

Baldwin City Restaurants

Baldwin City Beer Company (OPENING SOON!) 520 High Street

El Patron

711 Eighth Street elpatronbaldwintogo.com 785-594-2711

Homestead Kitchen & Bakery 717 Eighth Street homestead.cafe 785-766-3442

Jitters Coffee Trolley 822 Ames

Riviera Maya 912 Ames 785-594-0333

Wild Ivy Cafe (OPENING SOON!) 715 Eighth Street

Wooden Spoke 309 Ames woodenspokerestaurant.com 785-594-2222



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What is the Covered Wagon Glamping Experience?

Baldwin City is situated along the original Santa Fe Trail route. The trail opened in the early 1820s and continued regular operation for nearly 50 years.

This trail was traveled largely by covered wagons pulled by oxen or mules.

The Covered Wagon Glamping Experience will take you back to a time in our rich history. Enjoy a campfire, luxurious accommodations, and find your way on the Santa Fe Trail.

Explore Baldwin City History

Things to do and see...

Drive the Santa Fe Trail through Douglas County!

You can drive ON 5 MILES of the ACTUAL SANTA FE TRAIL in Douglas County – and very close to the rest of the original Trail route.

The Santa Fe Trail Landmark Tour app, created by Freedom's Frontier, provides a narrated tour of 13 sites along the route. As you approach each stop, you'll automatically receive a notification. Open it up and experience the site with images that bring history to life. (Be sure to enable "location services" on your mobile device to make this app work properly.)



More information available at: www.santafetraildouglas.org

The Signal Oak

Overlooking the Vinland, Coal Creek & Kaw Valleys, two miles north of Baldwin City, Signal Oak, played an important role in the Civil War from 1854 to 1861. Settlers climbed the branches and hung lanterns at night and flags by day to alert Blue Mound, which in turn alerted Lawrence. These signals warned settlers from other communities of approaching invaders during the 'Bleeding Kansas' days. The oak tree died in 1914, but a marker and plaque remain to tell visitors about a piece of Kansas history.

Approximate address to find via GPS: 451 E 1750th Road, Baldwin City, KS 66006

Black Jack Park & the Ivan L. Boyd Memorial Prairie Preserve

The Battle of Black Jack took place on July 2, 1856, 3 miles west of Baldwin City. John Brown led his Free-State Militia against pro-slavery forces led by Henry Clay Pate.

Around 100 men fought an intense 3 hour battle that ended with Pate's surrender to Brown.

Named for Ivan L. Boyd, who was instrumental creating the park; this Prairie Preserve is an 18 acre tract of land built to preserve the native tall grass prairie and the Santa Fe Trail (SFT) ruts made by traffic and erosion.

More information available at: www.blackjackbattlefield.org

Midland Historic Railway

The Midland Historic Railway operates excursion trains on a railroad line originally constructed in 1867. Previously, the train rides featured a one hour, 20 mile round trip from the 1906 Baldwin City train depot to Ottawa Junction, Kansas, using vintage railway equipment.

The Railway was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1983. In 1987 Midland purchased the line from Baldwin City to Ottawa Junction.

Now under new ownership, the Midland Railway will start operations Fall 2022.

Midland Depot is located at 1515 High Street

More information available at: www.kansastravel.org/midlandrailway.htm