



THE CARRIAGE HOUSE BED & BREAKFAST

BEATRICE, NEBRASKA

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Located in the rural community of Beatrice, Nebraska, Carriage House Bed & Breakfast is situated on 10 acres east of Beatrice. It offers a country experience filled with quiet scenes and landscapes that can be enjoyed from the property's gazebo or large wrap-around porch.

Beatrice, Gage County seat, is located in southeast Nebraska approximately 39 miles south of Lincoln, 99 miles from Omaha, and 183 miles from Kansas City. U.S. Highway 77 and U.S. Highway 136 intersect downtown Beatrice. The population is a friendly 13,000. The Beatrice Airport, located in north Beatrice, is adjacent to the Industrial Parks just off U.S. Highway 77 and is fully equipped for corporate jet traffic.

Diverse shopping and recreational opportunities abound including two movie theatres, two bowling centers, miniature golf and a golf course. Visitors can also

enjoy the Rolla Rena Skate Center, Homer Dome batting cages, the local YMCA, and numerous parks offering tennis courts, sand volleyball, baseball/softball complexes and a new water park. The town also has several fine restaurants offering a variety of fast-food choices and gourmet dining including Midwest and Chinese cuisine.

Gage County Court House was built in 1892 and is a Richardsonian Romanesque limestone structure with a clock tower. When Laura Ingalls Wilder was making her move from South Dakota to Missouri, she mentioned the Gage County Court House in her diary on Sunday, August 5, 1894. Like many of the buildings in and around Beatrice, the courthouse is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Carriage House is also listed on the National Register of Historic Places. According to proprietor, Wanda Enns, the 10 acre site is listed for both its significance



▲ The Lamplighter Room

in Nebraska history and the architectural integrity of the early 20th century farm buildings.

Guests of the Carriage House, which is open year round, can relax in the fully restored romantic Revival Dutch Colonial brick home located in a peaceful setting. In the beautiful Victorian Guest Parlor decorated with period antiques, visitors can unwind in front of the fireplace listening to music of their choice. After a restful night in one of the seven guest rooms, guests are treated to a full breakfast in the large dining room.

Every room at the Carriage House is themed and furnished in antiques from the romantic Victorian era. Double beds are featured in every room, two of which are suites with private baths.

The Victorian Suite is a spacious, elegant room with a private bath that includes a pedestal sink and antique claw-foot tub with shower. A dressing table adds to the charm of this suite created especially for lovers of any age.

The Hospitality Suite is the innkeeper's own private living area made available for guests. The beautifully decorated parlor seats five and has its own private entrance that opens to a redecorated bedroom and private bath.

Adorned with a gazebo, a huge historic 1887 barn and even llamas is an ideal meeting place for small gatherings,

reunions, retreats, or even weddings. Guests are encouraged to tour the historic dairy barn and enjoy hand feeding the llamas.

Pets are not allowed inside the Carriage House, but there are kennels available and stables for larger pets in the barn.

It is safe to say that a trip to the Carriage House will result in rest, relaxation, an encounter with nature, and possibly some interesting moments with llamas. [BBA](#)

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AMENITIES & POLICIES



The Carriage House has kennels available for your pets. Stables are also available for large animals.

AREA ATTRACTIONS

The Carriage House is a smoke-free environment, but smoking is allowed on the porches. For rates for small gatherings or weddings, please contact the innkeeper directly.

- Gage County Historical Museum
- Homestead National Monument
- Rock Creek Station, Pony Express stop on the Oregon Trail where Wild Bill Hickock was an employee.
- Big Indian Lake
- Rockford Lake
- Cedar Creek Pottery



Beatrice, Nebraska
Average Weather Statistics

	AVG HIGH	AVG LOW	AVG PREC
JAN	33°	11°	0.8 in
FEB	38°	16°	0.8 in
MAR	50°	27°	2.4 in
APR	64°	39°	2.9 in
MAY	74°	50°	4.1 in
JUN	85°	60°	3.7 in
JUL	89°	66°	3.7 in
AUG	86°	64°	3.4 in
SEP	78°	53°	3.1 in
OCT	66°	40°	1.9 in
NOV	49°	27°	1.4 in
DEC	36°	16°	0.9 in