



Dakota Buffalo Roundup

September 20 - 28, 2025

\$5,195 per guest (double) \$6,195 per guest (single)



Buffalo Roundup in Custer State Park

Experience the breathtaking beauty of the western Dakotas on this unforgettable adventure. Begin your journey at the Rough Riders Hotel in Medora, ND, where Old West charm complements the nearby Theodore Roosevelt National Park, rich with fall colors and abundant wildlife. Next, spend two nights at Spearfish Canyon Lodge, the only hotel within this dramatic canyon, and explore iconic sites like Mount Rushmore, Deadwood, and the Crazy Horse Memorial.

Continue to Sylvan Lake Lodge in Custer State Park, where rustic charm meets modern comfort in a stunning setting. Here, you'll witness the thrilling Custer State Park Buffalo Roundup—a spectacular event as cowboys and cowgirls round up the mighty buffalo against the backdrop of the Black Hills. Explore the underworld beauty of Jewel Cave National Monument and marvel at the otherworldly landscapes of Badlands National Park, staying in charming cabins at Cedar Pass Lodge.

INCLUDED: Round-trip airfare into Bismarck Municipal Airport (BIS) on September 20 and out of Rapid City Regional Airport (RAP) on September 28. Ride one way back to WNC, returning September 30 for an additional \$450 per person.

Tour Includes:

- Custer State Park Buffalo Roundup
- Custer State Park Arts Festival
- 2 nights at Rough Riders Hotel, Medora, ND
- 2 nights at Spearfish Canyon Lodge
- 3 nights at Sylvan Lake Lodge
- 1 night at Cedar Pass Lodge
- Badlands and Theodore Roosevelt National Parks
- Mount Rushmore and Crazy Horse Memorials
- Jewel Cave National Monument
- Buffalo Safari and Steak Cookout
- All meals, full menu where available
- All attractions, guides, and activities
- Escorted by Globe Treks tour manager
- Home pick-up service and luggage handling

Globe Treks Explorer Tour limited to maximum of 13 guests

(Prices and itinerary subject to change)

Dakota Buffalo Roundup Day by Day Itinerary

Day 1: Journey to the Heart of the Dakotas

Your adventure begins with a Globe Treks representative picking you up at your doorstep. Enjoy a continental breakfast on the way to Charlotte airport, where your flight departs for Bismarck, North Dakota's capital. Upon arrival, your Globe Treks Tour Manager will welcome you and escort you to your custom motorcoach. Traveling west, the landscape transforms into the striking Badlands, with rugged buttes and vibrant colors. In Medora, check into the historic Rough Riders Hotel, blending Old West charm with modern comfort. Dinner at the hotel's fine dining restaurant sets the stage for the culinary journey ahead.

Day 2: Exploring Theodore Roosevelt National Park

After breakfast, explore Theodore Roosevelt National Park, a tribute to America's conservation legacy. A private guide will lead you through awe-inspiring landscapes where wild bison roam, prairie dogs thrive, and the Little Missouri River winds through hills. A picnic lunch in the park enhances the experience. Later, stroll Medora's wooden sidewalks before enjoying a lively musical show at the Old Town Hall Theater.

Day 3: From Cowboy Legends to Spearfish Canyon

Start your day at the North Dakota Cowboy Hall of Fame, celebrating cowboy, Native American, and ranching heritage. Head south into Spearfish Canyon, a natural wonder with limestone cliffs, dense forests, and waterfalls. After exploring the foliage, check in to the Spearfish Canyon Lodge, a refined mountain retreat. Enjoy another exceptional dinner in this picturesque setting.

Day 4: Deadwood's Wild West Legacy

Visit Deadwood, a town alive with gold rush history. Stroll Main Street, where legends like Wild Bill Hickok and Calamity Jane once walked. Explore Mount Moriah Cemetery, where these figures are buried, and the Days of '76 Museum, filled with pioneering artifacts. End the day with a visit to the Homestake Mine, once North America's largest and deepest gold mine.

Day 5: Historic Monuments and the Black Hills

Travel through Sturgis, famous for its annual motorcycle rally, before visiting Mount Rushmore National Memorial to see the colossal sculptures of four U.S. presidents. Lunch at the Crazy Horse Memorial allows time to explore the museum and learn about Native American heritage. In the afternoon, check into the Sylvan Lake Lodge in Custer State Park for a three-night stay.

Day 6: Sylvan Lake, Scenic Byways, and Hidden Wonders

Explore Sylvan Lake, surrounded by dramatic granite outcrops, then drive the Needles Highway, a scenic route with narrow tunnels and towering rock spires. Enjoy lunch at a Custer brewery, followed by a visit to Jewel Cave National Monument, known for its sparkling calcite crystals. In the afternoon, take an exhilarating jeep safari to view bison and other wildlife. End the day with a steak cookout under the stars.

Day 7: The Thrill of the Buffalo Roundup

Experience the Annual Buffalo Roundup, where cowboys herd over 500 bison across Custer State Park. The sight of these majestic creatures is unforgettable. Afterward, explore the Buffalo Roundup Arts Festival, featuring local artisans and regional foods. Spend the afternoon relaxing at Sylvan Lake Lodge, soaking in the Black Hills views.

Day 8: The Badlands and Wall Drug

Head east to Badlands National Park, with its surreal landscape of jagged peaks and colorful canyons. Stop at the iconic Wall Drug, known for its quirky charm and famous donuts. Check in to Cedar Pass Lodge, offering cozy accommodations with stunning Badlands views. Enjoy a farewell dinner, reflecting on your unforgettable adventure.

Day 9: Homeward Bound

After breakfast, travel to Rapid City for your return flight to Charlotte. A Globe Treks representative will escort you back to your doorstep, filled with memories of historic towns, majestic landscapes, and the thunderous spectacle of the buffalo stampede.

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