

# YOUR TRAVEL STYLE: Out For A Scenic Drive

"adopt the pace of nature her secret is patience" – Ralph Waldo Emerson



## GET IN YOUR CAR AND DRIVE.

Aaahhhh. Scenic drives... spectacular scenery, charming small towns, good music (your own)...what could be better? Not much. The trick is knowing where to wander. Let us make a few suggestions...



## Where To Stay

While each of these drives can be made in a single day, but we don't recommend it. Relax. Enjoy the sites. Take your time, stretch out the drive and stay along the way.

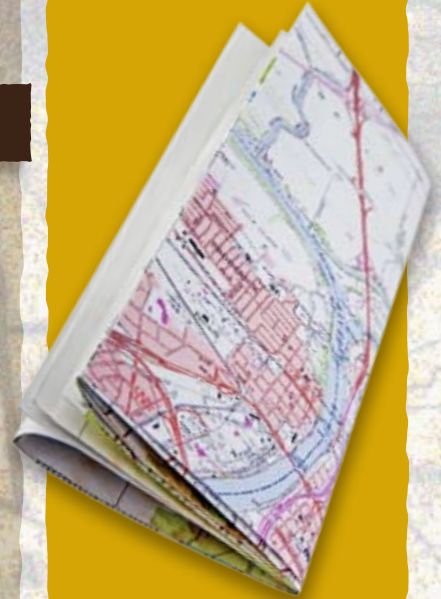
## Things To Do

**THE HEARTLAND SCENIC LOOP:** A classic Idaho experience, this scenic loop takes you along roaring white water and pristine mountain lakes.

Through charming small-towns and sweeping valleys with spectacular views. It can be completed in a single long day (about six hours of driving), but we recommend at least two days for you to best enjoy everything the area has to offer.

**LOWMAN LOOP:** A great opportunity to enjoy fresh air, historic towns and absolutely jaw-dropping scenery. This loop takes you from Boise north along the Payette River Scenic Byway through stunning Garden Valley where you will drive through the South Fork of the Payette canyon on your way to Lowman. From there, it's south to the historic mining town of Idaho City then back to the Boise area.

**OREGON TRAIL LOOP:** This loop starts by taking you through the Snake River Appellation wine county then along the Snake River to Glen's Ferry, where Oregon Trail pioneers traversed the mighty Snake river. Along the way, you'll enjoy broad vistas, canyon views and numerous opportunities to stop at historical markers to learn and take it all in.



## Also Consider

**There are so many opportunities for scenic drives in Southwest Idaho. Get a map and wander.**

**HELL'S CANYON:** You gotta see this. Not only is the canyon a wonder in itself, you can also take in some great fishing, jet boating and wildlife viewing while here.

**HOT SPRINGS:** Explore some of Idaho's many natural hot springs. You'll find them scattered throughout Southwest Idaho from Marsing to Lowman and everywhere in between.

**CAMPING:** Your options are nearly endless. Some favorites include camping on the shores (a peninsula, actually) of Payette Lake at Ponderosa State Park, or at the base of North America's tallest sand dune at Bruneau State Park. You can also find dozens of other options along the Snake River or near Idaho City. For a unique experience, stay at Givens Hot Springs or camp on-site at Starlight Mountain Theatre.



## Start Planning

**DRIVE:** Payette River Scenic Byway  
208-322-7033

**HELL'S CANYON:** Hell's Canyon Adventures 541-785-3352

**HOT SPRINGS:** Givens' Hot Springs  
208-495-2000

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

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