NOTHING COMPARES

Nothing Compares to Fair Favorites. From the food, to the games, to the competitions, your Fair Favorites are what make your experiences at the lowa State Fair memorable. With over 1 million attendees and 11 days, plan now to see your Fair Favorites at the lowa State Fair, August 8-18, 2019, in Des Moines.

Annually attracting more than a million visitors from all over the world, the Fair is the single largest event in the state. lowa's great celebration, the Fair, is a salute to the best in entertainment, agriculture, industry and achievement.

With lowa's largest arts show, the largest foods department of any state fair and one of the world's largest livestock shows, the Fair is included in the New York Times best-selling travel book, "1,000 Places to See Before You Die," and is the subject of Rodgers and Hammerstein's award-winning musical, "State Fair."

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Getting Here

Getting to the Fair is easy. You can pay to park in the Fair's lot, park for free and ride DART's State Fair Park & Ride shuttle or arrive via motor coach.

PARKING AT THE FAIR

North Lot Parking: \$10

Motorcycle Parking: \$10

Bicycle Parking (Inside Gate 11): FREE

Buses: FREE

DART STATE FAIR PARK & RIDE

Show your advanced Fair admission ticket at one of DART's three State Fair Park & Ride locations and receive half off your roundtrip fare. Parking is free at all DART locations.

Discounted roundtrip fares with advanced Fair admission tickets are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for seniors (ages 65+), disabled persons, Medicare card holders and children (ages 6-10). Regular roundtrip fares are \$2 for adults and \$1 for seniors (ages 65+), disabled persons, Medicare card holders and children (ages 6-10). Children ages 5 and under are free. All buses are wheelchair-accessible. Cash only.

DART offers three convenient Park & Ride locations where Fairgoers can park for free:

- Center Street Park & Ride (7th and Center Street, enter on 7th Street)
- Southeast Polk High School (N.E. 80th Street and Highway 163)
- State Capitol (East 12th Street near the State Capitol bell)

The hours are 8:30 a.m. to Midnight every day of the Fair at all Park & Ride locations. Call DART at 515.283.8100 for more details.

More Information

Visit iowastatefair.org for all the latest Fair info and sign up for our monthly e-newsletter.

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Grandstand Tickets

Tickets for all concerts and events are on sale online at iowastatefair.org or by phone at 800.514.3849. Convenience charges apply and Fair admission tickets are not included. Please visit iowastatefair.org to see concert maps for reserved seating and pit area. The lowa State Fair Ticket Office will open July 8 for walk-up orders only (while supplies last).

Thrill Parks

Find your perfect Fair Favorite within the lowa State Fair Thrill Parks! These three separate areas are designed for different ages and levels of entertainment: Thrill Town, Thrill Ville and Thrill Zone. Come join the fun!

THRILL TOWN

Thrill Town features kid friendly rides in a fun, clean and convenient location without having to navigate the larger Thrill Park areas. Thrill Town is located east of Gate 10 and directly north of the Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center Lawn.

THRILL VILLE

Thrill Ville offers a clean and family friendly atmosphere, but focuses on the spectacular, jaw dropping and super-speed screams of the best of today's rides. Thrill Ville is located between the Grandstand and Ye Old Mill.

Looking to save on Thrill Ville and Thrill Town rides? Purchase your discounted wristband in advance.

THRILL ZONE

Thrill Zone is for Fairgoers seeking breathtaking, heart-stopping and hair-raising adventure. Thrill Zone is located north of Gate 11 on the west side of the Fairgrounds.

Location and Hours

The lowa State Fairgrounds are located at East 30th Street and East University Avenue, just 10 minutes east of downtown Des Moines, and are easily accessible from all directions via I-235. The Fair is open August 8-18 from 7 a.m. to 1 a.m. (no entry or re-entry after 9 p.m. on Sunday, August 18).

Fair Ticket Information

BUY YOUR DISCOUNTED ADMISSION TICKETS BEFORE AUGUST 8 AND SAVE OVER 30%.

Adults (ages 12 and over) are \$8; children (ages 6-11) are \$4. Children ages 5 and under are FREE every Fair day.

FAIR TIME ADMISSION

- Gate admission during the Fair is \$12 for adults (ages 12 and over) and \$6 for children (ages 6-11). Children ages 5 and under are FREE every Fair day.
- Veterans Day (Monday, August 12): \$9 for active and former members of the United States military and their spouse.
- Older Iowans' Day (Wednesday, August 14): \$9 for Fairgoers ages 60 and older.
- Monday Thursday evenings from 5 to 10 p.m.: \$9 adult admission \$5 child admission.
- Extreme Sunday (Sunday, August 18): \$9 adult admission (ages 12 and over) and \$5 child admission (ages 6-11). \$6 adult admission with the donation of three cans of non-perishable food.

FAMILY FUN PACK

Save even more on Fair fun for the whole family by purchasing our Family Fun Pack in advance. The pack includes discounts on selected rides and food.

FOOD TICKETS

Purchase food tickets in advance in packs of five only at the lowa State Fair Ticket Office. Each food ticket is good for \$1 toward food and beverage purchases on the Fairgrounds.

WAYS TO PURCHASE

- Purchase online and print your discounted admission tickets now, Thrill Parks Ride Vouchers and Family Fun Pack Vouchers at home without fees, or have them mailed to you (shipping and handling fees apply). Thrill Parks Ride Vouchers and Family Fun Pack Vouchers will be available online May 1. Orders will not be mailed after July 26.
- Beginning May 1, companies can purchase Fair products, including food tickets, by emailing ticketoffice@ iowastatefair.org or by phone 515.262.3111 ext. 305. All corporate orders must be placed prior to August 5 and while supplies last. Shipping and processing fees may apply.
- Beginning July 1, advanced admission tickets will be available at participating Fareway, Hy-Vee, Hy-Vee Drug, Price Chopper and Cash Saver Stores.
- Beginning July 8, the lowa State Fair Ticket Office will be open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday and 9 a.m. to Noon on Saturday for walk-up orders only. The office is located on the front porch of the Administration Building on the Fairgrounds. Fair products are available while supplies last.

For more information visit iowastatefair.org or call 515.262.3111 ext 305.

