a local's guide.

top 10 to explore in the Johnston Area.

Johnston is a charming city known for its friendly community, well-maintained parks, and family-oriented atmosphere.





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No. 1 farmer's market

Johnston Farmer's Market

Located within the Johnston town center, this market is a great place to pick up fresh produce, local crafts, and enjoy live music. Tuesdays 4-7PM June-September

Johnston Farmer's Market Website





No. 2 coffee shop

Blue Bean

Blue Bean is about quality coffee, people, and one seriously awesome workspace that combined create a vibe that can't be matched anywhere else!

Blue Bean Coffee Website



No. 3 lunch favorite

Charlotte's Kitchen

Food Made with Love and Soul, Just Like Grandma. Must try the Nashville Hot Sandwich + Loaded Tots!

Charlotte's Chicken Website

No. 4 events

Kite's on the Green

This family-fun event is held in the green space near the Johnston Public Library. Visitors can enjoy giant show kite displays, kite fighting, free kite building, live music, an inflatable obstacle course + more!

Kite's on the Green Website

Yoga by the Lake

Join us for a refreshing hour of free yoga at Terra Park Amphitheater. Experience the tranquility of the lake and enhance your wellbeing in a serene outdoor setting

Yoga by the Lake Website





No. 5 brewery

Backpocket Brewing

Backpocket Brewing is more than just a brewery - it's a gathering place where friends and neighbors come together to enjoy great beer and good company.

Backpocket Website

No. 6 bike path

Sycamore Trails

Mountain bike enthusiasts & trail runners will find this 6+ mile trail network irresistible. Pedal, hike, run, or snowshoe along the west bank of the Des Moines River.

Sycamore Trails Website



No. 7 dinner & drinks

Trostel's Greenbriar

Trostel's Greenbriar prides itself on providing the best dining experience in the metro with an environment that allows you to dress up or wear jeans and feel right at home. You must try the house made Creamy Parmesean Dressing!

Trostel's Greenbriar Website





No. 8 library

Johnston Public Library

The Johnston Public Library transforms lives through exceptional resources, services, and staff. Our missing is to promote discovery, inspire creativity and engage in community.

<u>Johnston Library Website</u>



No. 10 ice cream shop

Van Dee's Ice Cream

Seasonal, neighborhood landmark with soft-serve ice cream in rotating weekly flavors & other treats.

Van Dee's Ice Cream Website

No. 9 parks + play

Johnston Commons Park

Johnston Commons is a 14-acre neighborhood park located near the library. This park has a large playground, shelter house, basketball court and soccer fields

Johnston Commons Website

Dewey Park

Dewey Park includes an ADA accessible play structure for 2 to 5 year old's with decks, slides and climbers and a large play structure for 5 to 12 year old's, shelter house, soccer fields and walking/biking trails

Dewey Park Website

