Welcome to CRESTON

DID YOU KNOW? Creston is home to SW Iowa Balloon Days, Iowa's second largest hot air balloon festival.

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Union County Freedom Rock

Created by artist Ray "Bubba" Sorensen, The Freedom Rock® Tour was designed to honor veterans and provide a unique piece of art to each of Iowa's 99 counties.

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Green Valley State Park

Features a 390 acre lake that offers camping, boating, a public hunting section, fishing, and scenic trails for year-round fun.

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McKinley Park and Lake

Creston's largest park with a wide variety of amenities, the municipal pool, the Historical Village, and Lexi's Puppy Patch dog park nearby.

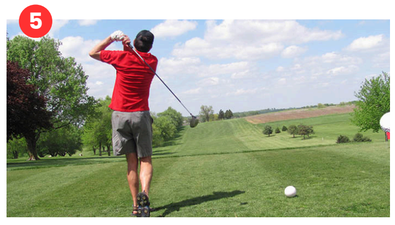
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Taylor Park

A family friendly park featuring playground equipment, a wooden train, a picnic shelter and plenty of open green space to enjoy.

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Crestmoor Golf Club

A historic private 9-hole course in Creston, offering a scenic round of golf, practice facilities and a welcoming clubhouse.

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Rainbow Park

A spacious community park in Creston featuring a playground, open green space, sports courts, and picnic areas for family fun.

Welcome to AFTON

DID YOU KNOW? Afton Autumn Days brings the community together each September for crafts, food, entertainment and more during this annual community tradition.

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Lakshore Golf & Country Club

A scenic 9-hole course on the edge of Afton, offering a welcoming place to enjoy a round of golf and time with friends.

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Afton Park

Located near the heart of town, it features a splash pad, playground equipment, and green space for families to enjoy.

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Murals of Afton

Take a stroll through the Afton square to discover colorful murals that celebrate the community, its history and local pride.

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Garfield Park

A 10 acre oak-hickory woodland just west of Afton, featuring a picnic area, open air shelter, and a disc golf course.

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Afton Lake

A small lake near Afton known for fishing, boating, and scenic views.

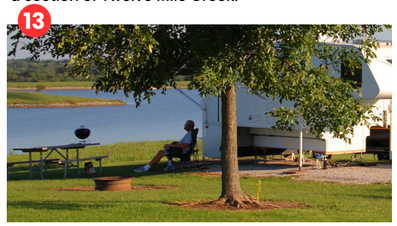
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Paul & Becky Kelley Family Natural Wilderness Area

A 155 acre nature preserve featuring public hunting, large white oaks, a restored wetland, and a section of Twelve Mile Creek.

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3 Mile Lake & Recreational Area

A popular recreation destination featuring an 880 acre lake, swimming beach, fishing, boating, cabins, public hunting, and campgrounds for extended stays.

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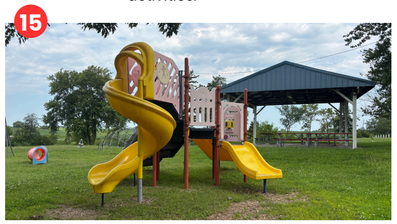
12 Mile Lake

A 660 acre lake known for excellent fishing, with three boat ramps and public hunting areas surrounding the lake.

Welcome to LORIMOR

DID YOU KNOW? Lorimor celebrates Watermelon Days each September, a community tradition featuring a parade, a 5K, and more family activities.

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Lorimor City Park

A peaceful spot on the west edge of Lorimor, featuring an old-fashioned gazebo, a playground, and plenty of shade trees.

Welcome to CROMWELL

DID YOU KNOW? Cromwell celebrates its annual Harvest Fest each September with community activities, food, music and family fun.

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Cromwell Park

A neighborhood park with picnic areas and space for kids to play. The location for annual traditions like Cromwell Harvest Fest and the Halloween Block Party.

Welcome to ARISPE

DID YOU KNOW? Arispe is home to a variety of businesses, including BSM Enterprises, Roadside Bar & Grill, and a NEW Cooperative facility.

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Arispe Park

A community park and the annual home of Arispe's Easter Egg Hunt, bringing local families together for a day of fun.

Welcome to SHANNON CITY

DID YOU KNOW? Shannon City straddles the Union and Ringgold County line, making it one of the few communities in the area that sits in two counties.

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Shannon City Park

A community gathering spot with a playground, picnic shelter and open green space.

Welcome to THAYER

DID YOU KNOW? The Union County Bird Dog Ranch in Thayer hosts the statewide American Brittany Club Field Trial event every year in late September.

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Mount Pisgah

Visit this historic Mormon pioneer settlement and explore its reconstructed cabin, cemetery and grounds.

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Talmage Hill Wildlife Area

A 210 acre natural area near Thayer offering public hunting, fishing and opportunities to enjoy diverse wildlife habitat.

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Thayer Lake

A historic 10 acre spring fed lake offering fishing, camping, hiking and picnicking among beautiful native timber.

Stay Connected
UNION COUNTY MEDIA

Stay connected with the stories, people, and events of Union County. Check out our media outlets below to follow local news.

CRESTON News Advertiser

Creston's print and digital newspaper covering news, sports, public notices, and more in Union County.

THE STAR ENTERPRISE (AFTON)

Weekly newspaper covering local news, updates, events, and more in Afton and Union County.

KSIB

Tune in at 101.3 FM, find them on Spotify, or download the App for all of your Southwest Iowa weather, sports and daily news.

More about Union County

Location: Southwest Iowa, approximately 75 miles southwest of Des Moines.

Geography: Rolling hills on the Southern Iowa Drift Plain; sits on the Mississippi/ Missouri watershed divide.

Coordinates: 41.03◦N,94.24◦W

Year Founded: 1851 (Organized in 1853).

Elevation: 1,312 feet

Area: 428 square miles.

Number of Communities: 7 (Creston, Afton, Lorimor, Cromwell, Arispe, Shannon City and Thayer).

Population: 12,039

Largest Employer: Greater Regional Health



MARKET ON MAPLE, UPTOWN CRESTON


WATERMELON DAYS, LORIMOR


SW IOWA BALLOON DAYS, CRESTON


UNION COUNTY FAIR, AFTON



HARVEST FEST, CROMWELL



AUTUMN DAYS, AFTON

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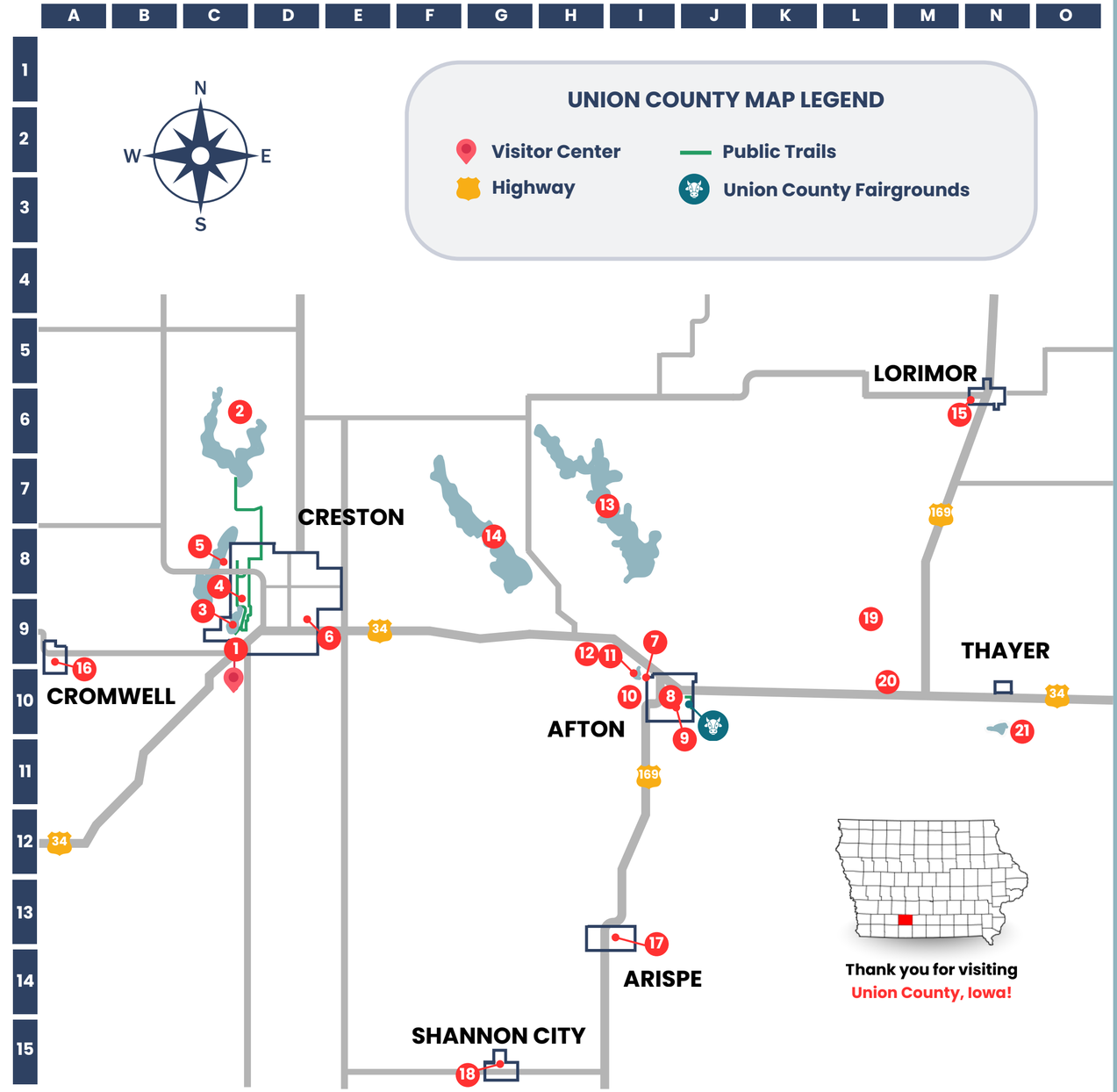
Uncover the perfect balance of peaceful Midwestern landscapes and a refreshed local culture, offering everything from premier lakeside adventures to unique hidden gems tucked away in our welcoming towns.

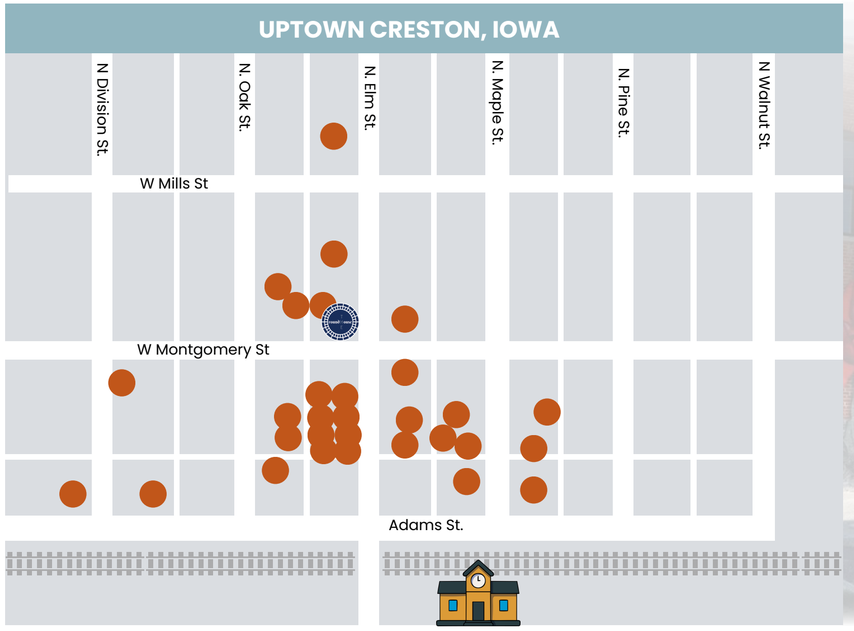
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MAP GUIDE

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#	Grid	Address
01	C9	699 US-34, Creston
02	C6	1480 130th St, Creston
03	C9	600 McKinley St, Creston
04	C8	1405 W Adams St, Creston
05	C8	1801 W Townline St, Creston
06	E9	500 S Vine St, Creston
07	I9	1857 Golf Club Dr, Afton
08	I10	Center of Town Square, Afton
09	J11	101-151 E. Kansas St, Afton
10	I10	2371 190th St, Afton, IA
11	H9	2370 Old Hwy 34, Afton
12	H9	2274 US-34, Afton
13	I7	3 Mile Cabin Ln, Afton
14	G8	12 Mile Lake Rd, Afton
15	M6	Main St & Wisconsin Ave, Lorimor
16	A9	910 E Broadway Ave, Cromwell
17	I13	209-201 Park Pl, Arispe
18	G15	102 Pine St, Shannon City
19	L9	1741 Mt Pisgah Rd, Thayer
20	L10	N Side of Hwy 34, 2 Miles West of Thayer
21	N10	3132 Thayer Lake Rd, Thayer

Thank you for visiting
Union County, Iowa!