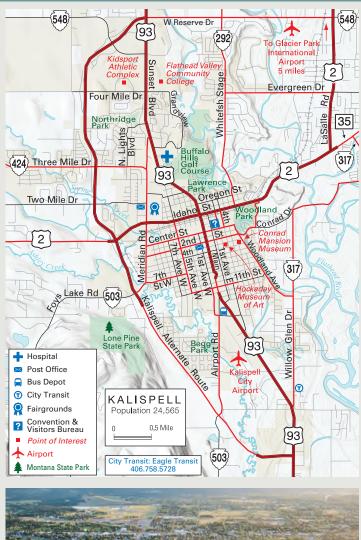


Plan ahead to play in, on or around one of the many lakes in western Montana. Flathead Lake—the largest freshwater lake west of the Mississippi River—is open year-round and offers plenty of activities. Jump on a stand-up paddleboard, kayak, take a boat tour, fish or sail. Explore the charming small towns around the lake or discover outdoor adventure at one of six state parks. Be sure to grab

Photograph some of Montana's amazing wildlife around Kalispell or hike in Lone Pine State Park for far-as-the-eye-can-see mountain views. Travel to Browning to learn the history of the Blackfeet Tribe at the Museum of the Plains Indian. By way of St. Mary, head to the famous Going-to-the-Sun Road through Glacier

country ski in the winter. Make sure to save time to mine for Montana sapphires in Philipsburg.

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Retrace the path of Lewis and Clark and parallel two mighty rivers—the Missouri and the Yellowstone—on a loop around the state's northeastern badlands and spacious plains. This route-less-traveled crosses the Fort Peck Indian Reservation and passes through lands where dinosaurs once roamed.

om Glasgow, head to Wolf Point, home of the annual Wild Horse Stampede in July. Stop in Scobey for a back-in-time visit exploring the Daniels County Museum and Pioneer Town just west of town. Make time to venture to Medicine Lake National Wildlife Refuge and look for the beautiful white pelicans that call the refuge home.

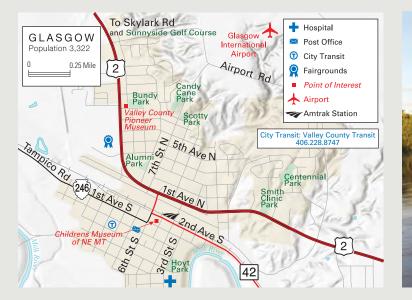
View Western art and pioneer artifacts at the MonDak Heritage Center in Sidney. From here, take a side trip to the Fort Union Trading Post National Historic Site, once the fur-trading hub of the Upper Missouri River. The site straddles the Montana-North Dakota border.

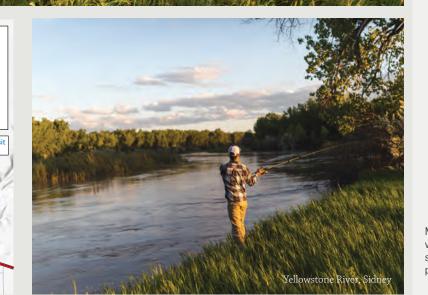
In Glendive, pre-book a dinosaur fossil hunt (open April to October). See a Triceratops horridus skull and hike the badlands at Makoshika State Park, one of the stops on the Montana Dinosaur Trail.

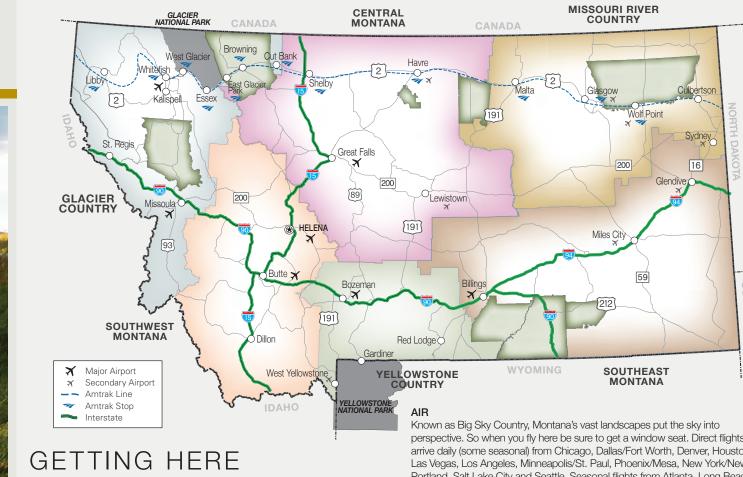
Drive along the Big Sky Back Country Byway, a 105-mile scenic route following a section of the historic Regina-Yellowstone (R-Y) Trail. Stop at the byway kiosk in Terry to learn more about the drive. At the northern end of the route, visit the Fort Peck Interpretive Center and Museum to see one of the world's most complete Tyrannosaurus rex skeletons, named Peck's Rex™.

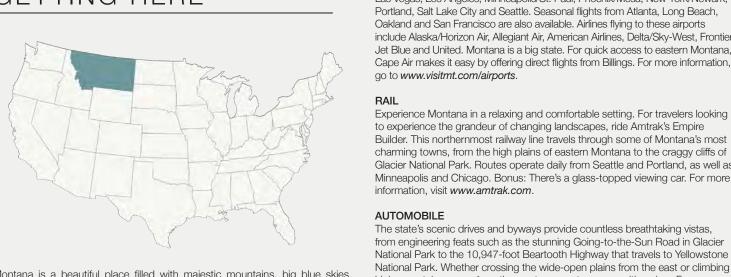
Explore any of the six recreation areas surrounding Fort Peck Lake. See Fort Peck Dam and take a free tour of the Fort Peck Power Plant Museum (open Memorial Day to Labor Day). Downstream, hike the Beaver Creek Nature Trail and look for bison on the Leo B. Coleman Wildlife Exhibit driving route. FOR MORE INSPIRATION: VISITMT.COM/TRIP-IDEAS











Montana is a beautiful place filled with majestic mountains, big blue skies, wildflower-filled meadows, miles of hiking trails and crystal-clear rivers and streams. Home to major airports, beautiful highways and byways as well as bassenger train service, getting here is easy.

perspective. So when you fly here be sure to get a window seat. Direct flights arrive daily (some seasonal) from Chicago, Dallas/Fort Worth, Denver, Houston, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Minneapolis/St. Paul, Phoenix/Mesa, New York/Newark, Portland, Salt Lake City and Seattle. Seasonal flights from Atlanta, Long Beach, Oakland and San Francisco are also available. Airlines flying to these airports include Alaska/Horizon Air, Allegiant Air, American Airlines, Delta/Sky-West, Frontier, Jet Blue and United. Montana is a big state. For quick access to eastern Montana, Cape Air makes it easy by offering direct flights from Billings. For more information, go to www.visitmt.com/airports.

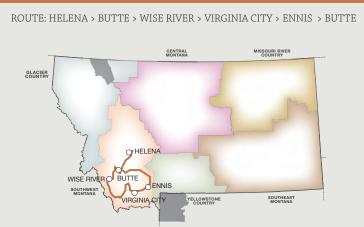
Builder. This northernmost railway line travels through some of Montana's most charming towns, from the high plains of eastern Montana to the craggy cliffs of Glacier National Park. Routes operate daily from Seattle and Portland, as well as Minneapolis and Chicago. Bonus: There's a glass-topped viewing car. For more information, visit www.amtrak.com.

The state's scenic drives and byways provide countless breathtaking vistas, from engineering feats such as the stunning Going-to-the-Sun Road in Glacier National Park to the 10,947-foot Beartooth Highway that travels to Yellowstone National Park. Whether crossing the wide-open plains from the east or climbing high mountain passes from the west, any route comes with a view. For more information on travel conditions, safety and weather, visit www.mdt.mt.gov/

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mountains, across the Continental Divide and along blue-ribbon trout streams. Legend has it that some of the smaller towns harbor gold rush-era ghosts.

Start in the state capital, Helena, on foot or bike. The city is known for its network of classic multiuse single-track trails and its self-guided walking tours. Book a wo-hour boat tour down the Missouri River through the Gates of the Mountains. The river route appears to be blocked by 1,200-foot-tall cliffs. Only those on the burney via boat can see the "gate" magically open to reveal a path down the river. Discover Butte, once known as the Richest Hill on Earth thanks to the multi-

billion-dollar mining industry of the 1800s. Discover the town's colorful history on a trolley tour or an underground tour. Be sure to grab a drink at a local brewery

in one of the area's natural hot springs.

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At Wise River, slow down and enjoy breathtaking views along the 49-mile-long Pioneer Mountains Scenic Byway. In summer, visit the ghost town of Coolidge and dig for crystals at Crystal Park.

Stop in at Montana's three best-preserved ghost towns: Bannack State Park,

Nevada City and Virginia City, which remains a living town with about 190 fullime residents. The three towns house a collection of 19th-century buildings and Americana, including more than 100 arcade and music machines. Spend time in the tiny town of Ennis with a fly-fishing outfitter or relax with a soak

YELLOWSTONE AND BEYOND

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ROUTE: BOZEMAN > LIVINGSTON > ABSAROKEE > RED LODGE >

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK SILVER GATE ENTRANCE > GARDINER >

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Outdoor adventure and spectacular scenery abound on this scenic loop through

Hike on a wilderness plateau, raft the Stillwater River or horseback ride in Paradise

Begin in Bozeman, the adventure capital of the northern Rockies. In winter, ice climb

in Hyalite Canyon or hit the slopes at a local ski resort. During summer, learn to rock

climb on a guided trip or hike through one of six nearby mountain ranges, including

Journey to Livingston and visit a local angler shop. Buy hand-tied flies, hire a local

Trade your car for a horse and hit the trail with an outfitter in Paradise Valley that

offers trips to places like Yellowstone National Park and the Absaroka-Beartooth

Soak in the scenery on the Beartooth Highway (open late May to mid-October), which

connects Red Lodge to the northeast entrance of Yellowstone National Park. This

highway designated as an All-American Road winds across the Reartooth Plateau

which rises 10,900 feet above sea level, and past 20 peaks that tower over 12,000

Prepare to be amazed on a route that follows the Grand Loop Road through

Yellowstone National Park. Highlights include the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone;

the bubbling Mud Volcano area; and Mammoth Hot Springs, a hotbed of geothermal

Take the Paradise Valley Scenic Drive (U.S. 89). Paralleling the Upper Yellowstone

River between the Absaroka and Gallatin mountain ranges, this route passes through

the lower valley and delivers pure Montana mountain and river vistas.

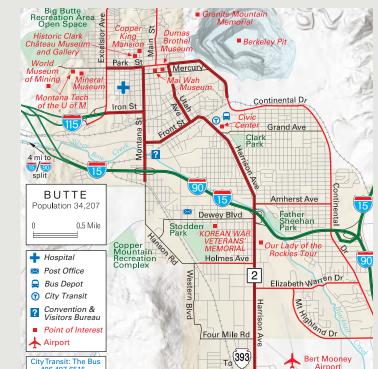
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Wilderness, In Absarokee, take a ride into Montana's highest mountains.

the spectacular Absarokas and Spanish Peaks.

fly-fishing guide and get tips on where the trout are that day.

southern Montana, along the Beartooth Highway and into Yellowstone National Park

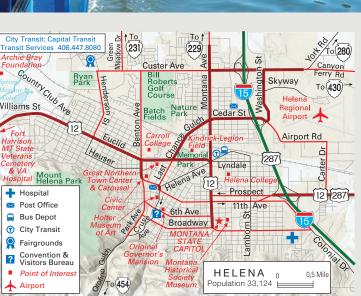






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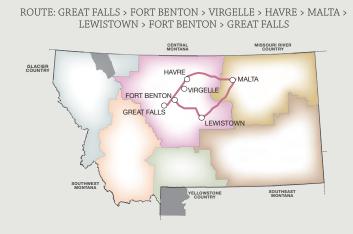
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Native Americans. bison. also referred to as buffalo. are revered symbo of strength and unity. Celebrate bison, see them roam and discover how the national mammal helped mold the state on this adventure across badlands and

Discover Great Falls, home to the C.M. Russell Museum, a tribute to legendary Western artist Charlie Russell. In Ulm, visit the First Peoples Buffalo Jump State Park, a sandstone cliff with nearly 18 feet of compacted bison remains below the jump. This park is also a ceremony site used by the Little Shell Tribe.

Journey to the birthplace of Montana, Fort Benton. At the Upper Missouri ver Breaks National Monument Interpretive Center, buy a two-day admission that includes the center, Old Fort Benton, Museum of the Upper Missouri and Museum of the Northern Great Plains. Antique in Virgelle and stop at Wahkpa Chu'gn Archaeological Site in Havre (open

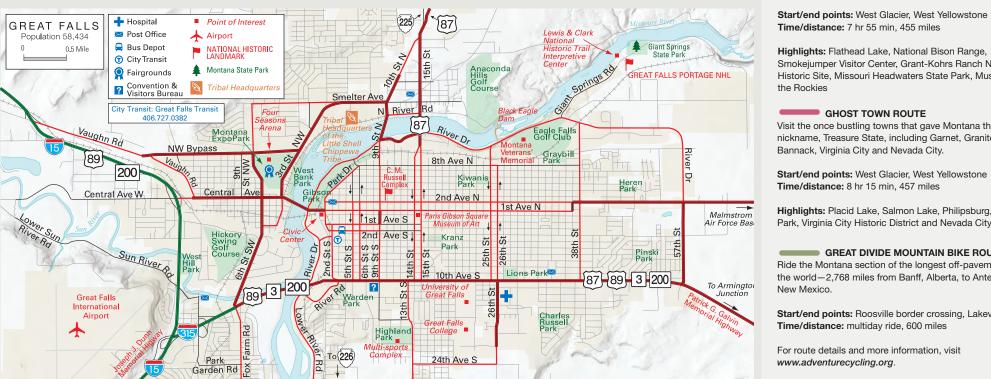
June to Labor Day) to see a buffalo jump with an excavated wall of archaeological

deposits, including compacted buffalo bones and skulls. See bison roam on a

guided tour of the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation's buffalo reserve. Play paleontologist at the Great Plains Dinosaur Museum and Phillips County Museum in Malta. Take a side trip to Bowdoin National Wildlife Refuge. Follow the self-guided Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge auto tour, which parallels the Missouri River. Northwest of Lewistown, ride the Charlie Russell Chew Choo Montana dinner train (available select weekend days in

Discover Bear Gulch Pictographs, a 313-million-year-old limestone inland sea formation with more than 3,000 drawings by ancient peoples. FOR MORE INSPIRATION: VISITMT.COM/TRIP-IDEAS





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BETWEEN THE PARKS

HIGHWAY 89 ROUTE This route travels along the east side of Glacier National Park, down the Rocky Mountain Front, through Kings Hill Scenic Byway, and into Paradise Valley Start/end points: Babb, Gardiner

Time/distance: 6 hr 15 min. 363 miles Highlights: Freezeout Lake, First Peoples Buffalo Jump State Park, Giant Springs State Park, Great Falls Portage, Paradise Valley

ROCKY MOUNTAIN FRONT ROUTE Travel the east side of the Rocky Mountain Front. Stop and explore the capital city, Helena, which serves as the alfway point for this route.

Start/end points: St. Mary, West Yellowstone ime/distance: 6 hr, 364 miles

Mountains, Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park, Quake Lake, Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center SMALL TOWN ROUTE

Highlights: Two Medicine Dinosaur Center, Gates of the

Enjoy some of Montana's most charming towns. Stroll

down each main street and discover the unique character and hospitality of each town.

Time/distance: 7 hr 55 min, 455 miles Highlights: Flathead Lake, National Bison Range, Smokejumper Visitor Center, Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site, Missouri Headwaters State Park, Museum of

GHOST TOWN ROUTE Visit the once bustling towns that gave Montana the nickname. Treasure State, including Garnet, Granite, Bannack, Virginia City and Nevada City.

Start/end points: West Glacier, West Yellowstone Time/distance: 8 hr 15 min, 457 miles

Highlights: Placid Lake, Salmon Lake, Philipsburg, Crystal Park, Virginia City Historic District and Nevada City

Ride the Montana section of the longest off-pavement route in the world-2,768 miles from Banff, Alberta, to Antelope Wells, Start/end points: Roosville border crossing, Lakeview

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ime/distance: multiday ride, 600 miles For route details and more information, visit www.adventurecycling.org.



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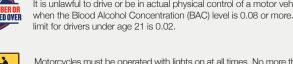




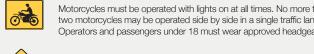
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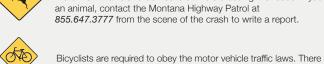






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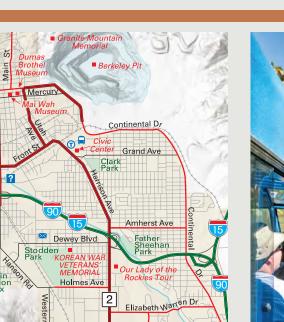


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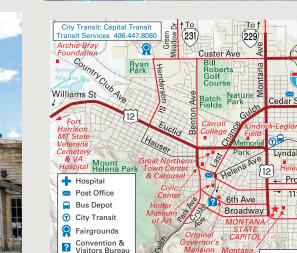
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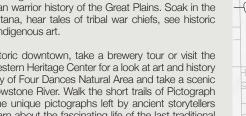
Start this history-packed trip in Billings and travel across southeast Montana for some of the best Native American warrior history of the Great Plains, Soak in the sights of the largest city in Montana, hear tales of tribal war chiefs, see historic battlefields and explore ancient indigenous art

Explore Billings and walk its historic downtown, take a brewery tour or visit the Yellowstone Art Museum and Western Heritage Center for a look at art and history from the area. Bask in the beauty of Four Dances Natural Area and take a scenic nature hike overlooking the Yellowstone River. Walk the short trails of Pictograph Cave State Park and witness the unique pictographs left by ancient storytellers from hundreds of years ago. Learn about the fascinating life of the last traditional Crow war chief at Chief Plenty Coups State Park near Pryor.

Journey to the Custer Battlefield Museum on the Crow Indian Reservation. Step back into history on a guided tour of the Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument at Crow Agency, Plan ahead and watch history come alive at the Real Bird's Reenactment of the Battle of the Little Bighorn, held annually in June. Discover Rosebud Battlefield State Park, location of one of the greatest Indian conflicts ever to occur in America. Travel to Tonque River Reservoir State Park for

Mission and Chevenne Museum.

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