# BEAR RIVER HERITAGE AREA

Blessed by Water, Worked by Hand

In the Bear River Heritage Area (BRHA), ranching and agriculture are still primary occupations that sustain a rich agricultural heritage. Historically, Shoshone Indians hunted plentiful wild game, gathered seeds and berries and farmed in small amounts. In the 19th century, Mormon settlers developed the Bear River and its tributaries to increase agriculture. Agriculture brought in new cultural groups with their traditions and celebrations, including Japanese-Americans, Latinos, Asians and Eastern Europeans. This tour highlights a rich agricultural heritage based on traditions of dry farming and ranching, orchards, home gardening and canning; and businesses that support agriculture such as farm supply stores, equipment dealers and fairgrounds. As you travel the route, you may notice the designation "Century Farm", indicating that a farm or ranch has been in business within the same family for 100 years or more. Check Facebook for additional information about these listings.



Notlwonk Springs Farm – Trenton, UT



Corn Creepers Haunted Corn Maze – Brigham City, UT



Gilt Edge Flour Mills – Lewiston, UT



Hans Sorenson Grain Bins -Soda Springs, ID

## AGRICULTURAL TOUR STOPS

## **WORKING RANCHES**

In the fall of the year you may run across cattle or sheep being moved by cowboys and herders on foot and horseback throughout the region. With increasing development, and the widening of highways, this is a tradition that has been threatened in recent years. You may be asked to slow down or wait while livestock crosses a road, giving you the opportunity to take a photo and watch the action.

#### **Baker Ranch**

Scenic wagon rides, roast beef dinner, live music. Location: 11716 S. Dempsey Creek, Lava Hot Springs, ID Information: 208.776.5684 www.bakerranchlava.com

## MILLING & FOOD SUPPLY STORES

#### **Central Milling**

Established 1867, oldest continuously operating business in Utah. 100% organic wheat flours, pancake mixes, 1917 Red Rose label. Artisan flours, rye and pumpernickel, buckwheat, hi-gluten, all purpose. Also, check availability and variety of flours and package sizes at Gilt Edge Flour, in Richmond and Central Milling in Collinston. See website for addresses. Location: 122 E. Center Street, Logan, UT Information: 435.752.6625; www.centralmilling.com

## **Honeyville Farms**

Since 1951. Whole grains, baking supplies, food storage and emergency supplies.

Location: 1080 N. Main, Ste. 101, Brigham City, UT Information: 435.494.4193; www.honeyville.com

## Big J Milling and Elevator Company, 1909

High quality baking flour; pancake, waffle and scone mix; brownie, muffin, hot chocolate mixes.
Location: 733 W. Forest Street, Brigham City, UT
Information: 435.723.3459; www.bigjmill.com

#### Rainy Day Foods and Walton's Feed Inc.

Food storage suppliers, bulk grains and legumes; grains and feed for stock animals.

Location and Information: Walton's –135 North 10th, Montpelier, ID; 800.847.0465

Rainy Day Foods – 24377 US Hwy 89, Montpelier, ID 208.847.2683; www.rainydayfoods.com

## LIVESTOCK AUCTIONS, IMPLEMENT STORES



Honorable mention goes to Smithfield Livestock Auction, which closed in February 2016, after more than 50 years in business.

#### **Anderson Livestock Auction**

Visit the auction gallery at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesdays. Location: 1251 W. 7800 S., Willard, UT Information: 435.723.5375 www.andersonlivestockauction.com

#### Cala de Vison, Paso Fino Horse Farm

Breeding, training, sales and education. Pubic open house in June.

Location: 6843 E. Hwy 36, Mink Creek, ID Information: Richard and Vickie Free, 208.852.2993 Call ahead of time for exact date of open house.

#### **Smithfield Implement**

Farm and ranch supply business founded in 1914.
Dutch ovens, cowboy hats, blue jeans, tools, gadgets.
Location: 99 N. Main Street, Smithfield, UT
Information: 435.563.3211

Also located in Tremonton, UT, at 176 W. Main 435.257.5682

#### Smith and Edwards, Since 1947

Hardware, household, tools, hunting, sporting goods, shoes, boots, western wear, Army surplus.
Location: 3936 N. Hwy 126, near Willard, UT Information: 801.731.1120 www.smithandedwards.com

## AGRICULTURAL TOUR STOPS

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## ABANDONED BUILDINGS, HISTORIC AGRICULTURAL SITES

### Cache Junction, UT and Walton's Feed

Due to the railroad, this was once an important town for the agricultural community. Location: 5740 North 7000 West, Cache Junction, UT

Information: 435.563.5301

## Condensed milk processing plants

Borden Plant - 300 S. 400 W., Logan, UT Sego milk plant - look for the tall smokestack west of Hwy 89/91 in Richmond, UT.

## **Morgan Pea Factory**

510 South Main, Smithfield, UT Look for the original name sculpted into the masonry.

## **Preston Sugar Beet Factory**

On the west side of Hwy 91 as you enter Preston, ID. You will see the tall smokestack.

## **Garland Sugar Beet Factory**

Located on East Factory Street, Garland, UT. Look for the murals in town depicting Garland history.

#### **Potato cellars**

Gabled or Quonset earth-banked buildings along Hwy 34 in Grace, ID. Look for the potato markets in the fall of each year along Hwy 34.

#### Hans Sorensen grain bins

80 S. 100 E. Soda Springs, ID Twenty foot high hexagonal wooden grain bins.

#### **Last Chance Canal**

Located on Last Chance Lane, north end of Grace, ID, east side of Hwy 34.

#### **HISTORIC BARNS**

Self-guided driving tours of northern Utah and southeastern Idaho available for purchase by calling 435.713.1426.

Also available at Cache Valley Visitors Bureau, 435.755.1890. Preview the publication on the web at www.bearriverheritage.com.

## **COUNTY FAIRS**

#### Bear Lake County Fair

4th week in August; Montpelier, ID 208.847.0344

#### **Caribou County Fair**

Last week in July; Grace, ID 208.574.2244

#### Franklin County Fair

3rd week in August; Preston, ID 208.852.1097

#### **Oneida County Fair**

3rd week in August; Malad, ID 208.766.4116

#### **Box Elder County Fair**

4th weekend in August; Tremonton, UT 435.695.2551

#### **Cache County Fair**

2nd week in August; Logan, UT 435.755.1460

#### **Rich County Fair**

2nd week in August; Randolph, UT 435.793.2435

#### **AGRICULTURAL CELEBRATIONS**

#### Farm Day and 5K Run/Walk

Stoddard Farms, Grace, ID. Guided farm tours, food and activities. Free French fries! 3rd Saturday in July. 208.425.3645 www.stoddardfarms.com

## Wooktrek at Notlwonk Springs Farm, Trenton, UT

First weekend in May, 435.258.5539

## **American West Heritage Center,** Wellsville, UT

Heritage events. 435.245.6050 www.awhc.org

#### Bear Lake Raspberry Days, Garden City, UT

1st weekend in August, 435.946.2197 www.bearlake.org

#### Peach Days, Brigham City, UT

1st weekend after Labor Day, 435.723.3931 www.bcareachamber.com

#### Wheat & Beet Days, Garland, UT

1st weekend of August, 435.257.3118 www.garlandutah.org

## Apple Days, River Heights, UT

September, 435.752.2646; www.appledays.org

### North Logan Pumpkin Walk, North Logan, UT

Mid-October, 435.752.1310 www.pumpkinwalk.com

## National Oregon/California Trail Center, Montpelier, ID

Heritage events. 208.847.3800 www.oregontrailcenter.org

#### Trout & Berry Days, Paradise, UT

Weekend before Labor Day, 435.245.6737 www.paradise.utah.gov

## Sauerkraut Dinner, Providence, UT

Mid-October, 435,752,9441 www.providencecity.com

#### Black & White Days, Richmond, UT

Mid-May, 435.258.2092 www.richmond-utah.com

## Malad Scarecrow Festival, Malad, ID

September, 208.317.4743 www.shopmalad.com

## Winter Carnival and Fishing Derby, Soda Springs, ID

3rd weekend in January, 208.547.4516

### Fire and Ice Winter Fest, Lava Hot Springs, ID

1st Weekend in February, 208.776.5500 www.lavahotsprings.org

## **FALL CORN MAZES**

## **American West Heritage Center**

Location: 4025 S. Hwy 89-91, Wellsville, UT Information: 435.245.6050; www.awhc.org

## Little Bear Bottoms Corn Maze

Location: 5000 U.S. 89, Wellsville, UT Information: 435.770.3462 www.lbbcornmaze.com

#### **Nelson's Corn Maze**

Location: 2950 S. 1600 W., Perry, UT Information: 435.230.0343 or 435.723.6546

#### Smoot's Corn Creepers

Location: 1900 N. 2800 W., Brigham City, UT Information: 435.230.0387 www.corncreepers.com

## Old Farm Corn Maze

Location: 4435 W. 9600 N., Elwood, UT Information: 435.279.5500

## Carter's Crazy Corn Maze

Location: 106 E. 700 S., Garland, UT Information: 435.452.1886 www.carterscornmaze.com

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Logan, Utah 435.752.7242 www.brag.utah.gov

#### **Box Elder County Tourism**

Brigham City, Utah 435.734.3315 www.boxeldercounty.org/visiting.htm

## Cache Valley Visitors Bureau

Logan, Utah 435.755.1890 www.explorelogan.com



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