

# **Couples Yellow Brick Road Trip**

Get back to the heart of your relationship with a couples retreat in Kansas. Experience personal and unique hospitality with that special someone while enjoying and reconnecting with each other.

- Eisenhower Presidential Library & Museum\* 200 SE Fourth, Abilene (785) 263-6700 <u>Website</u>
- 2. Seelye Mansion & Patent Medicine Museum\* 1105 N Buckeye, Abilene (785) 263-1084 <u>Website</u>
- 3. Great Plains Theatre 300 N Mulberry, Abilene (785) 263-4574 <u>Website</u>
- SculptureTour Salina Downtown Lee District, Salina (785) 825-0535 <u>Website</u>
- 5. Salina Art Center 242 S Santa Fe, Salina (785) 827-1431 <u>Website</u>
- Stiefel Theatre for the Performing Arts 151 S Santa Fe, Salina (785) 827-1998 <u>Website</u>
- 7. Coronado Heights\* Coronado Heights Road, Lindsborg (785) 227-8687 <u>Website</u>
- 8. McPherson County Old Mill Museum\* 120 Mill St, Lindsborg (785) 227-3595 <u>Website</u>
- 9. Birger Sandzen Art Gallery\* 401 N First, Lindsborg (785) 227-2220 Website



Note: Attractions marked with an asterisk (\*) were recognized as part of the 8 Wonders of Kansas contests, sponsored by the Kansas Sampler Foundation. Don't miss them!



# <u>Abilene</u>

# 1. Eisenhower Presidential Library & Museum\*

Do you still like Ike? Not sure who Ike is? Either way, it's time for you to come learn about the 5-star General and 34th President of the United States – Dwight David Eisenhower. Five distinct buildings make up the Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum housed on 22 acres. Included are the Boyhood Home, Museum featuring multiple galleries, research Library, Visitors Center with gift shop and introduction film, and the Place of Meditation – the President's final resting place.

# 2. Seelye Mansion & Patent Medicine Museum\*

This 25 room Georgian Mansion, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, was built in 1905 by A. B. Seelye, a patent medicine entrepreneur. The mansion contains its original furnishings, purchased by the Seelye's at the 1904 World's Fair. The Museum depicts Dr. Seelye's turn-of-the-century medicine business.

# 3. Great Plains Theatre

Known for bringing in top notch talent from all over the country, Great Plains Theatre is the only regional professional theatre between Kansas City and Denver. Note: The Great Plains Theatre burned in a fire on July 23, 2014. Please visit the website for information on current show schedules/locations.

Looking for more unique opportunities in Abilene? May we recommend:

## Abilene's Victorian Inn

820 NW 3<sup>rd</sup> St, Abilene (785) 263-7774 <u>Website</u> An enchanting yet comfortable bed and breakfast in the heart of Abilene features 6,000 square feet of Victorian elegance. Experience peaceful luxury combined with convenient modern amenities!

## **Bankes Drug/Old Fashioned Fountain Soda\***

304 N Broadway, Abilene
(785) 263-4330
Visit one of only 38 operating soda fountains in Kansas. This seven stool soda fountain establishment features a round mirror and 1972 Formica countertop.

## **Brookville Hotel**

105 E Lafayette, Abilene (785) 263-2244 <u>Website</u> World Famous Family Style Fried Chicken Dinners with all the trimmings - served since 1870 - 4th generation family. Serving lunch and dinner. Reservations are advised.

# **Cypress Bridge**

110 NW Third, Abilene (785) 263-1963

# <u>Website</u>

Home of the best hand-poured, triple scented candles, which are poured on site.

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#### **Russell Stover Candies**

1993 Caramel Blvd, Abilene (785) 263-0463 <u>Website</u>

At this 10,000 sq. ft. outlet store, you can purchase ice cream delights, along with the many other types of candies and homemade chocolate delicacies.

## <u>Salina</u>

## 4. Sculpture Tour Salina

An outdoor exhibit of sculptures that changes each spring. Artists from across the country, and beyond, submit work to be considered by a jury for each exhibition. Stroll through the thriving downtown, tour the sculptures and vote for your favorite piece.

#### 5. Salina Art Center

An innovative contemporary art space focusing on the art, artists, and culture of our time. The Salina Art Center bridges community and today's art through exhibitions featuring national and international artists, education programs and classes, an Artist in Residence program, and independent films at the Cinema.

## 6. Stiefel Theatre for the Performing Arts

A true cornerstone of Salina's historic downtown district. This beautifully renovated historic Fox Theatre presents a tremendous variety of performances year round, from live theatre to film; music and comedy concerts, dance performances; Home of the Salina Symphony. You'll also enjoy changing exhibits in the Watson Gallery.

Looking for more unique opportunities near Salina? May we recommend:

#### Ad Astra Books & Coffee House

141 N Santa Fe Ave, Salina(785) 833-2235WebsiteCome for the unique selection of new or used books, the coffee, café or entertainment. A perfect space to lose track of time.

#### Cozy Inn\*

208 N 7<sup>th</sup> St, Salina (785) 825-2699 Website Try the renowned Cozy Burger (better known as a "slider") at this 1922 diner. Voted Kansas' favorite hamburger by USA Today.

#### Martinelli's Little Italy

158 S Santa Fe Ave, Salina (785) 826-9190 Website Candlelight dining and traditional Italian fare, Martinelli's brings a slice of Italy to downtown Salina.

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Renaissance Café 210 N. Center Ave, Assaria

(785) 822-6750

#### Website

Unique old, world atmosphere paired with authentic Northern Italian cuisine, prepared with a fresh contemporary influence. All dishes are made in-house from scratch.

# Sweet on You

157 N. 7<sup>th</sup>, Salina
(785) 577-7238
<u>Website</u>
A selection of some of the finest chocolates from coast to coast and around the world.

## <u>Lindsborg</u>

## 7. Coronado Heights\*

Coronado Heights is the southern-most bluff in a series of seven, known as the Smoky Hills. The hill is located northwest of Lindsborg. It is believed that Francisco Vasquez de Coronado and his men viewed the prairie from this lookout point 300 feet above the valley floor. Native Dakota sandstone was used to build the castle and picnic areas in 1936 as a project of the Works Progress Administration, creating the perfect opportunity for a picnic, flying kites, hiking or riding the off-road bike trails.

## 8. McPherson County Old Mill Museum\*

Varied exhibits in twelve buildings showcase the lives of pioneers from the 1870s to the 1980s. Visit a rare, fully restored 1898 flour mill and learn how Kansas wheat was made into flour. Explore the 1904 Swedish Pavilion, built for the St. Louis World's Fair. Styled after country manor houses in Sweden.

## 9. Birger Sandzen Art Gallery\*

View the largest and most extensive collection of Sandzen's paintings, prints, drawings and watercolors found anywhere in the world. The Gallery also presents exhibits of work by local and regional as well as nationally recognized artists. The gallery has an impressive collection of prints, ranging from European to American regionalist printmakers, and a variety of art from Asia.

Looking for more unique opportunities in Lindsborg? May we recommend:

Hemslõjd\* 201 N Main St, Lindsborg (785) 227-2053

## <u>Website</u>

Hemslöjd is a gift and woodworking shop where you can visit with the craftsmen and artist as they work. Their specialty is the personalized house-sign in the shape of the beloved Swedish Dala Horse. Here you can also rent a quadricycle--a grown-up peddle car--and take a rolling tour of Lindsborg.



## **Small World Gallery**

127 N Main St, Lindsborg (785) 227-4442 Website

Photography by National Geographical photographic photographer Jim Richardson and IBIS Woman jewelry by Kathy Richardson. Assortment of cards, handmade books and various items.

## **Swedish Crown Restaurant**

121 N Main, Lindsborg (785) 227-8422

#### Website

Located in the heart of "Little Sweden USA" The Swedish Crown Restaurant features a mix of traditional Swedish dishes and American favorites with a unique twist.

## Vetehuset

105 ½ N Main, Lindsborg (855) 383-3487

# <u>Website</u>

Vetehuset (Swedish for "wheat house) is truly one-of-a-kind. As a short-term apartment rental, you'll find a spacious room with comfortable furnishings, stylish design and privacy.

## Wild Dala Horses\*

104 E Lincoln St, Lindsborg (785) 227-8687 Website

The traditional Dala shape provides the base for the creatively painted Wild Dala horses, celebrating contemporary Lindsborg – its history, Swedish-Americana, the arts, everyday work and life, local groups and families and, of course, wordplay. The Wild Dalas of Lindsborg Official Guide will help you to locate the herd both indoors and out.