and entertainment, RV parking and tent camping for reunions and special events.

Location: 220 West 2nd North, Paris, Idaho

Dates: June - Labor Day

Information: Idaho, 208.945.3349; Utah, 801.451.2420

Quilting with the Randolph ladies

Every third Thursday of the month between September

and June the ladies of south Rich County meet and quilt for two to three hours. Most of their pieces are donated to charity. Classes are taught and everyone is invited to join in. Learn the basics or improve upon your skills. Call for a schedule of events.

Location: Mountain Fuel House on Hwy. 16 between Randolph and Woodruff

Hours: 6:30 pm until 8:30 pm

Information: 435.793.2141

The National Oregon /California Trail Center

History comes to life in this museum where you can interact with costumed guides depicting some of the thousands who traversed the 2,000 miles of the Oregon/California Trails. View a 20-minute historical video, and ride in a bumping covered wagon simulator.

Location: Corner of Hwys 89 & 30, Montpelier, Idaho

Hours: 10 am – 5 pm, Memorial Day thru September 30;

By appointment for group tours year round

Information: 208.847.3800; www.oregontrailcenter.org

Rails and Trails Museum

Location: 322 North 4th Street (downstairs in the Trail Center), Montpelier, Idaho

Open: Memorial Day to Labor Day



HERITAGE SITES

Below is a sampling of historic buildings and areas in Bear Lake Valley. For a complete listing of properties that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, go to www.nationalregisterofhistoricplaces.com/id/Bear+Lake/state.html.

Bear Lake County Courthouse

This courthouse was designed by Truman O. Angell, the architect who also designed the Salt Lake City Mormon Temple, Brigham Young's Salt Lake residence, and many other buildings in the region. It has had additions, and its style is described in its National Register listing as “Late 19th and 20th Century Revivals.”

Location: Main Street, Paris, Idaho

Georgetown Relief Society Hall

This small pioneer building is over 125 years old and in its early days functioned as a school, local chapel, and meeting hall.

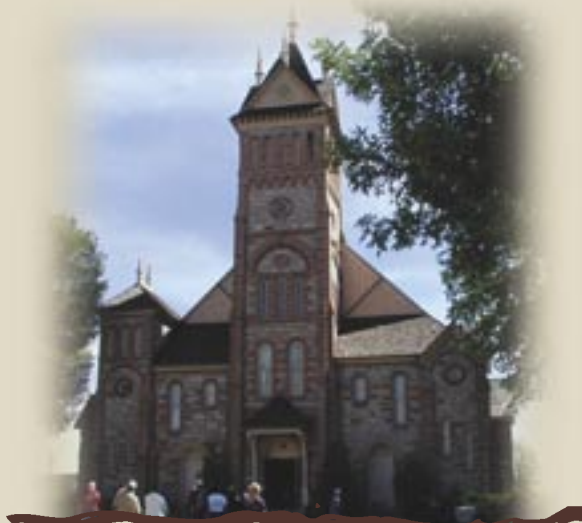
Location: 161 Third NW Street, Georgetown, Idaho

Hours: Daily



The National Oregon/California Trail Center, Montpelier, Idaho





Mormon tabernacle, Paris, Idaho

Gutson Borglum Monument

Honors the birthplace of the sculptor of Mount Rushmore.

Location: St. Charles, Idaho

Montpelier Historic Old Town

Visit "Old Town" Montpelier, take photos of the bears, where signs in front of the buildings describe the history of the area. Look for the Bank of Montpelier, which was robbed by Butch Cassidy in 1896. Cassidy and his pals got away with over \$16,000. The Montpelier Historic

District that is on the National Register of Historic Places is at the intersection of Washington Avenue and 6th Street.

Location: Downtown Montpelier, Idaho

Information: 208.847.0067

Paris Tabernacle

This Romanesque-style Mormon tabernacle was constructed in 1889 of red sandstone from a quarry 18 miles away. This place of worship is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is still used by members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. A small museum houses heirlooms and art objects left by early settlers.

Location: Main Street, Paris, Idaho

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 10 am – 5 pm, Memorial Day thru Labor Day

Randolph Historic Jail

This three-cell jail was built in 1880 of plank and five tons of spikes. Operated by the local chapter of Daughters of Utah Pioneers.

Location: Randolph, Utah

Wilford Woodruff Home

This log cabin houses artifacts and information about early Mormon leaders. Wilford Woodruff, the third president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, visited here.

Location: Main Street, Randolph, Utah

Open: May 30 – Labor Day; Call for hours

Information: 800.448.2327

DOMESTIC AND COMMUNITY LANDSCAPES

There are literally hundreds of ways that people shape the landscape to meet their practical or aesthetic needs. All of these combine to create a wonderfully diverse and interesting Bear River regional landscape.

Watch for examples of the following (some of these are highlighted in this publication):

- Yard art and interesting mailbox supports, including the placing of old farm equipment, wheels, covered wagons, sheep camps, etc. in front yards as a display of pride in one's heritage
- Architecture, including old stone houses, interesting barns, outbuildings
- Town layout, particularly the presence of a town square in most Mormon-settled towns
- Cemeteries and gravestones—the layout of the cemeteries can reflect the layout of the town, and gravestones have poems, sayings, and symbols that provide windows into a community's values
- Whitewashed letters on hillsides, usually standing for the local high school's name
- Historic trails



HERITAGE PRODUCTS

Argyle Boot and Saddle Shop

Bret Argyle started working with leather, creating belts and repairing tack while in his youth. Today he has converted the garage in his home into a boot and saddle shop. Stop in and order a pair of boots or buy the grandchildren a pair of chaps.

Location: 3320 N Sr. 16 Randolph, Utah (north of Randolph)

Hours: Anytime between feeding and ranching; call in advance or stop in on your way through town.

Information: 435.793.3182

Bear Lake Chevron

Raspberry products and hunting and fishing licenses are available at this gas station and shop.

Location: 604 West Logan Road, Garden City, Utah

Hours: Daily, 6 am – 9 or 10 pm in Summer; 7 am – 7 pm Winter

Information: 435.946.3604



A bountiful catch from Bear Lake

Bear Lake KOA Lake View Market

You can find local raspberry products here, along with travelers' supplies.

Location: 1 mile north of the main intersection in Garden City, Utah

Hours: Sun. – Thur., 7 am – 9 pm;

Fri. – Sat., 7 am – 11 pm

Information: 435.946.3454

Beary Patch

This locally owned and operated store offers crafts and home décor by area artists from Idaho and Utah. Find something for the folks back home or a little something for yourself.

Location: 31 West Logan Road (Highway 89), Garden City, Utah

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 9 am – 5 pm

Information: 435.946.3295

Chad's Bear Lake Raspberry Products

All of Chad's homemade products contain raspberries from the family patch in the back yard. The products are all hand made in their home and can be purchased at local establishments.

Location: Garden City, Utah

Hours: Check with local establishments

Information: 435.946.3453

Clea's Nifty Gifts

Locally made hand crafts and raspberry products.

Location: 55 West Logan Road, Garden City, Utah

Hours: Daily, 10 am – 6 pm, Summer only

Information: 435.946.8538

Fish Haven General Store

Built in the early 1960s, this was one of the first gas stations along the shores of Bear Lake. The converted grocery store is still selling gas, as well as gifts created by residents of the local area.

Location: 2637 US Hwy 89 Fish Haven, Idaho

Hours: Mon. – Thurs., 9 am – 6 pm; Fri. – Sat.,

9 am – 10 pm, May 1 to Labor Day

Information: 208.945.2148

General Store

The main part of this building was built in the late 1800s, and throughout the years additions have been added. Buy locally made products while grabbing those forgotten groceries.

Location: 116 South Bear Lake Blvd, Garden City, Utah

Hours: Mon. – Sun., 8 am – 9 pm, May 1 thru Oct. 31

Information: 435.946.2877

Gladys's Place

This deceiving building is home to a deli, gift shop, liquor store and the local Post Office. While there be sure to have one of Gladys's famous raspberry orange pastries.

Location: US Hwy 89, Fish Haven, Idaho

Hours: Sun. – Thurs., 8 am – 8 pm;

Fri. – Sat., 8 am. – 9 pm

Information: 208.945.2306

Lighthouse Landing

This building originally sat farther down on the beach, and in the early 90s the owners moved it closer to the main street and opened the gift shop. They carry gifts, antiques, and mementos for all visitors.

Location: 18 North Bear Lake Blvd., Garden City, Utah

Hours: 9 am – dusk

Information: 435.946.8610

Mountain High Furnishings

This shop features handmade furniture.

Location: Paris, Idaho

Information: 208.945.1889

Wired

Located in a small log building set off of highway 16 (Main Street) in Randolph, Utah. Inside you will find an eclectic collection of western art. Owner-artist Missy Argyle's antler and dried plant arrangements are available along with her husband's barbed wire art and the work of various other artisans from the region. Don't forget to buy some of Grandma Argyle's homemade caramels!

Location: 225 North Main Street, Randolph, Utah

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 10 am – 6 pm; call for winter hours

Information: 435.793.7265

RASPBERRY SALES

Early on, local residents discovered that the climate around Bear Lake was perfect for raising raspberries.



Antler and dried flower arrangements by Missy Argyle, Randolph, Utah

Many people in the surrounding areas have made it a yearly pilgrimage to drive to Bear Lake to pick their own raspberries or to buy them already picked. Many folks make raspberry freezer jam and have the flavor of fresh raspberries year-round. Here are some of the commercial growers, some of whom sell only berries, while others sell berries as well as berry products.

Calder's

Family-operated raspberry farm.
Location: 600 West 650 South Street, Garden City, Utah
Hours: Available during berry season only (late July until middle of August).
Information: 435.946.2306

Hildt's Berry Farm

Family-run berry patch and business, selling raspberry products. Call for ordering information.
Location: 80 East 75 North Street, Garden City, Utah
Hours: Call anytime
Information: 435.946.3229

Price's Bear Lake Berry Farm

This shop offers homemade items from jellies to ice pops.
Location: 96 West Logan Road (Hwy 89), Garden City, Utah
Hours: Various throughout the summer
Information: 435.946.8850



HERITAGE FOOD

Bear Lake Motor Lodge

A mom and pop diner serving old time favorites as well as locally made goods. Try Marianne's from-scratch raspberry pie ala mode, devour Josh's raspberry cheesecake, or if too full take home a jar of Chad's homemade raspberry syrup, all available in the restaurant.

Location: 50 S Bear Lake Blvd Garden City, Utah
Hours: Summer, 7 am – 9 pm; Winter, 7 am – 8 pm
Information: 435.946.3271

Butch Cassidy's Restaurant

Down-home cooking.
Location: Montpelier, Idaho
Information: 208.847.3501

Gators Drive-Inn

Best raspberry shakes in Randolph! They also serve delicious home-cut fries and fresh fast food. Gators also has the only lodging in Randolph, so make sure to call ahead if you plan on staying the evening.

Location: 120 South Main Street, Randolph, Utah
Hours: 11 am – 8:30 pm
Information: 435.793.3170

Paris Café

Located across the street from the historic Paris Tabernacle, this restaurant is a great place to visit if you enjoy cattlemen's stories and good cooking.
Location: 48 South Main Street, Paris, Idaho
Hours: 7 am – 7 pm
Information: 208.945.9900

HOME OF THE FAMOUS RASPBERRY SHAKE

With all the raspberry fields in the Bear Lake area, other products have emerged: cobblers, pies, ice cream, jams, and syrups, for instance. But the most famous is the Bear Lake Raspberry Shake. People disagree on where the best ones are, so we invite you to try them all and judge for yourself!



Bear Cave Drive Inn

Location: Hwy 89 St. Charles, Idaho (north shore)
Hours: 10:00 am – dark
Information: 208.945.9616

Bear Lake Pizza

Location: 240 South Bear Lake Blvd., Garden City, Utah
Hours: Mon. – Thurs., 11 am – 9 pm;
Fri. – Sat., 11 am – 10 pm
Information: 435.946.3600

Bear Lake Chevron

Location: 604 West Logan Road (Hwy 89), Garden City, Utah
Hours: 6 am – 9 or 10 pm in Summer;
7 am – 7 pm in Winter
Information: 435.946.3604

The Chicken Place

Location: 79 North Bear Lake Blvd., Garden City, Utah
Hours: Mon. – Sat., 11 am – 7-ish pm
Information: 435.946.2725

Dan's Drive In

Location: 733 Washington, Montpelier, Idaho
Information: 208.847.1963

Grandma's Pantry

Location: 80 W Logan Road Garden City, Utah
Hours: 10 am – 8 pm
Information: 435.946.8865

Hometown Drive-In

Location: 105 North Bear Lake Blvd., Garden City, Utah
Hours: 8 am – 10 pm
Information: 435.946.2727

LaBeau's & The Sweet Shoppe

Location: 69 North Bear Lake Blvd., Garden City, Utah
Hours: Mon. – Sat., 8 am – 10 pm
Information: 435.946.8821 & 435.946.8163

Lakeshore Drive-In

Location: 79 North Bear Lake Blvd, Laketown, Utah
Information: 435.946.8673

Lake Side Pizza

Location: 80 West Logan Hwy, Garden City, Utah
Hours: Mon. – Thurs., 11 am – 9 pm;
Fri. & Sat., 11 am – 10 pm
Information: 435.946.2870

Pickleville Country Store

Location: 2123 South Bear Lake Blvd., Garden City, Ut
Hours: 8 am – 10 pm
Information: 435.946.2876

The Old Rock Store

Check out the historic architecture on this one!
Location: 11 North Main Street, Laketown, Utah
Hours: Mon. – Sat., 8 am – 9 pm
Information: 435.946.3242

Quick and Tasty

Location: 28 North Bear Lake Blvd., Garden City, Utah
Hours: Mon. – Sat., 8 am – 10 pm
Information: 435.946.2875



Mormon church in Randolph, Utah



This family operated theatre features melodramas and other productions during the summer months



Woodruff and Randolph have an abundance of historic log buildings

PIONEER TRAILS EAST



Caribou County is part of the Pioneer Trails region of the Bear River Heritage Area, named for the fact that several old overland trails pass through this region, the most notable being the Oregon/California Trail. Caribou County is home to some famous landmarks that were important to the emigrants of the nineteenth century—landmarks like Sheep Rock near Soda Springs. Soda Springs was also the point at which the Hudspeth's Cutoff portion of the Oregon Trail took off to the west. This part of Idaho was part of the early Mormons' settlement efforts, and it is still heavily populated with members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, but because it is in Idaho rather than Utah, certain cultural differences became evident. For instance, parts of this region were seen as a refuge for people seeking to escape the Mormon Church's influence, and some of the towns here had beginnings quite different from those of typical Mormon settlements. This region is also rich in mineral and geothermal activity, leading to such phenomena as phosphate mining and hot springs. Agriculture, including the raising of famous Idaho potatoes, remains an important part of the economy.



HERITAGE EXPERIENCES

Bar H Bar Ranch

This 9000-acre working ranch can give you a workout and a vacation at the same time, because you work along with the cowboys in their daily activities. When you are helping to do something at Bar H Bar, you're doing it because it needs to be done, not because you need something to do! Tasks vary with the seasons—calving, branding, doctoring, fixing fence, irrigating, putting up hay are all possibilities, or you can take a nature hike, looking for wildlife.

Location: 1501 Eight Mile Creek Road (8 miles south of Soda Springs)

Information: 800.743.9505; www.barhbar.com



Old Chesterfield meetinghouse along the Oregon Trail route, Chesterfield, ID

Chesterfield Townsite

In 1881-1882, Mormon settlers came to this area north of Bancroft at the invitation of their friend and relative Chester Call, who had established a ranch nearby. Their hope was to build a thriving community, but in 1882, the Oregon Short Line Railroad was built through Bancroft instead of their community. While Chesterfield continued to grow for several years, the agricultural depression of the 1920s and 1930s dealt the final blow to the town, and it became a

ghost town. Now many of the buildings are being restored, there is a museum, and guided tours are available in the summer. Most of the buildings were built between 1884 and 1904, and the site is a National Historic District.

Location: Chesterfield is about 11 miles north of Bancroft, Idaho, which is 15 miles west of Soda Springs. Follow Chesterfield Road out of Bancroft to reach the site.

Eastman Drug

This is the oldest drugstore in Idaho. Stop in for an old fashioned soft drink like iron port. The store sells gifts, cards, and historical books by local authors, along with the usual drugstore stock.

Location: 116 South Main, Soda Springs, Idaho, next to the Soda Springs Captive Geyser

Hours: Mon. – Fri., 9 am – 5 pm; Sat., 9 am – 3 pm

Information: 208.547.3585

Pioneer Historic Museum

The Daughters of Utah Pioneers built this museum in 1983. It features antiques, photographs, and books, depicting local history. Special tours outside the regular hours and days can be arranged by calling the numbers below.

Location:

Hours: Fri. – Sat., 1 pm – 4 pm, June 1 – Oct. 1.

Information: 208.547.3706; 208.547.3472; 208.547.3888



HERITAGE SITES

Below is a sampling of historic buildings and areas in Caribou County. For a complete listing of properties that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, go to www.nationalregisterofhistoricplaces.com/id/Caribou/state.html. Several of the sites below relate to the Oregon Trail, which came through this area. A self-guided tour of sites documented in emigrant diaries is available from tourist information centers in the area.

Brigham Young Cabin Site

A summer cabin was built in 1870 for Latter-day Saint (Mormon) Church President Brigham Young. The cabin was used for many years as a stopping place for Young and other church leaders as they traveled through the area doing church business. The home was destroyed in 1944 in an attempt to move it.

Location: A marker flanked by logs from the cabin stands in front of the Brigham Young Lodge and indicates the site where the cabin once stood on the south side of Highway 30 between 1st and 2nd Streets in Soda Springs.

Camp Connor Site

General Patrick Edward Connor, with California and Nevada volunteers, was ordered by President Lincoln to protect the overland travel routes in the West. (This is the same Connor who led his troops to slaughter upwards of 300 Shoshone Indians at the Bear River Massacre in January, 1863—please see the Cache Valley, Idaho, section of this Guide for information on the massacre site). He established what came to be known as Camp Connor, one of the first military posts in Idaho Territory, which covered one square mile along the north bank of the Bear River. Approximately 300 soldiers were stationed here until the post was abandoned in 1865. A group of fifty-three families, dissidents from the Mormon Church known as Morrisites, arrived in Soda Springs with General Connor and the infantry in May 1863. The settlers started a community west of the military camp between Soda Creek and the river later known as Lower Town. After grain crops froze for several years in a row, a majority of the people left. **Location:** 3rd West to hospital parking lot

Chester Store

This old store in Henry, Idaho, was originally built as a trading post for Indians, trappers, and later gold miners from Caribou Mountain. The original building was destroyed by fire, and the current building was constructed in 1913.

Location: 20 miles north of Soda Springs on Highway 34

Fairview Cemetery

This old cemetery is home to several interesting graves. The Wagon Box Grave is the 1861 burial site of an Oregon Trail emigrant family of seven killed by Indians and buried together in the wagon box from their covered wagon. You can also find a Morrisite headstone—the Morrisites were followers of Joseph Morris who broke from the Mormon Church. After Morris' death at the hands of a Utah posse in 1863, some Morrisites came to this area and founded a community called Morrystown, most of which is now under Alexander Reservoir (look for foundations when the water is low). Also, Cariboo Jack of Caribou Mountain gold mining fame is buried here.

Location: On the west side of the Soda Springs Captive Geyser in the center of Soda Springs

Grace Fish Hatchery

Come watch baby fish, learn about fish reproduction and stocking, and maybe try your luck in a nearby creek! This



Wagon Box Grave—burial site of an emigrant family of seven killed in 1861 by Indians and buried together in their wagon box along the Oregon Trail



fish hatchery was built in 1946 and supplies fish stock to southeast Idaho lakes, rivers, and streams. The primary fish produced in the hatchery's 16 vats and raceways is rainbow trout. Other species include cutthroat trout, lake trout, and splake. The area includes a shaded picnic area and access to fishing on Whiskey Creek, which gets stocked throughout the fishing season with rainbow trout. Visitors are welcome, and if you call for an appointment, you can have a guided tour, though there is almost always someone around to answer questions.

Location: South of Grace. Take Highway 34 seven miles south of town to mile marker 39.5, and turn east onto Fish Hatchery Road. Travel approximately two miles, and turn right to head down to the hatchery. Once you get one mile past Niter, you can follow the brown signs.

Hours: 7 am – 7 pm daily

Information: 208.427.6364

Hudspeth Cutoff

This is a branch of the Oregon Trail. On July 19, 1849, Benoni M. Hudspeth, captain of a wagon train headed for California, and John Myers, the wagon train's guide, decided to open a new wagon route to shorten the northern and more established route through Fort Hall. Instead of following the main trail northwest, Hudspeth and Myers led their party due west from Soda Springs. This alternate route, 132 miles long, rejoined the older California Trail route northeast of the City of Rocks, some 30 miles south of Burley, Idaho.

Location: At the junction of Highways 30 and 345, six miles west of Soda Springs, turn north and travel about 100 yards. Turn right and follow the old highway to the end of the asphalt. By taking a short walk toward the railroad tracks, you will find where the Oregon/California Trail Association has placed white markers identifying the beginning of the Hudspeth Cutoff.

Last Chance Canal

Without the extensive networks of irrigation canals created by settlers of this region, farming as it now exists would have been impossible in this arid area. Residents created cooperatives to organize the use of the water, with families owning shares that gave them the right to irrigate their land on a scheduled basis. The water shares were usually sold with the land, though later, it became common for developers and others to try to buy up water shares from people who weren't using them. An engineering masterpiece for its time, the Last Chance Canal was completed in the early 1900s to divert water from the Bear River to Gentile Valley.

Location: North of Grace, Idaho, a mile east of State Highway 34. Take 34 north of Grace a couple of miles to Telford Road, turn east and go one mile to see a sign and two overlooks of the canal.

Oregon Trail Park & Marina

Here you can picnic in a place traversed by Oregon Trail travelers. The Oregon Trail, marked by white carsonite markers, heads up from Alexander Reservoir and crosses the road that leads down into the park.

Location: Just west of the Oregon Trail Golf Course and Cedar View Supper Club, west of Soda Springs

Presbyterian Church of Soda Springs

This 1895 Gothic style church is built of local lava rock.

Location: The northeast corner of City Park, at 109 South 100 East, Soda Springs

Hours: Tours are available by appointment

Information: 208.547.3771

Sheep Rock

Five miles west of Soda Springs is a great stone bluff rising several hundred feet above the Bear River. This is the point at which the Bear makes its sweeping left turn, around the base of Sheep Rock, and heads back south toward the Great Salt Lake. Geologically, it marks the northern end of the Wasatch Mountain Range. Sheep Rock was a prominent landmark for emigrants on the Oregon Trail, and it is noted in numerous diaries from the period. From this point, three branches of the Oregon-California Trail diverge. The main route of the Oregon Trail heads northwest to Chesterfield and Fort Hall. The Hudspeth Cutoff, the route preferred by those going to California, heads due west. The Bidwell-Bartleson Trail, which was the route followed by the earliest group of emigrants in 1841, heads south down the Bear River to California. The Bidwell-Bartleson party encountered great difficulties on this route as they tried to cross the desert west of the Great Salt Lake, so this route was not used again.

Location: West of Soda Springs, Idaho, on the south side of Highway 30/34.

Old Soda Springs City Hall

This building was built of local lava rock in 1902. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Location: 109 South Main Street, Soda Springs

Thomas Corrigan Park

Corrigan Park is located in downtown Soda Springs right alongside Highway 30. It is a pleasant spot to stop and have lunch. While there, you can visit the Conda Bus and the Dinky Engine, two locomotives that have a part in the history of the town. Between 1922 and 1936 the Conda Bus provided the only means of transportation for phosphate mine workers and others between Soda Springs and the town of Conda. Dinky Engine, a miniature locomotive, played a major role in the history of Caribou County by hauling supplies to the dam to build the Alexander Reservoir.

WHY IS IT CALLED SODA SPRINGS?

The region around Soda Springs, Idaho, is very active geothermally. Early trapper and pioneer diaries are replete with descriptions of the strange geology in the area. The rocks for miles around were described as being of the "soda formation," which consisted of mounds of rock created by mineralized water. Warm and cold springs abound in the area, and early on, it



Last Chance Canal Flume, Bear River, near Grace, Idaho

was discovered that some of the water was naturally carbonated. Hence the name Soda Springs. Here are some of the geothermal and spring sites in the area:

Formation Springs and Cave

This preserve established by the Nature Conservancy protects crystal-clear pools and a unique wetland complex at the base of the scenic Aspen Mountains. The cold springs that feed the terraced pools and creek system deposit high concentrations of travertine (calcium carbonate), which gives the site its unique geology. Perhaps the most impressive physical feature is Formation Cave, which is almost 10 feet tall at the entrance and 200 feet long. The ponds attract numerous wintering waterfowl and support a healthy trout population. Watch for mule deer, raptors, and numerous songbirds.

Location: Two miles north of Soda Springs on Highway 34, then two miles east on the Trail Canyon Road. On left with a buck and pole fence at the entrance.

Information: 208.547.4964

Hooper Spring

Free, clear sparkling soda water still is available in a beautiful Soda Springs city park located two miles north from the center of town. A prime attraction for more than 160 years, soda water from these springs was known nationally after rail service reached this resort area in 1882.

W.H. Hooper, Salt Lake City's leading banker and president of Zions Cooperative Mercantile Institution, had his summer home here. He did much to found and promote Soda Springs and its soda water industry while serving as Utah's delegate to Congress.

Location: One mile north of Soda Springs on Third East

Information: 208.547.2600



Hooper Spring offers natural, clear, sparkling soda water—a prime attraction of the area for more than 160 years

Octagon Spring

This spring was a favorite gathering spot for nineteenth-century residents and visitors to the then-famous Idanha Hotel, a Union Pacific Hotel that was destroyed by fire in 1921. The eight-sided kiosk was built in the 1890s to cover the spring, which produces naturally carbonated water. Many visitors came to Soda Springs around the turn of the last century for the tasty bubbling water such as that found here, or the healing waters found in other less palatable springs. The octagonal pavilion was restored with a grant from the Idaho Heritage Trust in 1995.

Location: North through Soda Springs past the railroad tracks. You can see a small octagon-shaped building over the spring.

Soda Springs Captive Geyser/ Pyramid Spring

Today, many of the soda mounds that were in this area have been graded away, but occasionally, remaining rocks still show this unusual formation. Pyramid Spring is the location of the famous Soda Springs Captive Geyser. The area around the geyser is filled with mineral formations and the typical mound. The geyser was discovered in an attempt to find a hot water source for a swimming pool. On November 30, 1937, the drill went down 317 feet and unleashed the geyser. The extreme pressure is caused by carbon dioxide gas mixing with water in an underground chamber. It is now capped and controlled by a timer. It erupts every hour on the hour. The geyser reaches a height of 100 feet and operates year round.

Location: Downtown Soda Springs, Idaho. Turn north at the traffic light intersection of 2nd South and Main Street. Pyramid Spring Mound and Geyser Park sit behind the Enders Hotel.

Steamboat Spring

Historically the most famous of the springs in this area, the Steamboat Spring is now 40 feet under the waters of the Alexander Reservoir. On a calm day, the ripples from its eruption can be seen on the reservoir's surface from the eighth hole of the Oregon Trail Country Club Golf Course. Early accounts relate that the noise of its eruption could be heard several miles away.



Captive Geyser at Pyramid Spring erupts to a height of 100 ft., Soda Springs, ID





HERITAGE PRODUCTS

Kountry Klutter Gifts and Floral

For 15 years, Country Clutter Gift and Floral has offered locally made items, including crafts by owner Wendy Weaver.

Location: 120 South Main, Soda Springs

Hours: Mon. – Fri., 9:30 am – 5 pm; Sat., 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Information: 208.547.2131

Fresh Potatoes

Beginning in September, local potato farmers sell their newly harvested potatoes in fifty pound bags. Watch for opportunities to buy real Idaho spuds throughout this region.

Neva Harrison, Wildlife Artist

You can visit Neva's studio to see her original paintings, or you can find prints of her work in several businesses in Soda Springs.

Location: 1452 Wide Hollow Road, Grace

Hours: By appointment

Information: 208.425.3463



Neva Harrison is a local wildlife artist in Grace, Idaho

Marie Prescott Jenkins, Plein Aire Painter

The direct and vital experience of painting outdoors is at the root of Marie Prescott Jenkins' work. Her landscapes cover many parts of the West, and often include wildlife and human figures. Since winters are long in Idaho, she also paints portraits and floral still lifes. Her work is in private collections in the U.S., Europe, and Asia, and it has been shown in a variety of juried exhibitions in Idaho and Utah. She offers painting workshops upon request. Galleries featuring her work include Tara James Gallery in Pocatello and Relics Gallery in Salt Lake City.

Location: Her studio is in Niter, Idaho, along

Highway 34

Hours: By appointment, though you are welcome to stop by anytime for a brochure

Information: 208.425.3660, www.mprescottjenkins.com, or email mprescottjenkins@allidaho.com.

London Drug Company

Established in 1950, this is the place to get frozen home-made pie dough so you can have perfect pie crusts, too.

Location: 6 South Main, Grace, Idaho

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 9 am – 6 pm

Information: 208.425.3766

Nifty Needle Quilt Shop

Catering to the quilter, the Nifty Needle Quilt shop sells locally made machine quilts.

Location: 128 South Main, Soda Springs

Hours: Mon. – Fri., 10 am – 5 pm

Information: 208.547.2441



Local artist John Tarbet, carves a variety of subjects in basswood and cottonwood

John Tarbet, Woodcarver

John Tarbet's talent for woodcarving brings him great pleasure. He especially enjoys carving bears and cowboy caricatures, carving mostly in basswood and cottonwood. Other items he makes include walking sticks and canes, relief carvings, Santa Claus figures, country dolls, and carved golf balls.

Location: The Knot Hole, 160 E. Hooper, Soda Springs

Hours: By appointment

Information: visit above address

This Olde Stuff Antique Store

Quilts, clocks, Depression glass, books, and more.

Location: 12 South Main Street, Grace

Hours: Mon. – Sat. 11-ish am – 7-ish pm in the summer; 11-ish am – dark in the winter.

Information: 208.425.3900; or, if you want to visit on a Sunday, call 208.425.3162 to make arrangements.

Thompson Custom Guns

Shane Thompson has been working at the trade of gunsmithing for many years. The work requires precision and an eye for detail. Among other things, he provides custom

metalsmithing, custom stocks, and precision machine inletting of gunstocks. He gets orders from all over the world.

Location: 1223 Bailey Creek Circle, Soda Springs

Hours: By appointment

Information: 208.547.0383



HERITAGE FOOD

Crystal Cottage

This dinner restaurant is located in the historic Largilliere House, a Shingle Style home built in the 1930s. The house is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Location: 30 West Second Street, Soda Springs

Information: 208.547.2342

Stockman's Bar & Grill

The Grill offers traditional western food and lots of it.

Location: 96 S. Main, Soda Springs

Hours: Daily, 6 am – 10 pm

Information: 208.547.9955



HERITAGE LODGING

This is a list of lodging locations that have historic or cultural importance in Caribou County. For a complete list of all of the lodging opportunities in the county, contact the Chamber of Commerce, 208.547.4964.

Central Links and RV Park

This farm located in the Gem Valley in the Caribou Highlands of southeastern Idaho was first cleared of its sagebrush in the 1880s. Bart and Cherie Christensen, who raise wheat, barley, and seed potatoes on the land, decided to create a couple of golf fairways for their five children to play on, and it grew to nine holes of challenging golf weaving in and around lava reefs. The course is now open to the public and has a clubhouse and pro shop.

There is also a 10-site RV park. The course is named after the old settlement of Central that was nearby.

Location: North of Grace. Turn west at mile marker 48.5 (watch for the Golf! sign) on Highway 34, go 5 mls.

Hours: Open April 1 – October 15

Information: 208.425.3233; www.centrallinksgolf.com or email info@centrallinksgolf.com.

Enders Hotel

Now a bed and breakfast inn, this 30-room Early Commercial style hotel was built in 1917 and restored in 2001. It offers authentic architecture and décor throughout, as well as the Somewhere in Time Antique Gift Shop and a museum. The Geyser View Dining Room offers an excellent view of the Soda Springs Captive Geyser. The building is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Location: 76 South Main, Soda Springs, Idaho

Information: 208.547.4980

JAMA Villa Bed and Breakfast

This log house offers at-home accommodations with a view of the Wasatch Mountain Range to the south.

Location: 361 E. Hooper, Soda Springs

Information: 208.547.3017

Sheep Creek Guest Ranch

Family owned and operated, Sheep Creek Guest Ranch is a licensed outfitting business located in the Caribou National Forest on 2,000 private mountain acres. Whether it is hunting, fishing, shooting sports, snowmobiling, reunions, or just getting away for the weekend, you've found a mountain paradise. The ranch has a main lodge, six cabins, a restroom facility, and ample camping and RV parking areas. Sheep Creek Guest Ranch prides itself on its ability to accommodate a variety of activities.

Information: 877.787.0301

www.sheepcreekguest ranch.com/index.htm

Trail Creek Outfitters

Trail Creek offers eleven rooms in a lodge, and amenities like a hot tub, sauna, and satellite big screen TV. You can get breakfast service or group meals, or you can prepare your own meals. Outdoor recreation opportunities include cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, horseback riding, and fishing. Camping and RV hookups are also available.

Information: 208.547.3828; PO Box 693, Soda Springs ID 83276



A variety of western outdoor recreational activities are available at the Trail Creek Lodge

PIONEER TRAILS WEST



Oneida County is part of the Pioneer Trails Region—an area of many roads and trails that passed through it, including part of the Oregon Trail. A number of old roads passed through the Malad Valley, including the Oneida Wagon Road, a toll road that ran from Malad to Blackfoot, Idaho. Also known as the Gold Road, it had a reputation for bandits who repeatedly robbed the stages that carried gold from Montana gold mines to Salt Lake City. It is said that some of the robbers' loot is still hidden in the Samaria Mountains behind an iron door, though no one has ever found it. The first European-Americans to settle the Malad Valley came in 1854 to raise horses and hay for the Ben Holliday Stage Lines, but they left because of conflicts with the Indians of the region. Settlers returned in 1864 and established irrigation canals and farms in the area that now is Malad City. Most of the early settlers were Welsh Mormons, and some of the minutes from early town meetings were taken down in both English and Welsh. The western part of the county is home to the Curlew National Grassland, where the Dust Bowl drought left the land severely eroded. Today, the area is a model for land reclamation.



HERITAGE EXPERIENCES

Curlew National Grassland

The only national grassland in the intermountain West, the Curlew National Grassland was established in 1960 to improve soil and vegetation and promote sound agricultural practices. The land was cultivated and farmed in the early 1900s, and you can still see evidence of many old homesteads in the area. The homesteaders abandoned the area during the Dust Bowl days of the 1920 and 1930s, leaving the land badly eroded. The Grassland is operated as a land reclamation demonstration project. One especially unique attraction on the western edge of the Grassland is the sharp-tailed grouse strutting ground that draws bird watchers and photographers from all over

in March and April to see the incredible “dance” that the male grouse do to attract mates. Camping is available.
Location: Western Oneida County
Information: 208.524.7500 (Caribou-Targhee National Forest Offices, 1405 Hollipark Road, Idaho Falls ID)

Oneida Pioneer Museum

This local museum is housed in a building that was built in 1914 as a drug store. The original safe and pressed-tin ceiling are still intact. The museum had its origins in a collection of mementos gathered by Miss Hattie Morgan and the Native Daughters of the Idaho Pioneers group in the 1930s. The museum displays a variety of local artifacts, including furniture, photos, and other materials from the old Evans Co-op.
Location: 27 Bannock Street, Malad
Hours: Tues. – Sat., 10 am – 5 pm or by appointment
Information: 208.766.4847



Oneida Pioneer Museum displays a wide variety of local artifacts



HERITAGE SITES

Below is a sampling of historic buildings and areas in Oneida County. For a complete listing of properties that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, go to www.nationalregisterof-historicplaces.com/id/Oneida/state.html. A walking/driving tour of local historic buildings is available at tourist sites in Malad or call the South-east Idaho Visitor Center, 208.766.4788.

Evans Co-op Building

This block housed the first department store in Idaho, the Evans Co-op, which was part of the Mormon cooperative movement of the 1860s, in which local production and purchasing was encouraged through cooperatives. The block, including both the co-op building and the old J.N. Ireland Bank, is on the National Register. The co-op is now a Tru Value Hardware Store.

Location: 25 North Main Street, Malad

Malad

The town of Malad got its name from the fact that when Donald McKenzie brought a party of trappers through the area between 1818 and 1821, they drank the river water and got sick. The Frenchmen named the river the Malade, meaning illness. The town was settled in 1862, after the passage of the Homestead Act. An important boost to Malad's economy was the fact that stage lines and freighters came through the valley on their way to the mines in Montana on what was known as the Gold Road.

Malad Cemetery and a Local Legend

You can find a variety of old and new style headstones in this cemetery, including a headstone for a man's amputated leg. In 1878, Ben Waldron lost his leg in a threshing accident. The leg was buried on the east side of the cemetery and was given a headstone with a leg carved on it, along with the initials "B.W." and the date. Ben himself did not die until 1914, and he was buried on the west side of the cemetery, far from his lost leg. It was said that after the leg was buried, Ben had constant pain, and he said that it was because his leg had been laid in the grave in a twisted position. Finally, they exhumed the leg, found it to be indeed in an unnatural position, straightened it, and reburied it. Waldron had no more trouble with pain, and he lived for several more decades.

Oneida County Courthouse

This is an Art Deco brick veneer building built in 1939 as part of a WPA project. It has an elaborate terra cotta entry.

Location: 10 Court Street, Malad

Samaria Historic District

Samaria, about 9 miles southwest of Malad, was once the largest town in the Malad Valley. Settled in 1868 by homesteaders, the town did well until the railroad was routed through Malad. After that, the primary businesses developed around the railroad terminal, and Samaria remained a farming community. A number of historic buildings are in the area, and the district is on the National Register of Historic Places.

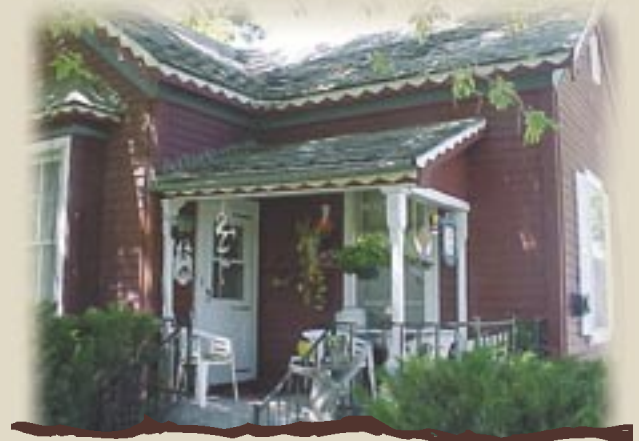
Location: Approximately 9 miles southwest of Malad.

The historic district is roughly bounded by Main and 3rd Streets, 1st Avenue North, and south end of 2nd Street, Samaria

Seth Thomas House

This 1876 house is one of the oldest in Malad. The foundation is of local stone, and the walls are rough-hewn 2"x6" studs with adobe bricks between them.

Location: 88 North Main Street, Malad



Malad City has many older homes that were built by the early settlers



HERITAGE PRODUCTS

Bischoff Honey

Scott and Mary Bischoff produce pure honey in the Malad Valley. It is sold in one-gallon buckets, a preferred size for local families who buy in large quantities for home storage and use. Mormons are encouraged by their leaders to keep a supply of food on hand at all times in the event of an emergency such as a family financial crisis or a natural disaster. Honey is one of the staples many people store.

Location: 575 South Main Street, Malad

Information: 208.766.2668

Creative Earth Herb and Perennial Farm

Agriculture is the predominant occupation in this region of Idaho, and it takes many forms. This organic botanical farm sells locally grown herbs and plants and also offers huckleberry syrup. Stroll through the sales greenhouse where you will see hundreds of herbs, perennials, cacti, roses, trees, and shrubs. Have a question? Ask the on site Idaho Master Gardener.

Location: 344 North 400 West, Malad

Hours: Mon. – Sat., 8 am – 6 pm, April 1 – October 1

Information: 208.766.9233; www.creativeearthonline.com

Crystal Organics

The Thomas family raises organic wheat on this state-certified organic farm. They sell wheat berries for storage, grinding or sprouting, freshly ground flour on order, bread machine, muffin, pancake, and meat coating mixes. Unground wheat does not go rancid the way flour does, so many locals store wheat as part of their food supply and grind it as they need it. Because of this, many local farmers sell directly to consumers.

Location: 2705 West 2000 North, Malad



Originally the Evans Co-op, this block housed the first department store in Idaho

Hours: Call for Appointment

Information: 208.766.2765; www.crystalorganics.com

Rex Lippold, Wildlife Artist

Rex creates custom artwork with a wildlife theme. His favorite medium is painting in oils, but he also does leather work and wood carving. He also repairs art, frames, and antiques.

Location: 188 North Main Street, Malad

Hours: By appointment

Information: 208.766.2918

Paula's Goodies Sandwich Shoppe

Here you can get a local favorite treat: hand-dipped chocolates! Stop by and treat your sweet tooth.

Location: 102 Bannock, Malad

Hours: 9:30 am - 7 pm, (Chocolates made Sept. - May)

Information: 208.766.5455

Red Hawk-Trading

Camping is a very popular activity in the Bear River Heritage Area. Here you can purchase locally made canvas tipis, tents and camp supplies. Red Hawk made the world's largest tipi for use at the Salt Lake City 2002 Winter Olympics. They also specialize in making reproduction tents that are authentic to various historic periods, especially the early mountain man period of the West.

Location: 5400 West 321 North, Malad

Hours: Call for Appointment

Information: 208.766.2960; www.redhawk-trading.com

Scott Service

In business since 1927, Scott Service makes custom iron art mailbox stands, branding irons, gates, livestock stalls, bucking chutes, and the like. Art designs for mailbox stands are cut freehand using a plasma torch. Fancy arch entranceways with you brand or logo can be custom made.

Location: 4701 West Hwy 38, Malad

Hours: 8 am – 5 pm

Information: 209.766.2588

INDEPENDENCE AND SELF-SUFFICIENCY

One of the primary values of people in this region is to be self-sufficient. In some cases this is a religious value; in others it comes from many generations of living off the land and learning that one must be able to handle any situation. Evidence of this can be seen in the popularity of home gardening and canning/freezing/drying, particularly for long-term emergency food storage. Home arts such as sewing, quilting, crocheting, tatting, weaving, etc. are common, chiefly among women, though some men participate, too. The idea is to make what you need yourself rather than buy it. Many people either make their own tools or improvise solutions to problems, fixing things "with spit and baling wire." Adaptive re-use—the art of finding a new purpose for something that is old—is a type of folk recycling. This includes quilting, salvage art, and other activities.

Cindy's Wheat Weaving

Wheat weaving is an art that dates back centuries. The wheat was harvested then made into weavings that decorated the house and brought "spirit of the harvest" (good luck) into the home. The same techniques are used today and designs are available at the Oneida County Pioneer Museum and also sold through mail order.

Information: 208.698.3532 and ask for Cindy Nalder



HERITAGE LODGING



The heritage of the area is reflected in stately historic homes

This section provides information on lodging that has historic or cultural importance in Oneida County. Additional lodging opportunities may be found by contacting the Southeast Idaho Visitor Center, 208.766.4788, or the Malad Chamber of Commerce, 208.766.5323.

Chantilly Bed & Breakfast

This restored Victorian home was built in the early 1900s in Malad. The five guest rooms are tastefully decorated using antiques of the period. Enjoy a full country breakfast with your stay.

Location: 63 South Main Street, Malad

Information: 208.766.4961; www.bestinns.net/usa/id/chan.html



HERITAGE FOOD

Dude Ranch Café

This local gathering spot features homestyle cooking, including homemade soups, bread, and pies.

Location: 65 North Main Street, Malad

Hours: 8:30 am - 8:00 pm weekdays, closed Sunday and Monday, closed five weeks in February and March

Information: 208.766.4327

Me and Lou's Diner

Home cooking with freshly made pies and scones.

"Scones" in this part of the country are not the baked English scones that you find elsewhere. They are a delicious light and airy deep-fried bread, similar to a New Mexican sopaipilla. Drizzle some honey into the air pockets and enjoy!

Location: 75 South 300 East, Malad

Hours: Winter hours: 6 am - 9 pm, Summer hours: 6 am - 10 pm; weekend closing hours vary

Information: 208.766.2919



Oneida County Courthouse was WPA Project, Malad, Idaho

EVENTS CALENDAR

For specific dates and additional information, see the Events list on the following web sites
GOLDEN SPIKE: www.boxelder.org, **CACHE VALLEY UTAH:** www.tourcachevalley.com, **CACHE VALLEY IDAHO:** www.prestonidaho.org, **BEAR LAKE COUNTRY:** www.bearlake.org,
PIONEER TRAILS EAST: www.sodaspringsid.com, **PIONEER TRAILS WEST:** 208.766.5323

JANUARY

Cisco Fishery

The annual spawning run of the tiny Bonneville Cisco fish on Bear Lake takes place in mid- to late January, with as much as a week variation in the starting date. These little fish, a type of whitefish, are found only in Bear Lake. Regional fishermen flock to the lake and use nets to dip the fish out of the water, often through holes in the ice when the weather is cold enough, using them either for bait (the Bear Lake cutthroat and lake trout love them) or to fry and eat.

Location: Bear Lake

Dates: Mid- to late January

Information: 435.946.8501 or Utah Division of Wildlife: 877.592.5169 (toll-free recorded information); 801.476.2740 (northern regional office); www.wildlife.utah.gov/bearlakeinfo.htm.

Soda Springs Winter Carnival

Fishing derby, snow machine poker run, ice sculptures, cross-country ski races.

Location: Soda Springs, Idaho

Dates: Late January

Information: Soda Springs Chamber of Commerce, 888.399.0888 or 208.547.4964; sodacoc@sodachamber.com

Bear River Massacre Commemoration

Friends of the Native Americans of Northern Utah gather to pray in commemoration of January 29, 1863—the date of the massacre of about 350 Northwestern Shoshone at Battle Creek, which is northwest of Preston, Idaho on Highway 91. All individuals are invited to participate.

Location:

Date: January 29, 2003

Information: 435.257.7111 or Ranger_Kerry@yahoo.com

FEBRUARY

Bald Eagle Day

This annual eagle-watching event is sponsored by the Division of Wildlife Resources. People bring binoculars or use spotting scopes set up by biologists and volunteers. The best viewing time is usually 2 pm – 4 pm. Dress warmly!

Location: Salt Creek Waterfowl Management Area, about 10

miles northwest of Corinne, Utah, in Box Elder County. Take I-15 and exit the freeway at Exit 368. Travel about 8 miles west on SR 83 (to about 11300 West). Turn right (north) on the gravel road and drive to the north side of the Salt Creek Waterfowl Management Area.

Date: Usually early February. In 2002, the date was February 2.

Information: 801.538.4771

MARCH

Cowboy Poetry Do & Dinner

Another event featuring the poetry, songs, and stories of ranching folks from far and near.

Location: Bear River High School Auditorium, 1450 S. Main, Garland, Utah

Dates: A Saturday in mid-March.

Information: 435.257.5542

MAY

Mendon May Day

This event began in 1863 and features home-written songs, poems, and longstanding traditions. Young girls practice for hours to learn the songs and dances so they can dance around the Maypole. The entire community gets involved in making costumes, setting up the poles in the town square, preparing meals, and planning the program that takes place in the Mormon church on the square.

Location: Mendon, Utah town square

Date: First Saturday in May

Smithfield Health Days

This annual festival was created in 1925 as an outgrowth of President Theodore Roosevelt's call for better health in the U.S. population. Today, the activities include a fun run, a parade, a health fair and screening, and more.

Location: Smithfield, Utah

Date: Weekend of the first full week in May

Information: 435.563.6226

Tremonton Fire Department Steak Fry

Volunteer fire departments throughout the region hold events to raise funds for their important work. They are truly community gatherings, where you can rub shoulders with the locals.

Location: Fire station, 95 S. 100 West, Tremonton, Utah

Date: May 11, 2002

Information: 435.257.7450

Golden Spike Celebration

See reenactments of the driving of the golden spike that completed the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869!

Location: Golden Spike National Historic Site

Date: May 10

Information: 435.471.2209 ext. 18

Porter Rockwell Cowboy Poetry Festival

Come shake the chill off with some hearty laughs and poignant moments with local cowboy poets. Cowboy poetry is a century-old tradition among ranch hands. Today, it is not only performed around campfires and in bunkhouses, but also on stages around the West. Since winter is a slow time for ranch work, the folks can get away for a day or two to share poems, songs, and stories from the high school stage. The event is named after Orrin Porter Rockwell, an early Mormon body-guard, lawman, and gunslinger who, like Samson, never cut his hair, and who has something of a cult following today.

Location: Box Elder High School Auditorium, 380 S. 600 West, Brigham City, Utah

Dates: During Golden Spike Week, second week in May

Information: 435.723.3931

Richmond Black and White Days

This event was started in 1913 to promote and stimulate an interest in better quality dairy cattle.

It has evolved from driving the cattle into the old tithing yard with judges riding horses through the herd to pick out the award-winning animals to its present status as one of the largest exclusively Holstein dairy shows in the United States, with its own permanent grounds and pavilion. The event draws exhibitors from throughout the Intermountain West. It also includes a parade, food, horse pull, and other public events.

Location: Richmond, Utah

Dates: Second week in May (ends on the third Saturday of the month)

Old Ephraim Mountain Man Rendezvous

Held near a nineteenth-century trappers' rendezvous site. The event re-creates the food, trader's show, and contests of the early 1800s rendezvous.

Location: Blacksmith Fork Canyon east of Hyrum, Utah

Dates: Memorial Day Weekend

Memorial Day Decorating

Throughout this region, people flock to cemeteries on Memorial Day weekend to decorate family graves with flowers. In fact, it is common to see groups of people laughing and talking in the cemeteries as they encounter friends and relatives. Many people cut flowers like lilacs, peonies, and iris from their yards and make bouquets to set by the headstones of their loved ones. Drive or walk through some local cemeteries on Memorial Day to see the beautiful display. Many communities also sponsor Memorial Day programs in the cemeteries. The historic site of Chesterfield, Idaho, has an annual "Decoration Day" event to open their season.

Location: Cemeteries throughout the region

Dates: Memorial Day Weekend

Chesterfield Memorial Day Celebration

Meals served, auction, craft fair, blacksmith shop, pioneer games, tours, dance.

Location: 11 miles north of Bancroft, Idaho.

Dates: Memorial Day

JUNE

Bull Wars

This event focuses on bull riding, a rodeo event that requires a great deal of courage from the cowboys who participate. Riders from Idaho and surrounding states come to compete in this action-packed event.

Location: Oneida County Fairgrounds, Malad, Idaho

Dates: Early June

Information: 208.766.5323

Nibley Heritage Days

This event starts the Monday after Father's Day and ends the following Saturday. Events include a parade, a baby contest, fair, basketball tourney, a children's play, and a mayor's dinner for the older folks of the community.

Location: Nibley, Utah

Dates: The week after Father's Day

Idaho Day

A celebration honoring the state's pioneers.

Location: Franklin, Idaho

Dates: The last weekend in June

Clarkston Pony Express Days

This event celebrates the fact that the Pony Express crossed the mountain near Clarkston. The event includes a Dutch oven dinner on Friday, Pony Express horse race, and a parade.

Location: Clarkston, Utah

Dates: The last Friday and Saturday in June

Western Heritage Festival

This festival celebrates all things western, from Native American culture to Dutch oven cooking.

Location: Shuman (Library) Park, 200 North Tremont, Tremonton, Utah

Dates: Last weekend in June

Information: 435.854.3820

JULY

Independence Day

Various towns throughout the region hold festivities on July 4. Some towns alternate years celebrating either July 4 or Pioneer Day. Montpelier, Idaho, holds a Lions Club Chuckwagon Breakfast on the 4th and sponsors a fireworks display on "M" hill after sunset. Woodruff, Utah has a rodeo and patriotic programs. Star Spangled Week is held in Hyrum, Utah, and includes a rodeo, patriotic program, parade, dance, fireworks, Dutch oven contest, booths, exhibits, and entertainment. Paris, Idaho features a chuck wagon breakfast, a pageant at the tabernacle, a youth rodeo, and a parade. Malad, Idaho, celebrates with cow pie bingo and a bed race. Most celebrations feature breakfasts. Check local calendars, because some activities occur on the 4th itself, while others are on days preceding and following the 4th.

Some of the communities with July 4th festivities include:

Utah: Deweyville, Elwood, Grouse Creek, Plymouth, Willard, Brigham City, Pery, Logan, and Woodruff.

Idaho: Paris, Lewiston, Montpelier, Malad, and Soda Springs

Oregon Trail Rendezvous Pageant and Dutch Oven Dinner

This dramatic event about the Oregon Trail experience is held

AUGUST

on location at Banks Valley, seven miles south of Montpelier, Idaho.

Location: Montpelier, Idaho

Date: The last Saturday in July

Information: 800.448.BEAR(2327)

Samaria Days

This event celebrates Samaria, Idaho's history and Welsh heritage. There is a parade (everyone is welcome to enter), music, dances, baseball, a carnival, and contests. Candidates for queen compete in a series of activities based on the daily work of early homesteaders.

Location: Samaria, Idaho (about 8 miles southwest of Malad)

Dates: Third weekend in July

Information: 208.766.5780 or 208.766.2809

Pioneer Day

The 24th of July is a holiday commemorating the day that the Mormons entered the Salt Lake Valley in 1847. It is a state holiday in Utah but is also celebrated in Mormon communities in surrounding states. Depending on the location, you may find parades, picnics, pageants, fireworks, old fashioned games, or simply quiet family celebrations. Lots of locals head for the canyons to have picnics in the cool mountain air.

Locations: (Utah) Some of the communities with celebrations include Corinne, Bear River City, Grouse Creek, Tremonton, Logan, North Logan, and Park Valley. In Idaho, the towns of Bancroft, Weston and Preston also have celebrations.

Date: July 24 or nearest weekend

Information: Chambers of Commerce or tourism offices in different communities would be the most likely sources of local information.

That Famous Preston Night Rodeo

Held on three nights in July, is a PRCA event featuring nationally-known cowboys and rodeo stock. It was started in 1935 by a group of Preston businessmen. Many families return during this event's weekend to have reunions and renew friendships. There is a parade each night in downtown Preston. A carnival is an added attraction.

Location: Preston, Idaho

Dates: Last weekend in July or first weekend in August

Information: 208.852.2703

Wheat and Beet Days

Location: Garland, Utah

Information: 435.734.2634

Festival of the American West

Location: American West Heritage Center, 5 miles south of Logan, Utah on US Hwy 89/91

Dates: End of July-first week of August

Open: 10 am – 9 pm; Closed Sunday

Information: 800.225.FEST or 435.245.6050

Holmgren Historical Farm Folk Festival

This family focused, two-day folk music festival includes: music, food, entertainment, songwriter's workshop, art, and crafts. Highlights both local and out-of-state folk singers.

Location: 460 N. 300 E. Tremonton, Utah

Dates: last Friday and Saturday in July

Information: 435.257.7696

COUNTY FAIRS

August is the usual month for county fairs. Come see rodeos, produce displays, livestock judging, 4-H exhibits, midway fun, and more. Please call each county's offices to verify dates.

LOCATIONS:

Box Elder County Utah—Tremonton, fourth weekend in August. Includes a working dog show and cowboy poetry. The third week in August.

Cache County Utah—Logan, second week in August

Rich County Utah—Randolph, third week in August

Bear Lake County Idaho—Montpelier, fourth weekend in August.

Caribou County Idaho—Grace, last weekend in July, first weekend in August. Features a children's parade, main parade, Demolition Derby, Little Buckaroo Rodeo and watermelon bust. The 2002 dates are July 29 – August 3.

Franklin County Idaho—Preston, third weekend in August

Oneida County Idaho—Malad, second week in August. This one includes a rodeo and a truck pull. Mid-August

Bear Lake Raspberry Days

The harvest of delicious raspberries comes with this annual festival offering a wide variety of activities, such as a pancake breakfast, craft fair, dances, parade, concerts, and fireworks. Don't miss the lighted boat parade at 9 p.m.! A rodeo is held at the Laketown Arena.

Location: Garden City, Utah

Dates: The first full weekend of August.

Information: 800.448.BEAR

Annual Railroaders' Festival

Celebrate railroad history at the Golden Spike National Historic Site. Activities include the world championship professional spike driving contest, handcar rides and races, games, food, music, ranger programs, and more!

Location: Golden Spike National Historic Site, Promontory, Utah

Date: Call for exact dates

Information: 435.471.2209; www.nps.gov/gosp/

Martin Harris: The Man Who Knew (Pageant)

This LDS Church-sponsored pageant recalls the life of Martin Harris, a key player in the early history of Mormonism and the publication of the Book of Mormon, who lived his later life in Clarkston. Begins at dusk. Free admission, but tickets are required. The local church puts on a barbecue dinner prior to the pageant at a modest cost. Reservations are necessary for the dinner: write Clarkston Town Dinner, PO Box 181, Clarkston, UT 84305.

Location: Clarkston, Utah, in the amphitheater adjacent to the Clarkston cemetery

Dates: Every night except Sundays and Mondays for two weeks in August.

Information: 435.563.0059 for ticket availability; 435.245.3501 for other information.

River Heights Apple Days

This small town on the south edge of Logan, Utah, celebrates its orcharding heritage with a celebration that includes games, food, and more.

Location: Heber Olsen Park, 400 South and 600 East, River Heights

Date: The fourth Saturday in August.

Information: 435.752.2646 / www.ulct.org/riverheights/

Paradise Trout and Berry Days

Paradise is home to one of the largest berry farms around, as well as a trout farm, so this event celebrates trout and berries and features a parade, pie eating contest, basketball, 5k run, a trout dinner, and raspberry delights.

Location: Paradise, Utah

Dates: The weekend before Labor Day

Information: 435.245.6737

SEPTEMBER

Wellsville Founders Day

This event commemorates the settling of the first white community in Cache Valley in the 1850s. It includes a parade, barbecue, baseball tournament, 5K and 10K races, patriotic musical program, and a "buckaroo" rodeo for children.

Location: Wellsville, Utah, town square

Dates: Labor Day weekend

Information: 435.245.3686

Bear Lake Mountain Man Rendezvous

In the early 1800s, trappers worked the mountains of this region and gathered each fall to sell their hides to the fur companies, exchange news, and have a little fun. Two of these historic rendezvous (1826-1827) were held on the south shore of Bear Lake. Today, you can get a feel for what it must have been like by attending the annual Bear Lake Mountain Main Rendezvous. Watch old-time activities like flint-knapping, wood carving, campfire cooking, shooting contests, canoe races, tomahawk throws, and more.

Location: Rendezvous Beach State Park, on the south shore of Bear Lake

Dates: The weekend after Labor Day each year.

Information: 435.946.3343

Peach Days

Established in 1904, this is one of the oldest harvest festivals still going, and it celebrates the products of Utah's famous Fruit Way (Highway 89 south of Brigham City). It features a parade, a carnival, fruit displays, entertainment, dancing, a craft fair, and a Dutch oven cook-off featuring peaches. Grab a bowl of fresh peach cobbler and you'll think you're in heaven!

Location: Brigham City, Utah

Dates: The weekend after Labor Day

Information: 435.723.3931

Providence Sauerkraut Days

This town's German roots are reflected in this celebration featuring a Friday night dinner of homemade sauerkraut and all the trimmings. Saturday events include a parade, entertainment, and games in the park.

Location: Spring Creek Middle School and Providence City Park

Dates: Weekend after Labor Day

Information: 435.752.9441

OCTOBER

Hunting season usually opens throughout the region around this time. Locals turn out in huge numbers to spend some time in the outdoors and try their luck at getting some meat for the winter. Check with Idaho and Utah Fish and Game departments for details on particular species or specialized hunts (like the bow hunt), some of which occur at other times of the year.

Fall Festival

Local crafters gather to sell their wares in time for the holidays.

Location: Malad Elementary School Gym, Malad, Idaho

Dates: 3rd Saturday in October

Information: 208.766.5323

North Logan Pumpkin Walk

Fall comes alive in Cache Valley as pumpkins are made into people, animals, cars, and much more! This popular fall activity features thousands of pumpkins set up in vignettes.

Location: North Logan City Park

Information: 435.752.1310

NOVEMBER

Christmas Craft Bazaar

Locally-made crafts, food, entertainment, prizes.

Location: Allen Tigert Middle School, Soda Springs, Id

Dates: Third weekend in November

Information: 208.547.4722

DECEMBER

Frontier Christmas

Participate in a pioneer Christmas!

Location: American West Heritage Center, 5 miles south of Logan, Utah on US Hwy 89/91

Date: December 7

Open: 10 am – 6 pm

Information: 435.245.6050

Malad Firemen's Ball

This Christmastime event honors and raises funds for local volunteer firemen. Most small communities cannot afford to maintain full time fire departments, so they are dependent upon volunteers to protect their homes and lives. Live music, dancing, door prizes.

Location: American Legion Hall, Malad, Idaho

Date: Just before Christmas.

Information: 208.766.5323

Festival of Lights

The city of Preston, Idaho, goes all out for lighted Christmas decorations in its Festival of Lights, beginning Thanksgiving weekend. Throughout the region, homeowners take delight in decorating their houses and yards with lights and other decorations, but Preston is especially well-known for its flashy displays and the celebration that begins with a parade and fireworks. Hop in the car and take a drive around the area to help you get into the holiday spirit!

Location: Preston, Idaho

Dates: Thanksgiving weekend through Christmas

Information: 208.852.2703

Parade of Lights and Parade of Homes

People decorate anything they can drive, push, or pull and parade through the streets of Malad and end with a bonfire, food, and fireworks. For the Parade of Homes, people bedeck their houses and yards with holiday lights and decorations and invite the public to enjoy them.

Location: Malad, Idaho

Dates: Call for exact dates

Information: 208.766.5323



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