

799 Ways to Spend 99 Days This Summer in Des Moines

- 1. Pick out veggies at a local farmers' market.
- 2. Build with LEGOs.
- 3. Make something at Michael's.
- 4. Plant a garden.
- 5. Decorate cupcakes.
- 6. Tour a fire station.
- 7. Enjoy theater in the park in Altoona.
- 8. Visit a farm.
- 9. Attend story time at a local book store.
- 10. Attend hunter education class.
- 11. Have a girls' day with mommy-daughter mani/ pedis.
- 12. Indulge with some ice cream.
- 13. Root, root, root for the I-Cubs.
- 14. Learn about Iowa's railroad heritage.
- 15. Ride a bike.
- 16. Try a new recipe.
- 17. Give back by volunteering.
- 18. Do an act of kindness for someone.
- 19. Plant something.
- 20. Play outdoor games.
- 21. Eat at a new restaurant.
- 22. Cool off at a local pool or aquatic center.
- 23. Go on a hike.
- 24. Visit Blank Park Zoo.
- 25. Go berry picking.
- 26. Visit the Science Center of Iowa.
- 27. Go on a boat ride.
- 28. Make s'mores while camping.
- 29. Shop at a thrift store in Des Moines.
- 30. Go bowling.
- 31. Get a new haircut.
- 32. Visit a local museum.
- 33. Tour a historic school house.
- 34. Feed the ducks at Jordan Creek Town Center.
- 35. Attend a discount movie.
- 36. Go to a rodeo.
- 37. Take silly pictures around Des Moines.
- 38. Learn how to do magic.
- 39. Eat at a food truck.
- 40. Go on a day trip.
- 41. Undertake a service project.
- 42. Take a tour of a factory or local business.
- 43. Go on a picnic at a Central Iowa garden.
- 44. Spend an evening stargazing.
- 45. Participate in a summer reading program.
- 46. Go geocaching.
- 47. Go to a movie under the stars.
- 48. Attend Family Night in Valley Junction.
- 49. Go fishing.
- 50. Catch a summer blockbuster.
- 51. Splash and play at a Des Moines area spray ground.
- 52. Explore the State Historical Museum.

- 53. Get your groove on at an outdoor concert.
- 54. Play "I Spy" at the Polk County Heritage Gallery
- 55. Attend a county fair in Dallas, Polk or Warren county.
- 56. Listen to nature stories.
- 57. Visit Brenton Arboretum
- 58. Attend a cooking class.
- 59. Watch the sunset at an area lake.
- 60. Watch a parade at a local festival.
- 61. Build a project at Lowe's or Home Depot.
- 62. Go golfing.
- 63. Explore the World Food Prize Hall of Laureates.
- 64. Swing at a Des Moines area park.
- 65. Pedal to Indianola Bike Fest.
- 66. Visit the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum.
- 67. Take swimming lessons.
- 68. Host a park play date.
- 69. Dine alfresco.
- 70. Cheer on the Iowa Barnstormers.
- 71. Beat the rainy day blues.
- 72. Sneak in some education.
- 73. Enjoy a day at Big Creek Lake.
- 74. Take a day trip to the Shops at Roosevelt.
- 75. Recline and enjoy a show in Altoona.
- 76. Take a break from the heat at an indoor play
- 77. Attend a class at Valley Community Center.
- 78. Play tennis.
- Attend an event hosted by Warren County Conservation.
- 80. Take a music class.
- 81. Get some new duds.
- 82. Visit the Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden.
- 83. Learn about Iowa's aviation heritage.
- 84. Play arcade games.
- 85. Try your hand at disc golf.
- 86. Tour the Iowa State Capitol.
- 87. Master some sick skateboarding tricks.
- 88. Paint pottery.
- 89. Go roller-skating.
- 90. Visit Living History Farms.
- 91. Find a Little Free Library.
- 92. Take an art class.
- 93. Attend a live theatre production.
- 94. Donate gently used toys to charities in Des Moines.
- 95. Take archery lessons.
- 96. Host an ice cream social.
- 97. Stock up on birthday gifts.
- 98. Attend the Iowa State Fair.
- 99. Ride the Monster at Adventureland.