

YOUR TRAVEL STYLE: This n' That (Winter)

"we don't stop playing because we grow old we grow old because we stop playing"

— George Bernard Shaw



SO MUCH TO DO.

Your answers reveal that you like to do a little of everything. Well, winter in Southwest Idaho is just place for you. Whether it's action or relaxin', we have it. Let us give you some suggestions on how to spend your time here.



Things To Do

DOWNHILL SKIING &

BOARDING: Here, hitting the slopes is easy. Choose between Brundage Mountain (350"+ average snowfall) in McCall or Bogus Basin, just 14 miles from downtown Boise. Both offer plenty of powder days, runs fit for every level of skier and full-service rental shops. In addition, Brundage offers some fabulous backcountry skiing overlooking beautiful Payette Lake.

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

SNOWMOBILING: Whether you want to race across a frozen lake or just enjoy a leisurely ride in the forest, you'll find plenty of opportunities on the 100s of miles of trails throughout Southwest Idaho's mountain areas: McCall, Cascade, Garden Valley, Smith's Ferry, Lowman, Featherville, and Idaho City. Enjoy a guided trip or explore on your own.

WARHAWK AIR MUSEUM: Get up close and personal with World War II history, including numerous rare, original aircraft.

ICE SKATING: Love hockey? Ice skating? Curling? Hit the ice. Idaho Ice World in Boise or Manchester Ice & Event Centre in McCall offer a wide range of programs and activities.

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.

WINE: The Snake River Valley Appellation, the nation's newest wine region is right here. Tour wineries. Taste. Relax.

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

SEASONAL FESTIVALS: Depending on your travel dates, you may be able to catch one of the many seasonal events that happen in Southwest Idaho all winter long. Favorites include McCall's Winter Carnival with its giant snow sculptures and Winter Garden Aglow at the Idaho Botanical Gardens in Boise.

Where To Stay

Southwest Idaho offers a wide range of accommodations, from chic urban hotels to guest ranches and everything in between. With your diverse interests, we'd suggest doing a bit more research (perhaps at www.swita.org) to narrow your focus.



Also Consider

There's a lot more to Idaho than just outdoor adventure. Here are a few more itinerary items to consider:

SNAKE RIVER BIRDS OF PREY: Visit Peregrine Fund's World Center for Birds of Prey to learn through interactive exhibits and intimate encounters with live birds, including the endangered California Condor, Harpy Eagle, and Aplomado Falcon.

BASQUE MUSEUM AND CULTURAL CENTER:

Housed in a former Basque Boarding House, this interactive museum lets you learn all about the Basque traditions, history and important contributions to Idaho.

OLD IDAHO PENITENTIARY: Built in 1870 and used through 1973, the "Old Pen" was the official territorial penitentiary. Today you can tour the prison, learn about its notorious inmates, even visit solitary confinement.

Start Planning

SKIING: Bogus Basin Mountain Recreation Area: (800) 367-4397
Brundage Mountain: (800) 888-7544

SLEIGH RIDES: Bogus Creek Outfitters: (888) 264-8727

HOT SPRINGS: Given's Hot Springs 208-495-2000

WINTER GARDEN AGLOW: Idaho Botanical Garden 208-343-8649

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