

Calico Rock Relocation Guide

About Historic Calico Rock, Arkansas

French fur traders traveling up the White River first saw the magnificent beauty of the calico- colored bluffs overlooking the river teeming with Rainbow Trout. Eventually, this magnificent spot on the banks of the White River was settled as Calico Rock. The banks of the White River were a natural for growing cotton which was traded when the river boats came to town with some pretty rowdy nights in Peppersauce Alley. In the early 1900s, Calico Rock became a railroad boom town.

Today, Calico Rock is home to the Community Medical Center of Izard County, the NCA accredited Calico Rock Public Schools, the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Regional Offices, the Arkansas Department of Corrections North Central Unit, Sentinel Industries, manufacturing leader Integrated Stair Systems, an historic main street, and some of the most beautiful scenery in the world!

This is our hometown and we hope it will become your hometown, too.

Our Community

Calico Rock has a population of approximately 1,500 people. We are located in Izard County, Arkansas. Izard County has a population of approximately 13,000 people. The seat of county government is located in Melbourne, Arkansas which is approximately 20 miles from Calico Rock.

Historic Downtown Calico Rock

The Bluff City Bank Building was the first to be constructed on the “upper Main Street” around 1900. Over the years, the building has housed the Bluff City Bank, Calico Rock Post Office, and the Calico Rock City Hall. Today, the building houses the Calico Rock Visitor Center where you can obtain information on visiting or relocating. Give us a call at 870-297-4129.

Enjoy a leisurely afternoon touring the Calico Rock Museum, shopping and exploring the stores and historic buildings along Main Street, and touring historic sites throughout town.

Hale Garner Industrial Park

The Hale Garner Industrial Park is situated on approximately 40 acres of prime real estate located within the City of Calico Rock. The entire property is serviced by city utilities, designated an Enterprise Zone, and is available for immediate development. For example, the park houses Integrated Stair Systems’ Ozark Metals on approximately 10 acres of real estate with over 50,000 square feet of manufacturing space.

Additional sites are available. Protective covenants are in place to insure proper industrial development. CRIDC can provide land for your industrial location by grant if prospective industries meet certain requirements. CRIDC may be available for construction of specification buildings as well. For more information, call 870-297-3772.

Municipal Airport

The Calico Rock Municipal Airport is located approximately 5 miles from town adjacent to the Arkansas Department of Corrections North Central Unit. The airport has a 3,000 foot asphalt runway with tie-downs and a new lighting system. A \$1 million grant from the Federal Aviation Administration will allow the development of a Master Plan which will include expansion and improvement of the airport. The future expansion plans include hangars, taxiway, and instrument approach.

City Government

Calico Rock has a Mayor, a Recorder, and an eight member City Council. You must obtain a City License to operate a business in Calico Rock. City Hall provides water and sewer services. For information on permits or licensure fees, call 870-297-3772.

County Government

Assessor's Office	Property Tax Assessment	870-368-7810
Clerk's Office	Recording Deeds, Etc.	870-368-4316
County Judge	Chief Administrator	870-368-4328
Tax Collector's	Tax Payment	870-368-7247
Treasurer's Office	Treasury	870-368-4394
State Revenue	Vehicle Tags, Drivers Licenses	870-368-4335

State Income Taxes

Arkansas individual income tax is graduated, up to 7 percent at the \$25,000 income level. Arkansas corporate income tax is also graduated, up to 6.5%. Visit the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration for more information about Arkansas taxes.

Sales Taxes

Arkansas Sales & Use tax is 6%. County and cities may also enact local option sales taxes. In Calico Rock, the total sales tax is 8%. However, the state has reduced the sales taxes on food and groceries. You can ask your grocery store what the current sales tax on food is or contact City Hall for more detailed information.

Real Estate Taxes

Real property is assessed at 20% of its fair market value, and total real estate taxes are based on this assessment. To calculate the real estate taxes in a particular city, you must add the total county millage rates to the city, school district, and fire protection district millage rates.

Health Care

Calico Rock and IZARD County are serviced by an enhanced 911 calling system. Ambulance services are provided by Vitalink, Ozark EMS and AirEvac helicopter service. A medical trauma center is available in Calico Rock at the Community Medical Center of IZARD County (870-297-3726). A \$3.5 million expansion project in 2005 expanded and improved the trauma center, expanded the surgical suite, and improved diagnostic capabilities. Regional medical centers are available in Mountain Home, within 30 miles of Calico Rock, at Baxter Regional Medical Center. Trauma centers are also available in nearby Memphis,

Tennessee, Springfield, Missouri, and Little Rock, Arkansas. These centers are all within a three hour drive of Calico Rock and short helicopter flight.

The Community Medical Center Clinic of Calico Rock (870-297-3726) provides medical care through three full-time doctors Monday-Saturday. Emergency room services at Community Medical Center of IZARD County are staffed by full-time emergency room doctors.

Mitchell's Park Street Pharmacy (870-297-8107) provides full-service prescription, over-the-counter medications, along with a complete line of gifts and unique home décor.

White River Healthcare (870-297-3719) provides a 71 bed skilled-nursing facility in a caring environment. Their motto is "we care for those you care for." They provide rehabilitation services, as well.

Lane Dental Clinic (870-297-3773) provides full-service dental services through Dr. John Lane, D.D.S.

Education

The Calico Rock Public Schools (870-297-8533) are accredited by the North Central Association and have consistently performed among the top schools in Arkansas. The elementary campus boasts an impressive Fine Arts Center and Auditorium. The high school campus includes a premier agriculture education center, Fine Arts Complex, and state-of-the-art gymnasium.

White River Preschool is an accredited preschool facility which relocated to a newly renovated facility in 2005.

Calico Rock Headstart (870-297-8853) offers a preschool educational experience offering students an opportunity to gain tools they will need to be ready to learn when they enter school.

For those interested in additional training and coursework, Ozarka College (870-368-7371) offers both vocational training programs and two-year college degree programs. Ozarka College has reciprocity agreements with most two-year and four-year colleges in Arkansas where course work transfers to those institutions.

Additionally, Arkansas State University in Mountain Home (870-508-6100) is a satellite campus of Arkansas State University located in Jonesboro. Two-year and four-year programs are offered on the Mountain Home campus.

Employee Recruitment

Our area has an abundance of well-qualified, highly-motivated individuals ready and willing to go to work for your company. To assist in your search, you can employ the resources of A.I.D. in Mountain Home or StaffMark (870-698-2800) in Batesville. They can meet your needs in locating full-time, part-time, or seasonal staffing.

Fire and Police Protection

The Calico Rock Volunteer Fire Department (870-297-4203) provides an all-volunteer, highly-trained, state-of-the-art fire protection to the community. The ISO fire rating in Calico Rock is currently a 5 because of the hard work of these dedicated professionals.

The Izard County Sheriff's Office (870-368-4203) provides protection to the community through a contract law enforcement agreement. The department is modern, well-staffed, and highly trained.

Utilities Services

Cellular telephone service can be obtained through various providers in nearby Mountain Home.

Telephone	CenturyTel	800-225-2587
Electricity	Entergy	800-368-3749
Natural Gas	Arkansas Western Gas	800-425-5445
Trash Collection	IESI	870-994-7000
Water & Sewer	City of Calico Rock	870-297-3772
Security Services	ADS	800-605-4223
Welding Supplies	Scott-Gross	870-453-5815

Distances to Major Cities

Atlanta	580 miles
Chicago	550 miles
Dallas	460 miles
Little Rock	130 miles
Memphis	150 miles
New Orleans	530 miles
New York	1,280 miles
St. Louis	270 miles
Tulsa	360 miles

Fishing Guide Services

Calico Rock Trout Dock	870-297-8131
Jenkins Fishing Service	870-297-8181
Lindsey's Trout Dock	870-297-4543

Lodging

Jenkins Motel	870-297-8987
Edsrock Lodge	870-297-4524
Calico Rock Cabin	901-299-4952
Bluff House	870-297-4543
Calico Bluff Cabins	515-360-6654
Cedar Ridge RV Park	870-297-4282
The Riverview Hotel	870-297-8208
White River Suites	870-297-8555
Wiseman Motel	870-297-3733

Restaurants

Clinkingbeard's Soda Fountain	870-297-3725
Subway	870-297-4400

White River Café	870-297-3999
Route 56 Diner	870-297-3463

Insurance

White River Insurance	870-297-8104
Farm Bureau Insurance	870-368-7368
North Central Insurance	870-368-4311
State Farm	870-368-7870
Izard County Insurance	870-297-2341

Financial Institutions

First National Bank of Izard Co.	870-297-3711
Bancorp South	870-297-4288

Various Needs

Knowles True Value	870-297-3710
Sanders Plumbing	870-297-8784

Quality of Life

The world-famous White River provides an enjoyable opportunity to catch Rainbow Trout or German Brown Trout. Relax as you take a leisurely float trip or engage in an adventure-of-a-lifetime by kayaking along the amazing waters.

The Ozark National Forest provides ample recreational opportunities including hiking, camping, back-packing, cave exploring, or going for it all on the Syllamo Mountain Bike trails. The Syllamo Mountain Bike Trail was named one of 5 Epic Bike Trails for 2005 by the International Mountain Bicycling Association!

Nearby Norfork Lake or Bull Shoals Lake provide a boating and fishing paradise. Nearby Strawberry River provides some great white water rafting. Blanchard Springs Caverns and the Ozark Folk Center provide excellent state parks for a day of exploring.

With moderate temperatures and spectacular scenery, Calico Rock is a great place to raise a family and live in the natural beauty of the Ozarks.

Closing a Deal

Many local banks can be your closing agent, but there may be a need for one of these local services. While we are not endorsing these companies or their products/services, they are available to you:

Izard County Abstract Company	870-368-4818
Calico Realty	870-291-1813
Bray Law Firm	870-368-3644
Dellinger Law Firm	870-368-4317