

# Log Cabin Lodging



Cozy, charming  
log cabins  
await YOU!

Modern yet rustic, there is something so calming and soothing about coming here. The land and cabins invite you to slow down, put your feet up and relax. Whether lounging suspended in your sky chairs, reading, bird watching, or playing games with your companions, this place invites you to let go and just be in the moment.

Evening campfires beckon and in winter snowmobilers and cross country skiers abound.

Our cabins sleep up to 13, some are on a bluff overlooking the Yellow River and another is near the river itself. They all have fully stocked kitchens, bedding and pillows. Just bring food and fun!

For something different try our fun little 4-person, one-room apartment called the Mule-Tel above one of our barns near the river.

We also have a unique, very affordable Lodge and bunkroom building attached to our indoor arena. We've hosted many family and class reunions, weddings, clinics and other events here. Each bunkroom can sleep up to 3 people, with shared bathrooms and a ladies' and men's shower house. The Lodge also features a commercial kitchen and seating area for 50.



# Camping & RVing



We have numerous electric and primitive campsites in two locations. One nestles along the bluff close to our cabins and riding arenas and what a gorgeous view!

The smaller campground is on the other side of the Yellow River. Fishermen love it! You can walk from your camper or tent to the river a few feet away. It's lovely, quiet and more primitive.

# Horses

We have a beautiful facility for trail rides, clinics, events, and horse clubs. We have access to many DNR trails as well as our own. River crossings, grassy mown trails through forests and glades – it is very peaceful.

Our covered stalls are separated from each other by narrow rows so your horse will rest peacefully and safely. Rainy days? Well, come in and play with your horse in the indoor riding arena.

We also offer individual and family horse encounters. To really be with a horse is a wondrous thing. It would be our honor to open a portal for you that you will never forget. As we come humbly to the horse with respect and a gentle touch we

somehow actually  
become better  
people!







## Fly Fishing

Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout & Smallmouth Bass can rip the line off your reel and get your heart humping. You'll settle into the quiet serenity of the Yellow River as you float or wade, casting your fly into a pool or eddy below the white water rapids. Surrounded by overhanging Willows and towering Cottonwoods on a long stretch of quiet water your mind is at peace. Suddenly on your right, a bank of cool air floats toward you and a dark shady vertical limestone bluff towers above and descends into the river. The vertical rock wall is like a fairy tale scene come true with ferns, mosses, lichens and wildflowers covering the wet dripping rock. You stop and cast a dry fly along the edge of the deep clear water cut and watch as a huge Brown Trout inhales the tiny fly.



## Fishing

## Mississippi River Fishing

Nestled between the steep bluffs of Iowa and Wisconsin, you slowly and quietly maneuver into a backwater lake covered with water lilies.



Your first cast with your floating frog lands him on top of a water lily. Just as you pull it off the lily pad and as it hits the water, there is a sudden explosion of a 4 lb. Largemouth Bass that has been fooled by your look alike frog. Later in the day under a willow in a maze of backwater sloughs, you lose track of where you are but you don't care because your family is having fun pulling Bluegills and Crappies into the boat. Tomorrow you will go after some big Northern Pike and fish along some clear water weed beds. What a life this is!



Nearby the Mississippi awaits you and lures you into the heart of the some of the best backwater fishing in America.

## Canoeing & Kayaking



There's nothing like a fresh, pristine river ride! This is one of the most challenging areas of the Yellow River, with short rapids, tricky turns and gorgeous 200 foot bluffs. Not boring but not too scary, it's just right for all ages! Cool and refreshing, relaxing yet flowing powerfully, that's our river... we hope you get to meet her. Our canoe company will even pick you up here, transport you upriver and be waiting at the takeout point to bring you home!

## Hiking & Birding

Our hiking trails are beautiful - through hardwood forest and near ancient limestone bluffs. Wildflowers and birdsong abound. They're a nice blend of hills, forest, river views, and shaded glades. You can cool your feet in the river crossings and rest as long as you like. Bring a picnic lunch. Lighten your spirit and your step. And the birds won't mind if you sing along!



## Mississippi River Backwater Tours



The backwaters of the Mississippi have lot of secrets and history. Our good captain regales you with stories of her rich history, the workings of the lock and dam system, birding and nesting sites, and I'm sure there are a few big fish stories waiting to be told.

If your timing's right you may find yourself hearing a local musician adding their rich voice to the river's chorus.

## Family & Friends

Memories. Reunions. Reconnection Words and stories shared in the warmth of precious moments.



These are the precious things of life that you look back at and cherish. We specialize in gatherings and parties of all kinds. We can host 50 people comfortably in our Lodge.

The Natural Gait  
**TNG** MERCANTILE

TACK  
 JEWELRY  
 HOME AND GARDEN  
 SPIRITUAL BOOKS  
 HORSE BOOKS  
 KITES  
 TOYS  
 CLOTHING  
 GIFT ITEMS  
 MUSIC

Our store is plain FUN to browse and choose from. Whimsical and charming, yet with beautiful and useful items.

## Area Attractions & Events

We would love to be your home base for all the natural beauty this hill, bluff and river country has to offer. Antique and fun shops and a casino beckon; nearby charming towns offer coffee shops, book stores and local wares; and historic state parks harbor the stories of this land and its peoples.

**Yellow River State Forest** - Thousands of acres of timbered hills and valleys laced with meandering trout streams offer nature lovers a wonderful experience. Hiking, riding, snowmobiling, and cross country skiing are offered on groomed trails.

**Effigy Mounds State Park** - exploring an ancient past while hiking the spectacular trails and overlooks of the Mississippi River. Unique are the prehistoric Indian burial mounds. There's a great visitor center and guided tours.

**Pikes Peak State Park** - offering some of the finest views in the upper Midwest. You'll see sheer walls of Decorah limestone, fossil remains, and the beautiful Bridal Veil falls. Bicycling, rustic stone and gazebo shelters for picnicking and a playground offer a lovely day out.

**Spook Cave** - this is such a unique adventure - an underground boat trip! It is 47 degrees year round and fully lit for viewing.

**Villa Louis Historic Site** - Cross the threshold into the elegance of an upper class Victorian mansion. The vibrant hues and rich textures speak of this family's rise to wealth - the reward of crafty frontier entrepreneurship!

One of the most authentically restored homes in America.