

Little Big Horn Memorial, $\mathbf{N} 45.570278^{\circ}$, $\boldsymbol{W} \mathbf{1 0 7 . 4 2 7 5 0 0 ^ { \circ }}$
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument
Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument preserves the site of the June 25 and 26, 1876, Battle of the Little Bighorn, near Crow Agency, Montana, in the United States. It also serves as a memorial to those who fought in the battle: George Armstrong Custer's 7th Cavalry and
 a combined Lakota-Northern Cheyenne and Arapaho force. Custer National Cemetery, on the battlefield, is part of the national monument. The site of a related military action led by Marcus Reno and Frederick Benteen is also part of the national monument, but is about three miles ( 5 km ) southeast of the Little Bighorn battlefield. 177 km return from our planned route from Bighorn to Devil's Tower.


Devils Tower - N 44.590221, W 104.714655,
Rising 386 meters ( 1,267 feet) above the surrounding terrain, Devils Tower is the core of an ancient volcano exposed from erosion. It is located in the Black Hills in Crook County, northeastern Wyoming and was declared a United States National Monument in 1906 by President Theodore Roosevelt. The mountain became world famous in 1977 when it was chosen as the location of the alien-human rendezvous point in Steven Spielberg's Oscar winning science fiction film, Close Encounters of the Third Kind.
http://www.touropia.com/largest-monoliths-in-the-world/


Black Hills of South Dakota, N 44.08216, W 103.2304 ${ }^{\circ}$ to $\mathbf{N} 44.374913^{\circ}$, $\mathbf{W} 103.728218^{\circ}, 316 \mathrm{mi}, 509 \mathrm{~km}$ 6:58 hrs
Badlands National Park is famous for its deep gorges and sharp lunar-like spires. The Crazy Horse Memorial is being carved forever into the Black Hills granite. It's still a secret that the third-longest cave in the world, Jewel Cave, is in the Black Hills. New attractions stir the emotions of visitors the way Mount Rushmore does. Devils Tower sits across the state line in northeast Wyoming. The tower is a solitary, stump-shaped granite formation that looms 1,267 feet above the tree-lined Belle Fourche River Valley, like a skyscraper in the country.
Heading east from Rapid City on I-90, take Exit 131 to the northeast entrance of Badlands National Park (tel. 1605433 5361; www.nps.gov/badl ). The Badlands State Scenic Byway drops immediately beside the park's serrated sandstone spires, which are banded in layers of purple, red, and orange rock that indicate their age.
Mount Rushmore National Monument - Heading back toward Rapid City, swing south via Highway 16 to Mount Rushmore (tel. 1605 574 2523; www.nps.gov/moru ), where sculptor Gutzon Borglum, the original artist assigned to carve Stone Mountain in Georgia, immortalized Presidents Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln, and Theodore Roosevelt on a 5,725-foot-tall (1,745-meter-tall) stone mountain.
Custer State Park - Attractions/SD-CusterStatePark.pdf. A tangle of winding mountain roads leads to and away from Rushmore, but don't miss Iron Mountain Road (Hwy. 16A), which wriggles around the granite spires and through tunnels that frame the monument in the rearview mirror. The road takes a western turn within Custer State Park (http://gfp.sd.gov/state-
parks/directory/custer/default.aspx ), 71,000 preserved acres ( 28,733 preserved hectares) of granite, pine, and prairie. Drive the park's 18-mile (29-killometer) Wildlife Loop Road, where grasslands support a herd of 1,500 bison in addition to pronghorn, bighorn sheep, and mountain goats. About halfway along the route, get out and view the summer wildflower displays from the three-mile (fivekilometer) Prairie Trail.
Needles Parkway - Refuel in Custer, on the western edge of the park via Highway 16, at Sage Creek Grill (tel. 1605673 2424), which makes the region's best buffalo burger. Back in the park, drive the stunning 13-mile (21-kilometer) Needles Highway, which threads the namesake granite spires in a series of dizzying twists and turns. Look for the roadside turnoff at the Cathedral Spires Trail for a threemile (five-kilometer) round-trip hike through ponderosa pines and granite boulders. At the edge of the mountain, enjoy views of 7,242foot (2,207-meter) Harney Peak, the state's tallest mountain.
Crazy Horse Memorial - Emerging from the park, head west to Custer, then north five miles (eight kilometers) to the still-underconstruction Crazy Horse Memorial (www.crazyhorse.org ). The Native American answer to Rushmore commemorates the 19thcentury Lakota warrior who fought to preserve traditional tribal values.
Deadwood - Northbound 385 leads straight into the honky-tonk town of Deadwood, where Old Style Saloon \#10 (657 Main St.; tel. 1 605578 3346; www.saloon10.com) stages daily reenactments (during the summer) of Wild Bill Hickok's murder at the poker table. Visitors can play a hand at the gaming tables themselves. http://travel.nationalgeographic.com.au/travel/road-trips/black-hills-south-dakota-road-trip/


Mount Rushmore National Memorial, near Keystone, $\mathbf{N} 43.878705^{\circ}$, W $103.452317^{\circ}$
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mount Rushmore
http://www.nps.gov/moru/index.htm
http://coolrain44.wordpress.com/2009/07/19/top-us-attractions-state-by-state/


Crazy horse memorial - N 43.837125 ${ }^{\circ}$, $\mathbf{W} \mathbf{1 0 3 . 6 2 4 0 1 7}^{\circ}$
http://www.brisbanetimes.com.au/travel/block-head-meet-the-worlds-biggest-mountain-carving
The Crazy Horse Memorial is 27 kilometres south-west of Mount Rushmore National Memorial on Highway 16.
Read more: $\underline{\text { http://www.smh.com.au/travel/block-head-meet-the-worlds-biggest-mountain-carving }}$


Wounded Knee, located on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in southwestern South Dakota 43.142213,-102.364786 was the site of two conflicts between North American Indians and representatives of the U.S. government. An 1890 massacre left some 150 Native Americans dead, in what was the final clash between federal troops and the Sioux. In 1973, members of the American Indian Movement occupied Wounded Knee for 71 days to protest conditions on the reservation.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wounded Knee, South Dakota http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wounded Knee Massacre
Wounded Knee Massacre memorial South Dakota - http://www.tripadvisor.com.au/Attraction Review-g54880-d144992-Reviews-
Wounded Knee Massacre Monument-Wounded Knee South Dakota.html
http://www.nps.gov/history/history/online books/soldier/siteb30.htm


HOG in St Paul and Dave Moot. Attractions/MN-HogStPaulDaveMoot.pdf
Minnehaha Falls is a 53-foot (16 meter) waterfall located in Minneapolis in Minnehaha Park on Minnehaha Creek, a tributary of the Mississippi River located in Hennepin County, Minnesota. The Falls are located near the creek's confluence with the Mississippi River, not far from Fort Snelling, Minnesota.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Minnehaha Falls
N 44.915374, W 93.211019
Attractions/USA-Best50AmericanTouristAttractionsYou'veNeverHeardOf.pdf


## Bridges of Madison County 40 mi, 64 km, 1:19 hrs

N 41.289070 ${ }^{\circ}$, W $93.800917^{\circ}$ to $N 41.292798^{\circ}$, $\mathbf{W} 94.149672^{\circ}$
Roseman Covered Bridge built 1883, 107 feet ( 33 m ) long. This is the best known one as it features in the movie The Bridges of Madison County (film) of 1995.
There are only six extant bridges in Madison County:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Imes Bridge 41.289070, -93.800917
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holliwell Covered Bridge 41.322832, -93.959403
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cutler-Donahoe Bridge 41.331115, -94.004759
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cedar Bridge 41.366123, -93.990730
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hogback Covered Bridge 41.386516, -94.047509
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roseman_Covered_Bridge 41.292798, -94.149672
Attractions/IA-BridgesOfMadisonCounty.jpg is a larger version of map below



Minnesota
Population: $5,132,799$
Land area: 79,610 sq. Capital: st. Paul
Cities and Towns Ada
Aitkin


Elbow Lak
Elk River
Ely,
Eveleth
Fairmont
Faribault Farmington
Fergus Falls Foley
Forest Lake
Gaylord Gaylord .. Glenwood....
Grand Marais Grand Marais
Grand Rapids
Granite Falls Granite Fals
Hallock Hastings
Hawley Hutchinson
International International Falls
Ivanhoe....... lvanhoe
Jackson
Jordan. Kasson....
La Crescen Lake Crystal Lakeland.
Le Sueur. Le Sueur.
Litchtield
liter Little Falls.
Long Prairie Luverne
Madelia
Madison Mahnome
Mankato
Marshall
Milaca. Minneapolis
Montevideo Monticello
Moorhead Moose Lak Nashwauk...
New Prague New Ulm
Northfield
Olivia Olivia ....
Ortanville Owatonna
Park Rapids Park Rapios
Paynesville
Perham Perne City.
Pine Island Pipestone
Plainview Preston...
Princeton Red Lake Falls Red Wing
Redwood Falls Rochester
Roseau Roseau
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St. James. St. James.
St. Joseph
St. Paul St. Paul...
St. Peter.
Sandstone Sandstone.
Sauk Centre Savage. Shakopee
Siver Bay
Slayton Slayton
Sleepy
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Spring Valley
Springtield Springfield
Staples Staples
Stewartvill Stillwater
Thief River Fall Thief River
Tracy
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