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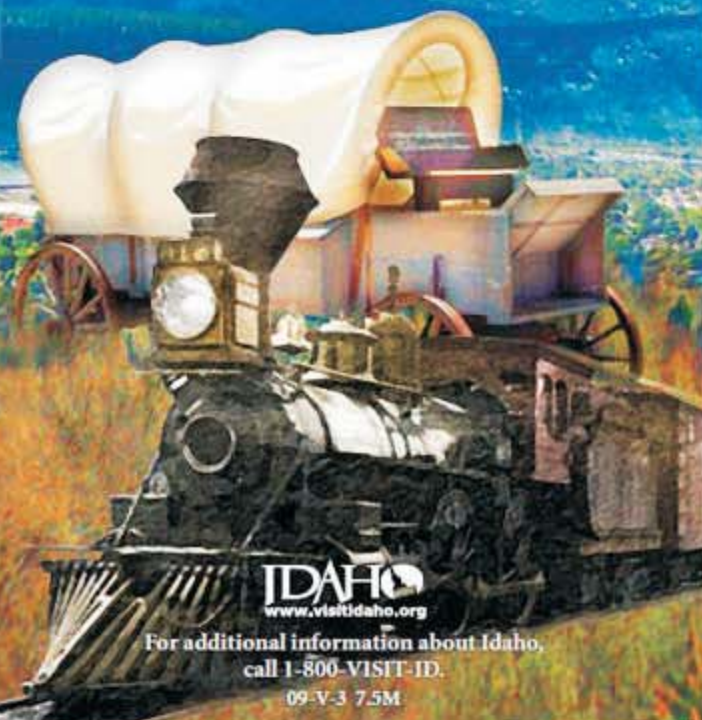
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The cities of Pocatello & Chubbuck are surrounded by mountains. That means great recreational hiking and biking are just minutes away, with trails to match every level of experience. You can always get in a quick ride or walk and be back in time for a relaxing evening on the town.

Add snow, and you get instant cross country skiing, snowshoeing or snowmobile trails. Enjoy backcountry trails at the Mink Creek Nordic ski area where yurts are also available. And just minutes from town you'll find Pebble Creek, one of the best-kept downhill ski secrets in the region.



Recreation in Pocatello



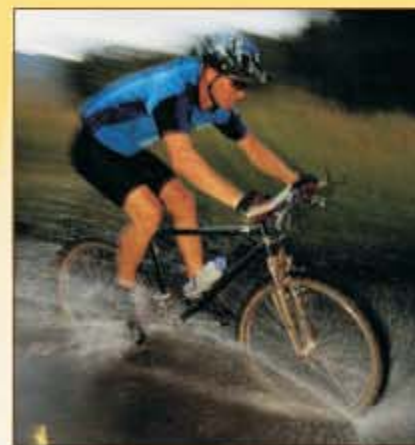
If your family wants to make a splash on a warm Idaho afternoon, we've got you covered. Every summer, the Pocatello Aquatic Center in Ross Park is a marvelous place to chill. The facility features a zero-depth pool where kids can play, slide, and crawl through tunnels. There's tube riding on a lazy river, water basketball, and a cargo net that allows children to cross over giant lily pads.

The Aquatic Center also features a water slide, concessions stand, and a large swimming pool for exercise and relaxing.



Pocatello and Chubbuck are proud of their two 18-hole golf courses.

You can play tennis on over 40 available courts or jog, cycle and walk around picturesque Historic Old Town Pocatello.





History

Attractions in Pocatello & Chubbuck, Idaho



THE SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBES

Still proudly inhabit the Fort Hall area just north of Pocatello and Chubbuck. Sacajawea was born of the Shoshone tribe. A festival is held every August celebrating Native American Heritage. 2,500-3,000 dancers compete each year.

The romantic history of our fair cities reads like the pages of a Zane Grey western novel. The early chapters would include trappers and mountain men, characters like Osborn Russell and Jim Bridger, and their adventures in pursuit of beaver pelts. It features places like Fort Hall, the Snake and Portneuf Rivers, the Oregon Trail, the Bear River Massacre site, and many others.

Later chapters include larger than life characters like Cuning Eye and her son, Chief Pocatello; Judge Oliver, Commissioner of Indian Affairs; William Dole and Abraham Lincoln.



THE OREGON TRAIL
Ruts and remnants of the California and Oregon trails still remain, as well as museums relaying the stories left behind by our nations greatest volunteer migration.

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD

Has used Pocatello as its "Gateway to the West" for more than 100 years!



In one amazing sequence of events during the civil war Commissioner Dole wrote to President Lincoln and asked him to intervene on behalf of Chief Pocatello, scheduled to hang for a minor infraction.

President Lincoln responded on the same day. While conducting a war to save a nation, he found the time to rescue an Indian chief out of the great basin.

Much of the great expansion West came through Pocatello, men on their way to the gold fields of California and families looking for a new life in Oregon and Washington. So much, in fact, that Pocatello was given the nickname of the Gate City or "Gateway to the West." The Union Pacific Railroad also took a fancy to the city and added its own historic flavor to our area. When a new community was born, it too was named after a legend engineer, Earl Chubbuck, who arranged for local farmer's goods to be picked up at a spot known as Chubbuck's Landing, and is now known simply as Chubbuck.

Potato and wheat farmers, ranchers, businessmen, industrialists, and Idaho State University have also formed this robust college town into one of the most memorable western sites worthy of exploration.



L.E. and Thelma E. Stephens Performing Arts Center

A world-class facility designed by top experts to be acoustically superb. State-of-the-art acoustics and lighting will make unforgettable music performances commonplace in Pocatello. Even Grammy award-winning composer and performer, Carol King was awestruck when she walked on stage opening night, "All I can say is WOW...what an amazing facility!"



Pocatello Zoo

Experience It! Come and see many species of native animals living in a natural Rocky Mountain setting, complete with lava cliffs and mountain vistas. This beautiful wildlife park gives you the rare opportunity to observe the most celebrated animals of the American Intermountain West face to face. Grizzly bear, bison, eagles, lynx, mountain lion, big horn sheep, and mountain goats. Experience Yellowstone's wildlife in our convenient natural setting. There's even a Barnyard Petting Zoo.

Fort Hall Replica

A trip to the Fort Hall Replica takes you back to the 19th Century world of explorers, trappers, fur traders, Native Americans, pioneers, gold seekers, and common folk. Nearby you will also find the Bannock County Historical Museum.



Pocatello Junction

At the Pocatello Junction you will be astonished as you step into the past on wooden board walks, viewing twelve historic replica buildings of the early days of Pocatello. You will find a saloon, bank, court house, church, a school house where all grades were taught in one room, and at Dr. Beans office it is posted you can have a broken arm set for a mere seventy five cents.

The Fort Hall Replica, the Pocatello Junction Town Site, the Zoo, and Aquatic Center are just a few of the adventures you can find located at the Ross Park Complex for your entertainment.



Idaho State University Holt Arena

The first covered football stadium to be built on any college campus is home to the ISU Bengals, the Dodge National Circuit Finals Rodeo, the Simplot Games, indoor track, intramural sports, concerts, conferences, trade shows, and more. This 420 foot wide by 80 foot tall arena opens the door for a wide variety of events year round.