

John Day River Food Trail

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Thomas Orchards, Kimberly, Oregon
Photo by Joni Kabana

Driving Directions & Highlights

Not just a pretty place, the area surrounding Kimberly has an excellent micro-climate, rich soil and plentiful water from the John Day River, making this a prime area for growing fruit and vegetables, raising livestock, and recreating. The climate is dry - the smiles warm and genuine. Take time on the curves and watch the sides of the road - wildlife is common (especially mule deer) and cattle have the right-of-way in "free range" country.

Dayville *Lodging & RV, cafe', groceries & sundries, bike repair, gas, city park*

In Dayville a visitor is just as likely to dine beside a fifth generation cattle rancher as an avid fisherman or a touring bicyclist. The charming community sits smack dab in the middle of some of the most scenic and dramatic geography you've likely ever seen.

Kimberly *Lodging & RV, groceries, gas*

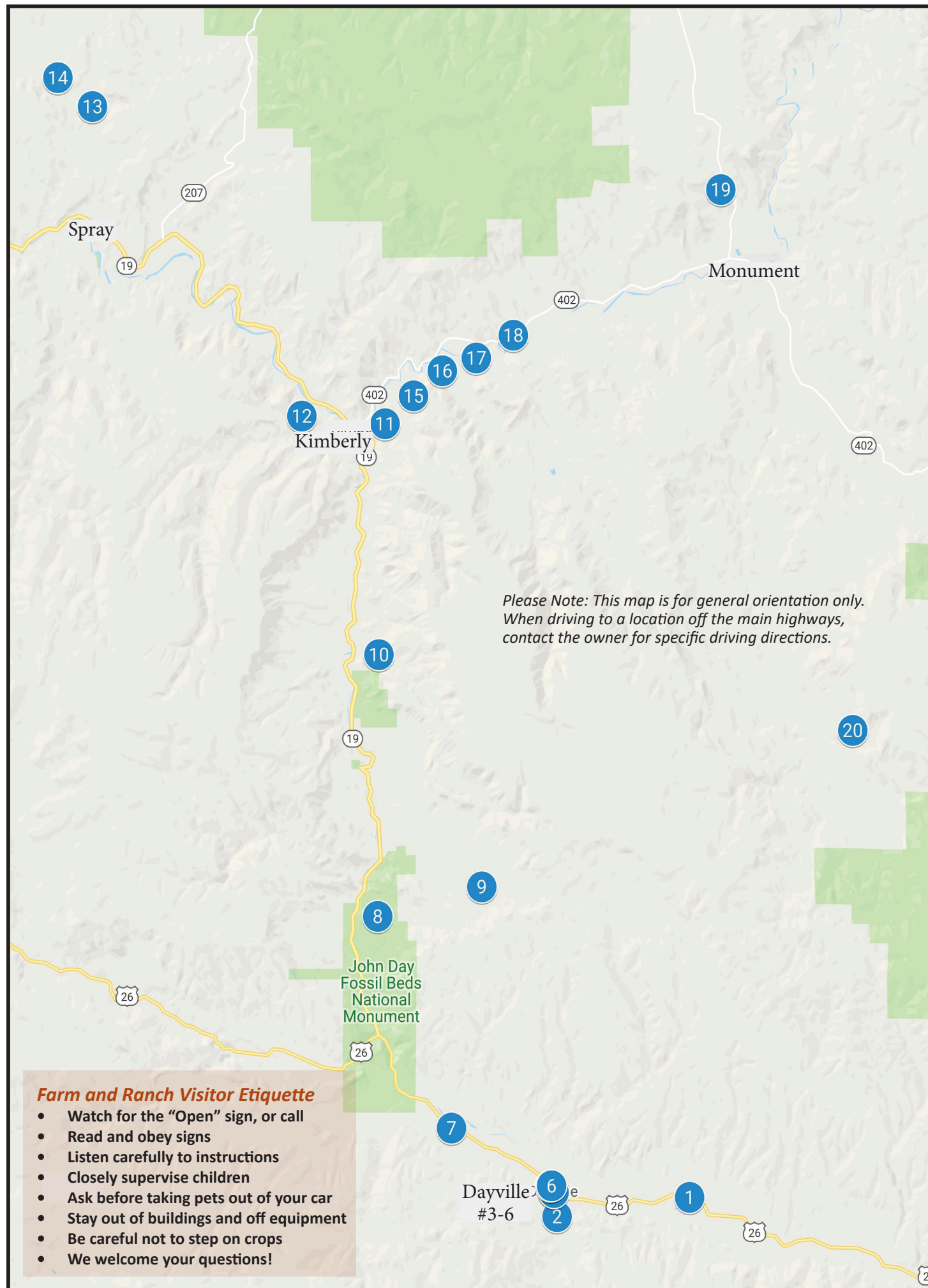
The tiny settlement sits in an oasis on the edge of the magical John Day River, Oregon's longest free-flowing river, and from whichever direction you travel, the landscape out your window or beyond your handlebars is nothing short of astonishing! You've earned a succulent peach or two while you fill your vehicle with boxes of fruit and pies from orchards found here.

Monument & Long Creek *Lodging & RV, groceries, gas, food truck, cafe'*

Each of these two tiny towns offers most visitor services, but business hours are limited so time your visit with care. Photographers just can't get enough of the surrounding scenery and Western heritage. Cyclists love the open roads with little traffic. Questions? Ask a local.

Spray *Lodging & RV, cafe' groceries & sundries, gas, city riverside park*

Picnic at the beautiful Spray Riverfront Park, wander backroads and take a short drive to a few ghost towns on your way to the fossil beds in either direction. Don't miss their yearly rodeo and half marathon race on Memorial Day weekend!



Farm and Ranch Visitor Etiquette

- Watch for the "Open" sign, or call
- Read and obey signs
- Listen carefully to instructions
- Closely supervise children
- Ask before taking pets out of your car
- Stay out of buildings and off equipment
- Be careful not to step on crops
- We welcome your questions!



Stellar Cabin



Thomas Orchards

Farm Stops & Points of Interest

Dayville, Kimberly, Spray & Monument

Drive through stunning landscapes to get here and continue the trend through any direction. Wide open vistas, colorful 30-45 million year old hills and grassy pastures attract bighorn sheep and sustain large herds of ranch animals and wildlife. There is ample opportunity to experience rural living and buy agriculture products directly from the producers.

1) Prairie Springs Fish Farm 541.987.2131
46673 Hwy 26, Dayville
Since 1961, Prairie Springs Fish Farm has been the leading Oregon Fish Stocking Company providing high quality live fish. Founded in 1959 by Jim and Keity Driscoll and completed in 1961, the fish farm has adopted the mission of providing Oregon with the best-reared fish possible.

2) Bergin's Organic Custom Seeds 541.806.6865
350 South Fork Rd., Dayville
Dedicated to the restoration and preservation of heirloom seeds, providing seeds to local growers. Ask him about his amazing organic hot grain cereals.

3) Guyon Springs Inn (AirBnB) 541.620.4950
Dayville (call for directions)
guyonsprings.com

A camping and glamping venue situated on 80 acres overlooking the South Fork and John Day River valleys. Guests can explore the property and learn about off-grid living and gardening.



4) Fish House Inn & RV Park 541.987.2124
110 Franklin St., Dayville
fishhouseinn.com
A country inn and RV park in a beautiful park-like setting.

5) Dayville Cafe' 541.987.2122
212 W Franklin St., Dayville
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Local secret: this bustling little cafe might just have the best pies in Oregon. Super great meals also!

6) Dayville Merc 541.987.2133
207 W Franklin St., Dayville
dayvillemerc.com
Opened in 1896, before the town of Dayville was founded in 1913, this old-fashioned dry goods store sells 8,000 products, ranging from pasta to power cords and wool hats to whiskey. Visitors will find a full service bike repair shop in this family-owned general mercantile.



7) Happy Hens Egg Farm 541.987.2378
42794 Hwy 26, Dayville
Hens are cage-free and naturally raised, producing gorgeous eggs for sale. Produce (cilantro, spinach, tomatoes, tomatillos, squash, and pumpkins and more) is available from the garden during the summer months.

8) Sheep Rock Unit - John Day Fossil Beds 541.987.2333
32651 Hwy 19, Kimberly
nps.gov/joda
Cant Ranch and Thomas Condon Center at the Sheep Rock Unit offer information about the region's ranching heritage and exhibits on the internationally significant prehistoric mammal fossils and ancient geological wonders.



9) Lands Inn Oregon 541.934.2333
45457 DC Lane, Kimberly
landsinn.net
This remote and unique ranch offers cabins, campsites, an airstrip and a hanger with a common cooking facility. Great for groups and events.

10) Stellar Cabin Hideaway (AirBnB)
40251 Hwy 19, Kimberly
diamondhitchmuleranch.com
Cozy and private cabin rental, the perfect place to relax after exploring the many wonders of the area.

11) John Day River Trading Post 541.934.2060
41345 Hwy 19, Kimberly
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Don't miss this important oasis in your travels through the area. Fuel up your vehicle, stock up on beverages and snacks, or fill the cooler with everything you need for camping. The proprietors were born and raised here and know all about the things to see, do and experience. They also carry locally made products and crafts.



12) Sage River Ranch 360.630.9185
26872 Hwy 19, Kimberly
A beautiful John Day River ranchette with working sheepdogs and livestock guardian dogs. Offering grass and forage-fed lamb and sage-fed, free-range chicken eggs. Unprocessed wool for sale for hand-spinning projects. Look for mile marker 102.

13) Nighthawk Valley Homestead
starmom400@yahoo.com
23684 Winlock Lane, Spray
Hands-on homestead training and consulting on soap-making, canning, off-grid living and ranch animal care.

14) Historic Corncob Ranch 541.468.2071
23193 Winlock Lane, Spray
corncobbranch.com
The cabin on this ranch sleeps up to six and has a full kitchen and bath with shower. The campground is equipped for horse camping. 27 RV sites with two horse pens each; 4 outhouses but no hook-ups or showers. Swimming pool; 20 miles of trails.

15) Thomas Orchards 541.934.2870
42787 OR Hwy. 402, Kimberly
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Thomas Orchards is located along the valley floor of the North Fork of the John Day River. This valley provides the perfect climate for producing sweet and flavorful fruit. The orchard has a variety of fruit available for U-pick, ready picked, and mail order. They have a selection of fruit that is certified organic and also offer fruit butters, syrups, jams, and dried fruits. Buy directly from the fruit stand at the orchard, which opens in late June and stays open into the end of October. The fruit stand is open seven days a week from 8am to 6pm during the busiest part of the season.

16) Apricot Apiaries 541.934.9101
42798 OR 402, Kimberly
apricotapiaries.com
Tucked inside Thomas Orchards. Shop for local pure, raw honey, honey products and candles; hive rentals for fruit and nut pollination; Queens and Nucs bees for Oregon; educational workshops and observation hive.



17) Campbell Ranch 541.934.2520
40252 Rudio Rd., Kimberly
Call ahead to schedule a tour of the cattle ranch and wildlife viewing opportunities. Ask about guided hunts with Birch Creek Guide Service.

18) North Fork Ranch 541.934.2521
46400 OR Hwy 402, Kimberly
A certified organic vegetable farm, situated on the picturesque bank of the North Fork of the John Day River, growing a variety of vegetables for multiple markets.

19) Triple H Homestead 541.934.2088
Monument (call for directions)
triplehomestead.com
Stay in the guest bunk house rental and experience life on a working ranch. Tag along as the ranchers feed their hogs, milk cows and make soap and lotions from the milk. Enjoy farm-fresh eggs and bacon and take some time to relax in the scenic countryside.



20) Hunter's Rendezvous 541.934.2080
37816 Cottonwood Rd., Monument
outfitterjohncole.com
Guided hunts in the rugged and dramatic John Day River country.

Additional Visitor Services

Twisted Treasures & Gnarly Goods 541.987.2443
150 W Franklin St., Dayville

South Fork RV Park 541.987.2454
5 Park Lane, Dayville
facebook.com/southforkrvpark/

Monument Motel, RV & Cafe' 541.934.2242
780 Hwy 402, Monument
monumentmotel.com

Boyer's Cash Store & Gas Station 541.934.2290
335 John Day St., Monument

Lone Elk Market, Cafe' & Gas Station 541.468.2443
800 Willow St. (Hwy 19), Spray

River Bend Motel 541.468.2053
708 Willow St. (Hwy 19), Spray
riverbendmotel.com

Service Creek Resort 541.468.3331
38686 Hwy 19, Fossil
servicecreek.com

Points of Interest

South Fork of the John Day River
oregonwildandscenic.com/south-fork-john-day

Black Canyon Wilderness Area
onda.org/hike/black-canyon

Aldrich Wilderness Study Area
en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aldrich_Mountains

Philip W. Schnieder Wildlife Area
myodfw.com/phillip-w-schneider-wildlife-area-visitors-guide

Blue Basin Trail
nps.gov/joda/planyourvisit/sheep-rock-trails.htm

Go to TravelOregon.com and RideOregonRide.com for scenic byway and scenic bikeway information.



Sage River Ranch