

# Group Travel Itinerary

## HOLIDAY SPIRIT

Want to see what the holidays are like in the Midwest? Bright lights, fluffy snow, delicious hot chocolate? Explore the classics of Greater Des Moines for your next holiday-themed trip!

### DAY 1

ACTIVITY:	CATCH THIS:	WHEN TO VISIT:	INFO:
<b>Historic Valley Junction</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Shop local at Jingle in the Junction the first two weekends in December. The district twinkles with more than 150,000 lights and ice sculptures. Catch a free horse and trolley ride, listen to carolers, and visit Santa too!</li> </ul>	<b>Refer to website</b>	137 5th Street, West Des Moines <a href="http://valleyjunction.com">valleyjunction.com</a>
<b>Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Great way to warm up in the winter in the perpetually 80-degree conservatory.</li> <li>▶ Home to award-winning Trellis restaurant.</li> </ul>	<b>Refer to website.</b>	909 Robert D. Ray Drive, Des Moines <a href="http://dmbotanicalgarden.com">dmbotanicalgarden.com</a>
<b>Des Moines Art Center</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ World class art museum showcasing artists such as Andy Warhol, Claude Monet, and Georgia O’Keeffe.</li> <li>▶ Outstanding exhibitions, educational programs, a museum gift shop, and a restaurant that makes for a great lunch stop!</li> </ul>	<b>Tue - Wed:</b> 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. <b>Thur:</b> 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. <b>Fri:</b> 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. <b>Sat - Sun:</b> 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	4700 Grand Avenue, Des Moines <a href="http://desmoinesartcenter.org">desmoinesartcenter.org</a>
<b>AllSpice Culinarium</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Want to spice up your trip? Inquire about private tours and a personalized welcome from the owners. Enjoy sampling more than 350 culinary herbs, spices, oils, and balsamic vinegars.</li> </ul>	<b>Mon - Fri:</b> 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. <b>Sat:</b> 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. <b>Sun:</b> Noon - 4 p.m.	400 E Locust Street, Suite 5, Des Moines <a href="http://allspiceonline.com">allspiceonline.com</a>
<b>Adventureland Park</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Enjoy one of the most beautiful light displays in the Midwest by driving through Jolly Holiday Lights at Adventureland Park.</li> <li>▶ This is a fundraiser for the Make-A-Wish Foundation, so while you enjoy the lights, you are also helping with a wonderful cause!</li> </ul>	<b>Refer to website.</b>	3200 Adventureland Drive, Altoona <a href="http://adventurelandresort.com">adventurelandresort.com</a>

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<b>Salisbury House</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ If you love holiday decorations, then the Holly &amp; Ivy Holiday Home Tour is the perfect event to find inspiration!</li> <li>▶ Enjoy live music and catch Santa strolling the property.</li> </ul>	Refer to website.	4025 Tonawanda Drive, Des Moines <a href="http://salisburyhouse.org">salisburyhouse.org</a>
<b>Christkindlmarket Des Moines</b>	▶ A German-inspired Christmas market showcasing European foods, products, and activities. Shop vendors from across the region while enjoying live music and a beer tent serving up European-style beverages.	Refer to website	1 Line Drive, Des Moines <a href="http://christkindlmarketdsm.com">christkindlmarketdsm.com</a>
<b>Terrace Hill</b>	▶ Beautifully decorated for the holidays, this is the home to the Governor of Iowa. Guided tours of the first two floors take visitors back to the Victorian lifestyle of the late 1880s.	Refer to website.	2300 Grand Avenue, Des Moines <a href="http://terracehill.iowa.gov">terracehill.iowa.gov</a>
<b>The District at Prairie Trail</b>	▶ This new area in Ankeny is home to boutiques, restaurants, and entertainment. It's a great stop for a lunch!	Refer to website	1515 NE 36th Street, Ankeny <a href="http://thedistrictpt.com">thedistrictpt.com</a>
<b>Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad</b>	▶ Feel like a kid again and ride the historic train for the Santa Express or regularly scheduled train rides any time of year.	Refer to website.	225 10th Street, Boone <a href="http://bsvrr.com">bsvrr.com</a>
<b>Outlets of Des Moines</b>	▶ An open-air shopping destination conveniently located at Interstate 80 and US-65 in Altoona. Shop and save at all your favorites.	<b>Mon - Thur:</b> 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. <b>Fri - Sat:</b> 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. <b>Sun:</b> 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.	801 Bass Pro Drive NW, Altoona <a href="http://outletsofdesmoines.com">outletsofdesmoines.com</a>
<b>Prairie Meadows Casino and Hotel</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Catch the lights and sounds of the holidays. Enjoy year-round sports betting, and 85,000 square feet of non-stop casino action.</li> <li>▶ Includes on-site hotel, event center, and AJ's Steakhouse.</li> </ul>	<b>Mon - Sun:</b> Open 24 hours	1 Prairie Meadows Drive, Altoona <a href="http://prairiemeadows.com">prairiemeadows.com</a>

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