

IOWA STATE FAIR *Adventure*

Des Moines, Iowa

August 8-10 and August 15-17, 2025

FAIRFIELD INN IN ALTOONA

After a fun-filled day at the fair, your family will love the Fairfield Inn because it provides all the comforts of home—featuring king, queen, or suite rooms. The kids will love the indoor pool while parents relax in the spa tub. A free breakfast is provided for all guests.

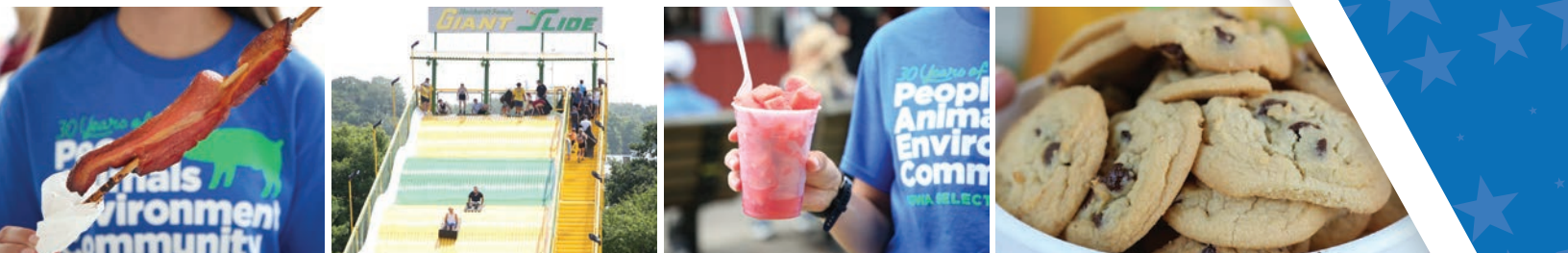


“IF YOU HAVE GOOD THOUGHTS
THEY WILL SHINE OUT OF YOUR FACE
LIKE SUNBEAMS AND YOU WILL ALWAYS
LOOK LOVELY.” – ROALD DAHL



Your Special Adventure Includes:

- A two-night stay at Fairfield Inn - Altoona (yes, it has a pool!)
- One-day gate admission to the Iowa State Fair for all family members
- An Advance Thrill Pass along with a ticket for the Giant Slide for each family member
- Iowa State Fair Food Adventure Pack—coupons for meals and refreshments for the whole family
- \$100 gift card to cover souvenirs and other purchases
- 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



IOWA STATE FAIR

Annually attracting more than a million people from all over the world, the Iowa State Fair in Des Moines is Iowa's salute to the state's best in agriculture, industry, entertainment and achievement. It is the true heartbeat of Iowa, and a celebration unequalled and unduplicated anywhere else on the globe.

While some families like to stroll and take in the fair at their own time, others plan every minute of their day. Either way, we have suggested highlights in your trip pack you won't want to miss.

Here's more details on what the Iowa State Fair Adventure includes, plus a few other favorites—

ADVANCE THRILL PASS

40 CREDITS FOR RIDES AND GAMES FOR EACH FAMILY MEMBER

Enjoy 40 credits worth of rides and games at Thrill Ville and Thrill Town! Thrill Ville offers a clean and family friendly atmosphere, but focuses on the spectacular, jaw dropping and super-speed screams of the best of today's rides. Thrill Ville is located between the Grandstand and Ye Old Mill. Little Fairgoers and their families will find loads of fun and stroller parking in Thrill Town. Thrill Town features kid friendly rides and games without having to navigate the larger Thrill Park areas. Thrill Town is located east of Gate 10 and directly north of the Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center Lawn. Redemption will be open 10 am - 10 pm and is located on the south end of Thrill Ville and at guest relations in the center of Thrill Town.

IOWA STATE FAIR FOOD ADVENTURE PACK

FOOD COUPONS +\$100 GIFT CARD

Food is one of the main attractions at the Iowa State Fair, and our Iowa State Fair Adventure Pack will make sure you've left bursting at the seams. A hearty meal for everyone at the Iowa Pork Tent covers a pork chop dinner or a BBQ, pork burger, grilled pork loin sandwich dinner for all. And since we're pork producers, additional coupons for Pork-Chop-on-a-Stick and Brown-Sugar-Bacon-on-a-Stick will be included.

The fine folks at Beatties Watermelon Stand will be ready and waiting to hand everyone in your family a cup of fresh, crisp watermelon, and our friends at Snappy Popcorn have ooey, gooey, buttery marshmallow popcorn balls as a sweet treat.

When you're ready to eat again, you can head to the Bud Tent for pizza, cheeseburgers, corn dogs, breaded pork tenderloins, fries and a drink. You can polish off your day (or begin with it—it's the fair, do what you want!) with an ice cream treat at Bauders Ice Cream, known for their peppermint bars, and an array of ice cream and sweet treats.

And if that's not enough, we've still got you covered. One hundred dollar gift card will be in your coupon pouch to cover any food or experiences we didn't think of. Because we'd hate to have you miss even an ounce of fun or food to be had at the Iowa State Fair!



**"TODAY WAS GOOD. TODAY WAS FUN.
TOMORROW IS ANOTHER ONE."**

— DR. SEUSS



ADDITIONAL IDEAS, SIGHTS AND SOUNDS FOR KIDS

The Animal Learning Center is a highlight for many with live viewing of baby animal births. Learn about our Iowa livestock and see how much Iowa farmers care for their animals. We're of course partial to the farrowing display where families can see sows and their newborn piglets. Plus, you can sign up for text alerts on baby animal births by texting BABY to 844.844.8508.

While you're near the Animal Learning Center, be sure to make your way to the Sensory Learning Experience area that is new as of the 2022 Iowa State Fair. The fair is known for its unique sights and sounds, but this location offers a special opportunity to take in the fair in a different way.

Mutton Bustin' – "The Toughest Sport on Wool" will give boys and girls, ages three to six years old and weighing less than 60 pounds, a chance to ride a sheep for a full six seconds. Riders are timed and placed with a chance to compete in the finals, just like the big rodeo!

And finally, don't forget to sign up for fun contests like Bubble Gum Blowing, Pie Eating, Pedal Tractor Pull, Scavenger Hunt, Mom Calling, Children's Singing, Checkers Tournament and even the Pigtail, PonyTail, Braid, Mullet & MoHawk Contest.

It's a rich tradition for fairgoers to stroll through the livestock barns and milking parlors where kids can see farm animals first hand. Be sure to see the Milking Parlor, Boulevard of Dairy Breeds, Cattle Corner, Avenue of Breeds, Pig Place, Horse Haven, Sheep Stop and of course, the Super Bull and Big Boar.

There is a fun splash/fountain area for the kids to run and cool off in. Make sure you have some dry clothes to change them in afterward.

LITTLE HANDS ON THE FARM

We're in love with Little Hands on the Farm, because this experience teaches kids the importance of agriculture and how it affects their daily lives in a fun and interactive way. Kids are greeted with a gathering basket and apron at the farm gate, then they proceed along a path that includes a garden, grain bin, hog barn (!), apple orchard, chicken coop, tractor shed, sheep barn and dairy barn. After gathering particular items along the way, kids get the chance to sell these items at the Little Hands on the Farm Farmers' Market for a Little Hands dollar to spend at the Grocery Store for such items as a piece of fruit, a granola bar or an ice cream sandwich.

**"YOU'RE BRAVER THAN YOU BELIEVE,
AND STRONGER THAN YOU SEEM, AND
SMARTER THAN YOU THINK."**

– CHRISTOPHER ROBIN





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