



Theodore Roosevelt National Park

## NORTH DAKOTA ROAD TRIP



Lake Metigoshe State Park



Audubon National Wildlife Refuge



Lake Sakakawea



Maah Daah Hey Trail

Miles of wide open spaces dotted with scenery, cultural heritage and numerous places to sleep under the stars make North Dakota a perfect road trip destination. Our scenic byways and diverse state, local and national parks stir adventurous spirits. Explore the very landscape young Theodore Roosevelt gazed upon inspiring his legacy of conservation. Find legendary adventure in hundreds of areas to hike, perhaps a petrified forest or trails inspired by pioneers and Native Americans. Follow historic waterways that were traveled by explorers Lewis & Clark or kayak the waterways that steamboats once used to supply the frontier.

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Campground fees are \$14 per night, \$7 in the offseason.

Cottonwood Campground — South Unit. Open year-round and located six miles from the park entrance. Half of the sites are by reservation with the rest first-come, first-serve. Sites: 76 pull-through, back-in and walk-in sites.

Juniper Campground — North Unit. Located five miles from the park entrance. Campsites are available year-round on a first-come, first-served basis. Sites: 50 pull-through and back-in sites.

[www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov)

### Scenic Byways and Backways

Looking to get off the beaten path, perhaps explore the road less traveled? North Dakota's Scenic Byway's and Backways are a great way to slow down and take in history, culture and natural beauty while exploring the state.



## State Parks

Our 13 state parks offer modern and primitive campsites, unique accommodations in yurts and cabins and equipment rentals like kayaks and fat tire bikes. Many of the parks have detailed the history, geography, geology and flora and fauna in the area.

## National Wildlife Refuges

North Dakota is key to the production and migration of birds in the U.S. Explore the 63 National Wildlife Refuges, encompassing more than 200,000 acres, and the over 263,000 acres of waterfowl production areas, considered to be birding hot spots.

## National Grasslands

The North Dakota badlands are home to the largest national grassland in the nation, the Little Missouri National Grasslands. Find over a million acres to hike, camp, bike or horseback ride. The Maah Daah Hey Trail boasts 144 miles of non-motorized, single track trail in some of the most unique and breathtaking terrain. Campgrounds are located along the trail and with a little planning, you can really get away.

## Bismarck-Mandan

**Fort Abraham Lincoln State Park:** Immerse yourself into Native American and military history along the confluence of the Missouri and Heart rivers. On-A-Slant Indian Village depicts the lifestyle of the Mandan Indians with recreated earthlodges. Lt. Col. George Armstrong Custer and the 7th Cavalry lived at this post before heading out to the Battle of Little Big Horn.

## Medora

**Theodore Roosevelt National Park — South Unit:** Find scenic splendor in the North Dakota Badlands with picturesque drives, wildlife viewing, hiking, camping and ranger activities. A museum visitor's center welcomes park guests with artifacts and displays telling the story of Roosevelt's time in the badlands.

## Watford City

**Theodore Roosevelt National Park — North Unit:** This more remote unit is the ideal location to seek solitude and observe nature. The park is home to a wide variety of wildlife including bison, elk, bighorn sheep, white-tailed deer and mule deer, prairie dogs, and at least 186 species of birds. The scenic drive provides the sweeping vistas of the one of the last remnants of wilderness in the Northern Great Plains.



## Lake Sakakawea and Riverdale

**Lake Sakakawea State Park** provides the perfect lake recreation destination, situated just above Garrison dam, which forms Lake Sakakawea. The Downstream Campground lies on the east bank of the Missouri River among shady hardwood trees. The area offers a wide variety of recreational activities including boating, fishing and hunting.

## Bottineau

**Lake Metigoshe State Park:** Nestled in the scenic Turtle Mountains along the U.S. and Canadian border, Lake Metigoshe is one of the most popular year-round vacation spots in North Dakota. Visitors accustomed to North Dakota's expansive prairies will be surprised by the woodlands and wetlands habitats of this park.

## Cavalier

**Icelandic State Park:** Located on the north shore of Lake Renwick, with a beautiful beach and the first dedicated state nature preserve. Glimpse early homesteading life with a number of restored historic buildings.

## Grand Forks

**Turtle River State Park:** Located in a beautiful wooded valley along the Turtle River west of Grand Forks, it features trails carved through its forested hills and along the river for mountain biking, nature walks and hiking.

## Valley City

**Fort Ransom State Park:** Located just 40 minutes South of Valley City in the scenic and heavily wooded Sheyenne River Valley, Fort Ransom provides abundant opportunities for canoeing, fishing and bird watching. Hike a short segment of the North Country National Scenic Trail and drive the Sheyenne River Valley National Scenic Byway along the wooded valley floor, one of the best fall color drives in the state.