

North Dakota is a state too often forgotten. Overshadowed by its Southern brother, North Dakota is a land filled with unique history and culture. Teddy Roosevelt himself said that the State of North Dakota inspired him to run for president because of it's unrestrained natural beauty. Explore some of the hidden treasures in the Old West of North Dakota.

## **HIGHLIGHTS:**

UTheodore Roosevelt National Park UMedora Musical UPainted Canyon UOn-A-Slant Village UChateau De Mores UHome On The Range Therapeutic Ranch UWorld's Largest Buffalo Monument UNorth Dakota State Capitol UChampion Ride Rodeo UMedicine Wheel Park

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**Thursday, August 1** - We are headed Westward. This morning we spend time getting to know our fellow travelers and watch as the scenery changes from the greenery of Wisconsin in summer to the rolling hills and plains of North Dakota. **(L)** 

<u>Friday, August 2</u> - Our first full day in North Dakota - we set out on an adventure to explore this most interesting state. In the morning, we visit **Medicine Wheel Park**. This unique landmark is a solar calendar that reflects Earth's journey around the sun throughout the year. Next is a stop at the **National Buffalo Museum** for a photo with the **World's Largest Buffalo Monument**. As we enter into the state capital of **Bismarck**, we will make a stop at the **Capitol building** for photos and time to explore the museum. Our final stop tonight is at our hotel in Medora. **(B,D)** 

**Saturday, August 3** - We will stay near **Medora** today and experience a unique location that is not known to many tourists. **Home On The Range** is a therapeutic working ranch that provides therapy, education, and spiritual guidance to boys and girls with a history of abuse, neglect, or trauma. We are lucky enough to be visiting on one of the most important days of the year - the annual **Home On The Range Champion Ride Rodeo**! We will take our seats and enjoy an afternoon of some of the best Saddle Bronc riders from around the state. This rodeo acts as the ranches biggest fundraiser of the year. We will round out a day of rodeo fun with the famous **Medora Musical**. This historic musical revue is put on every summer in the open-air amphitheater. **(B,L,D)** 

**Sunday, August 4** - Today takes us to some iconic destinations of North Dakota. We begin our morning with the **Medora Gospel Brunch**. This toe-tappin' gospel revue will give you a gorgeous gospel glow and have you humming all day long! After brunch, we stop at **Chateau De Mores**. This historic mansion was built in the late 1800's as a hunting lodge and summer home for Marquis De Mores and his family. The chateau is two stories and features 26 rooms. Our next destination is **Theodore Roosevelt National Park** for a guided scenic drive. A wild diversity of animals make their home in this park. An abundance of native grasses provide sustenance for grazing animals both large and small. Keep an eye out for bison, elk, white-tail and mule deer, pronghorn, and small grazers like prairie dogs. The park is also home to a population of feral horses. After adventuring through the park, we will return to our hotel to freshen up before dinner. **(BR, D)** 

**Monday, August 5** - After breakfast, we make our way to the **Painted Canyons**. Named for its vivid layers, it's also home to one of the most popular trails in Theodore Roosevelt National Park. Winding through juniper and wildflowers, crossing cracked washes and showcasing ongoing erosion, the Painted Canyon is a sight to behold in the badlands. A stop at the visitors center will give us an informative look at this natural landmark. We will then begin making our way back east. A stop for lunch before the **On-A-Slant Indian Village** is included. The On-A-Slant Village is a location of great historical significance. In 1804, Clark wrote about seeing the old remains of a village on the side of a hill. This site still remains today where it was estimated to be home to around 1,000 residents before the 1781 smallpox epidemic brought by colonizers decimated the population, leaving behind only their earthlodge homes. Our hotel tonight will be in Fargo for our last night together. **(B)** 

Tuesday, August 6 - What a wonderful week we had exploring the Badlands and history of North Dakota! As we make our way through Minnesota and into Wisconsin, we can't help but think of all the fun we had and cannot wait for our next tour. (B)

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