

ITINERARY · NORTHWEST ILLINOIS

A DIXON EVENING AND THE PRAIRIE

An evening in Dixon, a night by the Rock River, and Reagan’s boyhood home and the Nachusa bison the next day. Dates to be confirmed.



Dixon Veterans Memorial Arch

2 Days HOW LONG	5 STOPS	Lee County COUNTY	3 BEST FOR History, Outdoors, Couples
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DAY 1

DAY 1 — DIXON AFTER DARK

Dixon's theater and multi-day festival calendar give a reason to be here after dark; the prairie and the Lincoln Highway give a reason to stay for the morning.

Walk the river, eat downtown, and be out for the evening.

2 PLANNED STOPS

1

SCENIC STOP

Downtown Dixon and the Arch

1 hr

WHY IT BELONGS

The Rock River bends through downtown; start with a walk and a look at the Arch.

2

SCENIC STOP

Dinner and a show or festival in Dixon

Evening

WHY IT BELONGS

Pick the performance or festival evening from the calendar; the dinner reservation follows the curtain time.

TONIGHT'S STAY

A DIXON HOTEL (PARTNER TO BE CONFIRMED)

A new hotel name does not mean twelve months of supply. Confirm operating months and rooms available before this becomes an offer.

DAY 2

DAY 2 — HISTORY, THEN PRAIRIE

Reagan in the morning, bison by early afternoon.

DRIVING ROUTE

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3 PLANNED STOPS



ATTRACTION

Ronald Reagan Boyhood Home & Visitors Center

1 hr - Dixon

WHY IT BELONGS

Check tour days before promising a specific morning.

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Dixon



SCENIC STOP

Franklin Creek Grist Mill

45 min

WHY IT BELONGS

A working mill in Franklin Grove, on the way to the prairie. Subject to open days.



OUTDOOR RECREATION

Nachusa Grasslands

2 hrs - Franklin Grove

WHY IT BELONGS

Restored tallgrass prairie spanning Lee and Ogle counties. No bison sighting is guaranteed; the walk is.

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Franklin Grove

TONIGHT'S STAY

GREEN RIVER OAKS CAMPING RESORT

Amboy

The camper version of this trip. Keep privately owned lots separate from nightly sites, and pair the night with a town outing for a meal or shopping.

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