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Have you ever looked forward to getting out of town during vacation, but dreaded the hustle and bustle of every tourist spot? If this sounds all too familiar, hop in the car and head to Albion, Idaho. Just a quick three hours north of Provo, it's the perfect place to get away from the world, do a little reset, and enjoy the great outdoors.

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Where to Stay

Marsh Creek Inn

Located in Albion proper, this rustic hotel features both king and queen room sizes starting at \$113.

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Albion Campus Retreat

You can bring along aunts, uncles, cousins, and the kids next door when you stay at the Albion Campus Retreat. Located at the renovated Albion college, this location sleeps up to 75 people and includes a fully stocked kitchen, hot tub, game room, volleyball nets, and more.

Willow Glamping Yurt

If you plan on spending a lot of time hiking and enjoying the local natural wonders, but still want modern luxuries, the Willow Glamping yurt is the perfect spot. Enjoy a king size bed, futon, mini fridge, microwave, coffee maker, heater, and perfectly placed skylight where you can enjoy the stars.

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Your Own Tent

City of Rocks, Thompson Flats, and Lake Cleveland all offer perfect sites for setting up your tent or camper so you can stay close to the action and have quick access to hikes and outings.

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What to Do

Pomerelle

Situated just 20 minutes up the mountain, Pomerelle Mountain Resort has two lifts, a family friendly environment, easy-to-learn runs, and virtually no wait times. Purchase your tickets online ahead of time to skip the line at the ticket office and get a discount.

Lake Cleveland

Take a hard right before you hit the Pomerelle, go 3 miles up the windy road, and you'll hit Lake Cleveland. Locals will tell you it's bottomless, but you'll have to see for yourself as you kayak, paddleboard, fish, climb the surrounding rocks, and enjoy lunch at the picnic spots.

City of Rocks

These famous formations are technically closer to Almo, but the 45 minute drive is well worth it. Explore Bathtub Rock, scale the Twin Sisters, bike around Register Rock, or clip on your XC skis or snowshoes for a wintertime excursion.

Durfee's Hot Springs

You may have a bit of a chill after your skiing outing or sore muscles from scrambling around the rocks, and Durfee's is just the spot to rest and relax. With a cooler kiddie pool for the littles, a large lukewarm pool for shooting hoops and playing, and two steaming hot pools for unwinding, it's the best stop for the whole family.

Haunted Mansions of Albion

If you opt for a fall trip, you won't want to miss the famous Haunted Mansions of Albion. Open Thursday to Saturday through October, the attraction features various themed houses and a spooky, old-timey vibe you'll love. Be sure to get tickets online ahead of time to secure your spot.

Where to Eat

Tank Hills Pizza Cafe

Right across from the old Albion college, you'll find delicious pizza, pasta, salads, and sandwiches in a cozy setup.

Rock City Mercantile

If you can't wait until Albion to get your pizza fix, stop in at the Rock City Mercantile in Almo and restock on snacks and souvenirs in the adjoining shop while you're at it.

Albion Mercantile Co.

When it's time for a little sweet treat, Albion Mercantile offers rotating flavors of homemade ice cream (complete with fun color-changing spoons) and a small store with local products and snacks.

Charm Thai Cuisine

For a wider range of dining options, you can head 20 minutes into Burley. You'll find savory and spicy curry, fried rice, noodles, and appetizers at one of the city's newest restaurants.

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Águila Con El Taco

Burley is also known for its huge selection of authentic Mexican cuisine. Águila Con El Taco is a family favorite, with a light-hearted ambiance and variety of dishes, but feel free to throw “Mexican food near me” into your phone to see countless other options.

While it’s not the most glamorous, Instagram-worthy destination, the old-fashioned charm and easy access to the fresh air make Albion the perfect vacation for anyone looking for some peace and quiet before heading back to real life.

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