

Agritourism Itinerary – 2 days, 2 nights

Day 1:

The day begins with a history lesson to better understand the role that agriculture played in the growth and development of the Wausau area. Also enjoy a tour of the beautiful **Yawkey House** and take a moment to revel in the early 20th century architecture and design, along with the lovely outdoor sunken garden.

Next, you will visit the **Ingwal S. Horgen Farm Museum**, where you will have the opportunity to explore the tools used by farmers of yesteryear.



Shifting gears after lunch, you will tour one of the area’s most state-of-the-art dairy operations at **VanDerGeest Farms**. Learn how modern technology has made it possible for a small team of workers to milk 3,000 cows 3 times a day.



Heading a short distance out of town, you’ll visit the **Fromm Bro’s farm** and learn how their legacy was built. The Fromm’s are credited with bringing ginseng to the area, which they grew and sold to support their silver fox farm, eventually becoming the largest silver fox and mink farm in the United States at the peak of operations. Their property is unique, and tours get rave reviews.

Wrapping up the day, you can head to **Stoney Acres Farm** in Athens for a true farm to table dining experience. The word has spread about their Pizza on the Farm nights during the summer season, and you’ll easily see why. Enjoy pizza made to order and fired in homemade outdoor pizza ovens. The casual outdoor dining experience is one like you’ve never experienced before.

Day 2:

Start the day at **Hsu’s Ginseng Enterprises, Inc.** to experience the entire growing process from seed to harvest. Ginseng is an industry that is unique to the area, with Marathon County producing 90% or more of the country’s ginseng exports.



For a fun and interactive lunch experience, you’ll head to **Willow Springs Garden**. You



will participate in making your own butter, cheese and ice cream, which will then be used to prepare lunch for the group. You will also get to tour and learn about the history of one of Wisconsin’s only remaining round barns.

After lunch, enjoy some time exploring Wausau’s downtown area. With a variety of boutique shops, restaurants and bars, all within walking distance, you’ll find a place to spend a few hours.



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To end your second day, enjoy an evening visit to **Monk Botanical Gardens**, where a local chef will host a cooking demonstration with garden fresh ingredients. You will also learn how to grow, maintain, harvest, prepare and cook with homegrown vegetables.

Contact the Wausau/Central WI Convention and Visitors Bureau for more information on dining, lodging and additional itinerary options.