

# Experience Placemaking: Plymouth, WI

## Welcome to Plymouth, Wisconsin!

Plymouth is a charming and relaxing town located in Sheboygan County with antique shops, art galleries, historic sites and wonderful dining experiences.

Plymouth is known as **Wisconsin's Mural Capital** for its record 21 murals painted by the Walldogs in 2011. All 21 murals were painted in just three days by over 160 Walldog artists. The Walldogs are a group of artists and painters from around the world with an idea to preserve history in cities, and improve and bring out the uniqueness in small towns. Later, 4 more murals were painted resulting in a total of 25 storytelling murals throughout the town of Plymouth. Each mural represents a part of Plymouth's history and brings out the significance of Plymouth in a colorful, artistic way.

Mill Street Festival is Plymouth's largest festival with over 100 local businesses celebrating the town of Plymouth with music, arts and crafts, food, and entertainment for all ages.

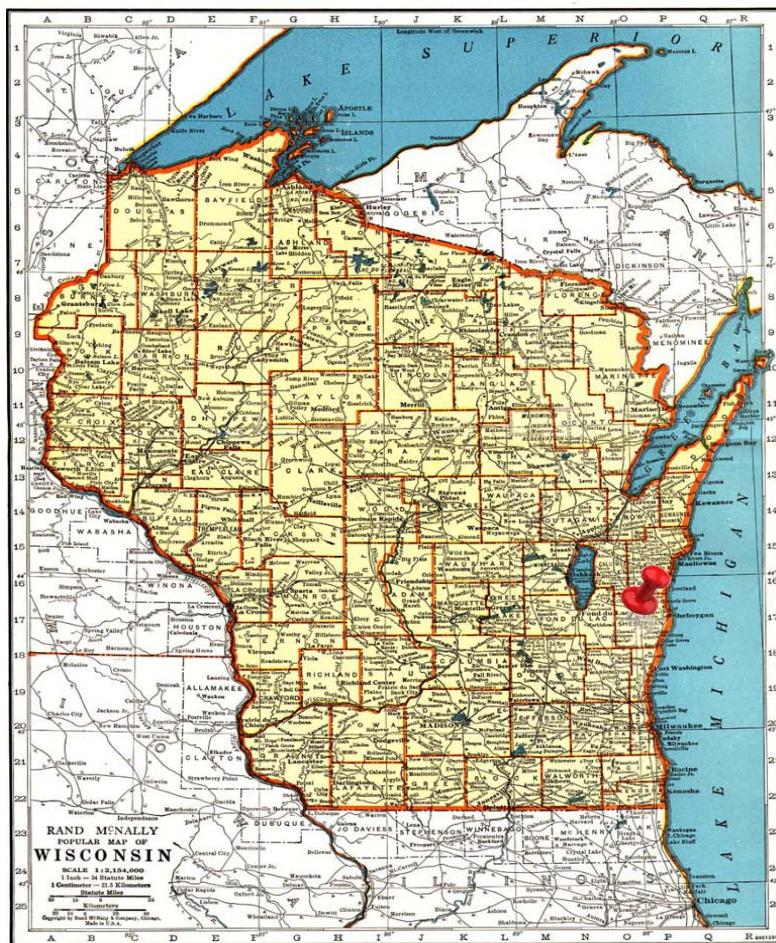


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### Plymouth in a Nutshell

Population: 8,391 (2013)

Land area: 5.34 mi<sup>2</sup>

Walkability score: 75

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## Plymouth

**“Plymouth Maid Ketchup” by Carol Kaufmann:** The Plymouth Canning Co. was founded in 1908 and became the Plymouth Packing Co. in 1917. On November 26, 1937, The Sheboygan Press reported that the Stokely brothers acquired the company. The Stokely Brothers later became the Stokely – Van Camp Co., which was later bought by Quaker Oats. In 1995 Conagra bought the Stokely – Van Camp brand from Quaker Oats.



**“Historic Dairy State Bank” by Noella Cotnam:** The history of banking in Plymouth began in 1873 which was 4 years before Plymouth had been incorporated as a city. Dairy State Bank opened in January of 1948 and was located at 55 Stafford Street in Plymouth.



**“Plymouth Rocker & Phonograph Co.”** by Adam & Sarah May: Plymouth’s furniture industry flourished from the years 1880 to 1930 because of the large supply of lumber until the Great Depression brought the industry in Plymouth down.



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**“The Chippewa”** by Dan Sawatzky: This mural represents a well-known train that passed through Plymouth every day from the 1930's until 1952. The train was called "The Chippewa" and was pulled by a streamlined steam locomotive designed by industrial engineer, Otto Kuhler.



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**“Hi – Ho Soda” by Ben & Joe Diaz:** The Hi – Ho Bottling Company was a locally owned company located right in Plymouth. The company bottled carbonated beverages with their privately owned label.



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**“Plymouth Cheese Exchange” by Bernie Poff:** With its roots dating back to 1879, the Wisconsin Cheese Exchange was established in Plymouth in 1918. In the early days of the exchange, cheese was bought directly from factories and assembled for packaging and distribution by dealers.

