

Our Final Day in Eugene

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We woke up to another morning of dense fog blanketing the Willamette Valley but again the forecast is predicting sunshine and mild temperatures. Today we decided to visit the [Eugene Saturday Market](#), the nations oldest weekly open-air crafts festival and one of the reasons we came back here.

The market features some very interesting artisans who in turn produce some even more interesting crafts and artwork. In the centre, there is a stage set up where an assortment of entertainers provide the many visitors with an eclectic musical backdrop. While enjoying it, appreciative listeners can choose to eat from one of several "fast (though, organic and healthy) food" booths, dance to the music or just sit on the lawn or one of the many benches surrounding the stage. In the event the band isn't appealing, around the perimeter of the square where the crafts booths are displayed, one can also find a variety of solo artists at each corner. Across the street, there is a wonderful farmers market with an assortment of organic plants, fruits and vegetables for sale at great prices as well as wild edible mushrooms and honey products. We stocked up our supplies and spent a lot less than we normally would shopping in a conventional store.

Our afternoon was spent preparing ourselves and the motorhome for our departure tomorrow. Rick cleaned and polished the motorcycle (after two days of riding it was covered in dirt and dead bugs) while I created a delicious, organic potato-leek soup with lentils and shitake mushrooms, all acquired at the market this morning. The sun was shining, the air outside was 22C and our day was perfect...again! What more can we want?