

Welcome to Sheridan, Wyoming – voted the original #1 Western Town in America! Picturesque. Historic. Vibrant. It's where Old West meets New West – a pocket of world-class culture wrapped up in hometown hospitality and authentic real West charm . . .

Each day you will want to experience a unique lunch or supper at a wide range of restaurants ranging from fine dining to eclectic or western flavors and ambiance, to down-home cooking 'where the locals go'! While staying at either of the full-service conventions centers, or multiple national franchise properties, a local 'Mom & Pop' motel, or perhaps at a campground.

Sheridan is conveniently located adjacent to Interstate 90 in north central Wyoming on historic routes midway between Yellowstone National Park and Mount Rushmore National Monument!

### **DAY 1**

Take a narrated historic **trolley tour** of the community (\$1 for 1-hour tour, every hour-on-the-hour all summer long) and stop in Kendrick Park to enjoy the playground, a dip in the pool and the best ice cream treats around! Take a short walk or trolley ride to enjoy the elk and buffalo that call the park's wildlife refuge home.

Visit the **Trail End State Historic Site**, once the home of cowboy-turned-cattle-baron, John B. Kendrick, who became Wyoming's governor and US Senator, while experiencing the Flemish-style architecture of this grand mansion, with a rich ranching heritage.

When in Sheridan on a Tuesday evening, attend a free concert in the park - bring a chair or blanket, and enjoy a picnic with a variety of offerings from vendors, dance or watch others partake and mingle with the large turnout of locals.

**DAY 2** ½ or **1-day Indian history tour**, guides with great expertise on the area, whether from the Native American or White American view points <http://www.sheridanwyoming.org/info/tp-histg.php> or self-guided tours at <http://www.sheridanwyoming.org/info/hi-maps.php>

- A. highlighting traditional and modern day life for the Northern Cheyenne, Crow or the Lakota, to amazing historic and the area's cultural sites: The Little Bighorn, Fort Phil Kearny and the Fetterman Battle, The Wagon Box, the Medicine Wheel
- B. Include an evening with Native American singers, dancers and crafts, as well as traditional and modern Native American menus for indoor or outdoor catering. **OR**
- C. Little Bighorn Battlefield Horseback Rides - Experience the most famous stretch of land in the West on horseback, Custer's Last Stand, seeing the terrain as the warriors and troopers saw that legendary day.

End the day with entertainment at the **WYO or Carriage House Theaters**, or movie theater, depending on the special offerings during your visit.

**DAY 3** Spend a morning at **Bradford Brinton Memorial and Museum**, the historic home and art gallery exhibit fine western art and the lifestyle of a 1920's gentleman's working ranch. **IF not included in above tour, also visit Ft. Phil Kearny**, where the *Bloody Bozeman Trail* Indian wars took place. View the museum and remnants of the fort that precipitated the Battle of the Little Bighorn.

Enjoy a lovely lunch at the **Historic Sheridan Inn**, before taking an hour's tour the **Inn**, home of the famous Buffalo Bill, and resident ghosts. The Inn, a National Historic Landmark, was once known as the finest hotel west of the Mississippi will soon be completely renovated to include 22 Inn rooms. And is also in Ripley's Believe It or Not as the "House with 69 Gables". As well as to explore **Don King's Western Museum** where you can embrace unique cowboy memorabilia and Indian artifact collections, see tying of cowboy ropes.

And highlight your afternoon while on a unique shopping adventure, enjoying the many offerings from antiques to cowboy memorabilia to intriguing boutiques and galleries, all on the **Historic District**.

**End the day with a lovely, fine dining establishment** <http://www.sheridanwyoming.org/tp-dinning.php>

And of course a visit to the **Mint Bar** a local hang-out with a 100-year *watering hole* history, displaying the area's western paraphernalia and wild game trophy décor, AND where Kenny Rogers was thrown out the front window in the "Wild Horses" movie and the idea was generated for the movie, Brokeback Mountain.

**DAY 4** Golf Capital of Wyoming, complete with 81 holes, 4 restaurants, pro-shops, and more . . .

**The Powder Horn** 27-hole championship course, rated in GolfWeek's top 100 in the nation and 12th best residential course! <http://www.thepowderhorn.com/> AND/OR **Kendrick Golf Course**, rated in the top 5 courses in Wyoming by Golf Digest magazine, located 3 miles west of town, with 18 holes.

**Downtown Walking Tour**, explore the 30 buildings on the National Historic Register via a self-guided tour via booklet available at the Sheridan Travel and Tourism office, or guided tour for the personal touch.

**DAY 5** Interested in outdoor activities year-round, enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities, including hiking, fishing, rock climbing, hang gliding, snowmobiling, or skiing – depending on the season.

On weekends, stay to enjoy one of the 30 rodeo events throughout the summer, and should you be here in July you can partake in the culmination of over 75 years at the Sheridan Wyo Rodeo's week-long festivities, or in June the Buffalo Bill Days Wild West Show.

Enjoy **Polo** at two venues, **the Big Horn Events Center** the oldest polo club west of the Mississippi, **or Flying H Polo Club** which offers 'high goal' polo with league players from around the world. You can enjoy an afternoon on Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays, where you will stomp divots, relax in the wide open spaces and take in world class polo.

Without guided Battle of Little Bighorn tour above, you could enjoy this independently as it is located on I-90 only 70 miles from Sheridan, and could easily be toured on one's way to or from Montana – 1-2 hour tours depending on levels of historical interest.

**Day 6** Scenic By-ways 14 & 14A meander through the Big Horn Mountains from Sheridan to Yellowstone, with vehicle turnouts to allow travelers to relax, enjoy abundant wildlife and world-class views. Highway 14 beckons you into beautiful Shell Canyon with must-stops at the cascading falls and self-guided nature paths. Highway 14A, 10% grade and accessible from May through October, provides incredible views, enlivened by moose in the wild and access to the sacred Medicine Wheel.

Arrive in Cody to spend time at the Buffalo Bill Historical Center, before heading into the Yellowstone National Park to enjoy the first National Park in the U.S.

In addition to the following trip plan, you may want to check out each of our established tours, to pick and chose other specific areas of interest at

<http://www.sheridanwyoming.org/info/hi-maps.php> - historical

<http://www.sheridanwyoming.org/info/mnt-maps.php> - *wildlife*

<http://www.sheridanwyoming.org/info/tt-maps.php> - *historic downtown*

To enjoy photos of the above sites, activities and events, please visit our Media Center Photo Gallery at <http://www.sheridanwyoming.org/info/au-mc-photos.php>