

Mountain View Community Summary

Howell County

West Plains

West Plains was selected as one of America's 10 Best Small Towns in 2013 by Livability.com, a national website that ranks America's most livable small and mid-sized cities based on quality of life. Missouri State University-West Plains, a part of the Missouri State University System, is also located here. The two-year, open-admission institution has an enrollment of approximately 2,000 students.

Mountain View

Mountain View was established in 1878, although it is still debated as to who actually founded the town. Here is where to begin your family's Ozarks adventure, canoeing down one of the beautiful rivers or hiking to breathtaking ridges overlooking rolling hills and countryside. Mark Twain National Forest is just minutes from Mountain View.

Baxter County, AR

Mountain Home

Mountain Home has been named one of the best places to retire in America by Rand McNally and AARP. Located between two large lakes and with easy access to three major rivers, Mountain Home is known for providing abundant opportunities for the water sports enthusiast.

Ozark County

Gainesville

Opportunities for adventure in Gainesville abound for visitors of all ages and interests. History buffs will love taking the driving tour to the old gristmills. Fishing, boating, canoeing, and kayaking are activities on nearby Bull Shoals Lake, Norfolk Lake, The North Fork River, and Bryant Creek. Caney Mountain was made for hiking and camping, with over 7000 acres ready to be explored!



Douglas County

Ava

Ava, which has formally adopted the motto “Treasure of the Ozarks”, is the county seat of Douglas County. Ava is the national headquarters of the Missouri Fox Trotting Horse Breed Association, which holds two annual festivals, spring and fall, drawing thousands to the community. Ava is also part of the Mark Twain National Forest.

Shannon County

Shannon County is a county in the southern portion of Missouri. Its county seat is Eminence. The county was officially organized on January 29, 1841 and was named in honor of George F. "Peg-Leg" Shannon, a member of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. It is the second-largest county by area in Missouri. Missouri's first copper mine was opened in Shannon County in 1846 and Missouri's only manganese mine was opened here during World War II.

Shannon County is one of the poorest counties in Missouri with one of the lowest median household incomes in the United States.