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READER FAVORITES! SMALL FLEA MARKETS

We asked you for your can't-miss shopping stops with less than 200 vendors, and boy did you answer! From rummage sales and swap meets to flea markets and antiques fairs, we've rounded up your recommendations. Some have as few as six sellers, proving that good things come in small packages.

START
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ARKANSAS

No
1

Old South Flea Market

Batesville, Arkansas

NUMBER OF VENDORS
50

Every Friday,
Saturday, and
Sunday

(870) 793-7508

Greta Seward says: "Retro items, furniture, farm items, collectibles, toys, baby items, historical items, books: You name it, it's probably here—somewhere!"

CALIFORNIA

No
2

Hornitos Flea Market

Hornitos, California

NUMBER OF VENDORS
100-115

First Sunday in
October

(209) 376-2320

HORNITOSPC.COM

Susan Hunter says: "Hornitos is a tiny historic gold mining town in the Sierra Nevada foothills. I never come home empty-handed and the people are down-home friendly!"

SMALL TIP

Always double-check dates and locations so you're not disappointed!

No
3

The Groves Antique Market at Irvine Valley College

Irvine, California

NUMBER OF VENDORS
200

First Sunday of
every month

(949) 786-5277

Laura Nygaard says: "Always a fun place to go, you never know what you will find, and there is usually live entertainment."

No
4

Rockin' Flea Market

Apple Valley,
California

NUMBER OF VENDORS
200

Twice a year,
spring and fall

(760) 240-7000

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COLORADO

No
5

Old Glory Country Fair

Littleton, Colorado

NUMBER OF VENDORS
70

Friday and Saturday
of Fathers Day
weekend

(303) 798-4212

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.COM/FAIR.HTML

FLORIDA

No
6

The Fancy Flea

Lakeland, Florida

NUMBER OF VENDORS
45

Twice a year in
spring and fall

FANCYFLEAMARKET
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No
7

Arcadia Antique Fair

Arcadia, Florida

NUMBER OF VENDORS
50-150

Fourth Saturday of
each month

(863) 993-1838

ARCADIAFLANTIQUES
.COM/ABOUT.HTML

Francine DiFilippo Kent says: "There is great old-fashioned home cookin' at Wheeler's Cafe (since 1928) and Mary Margaret's Tea & Biscuit."

ILLINOIS

No
8

Argyle Antique Gas Engine Association Labor Day Show

Colchester, Illinois

NUMBER OF VENDORS
100-115

Labor Day
weekend, Friday
through Monday

(309) 776-3799

Sue Schwartz says: "The vendors set up under a thick grove of pine trees in the state park. Also, no admission fee and no parking fee."

MARYLAND

No
9

The Pink Cabbage Shop's Strawberry Days Yard Sale & Craft Fair

Ellicott City,
Maryland

NUMBER OF VENDORS
30

Annually in June

(410) 531-7953

THEPINKCABBAGESHOP
.COM

Megan Gerrity says: "Some new, some old, some upcycled, and all fun! My haul for the day included the most adorable holiday Advent calendar, a pink vintage hat, and a small apothecary jar."

MICHIGAN

No
10

The Mega Mall Outdoor Flea Market

Lansing, Michigan

NUMBER OF VENDORS
85

Every third Sunday,
April through
October

(517) 487-3275

THEMEGAMALL.NET

Mitzi Curi says: "I can't even think about the Mega Mall without getting excited. I always find a load of great stuff. I just ignore the 'designer replica' handbags; that's what flea markets are all about. There's good, bad, and ugly, which means there's something for everyone!"