



Theodore Roosevelt’s North Dakota

Saturday, Oct. 7 - Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2023

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Saturday, October 7th

Independent arrivals into Bismarck, meet at the **Radisson Hotel Bismarck**

6:00 p.m. (CT) Welcome & Group Dinner in the hotel, Van Gogh – Remington Room
Menu: Garden Salad served with Dinner Rolls & Butter. Preselected Choice of: **1) Chicken Kiev:** Chicken Breast stuffed with Garlic Butter Sauce, breaded & baked, accompanied by Chardonnay Cream Sauce; **2) Lemon Grass Seared Salmon:** 8 oz Fillet of Salmon accompanied by Lemon Tomato Beurre Blanc. Each served with Wild Rice Pilaf and Green Beans Almondine.
3) Ratatouille: Layers of Yellow Squash, Zucchini, Eggplant & Tomato, Roasted Tomato & Garlic Sauce. Chef’s Choice of Dessert. Coffee, Tea, Water, Red & White Wine.

7:00 p.m. Presentation with your study leader (approx. 45 minutes)

Sunday, October 8th

Breakfast at the hotel

Menu: Scrambled Eggs with Spinach & Heirloom Tomato; Turkey Sausage; Oatmeal with Honey; Assorted Individual Yogurts; Fresh Seasonal Fruit; Bran Muffins. Coffee, Tea, Juice.

8:00 a.m. (CT) Depart Bismarck – today you will gain an hour

9:00 a.m. (MT) **Painted Canyon Visitors Center**

Enjoy spectacular views & hike .9-mile loop into the canyon (optional)

Medora

Brief driving orientation to the small town of Medora

NOTE: Medora is on Mountain Standard Time

11:00 a.m. (MT) Lunch at the **Boots Bar & Grill**, Medora

Menu: Buffet to include Mixed Greens; Pulled Pork; BBQ Chicken; Cole Slaw and Wild Rice; Brownies for Dessert. Soft Drinks, Coffee.

12:00 p.m. **South Unit of Theodore Roosevelt National Park**

- **Museum/Visitors Center**

Enjoy a drive into the park, stops include a Prairie Dog Town, short walk down to the Little Missouri, and a final stop and optional hike (approx. 1 ½ miles RT) into **Wind Canyon**

Upon return, check in to the Rough Riders Hotel for your 3-night stay

Dinner on your own in Medora

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***Individual dietary needs have been noted and adjustments to meals have been made where necessary for those requiring changes.**

Driver gratuity included in fee.
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Times on itineraries are approximate
and tours are subject to minor change



Monday, October 9th

- Breakfast Buffet in Hotel Conference Room at 7:00 a.m.
Menu: Eggs topped with Cheddar Cheese, French Toast, Bacon, Seasoned Breakfast Potatoes, Yogurt with Granola, Seasonal Fruit. Coffee, Tea, Juice.
- 7:45 a.m. **Meet with Amy McCann** from the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library in Medora
- 8:15 a.m. Departure from the hotel
North Unit Theodore Roosevelt National Park
- **Riverbend Overlook**
 - **Hike along the Little Missouri River** (approx. 2.4 miles RT)
- Boxed lunch: Choice of Deli Ham & Cheese or Turkey & Cheese with Lettuce on a Flaky Croissant. Includes Mayo, Mustard, Potato Chops, Whole Fruit, Cookie, & Bottled Water **
- 5:00 p.m. Approximate return to hotel
- 6:00 p.m. **Dinner and evening program with Clay Jenkinson** in the Rough Rider's Hotel (Conference Room)
*Menu: Fresh Bread with Butter and Garden Salad. Choice of: 1) **Bison Osso Bucco**, Braised for Hours until Fork-Tender. Generous Portion atop Crushed Potatoes, Green Beans, Caramelized Onions and Horseradish Sauce. 2) **Freshwater Canadian Walleye**, Pan Seared. Served with Roasted Potatoes, Chef's Choice Vegetable, and Citrus Beurre Blanc, or 3) **Red Pepper Gouda Cavatelli** with Roasted Wild Mushrooms, Zucchini, Squash and Bell Peppers. Apple Country Crumbles for Dessert. Coffee, Tea, Soft Drinks. Cash Bar available. **

Tuesday, October 10th

- Breakfast Buffet in Hotel Conference Room at 7:00 a.m.
Menu: Eggs topped with Cheddar Cheese, French Toast, Bacon, Seasoned Breakfast Potatoes, Oatmeal, Seasonal Fruit. Coffee, Tea, Juice.
- 8:00 a.m. Depart hotel
- Full day with Clay Jenkinson**
Elkhorn Ranch (hike to site approx. 1/3 mile each way)
*Boxed lunch: Choice of Deli Ham & Cheese or Turkey & Cheese with Lettuce on a Flaky Croissant. Includes Mayo, Mustard, Potato Chops, Whole Fruit, Cookie, & Bottled Water **
- Optional afternoon hike** to a petrified forest (approx. 3 miles RT)
- 4:30 p.m. Approximate return to hotel
- 5:00 p.m. Buffet Dinner in Rough Riders Hotel Conference Room (closes 6:00 p.m.)
*Menu: Garden Salad; Beef Pot Roast and Garlic Herb Roasted Chicken; Sides of Garlic Mashed Potatoes and Glazed Baby Carrots. Mini Royal Cheesecakes. Coffee, Tea, Soft Drinks **
- 6:30 p.m. **Evening program at Cowboy Hall of Fame** (5 min. walk from hotel)
Beer and wine will be provided
- 7:00 p.m. **Musician/Storyteller Jessie Veeder**

Wednesday, October 11th

- 7:30 a.m. (MT) Depart hotel (8:30am in Bismarck/Central Time - today you will lose one hour)
Bus available for loading 15 minutes prior to departure
 Take bus to farewell breakfast at the Medora Life Skills Center (5 min. drive)
- Return to Bismarck
 Transfer to Bismarck airport by approx. 12:30pm (Central Time) for return flights home
- Individual Departures from Bismarck**

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