

Barn Quilt Tours of Carver County MN

Presents

The Stitch Loop Tour

The Stitch Loop Tour spans fifty plus miles of beautiful western Carver County countryside. Tour guests will visit a Quilt Shop and five (5) farm sites, all while viewing spectacular barn quilts. Travelling in the comfort of a coach bus, with a guided tour host, guests will learn local history and vignettes about the farms, barn owners and their barn quilt patterns.

In addition to the many farm sites, other featured attractions, each boasting barn quilts as well may include:

The Quilting Grounds Quilt Shop – located in a historic downtown Norwood Young America building, this popular quilting shop offers high quality fabrics, sewing notions and quilting supplies along with an in-house coffee shop. As one of the remaining quilting shops in Carver County, MN, the Quilting Grounds offers a variety of quilting classes, along with barn quilt painting classes. Tour guests will enjoy browsing in this quaint shop and viewing a brief demonstration on the basics of barn quilt painting.

The Olde Mill House – This unique three level shop is located in an historic feed/flour mill that has been magically transformed with salvaged barn wood and custom built fire places. The atmosphere and shopping experience is so charming you won't want to leave. You'll find old and new home décor, clothing, painted and custom built furniture and unique gifts. A barn quilt will greet shoppers as they enter!

The Willkommen Heritage and Preservation Society – With strong German ties, "Willkommen" means "welcome" and provides a warm greeting as guests enter this beautifully displayed history center. Having opened in 2010, the Society preserves the evidence of the past and tells the stories of Norwood Young America and its surrounding communities. The society creates exhibits for Stiftungsfest, a local German Festival in NYA and within the history center. They also help preserve important area buildings. A barn quilt graces the entry welcoming guests.

The Carl Melichar Art Studio - Waterfowl painter, sporting dog artist, photographer and videographer, Carl J. Melichar makes his home in rural Mayer, MN. His home and studio, Countryside Art Gallery, is located on an old historic farm, homesteaded in the middle 1800's. Tour guests are invited to step inside his unique studio, housed in an old granary of the property. His barn is believed to be the second largest in Carver County and hosts the Blazing Star Barn Quilt.

The Krommendyk Granary – This unique family farm not only hosts a beautiful barn quilt, but is the home to an occasional sale store and popular art studio, located in a historic granary on the property. Join us on the farm for a unique viewing and shopping experience! The Granary offers re-loved, re-fined, and found home decor and furnishings with farmhouse flair! Tour guests can visit the art studio in the upstairs granary for customized drawings and paintings and wood burnings. The picturesque floral gardens, landscaping and country scenery is one you won't forget! (There is storage room on the bus to transport your new found items!)

Our lunch option for the Stitch Loop includes:

- ❖ **Unhinged Pizza (formerly Pizza Ranch)** – we'll enjoy lunch at Unhinged Pizza, which features a pizza buffet and also offering delicious chicken, salads, appetizers & ice cream.

Schedule your Barn Quilt Tour today!

**For more information visit us at www.barnquiltsofccmn.com
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