SOUTH-CENTRAL NORTH DAKOTA
BEST PLACES

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- **North Dakota State Capitol:** Nine-story art deco State Capitol was built in the 1930s after the first building burned down. Bismarck (701)-328-2480 www.omb.nd.gov/capitol-complex/schedule-tour
- **North Dakota Heritage Center and State Museum:** Four museum galleries tracing the state's rich history from its earliest geologic formation 600 million years ago to today. Bismarck (701) 328-2666 www.omb.nd.gov/capitol-complex/schedule-tour
- **North American Bison Discovery Center and "Dakota," World's Largest Buffalo Monument:** Museum details the rich history of our national mammal and includes a live bison herd. The 60-ton monument has stood watch since 1959. Jamestown 1-800-222-4766 discoverjamestownnd.com
- **Fort Abraham Lincoln State Park:** Oldest state park offers an abundance of recreation in a historic setting including On-A-Slant Indian Village, Fort McKeen and Custer's house. Mandan (701) 667-6340 www.parkrec.nd.gov/fort-abraham-lincoln-state-park

HIDDEN GEMS

- **Double Ditch Indian Village State Historic Site:** Named for the two defensive ditches still visible at the site today, this earthlodge village was inhabited by the Mandan Indians for nearly 300 years. Bismarck (701) 328-3575 www.history.nd.gov/historicsites/doubleditch/index.html
- **Midland Continental Depot Transportation Museum Featuring Peggy Lee:** The only remaining depot of the railroad line connecting Canada to the Gulf coast with display honoring Peggy Lee, popular American jazz singer, composer and actress, who was born in the area. Wimbledon (701) 435-2875 www.themidlandcontinentaldepot.com/
- **Welk Homestead State Historic Site:** Interprets agriculture in the early 20th century, German Russian culture and the career of bandleader Lawrence Welk, who grew up on the farm. Strasburg (701) 328-2666 www.history.nd.gov/historicsites/welk/

IF TIME ALLOWS

- **Lewis and Clark Riverboat:** Daily seasonal Missouri River cruises. Bismarck (701) 255-4233 www.lewisandclarkriverboat.com/
- **Former Governors Mansion State Historic Site:** 20 governors resided in this restored Victorian house and carriage house. Bismarck (701) 328-9528 www.history.nd.gov/historicsites
- **Whitestone Hill State Historic Site:** Marks the site of the fiercest clash between Native Americans and white soldiers in North Dakota. Kulm (701) 396-7731 www.history.nd.gov/historicsites
- **Catholic Churches of Emmons County:** St. Peter & Paul's, Strasburg and St. Mary's, Hague and the Iron Cross cemeteries. emmonscatholics.org/
- **Jamestown Talking Trail:** Self-guided audio adventure. Jamestown (701) 251-9145 discoverjamestownnd.com
- **Louis L'Amour Walking Tour:** Visit some of the places that influenced the beloved western author. Jamestown (701) 251-9145 discoverjamestownnd.com
- **Menoken Indian Village State Historic Site:** Settlement was built and used by Late Plains Woodland peoples. Menoken (701) 328-2666 www.history.nd.gov/historicsites
- **Arrowwood National Wildlife Refuge:** In the heart of the central flyway, this refuge was established as a breeding ground for migratory birds and other wildlife. Pingree (701) 285-3341 www.fws.gov/refuge/arrowwood

- **Chan SanSan Scenic Backway:** Highlights the James River Valley. Jamestown (701) 251-9145 discoverjamestownnd.com
- **Long Lake National Wildlife Refuge:** Location has played host to Plains Indians and early European settlers who hunted waterfowl and other game along its shores. Moffit (701) 387-4767 www.fws.gov/refuge/long-lake
- **Steele Birding Drives:** Three self-guided tours that take you into the remote areas of Kidder County native grasslands. Steele (701) 475-2133 www.steelend.com/attractions
- **Beaver Lake State Park:** Provides an escape from everyday life, offering relaxation next to a quiet lake. Wishek (701) 452-2752 www.parkrec.nd.gov/beaver-lake-state-park
- **Chase Lake National Wildlife Refuge:** One of the oldest refuges in the nation and one of the largest breeding colonies for white pelicans. Medina (701) 285-3341 www.fws.gov/refuge/chase-lake

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