

Capital City Public Market

Ada County, Idaho



Market Location: North 8th St. between Bannock & Main streets, Capital City

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Market Season: Saturdays 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.,
Mid-April-end of October

Holiday Market: 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday before Thanksgiving to last Saturday before Christmas

A Word From the Market:

Capital City Public Market is a European style open-air Market located in the downtown core of Boise. Flanked on either side by outdoor coffee shops, restaurants and "one of a kind" boutiques, the Market adds an air of festivity to downtown Boise on Saturdays. Community residents and visitors shop for fresh local produce, herbs, flowers, fresh baked breads and pastries, specialty foods and wines and work by local artisans. The regular Market season runs from mid - April to the last Saturday of October and averages 20 -80 vendors in the peak of the season. The Holiday Market begins the Saturday before Thanksgiving and runs through the last Saturday before Christmas.

About the Market:

- Public market located in downtown Boise
- Established 1994
- Approximately 50-100 vendors peak season: 60% produce / 40% craft
- 8 Certified Organic Vendors
- 75% Farmer grown & sold
- High stall vendors allowed with rule compliance
- Local products: 100 - 200-mile radius
- Juried crafts
- Non-smoking vendor requirement
- No pets sold at market

Selling at Market:

- Grower members: \$20 or 5% of gross sales
- Craft & specialty foods: \$25 or 5% gross sales
- High stall: \$35 reserved space

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Market Management:

- Paid Market Manager
- 3 paid employees
- Board of Directors
- Rules & regulations booklet available



Produce and Crafts Offered:

- Baked goods
- Berries
- Crafts
- Fine art
- Fresh & dried herbs
- Fresh fruits & veggies
- Honey
- Jams, jellies, & preserves
- Meats (USDA)
- Nursery stock

"The garden is a ground plot for the mind."

– Thomas Hill, 1577

What is Sustainable Agriculture?

Sustainable agriculture refers to an agricultural production and distribution system that:

- Achieves the integration of natural biological cycles and controls.
- Protects and renews soil fertility and the natural resource base.
- Enhances and promotes the health and well-being of animals and livestock.
- Optimizes the management and use of on-farm resources.
- Reduces the use of non-renewable resources and purchased production inputs.
- Provides an adequate and dependable farm income.
- Promotes opportunity in family farming and farm communities, &
- Minimizes adverse impacts on health, safety, wildlife, water quality, and the environment.

Reference: Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE)
<http://www.sare.org>