FALL IN LOVE WITH IOWA

SEPTEMBER 13-15, 2024 AND OCTOBER 4-6, 2024

RESIDENCE INN BY MARRIOTT IN ANKENY conveniently located in the district at prairie trail

Choose from king or queen bedrooms with studio suites featuring a sofa bed, refrigerator, oven, stovetop and microwave. The kids will love the indoor pool while parents relax in the spa tub. A free breakfast is provided for all guests.



"OH THE PLACES YOU'LL GO! THERE IS FUN TO BE DONE! THERE ARE POINTS TO BE SCORED. THERE ARE GAMES TO BE WON. AND THE MAGICAL THINGS YOU CAN DO WITH THAT BALL WILL MAKE YOU THE WINNINGEST WINNER OF ALL."

- DR. SEUSS



Your Special Adventure Includes:

- A two-night stay at Residence Inn by Marriott in Ankeny (yes, it has a pool!)
- Your choice of day passes to Applefest at Living History Farms (only available 9/13-9/15 weekend) or Center Grove Orchard
- Movie or bowling package at B&B Theatre
- Gift cards to Jethro's, Wig and Pen Pizza and Trailside Tap
- Mini adventures at The Outside Scoop and Miracle Park
- A Special Adventure Backpack with trip itinerary, confirmations and essentials
- A Special Adventure t-shirts for the entire family
- A Fujifilm Instax Mini Polaroid camera and trip journal
- A collection of Special Surprise Fun Boxes filled with family-friendly travel games, travel accessories, activities and snacks





APPLEFEST AT LIVING HISTORY FARMS INCLUDES DAY PASSES FOR ENTIRE FAMILY AND \$50 TO

GIFT SHOP — Only available for September trip

Enjoy a day of family fun celebrating apple harvest season! Visit the historic sites to see how past cooks would prepare and serve apple treats, such as apple butter, cake or pie, and cider. Print an apple recipe in the print shop, and purchase apple goodies and tasty treats from local food vendors. Be sure to take advantage of the tractor cart ride to the farm site.

If you leave yourself enough time, don't forget to enjoy the rest of Living History Farms while there, including a lot of historic adventures and sites to see.

Plus—the day will end with a historic baseball game played by 1876 rules! A true adventure for the entire family.

CENTER GROVE ORCHARD — CAMBRIDGE, IOWA

INCLUDES DAY PASSES, A QUARTER PECK OF APPLES AND A DOZEN APPLE CIDER DONUTS TO TAKE HOME — Available for either September or October trip

Center Grove Orchard is an apple orchard located in the heart of lowa farm country in the small town of Cambridge. But Center Grove Orchard is much more than an orchard.

Center Grove Orchard is 32 acres of autumnal fun! You'll take in more farm fresh experiences when you pick apples, befriend animals, frolic in the sunflower meadow and ride the Center Grove Orchard Express. This 20-acre apple orchard features more than 34 types of delicious, homegrown apples throughout the season. You'll find sweet, tart, and everything in between. Here your family can experience apple picking first-hand, in fact the Deb and Jeff Hansen Foundation will pay for a ¹/₄ peck bag of apples you'll hand pick and take home.

Catch a hayride to the 12-acre Sunflower Meadow to pick out a bucket and cut some fresh blooms.

The Farmyard at Center Grove Orchard offers activities for all ages and is the perfect place to explore, play, learn and spend a glorious autumn day. Explore the Corn Maze, take in a Pig Race, go down the Combine Slide—it's all up to you and it all happens in the Farmyard.

> "YOU'RE OFF TO GREAT PLACES! TODAY IS YOUR DAY! YOUR MOUNTAIN IS WAITING, SO...GET ON YOUR WAY!" - DR. SEUSS



"IF YOU HAVE GOOD THOUGHTS THEY WILL SHINE OUT OF YOUR FACE LIKE SUNBEAMS AND YOU WILL ALWAYS LOOK LOVELY." - ROALD DAHL



MOVIES AND BOWLING AT B&B ANKENY 12

MOVIE + FOOD OR, BOWLING + FOOD FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

Ankeny has a brand new theatre and bowling alley, and we'd love for you to go. This place has 12 screens, 12 lanes of B-Roll Bowling, a huge arcade and a full service restaurant.

In fact, your family can choose to have dinner and bowl, or have dinner and take in a movie. But this isn't your ordinary movie theatre, there's four different ways to enjoy the magic of the movies!

B&B Ankeny 12 has four traditional theaters with reclining and heated theatre seats; two B&B Theatres Grand Screens; screenPLAY! for families with small children, featuring an in-theater playground, custom preshow, and 30-minutes of playtime before a family-friendly feature; and MX4D the newest in 4D technology with moving seats, wind, rain, scent, smoke, and other effects to immerse guests in the experience.

Not interested in a flick? There's always time for a quick round of bowling. B&B has a 12-lane bowling alley to test your aim and accuracy.

MIRACLE PARK, ANKENY IOWA Ankeny's largest, all-inclusive park

Ok, it's free, but we'd pay for you to go if we could because Miracle Park is a must do while you're in Ankeny. This all-inclusive, 14,000 square feet park encourages children of all ages and abilities to play with each other.

The playground features double-wide ramps going more than nine feet high and various play amenities that kids with and without special needs can enjoy. Roller Tables, Sway Fun Gliders, a Sensory Play Center, and an Omni Spinner are all components to enjoy.

All play accessories are at wheelchair transfer height, making it easy to move a wheelchair in and out of or transferring from a wheelchair to the play feature. The playground also features a rubberized, latex-free surface.

WIG AND PEN PIZZA Pizza and more for everyone!

Inspired by a London club of the same name whose members were either lawyers or journalists, Wig & Pen Pizza Pub offers some of the best pizza in the state of lowa. Enjoy Flying Tomato, Thin or Chicago Style Deep Dish pizza. Other fan favorites include the calzones, onion rings, pasta dishes and wings. The kids menu offers mini corndogs, mac n' cheese, chicken tenders, and noodles.

The restaurant is located conveniently a mile away from your hotel, so dine in or order some take out to enjoy after your busy day on the farm or orchard.

TRAILSIDE TAP BRUNCH, LUNCH OR DINNER FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

Voted one of the best restaurants in Ankeny, Trailside Tap offers a wide variety of tasty food for any meal! Parents can enjoy apple fritters, the Brunch Burger, loaded hashbrowns and more for brunch starting at 9 a.m., or enjoy burgers, salads and sandwiches for lunch or dinner. Don't skip dessert, with delicious options like Pumpkin Bread Pudding and Apple Dumplings! The kids menu offers grilled cheese, hot dogs, chicken tenders, spaghetti and more for dinner, or french toast, pancakes, or omelets for brunch to start your day.

JETHRO'S BBQ N' LAKEHOUSE BRUNCH, LUNCH OR DINNER FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

Jethro's BBQ is a name that is synonymous with lowa. In less than 10 years, the popular neighborhood sports bars offering "amazing slow smoked meats" have become treasured institutions for those living near or visiting the Des Moines metro area.

Jethro's BBQ n' Lakehouse serves up generous portions of your BBQ favorites and is nestled in the District at Prairie Trail in Ankeny. Stopping in before you start your day? Jethro's also offers a one-of-a-kind brunch on the weekends from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.!

After your meal, take a stroll around the walking trail circling the lake or visit the unique shops in the District at Prairie Trail.

THE OUTSIDE SCOOP A SWEET TREAT FOR EVERYONE!

After your trip to Miracle Park, you'll want to cool down with some ice cream. Locally owned and operated, The Outside Scoop is the best in the state, serving amazing homemade ice cream since 2010. They started small, but their business boomed with high demand, and they don't plan on slowing down.

They purchase many of their ingredients from local growers and businesses to ensure only the best for their customers. Nearly all of the ingredients in their ice cream are made from scratch just like it would be from grandma's kitchen. If this doesn't have your taste buds tingling, they also serve ice cream in homemade waffle cones, specialty sundaes, root beer floats, shakes and storms.

Enjoy your traditional flavors of vanilla, chocolate and strawberry, or branch out to more unique flavors like cake batter, white chocolate raspberry cheesecake, apple crisp, chocolate oreo cookie dough and many others!



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