

Basic Excursion

Select one of the four levels of service available on our Basic Excursion Train



Memorial Day Weekend through October 31st, this ride takes you from our depot, through the Des Moines River Valley, to the old mining community of Fraser, where our railroad got its start. En route, you will cross the 156' tall Bass Point Creek High Bridge. The train is powered by our steam locomotive on Saturdays, and by one of our diesel locomotives the remainder of the week. **Daily departures at 1:30 PM (plus 4:00 PM on Saturdays).** Dessert Trains and Picnic Trains DO NOT OPERATE on the Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays of our Day Out With Thomas event. Equipment subject to change without notice. **Fare includes museum admission.**

Electric Trolley

Memorial Day Weekend through October 31st, our electric trolley operates between depot and downtown Boone on most Saturdays, 10 AM until 4 PM. Tickets are \$2, and are available for purchase on the trolley.



Basic Coach
Not climate-controlled, but windows open. Window at each seat. **Handicap accessible.**
Adult \$22
Child \$9
Under 3 free in lap



Climate Controlled Coach
Reversible bench seating, heated and cooled.
Adult \$27
Child \$15
Under 3 free in lap



Open Air Valley View
Our most popular car, offering the best view of the valley.
Adult \$32
Child \$17
Under 3 free in lap



Rock Island Caboose
This car's cupola offers great views of scenery along the line.
Adult \$26
Child \$14
Under 3 free in lap

Frequently Asked Questions

When do I need to arrive at the depot? Trains depart promptly at their advertised departure times. Arriving 1 hour prior to departure allows you to park, use the restroom, obtain tickets, etc. **Reservation or not, trains are not held for late arrivals.**

Where does the train go? Trains depart from our depot at 225 10th Street in Boone, Iowa, and travel to Fraser, Iowa. Fraser, once a booming mining town, was the headquarters for the Boone Valley Coal and Railroad Company. **All rides are round trip excursions.**

Is there assigned seating? Seating for our basic excursion train is not assigned. It is all first come, first served. Seating for dinner, dessert, and picnic trains is assigned. You will be seated by the name associated with the reservation, and you may be seated with another party.

Will we get off of the train? No. Once the end of the line is reached, the train will stop, then begin the return trip to Boone.

How long is the ride? Rides on our basic excursion train are approximately 1 hour and 45 minutes in duration. Rides on dinner, dessert, and picnic trains range from 2 hours and 10 minutes to 2 hours and 20 minutes. **All rides are round trip excursions.**

How fast will we be going? Trains travel at approximately 10-14 mph.

What kind of engine pulls the train? Aside from our 1:30 PM and 4:00 PM Saturday steam excursions (call to confirm that steam is operating), all trains are pulled by a diesel locomotive. We reserve the right to substitute locomotives and/or equipment.

Are trains handicap accessible? Only basic coach class service on our basic excursion train is handicap accessible. Dinner, dessert and picnic trains ARE NOT handicap accessible. Call 1-800-626-0319 to confirm availability.

Does the concession car accept debit or credit cards? No. The concession car only accepts cash. An ATM is located in the depot lobby.

Are strollers or car seats allowed? Strollers or car seats are not allowed onboard. Storage space is available in the ticket office.

Will we cross the Kate Shelley High Bridge? No. The Kate Shelley Memorial High Bridge is located on Union Pacific's mainline across Iowa, which is unrelated to our line. We will cross the Bass Point Creek High Bridge, which, at 156' tall, is the tallest single-track interurban railroad bridge in the United States.

There is rain in the forecast. Will the train run? Trains operate rain or shine.

Is smoking allowed on the trains? Smoking is not allowed on any of the Iowa Railroad Historical Society's trains or property.

Are pets allowed? Only service animals are allowed on Boone & Scenic Valley Railroad trains and grounds.

Are reservations required? Reservations are strongly encouraged for dessert and picnic trains. On our basic excursion train, reservations are strongly encouraged for the Valley View car, and the caboose. Reservations are **required** for our dinner train. During the months of September and October, reservations are recommended for all trains, and all classes of service. Trips during these times may sell out months in advance.

Latitude and Longitude 42.0667231N, -93.8918369W

Physical Address 225 10th Street, Boone, Iowa 50036

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2017 Train Ride Schedule & Fares



Operating daily Memorial Day Weekend through October 31

1-800-626-0319

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Your ticket to Family Fun!

Dinner Train



Friday evening: 6/2 thru 10/27
Saturday evening: 4/1 thru 11/11
Boarding at: 5 PM (4:30 PM in Nov.)
Returns: 7:45 PM (7:15 PM in Nov.)

Select from the following entrees: Prime Rib, Mediterranean Encrusted Salmon, Iowa Chop, Chicken Griller, Homemade Vegetable Lasagna.

Prepaid reservations required - call 1-800-626-0319 Fare includes museum admission.

\$67.25 per person (all ages)

Dessert Train



Saturdays: 5/27 thru 10/28
Boarding: 11:45 AM
Returns: 2:45 PM

Enjoy a light snack, seasonal dessert, and beverage on your trip through the river valley. En route, cross the spectacular 156' high Bass Point Creek High Bridge, and the Des Moines River Bridge.

Prepaid reservations are strongly encouraged. Call 1-800-626-0319. Fare includes museum admission.

\$34 per person (all ages)

Picnic Train



Sundays: 5/28 thru 10/29
Boarding: 11:45 AM
Returns: 2:45 PM

We provide the table and the scenery, you provide the food on this ride aboard our 1950's diners. En route, cross the spectacular 156' high Bass Point Creek High Bridge, and the Des Moines River Bridge.

Prepaid reservations are strongly encouraged. Call 1-800-626-0319. Fare includes museum admission.

\$32 (ages 13 and up)
\$14 (ages 3 - 12) Under age 3 free



2017 Events Calendar

More information at www.bsvrr.com

Our regular season begins on Saturday, May 27 and ends on Tuesday, October 31

February 10, 11, 14, 18
Valentine Dinner Trains

April 29
Spring Motorcar Day

May 6, 13, and 20
Saturday Preseason Trains
(Departing promptly at 1:30 PM)

July 9
Tom Crooks Memorial Auto Show

September 7-10
Pufferbilly Days

September 16, 17, 22, 23, and 24
Day Out With Thomas

October (Typically first two weeks)
Experience Iowa's fall colors with us!

October 7, 14, and 21
Pumpkin Express Trains

November 4
Fall Motorcar Day

Santa Express Trains
Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays
November 24 through December 17

**James H. Andrew
Railroad Museum &
History Center**

*Streamliners
Through Iowa*

exhibit debuts in May!

Museum Hours
Memorial Day Weekend
through October 31
Sunday - Thursday 10 AM - 4 PM
Friday and Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM

November through May
Monday - Friday 10 AM - 4 PM
Saturday Noon - 4 PM
Closed Sunday

Admission: \$8 Adults / \$3 Children

Day Out With Thomas
September 17, 18, 23, 24, 25
Tickets 1-800-626-0319

THOMAS & FRIENDS
DAY OUT WITH THOMAS

Route of the Boone & Scenic Valley Railroad

- Boone & Scenic Valley Railroad
- Des Moines River
- Paved County Road

Key locations on the map include: Wolf, Niles Siding, Don Williams Golf Course, Don Williams Recreation Area, Don Williams Lake, Don Williams Campground, Site of Fraser Power Plant, Fraser Siding, Fraser Spring, KALE RD., P-70, E-26, Des Moines River Bridge, Des Moines YMCA Camp, Oak Park, Bass Point Creek High Bridge, Boone Water Works, Pilcher's Overhead, Krieger Greenhouses, B&SVRR Depot, Boone, Kate Shelley Memorial High Bridge, and "Mount Boone".

THE PUMPKIN EXPRESS

Take a trip to the pumpkin patch
October 7, 14, and 21

BOONE & SCENIC VALLEY RAILROAD & MUSEUM

Santa Express

Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays
November 24 through December 17

Tickets go on sale
November 1
at bsvrr.com or
1-800-626-0319