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SHERIDAN WYOMING

Historic downtown doors swing open to extend warm hospitality as legendary as the icons that once roamed these parts, while dramatic vistas of the Bighorn Mountains meet the serenity of wide-open spaces. Gaze at the neon lights lining Main Street in Sheridan's historic downtown, including that of the bronc rider above the saloon-style Mint Bar. Book a stay at the Historic Sheridan Inn Hotel to spend time where author Ernest Hemingway put the finishing touches on *A Farewell to Arms*. Explore the Brinton Museum to discover Native American history and Western art. Then venture outdoors to take on a multitude of activities within the surrounding Bighorn National Forest. Hike the legendary peaks of the Bighorn Mountains, relax and pitch a tent at Sibley Lake, crush fresh powder at Antelope Butte Ski Area or explore the area's world-class snowmobile trails. Epic events, live music, remarkable ranches and hotels, wilderness hikes and more live at the base of the Bighorns in Sheridan, Wyoming.





Day 1: Explore the Bighorns

Bighorn Scenic Byway

This scenic byway begins in Shell, Wyoming, and travels east before connecting with Medicine Wheel Passage. Bighorn Scenic Byway passes through Bighorn National Forest, past Shell Falls and over Granite Pass, featuring views of vast ranchlands, limestone outcroppings and various mountain peaks along the way. Be sure to make time for stops at scenic overlooks, trails and other enjoyable outdoor areas. Driving time on each byway depends on the interests of the visitor and time of the year.

Medicine Wheel National Historic Landmark

The Bighorn Scenic Byway meets up with the Medicine Wheel Passage Scenic Byway, which leads to the Medicine Wheel National Historic Landmark - a sacred site for Native Americans. Here, rocks form a circle with spokes extending out from a central cairn. This sacred site is still frequently used for ceremonial purposes.

Shell Creek Canyon and Shell Falls

On the western end of the Bighorn Scenic Byway, Shell Creek Canyon and Shell Falls create some of the most spectacular scenery along the route. The 120-foot plunge of Shell Falls is accompanied by nature trails and interpretive signs.

Story Fish Hatchery

The Story Fish Hatchery invites you to explore one of the ten fish hatcheries and fish rearing stations operated by the Wyoming Game and Fish Department. Located in the scenic Ponderosa Pine Forest at the base of the Bighorn Mountains, the hatchery provides visitors with a unique opportunity to observe fish and local wildlife.

Dining Option at Innominate Coffeehouse & Bakery

Innominate serves breakfast and lunch.





Day 2: Explore Sheridan County History

Museum at the Bighorns

Located in the shadow of the Bighorn Mountains, the Museum at the Bighorns presents a local perspective on the history of the American West through a variety of exhibits. These exhibits investigate the culture, industry, communities, agriculture, preservation, and geography of Sheridan County through artifacts, historic photographs, maps, and interactive kiosks.

Trail End State Historic Site

This elegant Flemish Revival Historic House Museum, built in 1913, was once home to Wyoming Governor and United States Senator John B. Kendrick. While the home features original furnishings and decor, the park-like grounds contain native trees, shrubs and non-native species. Trail End displays an elegantly different facet of Sheridan rich western heritage.

King's Ropes & Saddlery and the Don King Museum

The King family saddlery legacy began with Don King in 1946. Don coined the Sheridan flower style of leather carving, a detailed and intricate art that helped put King's Saddlery on the map. Enjoy exhibits of saddles, Indian artifacts, guns, old photos, horsehair and rawhide braid work, all pertaining to cowboy and western history.

Dining Option at Wyoming's Rib & Chop House

The Rib and Chop House serves steak and seafood.



Day 3: Explore Sheridan County History Continued

Fort Phil Kearny

Phil Kearny and its related sites Fetterman and Wagon Box fights were the focal point of Red Cloud's War, 1866 – 1868. Take part in interpretive trails, museum and living history programs.

The Brinton Museum

Opened to the public in 1961, the museum today includes the historic Brinton Ranch House, built in 1892 and expanded by Bradford Brinton in 1927-28 to accommodate his extensive collections, the well-kept grounds, gardens and outbuildings such as a carriage barn, saddle barn, milk house, Little Goose Creek Lodge, and a traditional leather workshop. The Brinton Museum's 24,000-square-foot, eco-conscious building, houses one of the most significant and extensive Western and American Indian Art collections in the Rocky Mountain West. The Forrest E. Mars, Jr. Building includes three floors featuring four galleries, a museum store, and the Brinton Bistro, which offers indoor and outdoor dining with picturesque, 180-degree views of the Bighorn Mountains.

Historic Sheridan Inn

The Historic Sheridan Inn was constructed in 1892 by the Burlington & Missouri Railroad and the Sheridan Land Company to accommodate businessmen, politicians, and families needing a place to stay as they fulfilled their roles in the economic expansion of the West. The Inn is now open for hotel guests for the first time in 50 years.

Dining Option at Killy's Smokehouse

Killy's is a smokehouse grill.



Day 4: Explore Downtown Sheridan

Crazy Woman Trading Co.

Crazy Woman Trading Co. sells Wyoming made products, gifts, clothing, and more.

Sheridan Sport Stop

The Sheridan Sport Stop was established in 1979. Find great customer service and all the gear you need to engage with the community and activities here.

The Mint Bar

Come join the locals at this historic bar! In 1907, the Mint Bar opened for business in the heart of downtown Sheridan. At that time, ice was delivered in horse-drawn wagons to the bar's ice box and bartenders wore long white aprons, serving drinks across a mahogany bar. During Prohibition, a "speakeasy" was quietly operated in the bar's back room for those who disagreed with that amendment. Upon repeal in 1933, the Mint Bar reopened and an addition was built on the back of the building to make room for slot machines, roulette wheels and gaming tables. The Mint was completely redecorated in the late 1940's in the rustic style seen today. "See ya at the Mint" has been and still is the by-word of cowboys, ranchers and dudes for all these years.

Blacktooth Brewing Company

You are invited to Sheridan Wyoming's most highly awarded brewery located in the heart of the wild west, and at the base of the majestic Bighorn Mountains. Black Tooth Brewery has been creating fun, unique, and quality craft beer for over 9 years.

Dining Option at PO News & Flagstaff Cafe

PO News and Flagstaff Cafe serves breakfast.



Day 5: Explore Ucross

Ranch at Ucross

Ucross and its surrounding area is rich in the history of the American West. Many western writers, sculptors, artists and craftsmen make this area home for that reason. Friendly staff, gentle horses, beautiful scenery, and big fish can be found at the Ranch at Ucross. Whether you stay one night or one week, the Ranch at Ucross will become one of your favorite places in Wyoming. At The Ranch, fun is self directed, as is relaxation for adults and kids. All Ranch activities except hunting are available for children. Ride horseback in scenic splendor, catch a big Brown or Rainbow trout in Piney creek (Wyoming license applicable / required), relax by the heated outdoor pool, play a game of horseshoes, or golf at one of 3 nearby courses.

Park at Ucross

At this park, you will find small walking trails, the beautiful Johansen Memorial Gardens One and Two, and a nondenominational chapel. Architecturally inspired by a New Zealand chapel, the Ucross Chapel was built from repurposed and reclaimed material, including the exterior stones from 1800's homestead structures. Surrounded by forestry and blooming wildflowers on a 20,000 acre working ranch.

Ucross Foundation Art Gallery

Located in the historic Big Red Barn at the heart of the Ucross Foundation's historic 22,000-acre cattle ranch, the gallery presents work by contemporary artists and historical exhibits of regional interest; visitors may also tour the adjacent 1880s ranch house.

Dining Option at Wyarno Bar & Grill

Wyarno is a saloon and eatery.