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WELCOME HOME TO THE ORIGINAL KRAFT CHEESE PLANT, PIONEERING WOMEN, MAGNIFICENT MURALS AND MUCH MORE.

Originally a quiet farming community, the Village of Stockton was incorporated in 1890 due in large part to the Chicago Great Western Railroad Company establishing a stop here. The rails brought trailblazers whose ideas, businesses and beautiful Queen Anne architecture can still be experienced today, reminding us of the glamor and ingenuity of the Gilded Age. As part of the Driftless Area, Stockton is also home to beautiful rolling hills, scenic farmland and vistas that stretch far and wide. Plan your getaway and let the adventures begin.

ABOUT ADVENTURES IN STOCKTON

Adventures in Stockton is a self-guided interactive tour using informational signage and QR codes to introduce you to our many historical places, people and curiosities. As you're traveling around our town visiting these sites, check out our marvelous murals, grab a bite or drink at one of our wonderful restaurants, cafes or bars, and pick up something special at one of our unique shops.



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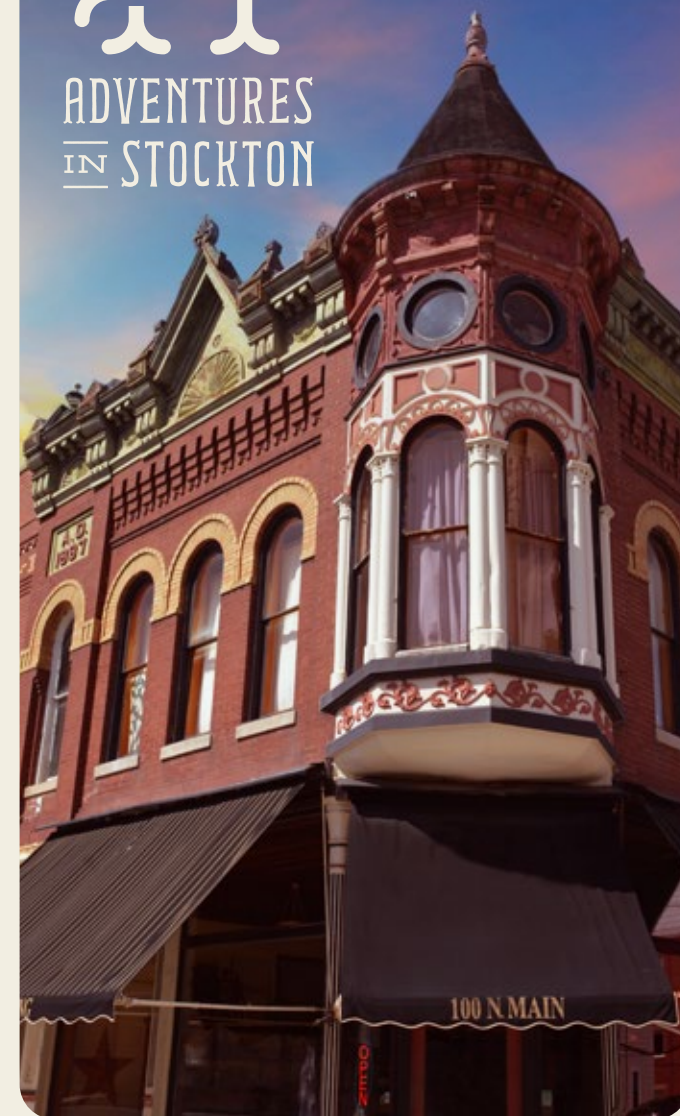
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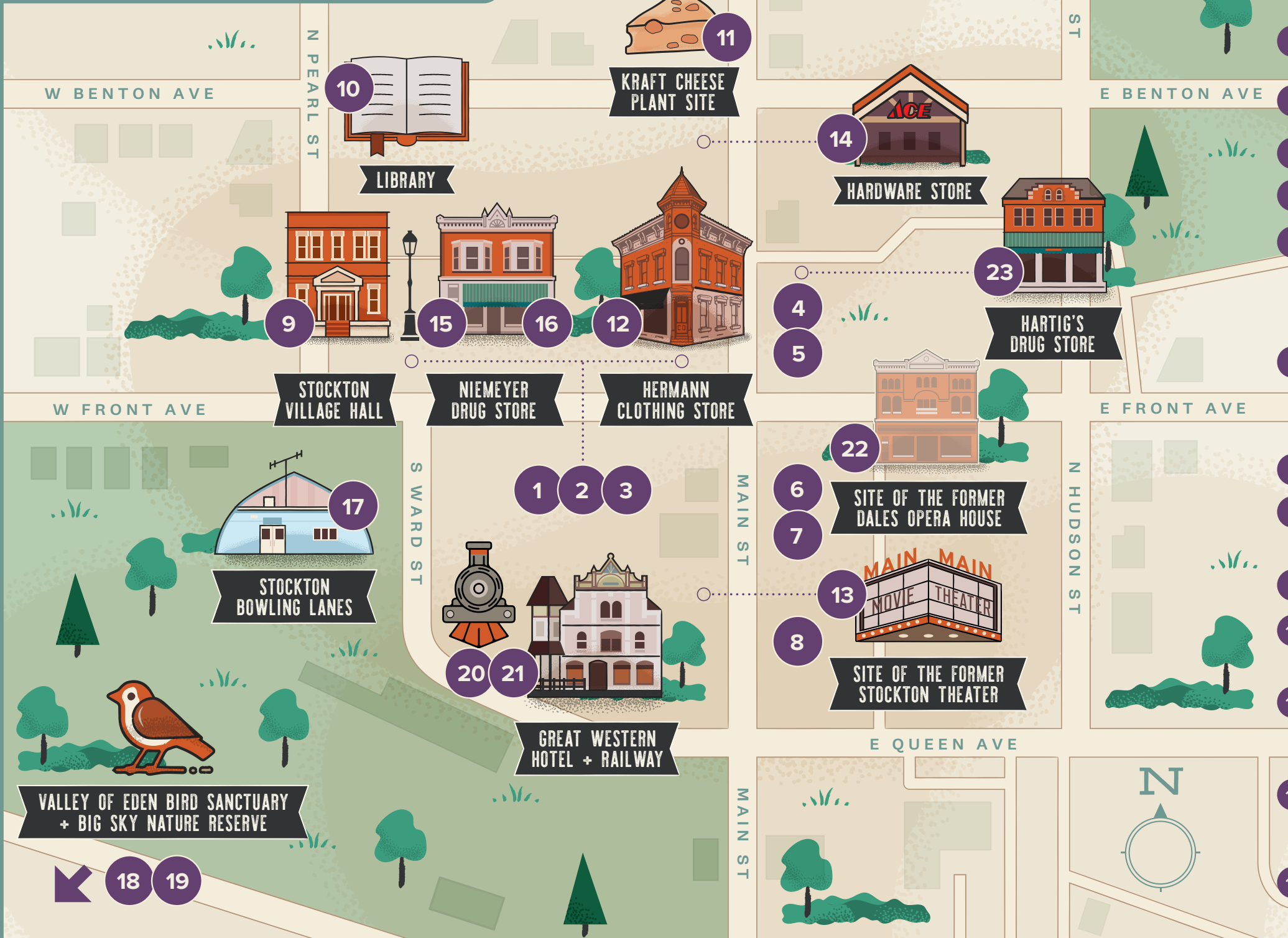
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ADVENTURES IN STOCKTON



SMALL TOWN - BIG SURPRISES



- 1 BLAIR LUNCHROOM & ICE CREAM PARLOR
117 W Front Ave
- 2 LYNCH'S CONFECTIONERY
118 W Front Ave
- 3 EADES BUILDING
102 S Main St
- 4 STOCKTON FIRE OF 1896
111 N Main St
- 5 KRINGLE BUILDING
101 N Main St • Designed by Peter "Pete" Schroeder, this building is one of many Queen Anne-style structures found in Stockton.
- 6 THE STOCKYARDS
122 E Front Ave • The stockyards were completed in November 1887 a month after the rail depot was opened.
- 7 RAY'S HOTEL
105 S Main St
- 8 THE STOCKTON HERALD
119 S Main St • Vol. 1, No. 1 was published here by J. N. Klock on May 11, 1888.
- 9 VILLAGE HALL
155 W Front Ave
- 10 J. HOWARD SMITH & STOCKTON TOWNSHIP LIBRARY
140 W Benton Ave
- 11 KRAFT CHEESE
114 S Main St • L. Kraft & Bros. Co. opened their very first cheese factory here in 1914.
- 12 HERMANN CLOTHING STORE
100 N Main St • In 1887, Charles Hermann opened Stockton's first business.
- 13 SITE OF THE FORMER STOCKTON THEATER
124 S Main St
- 14 HARDWARE STORE
116 N Main St • The Glanville Brothers built this hardware store in 1887.
- 15 NIEMEYER DRUG STORE
107 W Front Ave • Opened in 1891, it served as the area's only drug and general store. The Stockton Heritage Museum is now partially housed in the old storefront.
- 16 DR. LORETTA BACKUS LYONS & MARY PITCHER PETERS
107 W Front Ave • Ahead of their time, these two women were both pioneers in medicine and business.
- 17 STOCKTON BOWLING LANES
102 S Ward St • Built in 1949, the lanes are now Stockton's oldest continually operated business.
- 18 VALLEY OF EDEN BIRD SANCTUARY
5559 E Rush Creek Rd
- 19 BIG SKY NATURE RESERVE
5557 S Massbach Rd
- 20 GREAT WESTERN HOTEL
132 S Main St • Named after the Chicago Great Western Railroad, it opened its doors in 1899 with 40 rooms.
- 21 CHICAGO GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY
E Queen Ave • Stockton was essentially created because of the railroad, for which the first depot was built here in 1887.
- 22 SITE OF THE FORMER DALES OPERA HOUSE
116 E Front Ave
- 23 HARTIG'S DRUG STORE & ORIGINAL MASONIC LODGE
117 N Main St • Constructed in 1912, the building is still in use as a gathering place for Masons and the location of a Hartig Drug Store.