

# SoaringSports.com Landing Page, South Bend, IL

## Part 1: Introduction

### Headline:

Fly With the Birds on Soaringsports.com South Bend Balloon Rides

### Intro:

Our team at Soaringsports.com South Bend is highly trained and very experienced at flying hot air balloons. Part of your experience is to see the balloon inflated, first with fans, then with hot air burners. Next you will be gliding above the trees, the homes, yards, businesses and fields around South Bend. And you should be directed to notice the golden dome atop the administration building of Notre Dame University. The average balloon trip takes about an hour but plan to be involved for 2-1/2 - 3 hours, including preparation and transportation back.

### Catch Phrase:

Soar Through the air in South Bend

### Call to Action:

Call the Sky Gliders at (888) 555-5555 Today!

### Support Text:

A Hot Air Balloon ride is a stunning experience for you and would make a great gift for someone you know. Enjoy the experience of floating through the air and see the ground slide below.

## Important Content Jumps

### Headline

Soaringsports.com South Bend Offers More Options for Hot Air Balloon Rides than Anybody in Indiana

### Shared Balloon Rides

A hot air balloon ride with Soaringsports.com South Bend will capture your imagination and enthrall your senses. Balloons carry 8-10 passengers. You will be grouped with other people who are just as eager as you to fly like a bird. Hot air balloon flights operate year round (weather permitting) from sunrise to after sunset.

### Private Balloon Rides

Private balloon rides are the same as shared rides just with exclusively your special friends. A balloon ride is perfect for a romantic outing to celebrate a special birthday or anniversary or even a proposal? A private balloon ride includes a complimentary champagne (or sparkling fruit juice) toast to top off the event.

### Tethered Balloon Ride

A tethered balloon ride is the perfect way to allow many people to experience flying in the air with the birds. The balloon is tethered to the ground by four strong lines that allow the balloon to rise to a limited specific height. Many people per hour can ride up in the balloon for a few minutes. A tethered balloon is perfect for fairs, carnivals, grand openings, etc.

### Gift Certificate

A gift certificate is a wonderful way to give a memory of a lifetime. The certificate is valid for two years and will be accepted at over one hundred locations around the country. Certificates are fully transferable from person to person and are available for shared rides or private balloon rides. Customer service can arrange any option.

## Call to Action

Experts at Soaringsports.com South bend are available seven days a week to answer your questions and book your ride at over 100 locations around the US. Friendly and knowledgeable, our customer service staff can make suggestions about how to maximize the thrill and enjoyment of your hot air balloon experience.

## Main Content

### Headline:

A Ride with Soaringsports.com South Bend Provides a Bird's Eye View

### 1. Introduction

Flying in a hot air balloon is an ultimate experience that you will remember for the rest of your life. Your balloon flying experience starts by seeing the extensive preparation. First the balloon is very carefully laid flat on the grass. The lines that connect the balloon to the basket must be straight, not crossing another line. Then the inflation of the balloon slowly begins with fans. Inflation finishes with heat blowers to make the balloon stand up and ultimately fly, hence the term, "hot air balloon". When you step into the basket, you enter another world. As the balloon rises your perspective on life changes and the meaning of the term "floating in the air" never quite means the same as it used to. When you encounter the sensation of flight it is a very relaxing experience which should calm your nerves and lift your spirits.

We at Soaringsports.com South Bend focus first on safety and secondly on your spectacular experience. It is breathtaking to view the roads, the houses, the yards, the businesses, the farms and the fields from above. Floating along you can forget your worries and just absorb the view. Of course, remember to bring your cameras and binoculars.

All balloon flights are about an hour long but plan to spend 2-1/2 – 3 hours total including preparation and transportation back to the launch site in our air conditioned van. Plus, when you arrive back at the site enjoy a champagne (or sparkling fruit juice) toast and a light snack with your pilot and crew.

Hot air balloon rides are a perfect outing for kids programs, family reunions, corporate events, grand openings, festival exposure and anytime you seek a pleasant and safe thrill. We offer the most options of hot air services in the Northern Indiana and Southern Michigan area. Group and holiday discounts as well as gift certificates are available.

Calling us at SoaringSports.com South Bend to make a reservation is easy. Our agents are friendly and knowledgeable and can create a fantastic adventure based on your desires.

### 2. City Specific Information

South Bend is a city in and the county seat of St. Joseph County, Indiana, on the St. Joseph River near its southernmost bend, from which the city derives its name. With a population just above 100,000 it is Indiana's fourth largest city, serving as the economic and cultural hub of the Northern Indiana/Southern Michigan region. The largest industries in South Bend are health care, education, small business and tourism.

South Bend was founded in 1835 and became an industrial center because the St. Joseph River was dammed at several places plus canals were dug creating several reservoirs. Water released from a high reservoir moves at a very fast and strong pace. Power is created with watermills and many businesses were established along the banks to take advantage of the swiftly running water to generate power for the factories. When steam became the power of choice, the factories didn't move but simply converted their power source.

South Bend is immediately south of the prestigious Notre Dame University which is a large employer for the region. For many reasons the university is a financial generator for the area and the virtual ethical core of the city. Of course, we all know of the mythical football teams of the past and the present but we don't realize the number and amounts of research grants which make the university a scientific research hotbed.

South Bend has a humid continental climate. Lake Michigan, just 20 miles to the west, exerts a great influence on the climate of South Bend, including lake effect snow in the winter and a tendency to moderate temperatures year round.

South Bend is an ideal place to take a hot air balloon ride because of the decidedly clear skies, generally moderate winds, and the beautiful countryside around the city.

### 3. Call to Action

Call now to reserve your experience before ideal dates are taken!

## Part 2: Shared Balloon Rides

### Title:

Meet new Friends on a Shared Balloon Ride

### Body:

Experience the ultimate adventure by joining us for a ride above the beautiful rolling fields of Northern Indiana, Have you ever seen a balloon float by and wondered what it would be like riding in it? Soaringsports South Bend is ready and eager to provide your fantasy hot air balloon ride experience. Get prepared to wave to passing flocks of birds and fly carefree through fluffy white clouds.

Shared rides are available for 4 to 10 adventurers year round (weather permitting) sunrise till past sunset, our crew is very experienced and their first priority is your safety. Their second priority is your thorough enjoyment. Seats are padded in the back as well as the sides for maximum comfort but you will probably want to stand up to get the best view. And to capture those views, please remember your cameras and your binoculars.

Your hot air balloon experience starts with precise preparation. First the balloon is laid out in the field with the lines that connect it to the basket arraigned in straight lines. Fans begin inflating the balloon and at a certain point, hot air burners finish the inflation until the balloon is in an upright position.

Just after the balloon is standing up, it is ready for passengers and crew. You climb into the basket probably with a lot of trepidation. The crew makes the final safety checks and then the balloon rises into the sky. And the phrase "floating in the wind" takes on a whole different meaning. The view is breathtaking and invigorating. Balloon flights are something like a helicopter or airplane ride but the sensation of floating in a balloon is really totally unique because the balloon flies only in the direction of the wind. There is nothing that is as uniquely relaxing as a hot air balloon ride.

Like all of the most memorable experiences in life, every hot air balloon ride comes to an end. The pilot will reduce the heat blowing into the balloon and the balloon will slowly descend. A balloon pilot must be very skilled. The landing might be a little disconcerting and bumpy because the balloon must land first at a 45 degree angle so that it will not tip over upon touching the ground. Flights are about an hour long but plan to spend 2-1/2 – 3 hours with us, including the preparation and a ride back to the launch site in our air conditioned van. Your event ends with a champagne (or sparkling fruit juice) toast with your pilot and crew and a small snack.

#### Call to Action:

A hot air balloon ride is an event of a lifetime.

### Part 3: Private Balloon Rides

#### Title:

Private or Romantic Balloon Rides

#### Body:

A private hot air balloon ride allows you the freedom to take a small group of people on a wonderful excursion like no other. The ultimate thrill of floating along with the birds, through the clouds can be shared with your own personal group or a particular individual.

There is no better way to show that special person in your life that you really care than a private hot air balloon ride. The intimacy of being thousands of feet in the air sailing past the countryside below cannot be beaten. Fly in a balloon to celebrate that special birthday or that significant anniversary or maybe bring the ring along and pop the big question while sailing over the magnificent Northern Indiana countryside.

Make it a group affair and bring along the best man, the maid of honor and the preacher so you can tie the knot in a balloon. Can you image the stories you will have to tell to family and friends after being married when you were floating in a balloon thousands of feet in the air? It is even possible that we can squeeze in a small electronic pipe organ, if you want.

if relatives come to visit from out of state, you want to impress them as well as “show them around”. Take them on a balloon ride just for them. Call and reserve a personal balloon ride so everyone can let the wind blow through their hair while gazing at the gorgeous green, rolling countryside around South Bend.

Maybe it's a potential business relationship you want to seal. There is no more scenic and exclusive of a location to get someone to listen to you. Possibly a group of salespeople can be rewarded for the past quarter's great sales by sending them on a personal balloon ride to enjoy the wonderful out of doors. Or it's a reunion of old school friends that you want to blow away with a unique group activity.

Not all balloon ride operators offer personal rides but we at Soaringsports.com South Bend are specialists at arranging the perfect atmosphere and experience. Our staff is ready to provide you with a comfortable, safe experience that will far more than exceed your expectations. And we can do that year round (weather permitting) day or night, seven days a week.

A balloon ride usually takes an hour but plan to spend 2.5 – 3 hours with us including the preparation as well as the return trip in our air conditioned van.

Whatever the occasion, our friendly and thoughtful agents at Soaringsports.com South Bend can answer your questions, suggest options and schedule a private balloon ride today.

Call to Action:

Don't miss the opportunity, a private balloon ride will be remembered by everyone

## Part 4: Tethered Balloon Rides

Title: Tethered Balloon Rides are Great for Your Next Event

Body:

Soaringsports.com South Bend can provide tethered hot air balloon rides which are perfect for entertaining a large gathering of people or when you want to attract a large gathering of people. A balloon ride is ideal for a fair, a carnival, at a business event or as a sales promotion or grand opening with a sign on the balloon.

And a tethered hot air balloon ride would be a real blast at your next private party, picnic, or meeting. The balloon is attached to the ground by four strong lines so the flight is limited to a certain height. Many people per hour can go up for a few minutes to get a glimpse of the surrounding territory, be it in the countryside, or a park in the suburbs or the city.

Tethered hot air balloon rides from Soaringsports.com South Bend can operate year round (weather permitting) during the day or evening. We can provide tethered balloons when the wind is 5 mpg or less. If the winds are greater the ride may be difficult to control or be unsafe. And there cannot be any thunderstorms forecast within 50 miles but the pilot will make final decisions on site.

The most scenic time to fly in a balloon is within 2 hours around sunrise or over the two hours of sunset. Those hours have usually, the least winds too. But a tethered hot air balloon ride can basically fly at any time all day. A tethered balloon requires a minimum area of 250 feet by 250 feet that is totally free of any trees, any light poles or power lines, or any kind of bushes or debris of any kind. We will need four points from which to anchor the balloon, like large trees, strong fence posts or large vehicles. We always bring a large truck to every event but we do need three more anchor points.

Most events are approximately two hours in length and are limited by the time of day, the winds during the event, the number of people and fuel capacity.

The balloon will rise to between 25 and 100 feet high. The height is dependent on the terrain, the weather, the anchor points and the number of passengers. The pilot will make those decisions on site.

A balloon can handle 8 to 10 passengers depending on the weight of the individuals. Therefore a balloon can lift approximately 45 to 60 people per hour. If your event has more attendees we can schedule a second balloon.

Anyone that can climb in and out of the basket can fly in the balloon and our knowledgeable phone representatives can answer any of your questions.

### Call to Action:

A tethered balloon ride can be the highlight of any event, call now!

## Part 5: Gift Certificates

### Headline:

Gift certificates are an uplifting thought!

### Body:

Gift certificates for a balloon ride are a very thoughtful idea and should raise the spirits of anyone. Usually gift certificates are for a pair of shared ride tickets, but we can arrange a gift for any number of people for a shared ride or even a private balloon ride. Tickets are redeemable for a period of two years and will be accepted at over 100 hot air balloon ride providers throughout the US.

Soaring Sports gift certificates are fully transferable person to person. But there may be a fee to transfer to different locations.

Our customer service people are available seven days a week and can answer any questions. Our personnel are very knowledgeable and experienced at planning the ideal balloon ride adventure. Call [Soaringsports.com](http://Soaringsports.com) South Bend today!

### Call to Action:

Call now to give the gift of flight to the people who most appreciate it!

## Part 6: Contact Us

### Body:

Now is the time to call us at [Soaringsports.com](http://Soaringsports.com) South Bend to make your reservation of a lifetime. If you want to reserve your own shared balloon ride, schedule a private balloon flight or arrange for a tethered balloon flight at your event our knowledgeable and friendly customer service representatives can assist you to plan your experience of floating through the air and reserve your tickets now. Our phone lines are open seven days a week, so beef up your flying courage and call us now!

Call to action: You will be happy when you call us to fly away!