

## YOUR TRAVEL STYLE: Arts

"art washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life" – Pablo Picasso



### ART AND SOUL.

If you've never visited, you may be surprised to learn that Southwest Idaho has a vibrant, active arts scene. Whether your passion is fine art, theater or dance, we have some ideas to help you take it all in...

**ART:** Explore Boise's many art galleries or head over to the Boise Art Museum to browse its permanent collection or ever-changing exhibitions.

**TASTE:** With 20 wineries in Southwest Idaho, it is easy to find unique tasting and touring opportunities. For details on our growing list of wineries and their tasting room hours, visit [www.idahowines.org](http://www.idahowines.org).

**URBAN WINEMAKER'S COOPERATIVE:** A unique opportunity to tour a cooperative winemaking facility only a few miles from downtown Boise. Three wineries have come together to share equipment and space so they can spend more time concentrating on the art and science of winemaking. More at [www.urbanwinemakerscoop.com](http://www.urbanwinemakerscoop.com).

**A GOOD MEAL:** Good restaurants are everywhere in Southwest Idaho, but look to downtown Boise for most of the area's fine dining, including restaurants specializing in steak houses, Northwest cuisine and more ethnic fare.

### Things To Do



### Where To Stay

Try one of the several bed & breakfasts popping up throughout Idaho wine country. Or stay near it all by staying Boise, where you'll be less than an hour from all of the wineries and have access to urban entertainment and dining options..

### Also Consider

**BOISE ART MUSEUM:** Browse its permanent collection or ever-changing exhibitions, from cutting edge to historical.

**MUSIC AND DANCE:** Boise is home to Boise Philharmonic and Opera Idaho as well as several dance companies, including the Trey McIntire Project, Ballet Idaho, and Idaho Dance Theatre.

**IDAHO BOTANICAL GARDEN:** Gardeners rejoice! This regional destination garden is filled with significant and notable plant collections in a peaceful, relaxed setting. A great way to spend a wonderful afternoon.

**BASQUE MUSEUM AND CULTURAL CENTER:** Housed in a former Basque Boarding House, this interactive museum let's you learn all about the Basque traditions, history and their important contributions to Idaho.

### Start Planning

**ENTERTAINMENT:** Starlight Mountain Theatre 208-342-2187

**DINING:** Cottonwood Grille 208-333-9800

**LOCAL ARTS:** Boise City Arts Commission 208-336-4936

FIND MORE IDEAS ON WHERE TO STAY AND WHAT TO DO WHEN WANDERING SOUTHWEST IDAHO, GO TO [WWW.VISITSOUTHWESTIDAHO.ORG](http://WWW.VISITSOUTHWESTIDAHO.ORG)



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