

# Sparta Wisconsin

## *Bicycling Capital of America*



Located in the heart of the beautiful Coulee Region, you cannot go wrong with a visit to Sparta. There is something for everyone and a wide variety of itineraries that highlight unique destinations and activities that you will not find anywhere else. Museums, outdoor recreation, restaurants, shopping, crafts and much more are waiting for your group.

### Buggies and Barns Tour

#### Day 1

10:00 AM - Visit the unique gift shops of **Down a Country Road** which showcase the products and crafts of over 40 local Amish families. After the visit your experienced guide will share the rich history of the Amish culture as you tour the community, stopping at one or more farms along the way.  
[www.downacountryroad.com](http://www.downacountryroad.com) (608) 654-5318



12:30 PM - Lunch at the **Westby House**, a beautifully maintained Bed and Breakfast in the heart of the Driftless Region. Enjoy a gourmet lunch in this memorable 1886 home.  
[www.westbyhouse.com](http://www.westbyhouse.com) (608) 634-4112

2:00 PM - Arrive at **Milsna East Town Dairy**, a fifth generation farm and a marvel of modern dairy production. The dairy milks 700 cows in three shifts per day and produces 19 million pounds of milk and 12 thousand tons of corn silage annually.

4:30 PM - Check into one of Sparta's hotels conveniently located nearby.

6:00 PM - At **Justin Trails Resort**, enjoy a home cooked meal with fresh ingredients from their organic gardens. Dine in a 1919 Elegant Barn built from 8 different hardwoods harvested from the farm. Stroll 3 acres of gardens, hand-feed llamas and try your hand at disc golf. Afterward enjoy a bonfire, s'mores and stories. [www.justintrails.com](http://www.justintrails.com) (608) 269-4522

8:30 PM - Return to your hotel.



## Day 2

8:30 AM - Breakfast at **Ginny's Cupboard**. Have a memorable meal at Ginny's Cupboard in Sparta's historic downtown district with home-baked bread and locally sourced ingredients featuring a functioning 1957 soda fountain, one of only 12 in the state! (608) 269-6669.

9:30 AM - Enjoy a walking tour of Sparta's downtown shops including **KEPS Naturals**, an eco-friendly store and gift shop that also offers handmade, organic body products, and clothing MADE IN THE USA. Stop at Arenz Shoes, a fifth generation, family owned, full service boutique; Candles by Kim and

Primitive Décor, home of many one-of-kind items; **Grantie Anne's Studio**, where you can create your own artwork; and other unique shops. Stop in the **Deke Slayton Space and Bike Museum** to see a fascinating display of American ingenuity, from bicycling to space travel. Check out the latest exhibits at the **Monroe County History Room**, also located in Sparta's museum complex. Relax and enjoy an exceptional cup of coffee or tea at the **Franklin Coffeehouse**.



12:30 PM - Before departing Sparta, have lunch at the nearby **Sparta Family Restaurant**. With a large menu and plenty of seating, they can accommodate a large group of travelers with a wide variety of tempting lunch options. Call (608) 269-3500 for reservations.

Be sure to have your picture taken with the 'bigger than life' statue of **Ben Bikin'** in Ben Bikin' Park.



### LET US HELP PLAN YOUR TOUR

- Accommodations Proposals
- Suggested and Customized Tour Itinerary Planning
- Visitor Guides and Area Information Packets
- Personal Meet and Greet
- Group Friendly Restaurants

**Contact: Holly Carlson, Events Coordinator**  
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**(608) 269-4123**

