



The CatchList

WINTER THINGS TO DO

Come wintertime, the temperatures may drop but the excitement is just starting to heat up in Greater Des Moines. The forecast calls for fun no matter the season, so we've got your covered...no matter how many layers it takes.

HOTEL			
PROPERTY:	CATCH THIS:	INFO:	
AC Hotel by Marriott	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Located in the heart of the hip East Village. ▶ Home to the Republic on Grand, a swanky sixth floor bar with a view. 	401 E Grand Avenue, Des Moines marriott.com/hotels/hotel-information/restaurant/dsmad-ac-hotel-des-moines-east-village/	
DAY 1			
ACTIVITY:	CATCH THIS:	WHEN TO VISIT:	INFO:
Breakfast at Mullets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Patio overlooking the Des Moines river and city skyline. ▶ Best greasy spoon breakfast downtown. 	Breakfast served: Mon - Fri: 7 a.m. - Noon Sat - Sun: 7 a.m. - 2 p.m.	1300 SE 1st Street, Des Moines mulletsdm.com
Snow tubing at Sleepy Hallow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Chair lifts and tube pulls. ▶ They make their own snow! 	Weekends in the winter.	4051 Dean Avenue, Des Moines sleepyhollowevents.com
Social - Eats & Crafts and Great Escape	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 30 craft beers on tap. ▶ Boutique bowling alley. ▶ Laser tag, arcade, and virtual reality adventure. 	Mon: 11 a.m. - 11 p.m. Tues: 9 a.m. - 11 p.m. Wed & Thur: 11 a.m. - 10:30 p.m. Fri: 11 a.m. - 1 a.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. - 1 a.m. Sunday: 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.	655 NE 56th Street, Des Moines greatestescapeiowa.com/social
Zombie Burger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ GORE-met burgers and zombie chic decor. ▶ Pair with a spiked cereal milkshake if you dare. 	Sun - Thur: 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. Fri - Sat: 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.	300 E Grand Avenue, Des Moines zombieburgershake-lab.com
Iowa Wild	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Top hockey affiliate of the Minnesota Wild. ▶ Always have good deals or fun giveaways. 	Refer to website for schedule.	730 3rd Street, Des Moines iowawild.com
Des Moines Performing Arts – Civic Center	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ One of the top performing arts venues in the Midwest. ▶ Home to <i>Hamilton</i>, <i>Dear Evan Hansen</i>, and more. 	Refer to website for showtimes.	221 Walnut Street, Des Moines desmoinesperforming-arts.org



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DAY 2

ACTIVITY:	CATCH THIS:	WHEN TO VISIT:	INFO:
Breakfast at Star Bar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Best Bloody Mary's in town. ▶ Charge up with shrimp & cheese grits. 	Breakfast served: Mon - Fri 7 a.m. to Noon Sat - Sun: 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.	2811 Ingersoll Avenue, Des Moines starbardsm.com
Iowa State Capitol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The only 5-domed capitol building in the country. ▶ Free guided or self-guided tours. 	Mon - Fri: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sat: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.	E 9th Street & Grand Avenue, Des Moines legis.iowa.gov/ resources/tourcapitol
Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Great way to warm up in the winter. ▶ Home to award-winning Trellis restaurant. 	Refer to website.	909 Robert D. Ray Drive, Des Moines dmbotanicalgarden.com
Shopping in the Historic East Village	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ More than 200 shops, boutiques, and restaurants. ▶ Stop by Raygun, where you can find shirts, glasses, coasters, and other gifts. 	Year-Round	East Village, Des Moines eastvillagedesmoines.com
Iowa Taproom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Over 100 all Iowa beers on tap. ▶ Elevated bar food includes tenderloin strips and Iowa ham balls. 	Mon - Sat: 11 a.m. - 12 a.m. Sun: 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.	215 E 3rd Street, Suite 100, Des Moines iowataproom.com
Brenton Skating Plaza	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Iowa's premier ice-skating rink. ▶ Located along Des Moines River with views of the skyline. 	Skating season typically runs November - March.	520 Robert D. Ray Drive, Des Moines dsmpartnership.com/ brentonplaza
Drinks at Peace Tree Brewing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Creative craft beers. ▶ Family-friendly, relaxed atmosphere. 	Tues - Thur: 2 - 10 p.m. Fri: Noon - 11 p.m. Sat: 11 a.m. - 11 p.m. Sun: 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.	317 E Court Avenue, Des Moines peacetreebrewing.com/ des-moines-branch



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DON'T MISS THESE WINTER EVENTS:

Iowa's Premier Beer, Wine and Food Expo *(mid-Nov)*

Winter Farmers' Market *(late Nov)*

Holiday Promenade *(late Nov)*

Jingle in the Junction *(late Nov)*

Festival of Trees & Lights *(late Nov)*

Christkindlmarket Des Moines *(early Dec)*

Jolly Holiday Lights *(Dec)*

Des Moines Home + Garden Show *(mid-Feb)*

Blue Ribbon Bacon Festival *(early March)*