

# Kalona Historical Society Tours

## Complete List of Destinations:

**Amish Casket Maker** - Visit this unique wood working shop where the craftsman spends his days creating beautiful hardwood caskets used in funerals for the local Amish community.



**Amish Dairy Goat Farm** - Discover the local dairy goat industry at this Amish farm, which milks an average 200 goats twice daily. Learn about the feeding regimens and what equipment their religion allows them to utilize.

**Amish Farm Operation** - Visit an Amish farmstead, and discover the exhausting work day of the Amish farmer. View chickens, turkeys, and goats that are raised organically (with no chemicals or GMOs), and learn about why they farm the land with steel wheel tractors.



**Bunker Mill Bridge Historic Site** - An 1887 King iron Pratt through truss bridge crosses the English River at the site of the former grist mill that serviced area farmers in 1800s. The mill burned in 1899 and the bridge in 2013, but was restored. Your guide explains the historical importance of the site. \$\$



**Community Country Store** - Amish Country general stores specializes in kitchen and household goods, like your grandparents used, and still used by Amish today. We will select the shop best suited to your size and form of transport. Closed Tues \$\$



**Conservative Mennonite Program** - Learn the basic beliefs of the Mennonite faith, and the changes it has undergone since its origin in 16th Century Europe. The speaker will be happy to answer your questions. \* **KHS Exclusive**

**Creekside Ebikes** - Discover the latest fad in the area - electric bikes. New order youth have embraced this eco-friendly method of traveling & our guide will explain why. \$\$ \* **KHS Exclusive**



**Farmers Hen House** - Witness the daily collection of eggs, learn about the care given to layers, and contemplate the economic importance of egg money to the multi-generational Amish family vs large conglomerate operations.



**Golden Delight Bakery** - Discover the workings of this popular Amish bakery, where everything is made from scratch in the way our grandparents. \$\$

**JK Creative Wood & Gifts** - Visit a family owned wood-working operation. Observe the creative process as the distinctive pieced designs, created with solid kiln-dried wood, are painstakingly produced. Shop also showcases Amish quilts, custom furniture, pottery, glass, jewelry and other handmade gifts. \$\$



**Kalona Buggy Shop** - Discover what goes into the construction of a custom created Amish buggy, built by hand at this Amish family operation. If you wish, you may place your own order, but plan to wait a year for its delivery. **KHS Exclusive**

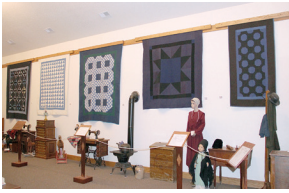
**Kalona Chocolates** - Get a sneak peak at the Hershberger family operation, as these delectable handmade confections are created right before your eyes. \$\$



**Kalona Creamery** - Previously known worldwide as the Kalona Cheese Haus, this locally owned dairy has been modernized and now gives local farmers a novel option for their milk. Visitors tour the plant and learn about the fresh products, including organic and Non-GMO dairy products, being processed daily. \$\$

**Kalona Historical Village** - Relive the 1800's when you visit authentically restored buildings, lovingly preserved and filled with interesting and informative displays depicting the lifestyle of the early Iowa pioneer. \$\$



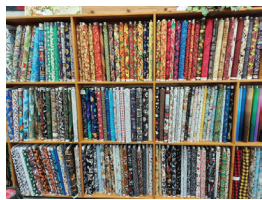


### Kalona Quilt & Textile Museum

- The museum features galleries for both Amish and English (non-Amish) quilts, showcasing quilt history of the midwest and beyond. New exhibits are installed quarterly in a variety of themes,

so if you have visited in the past, chances are you will discover something new. \$\$

**Kalona Sale Barn** - Depending upon the day, your tour will encompass the procedures necessary to operate a livestock auction and may witness the sale of a variety of livestock at this 4th generation family owned auction house.



**Local Fabric Shops** - Especially for quilt groups, we can stop at several of the local fabric shops, both English and Amish, where you can pick up tips from the experts, and view demonstrations.

### Max-Cast Sculpture Foundry

- Founded in 1983 by artists, Steve Maxon & Doris Park, Max-Cast is a full-service foundry, casting in bronze, iron, and aluminum. Your guide explains the unique steps and different processes used in the metal casting of fine art sculptures.



**Old Mans Creek Winery** - Tour the newest local vineyard and if age appropriate, sample some of their Iowa wines at this scenic family owned winery north west of Kalona. This venue can only

accommodate groups of 15 or less \$\$

### Stringtown Grocery & Produce

- This famous Amish bulk food grocery is a favorite of locals, and a landmark for visitors interested in ingredients for baking and snacking. It recently opened a produce department to the north, and a cold room for organically grown meats and products grown & made locally. \$\$



**While we offer this listing, many of these sites are family operated and may or may not be able to accommodate your group on any particular day. The more flexible you are, the more likely we can meet your expectations.**

## Menus for the Home Cooked Family Style Meals

All meals are served family style, which means you are served large bowls and platters of your menu, and you spoon the size of portion you are comfortable with onto your personal plate. If the bowl is emptied, the cook sees to it that you never leave hungry.

### Groups reserving the noon and evening meals are allowed the selection of one meat:

Roast Beef - Turkey - Roast Pork - Ham - Chicken

The rest of the meal consists of

Choice of dressing or noodles

Choice of potato (mashed or fried) with gravy

Choice of Vegetable - Green Beans, Peas, Lima Beans, Mixed Vegetables or Corn

Choice of Lettuce or Cabbage (ColeSlaw) Salad

Tapioca salad & home-baked bread.

Choice of dessert - homemade pies or angelfood cake & fruit topping

Everyone gets their choice of drink: water, iced tea or coffee



Please alert us if anyone has allergies or dietary restrictions our cooks need to accommodate.

### Groups reserving morning or brunch receive the breakfast menu,

which consists of a lavish sampling of fresh-baked pastries, fruits, scrambled eggs, ham or sausage, fried potatoes, fruit, tapioca, juice, coffee or tea.

