



Ponytails and Poodle Skirts— A Rock 'n' Rollercoaster Weekend in Western Iowa

Arnolds Park



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Okoboji

Historic Arnolds Park, Iowa Rock 'n' Roll Museum, Okoboji, Spirit Lake

The music, the cars, the fun! Put on your poodle skirts and saddle shoes and enjoy the nostalgia of revisiting your vacations of summers past at the Iowa Great Lakes!

Iowa Rock 'N' Roll Music Museum, Arnolds Park

Explore the rich musical history of a bygone era and the treasures of its Iowa roots at the Rock'n'Roll Music Museum at Historic Arnolds Park Amusement Park. It tells the story of the famed Iowa Great Lakes Records & Recording Studios and pays tribute to inductees in the Iowa Rock 'N' Roll Hall of Fame. Probably no other single ballroom in Iowa rock music conjures up more memories than the Roof Garden because it was the place to dance. Arnolds Park hosts free concerts so your trip may include a wonderful concert in the Roof Garden or on Preservation Plaza.



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Spirit Lake

Historic Arnolds Park Amusement Park

Feel like a kid again as you return to Historic Arnolds Park Amusement Park and take in the timeless rides and attractions that will transport you back to your youth...the Tilt-a-Whirl, Scrambler, Ferris Wheel, Mirror Maze, Topsy House and other favorites. Take a spin on The Legend Roller Coaster...and bring back a giant stuffed animal you may be lucky enough to win playing old-fashioned carnival games. If the rides are bit too much excitement, perhaps a leisurely round of mini-golf, more shopping in or watching the candy makers create mouthwatering salt water taffy and fudges and perhaps indulging in a bite or two!



Step back into time as you board the replica steamship the Queen II that is a Lake Okoboji tradition. Depart from the Historic Arnolds Park pier then just relax and take in the beauty of this clear blue, spring-fed lake and listen to a historical tour of the area's rich heritage. When you return, take time to stroll the pier and enjoy a Nutty Bar – a long time traditional favorite and browse the unique shops and boutiques with everything from Okoboji memorabilia to old-fashioned candies, specialty gifts and one-of-a-kind keepsakes.

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Okoboji Classic Cars, Okoboji

Listen to the sounds of rock'n'roll as you stroll past mint condition classic cars parked in this showroom with a life size diorama of 1950's Main Street Spencer, Iowa and 1960's scene surrounding Arnolds Park, with its iconic amusement park and view overlooking West Lake Okoboji. Okoboji Classic Cars is a destination experience that will rev the engines of any car enthusiast and art lover alike!

Okoboji Summer Theatre, Spirit Lake

For a wonderful night of entertainment, take in a performance at the Okoboji Summer Theatre which brings spectacular professional theater to the area summer after summer. College students and guest professional actors offer a unique big-city experience in the quaint air-conditioned, comfortable atmosphere of their recently remodeled summer theatre, a tradition in the area for over 50 years!

****Note****

The above itinerary is a SAMPLE itinerary. Other attractions and activities can be substituted based on your preferences and the current seasonality to create a unique itinerary for your next visit.

Dining Suggestions – Some of the most memorable experiences when traveling involve the foods you eat. By sampling local cuisine, you get an authentic taste of place, its unique history and culture, as well as regional specialties and favorites. Western Iowa is home to a wide range of locally owned and operated restaurants, farms and artisanal food providers, wineries, craft breweries and distilleries. Ask the locals for their recommendations!



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