



# ~ WESTERN MUSEUMS ~ OF THE NORTHERN BLACK HILLS

## One Day Self-Guided Tour ~

- 8:00** • Depart **Spearfish Canyon Lodge**, taking scenic Hwy 14A following the old stage route that ran from Cheyenne, WY to Deadwood, SD. Your 1st stop will be at the **Days of '76 Museum** that showcases over 50 antique horse-drawn vehicles used in the annual rodeo parade, along with western artifacts.
- 9:30** • Leaving the museum, Hwy 85 north to I-90 exit 14, to your 2nd stop at the **High Plains Western Heritage Center**. This museum features extraordinary art, artifacts, pioneer and rodeo exhibits, chronicling the western lifestyle of a 5-state region.
- 11:00** • Travel I-90, Exit 10, to Hwy 85 north to Belle Fourche, the "Center of the Nation." At one time, this was the largest shipping point for cattle in the world. The 3rd stop on your route is the **Tri-State Museum** that tells the story of pioneer settlement, area cattle ranching, and their annual rodeo.
- 2:00** • Leaving Belle Fourche, travel west on Hwy 34 to Aladdin, then south on Hwy 111 to I-90. Along this route, observe the visible trail of the 1874 Custer Expedition. At Exit 199, pick up the Old Hwy 14 frontage road that runs adjacent on the north side of I-90 and follow the signs to the Vore Buffalo Jump. This site was used for over 300 years by the Plains Indians, to capture and process large numbers of Bison.

- 4:00** • Continue on into Beulah to relax and enjoy a steak dinner at the **Buffalo Jump Steakhouse**.
- 5:30** • On your way back to the lodge, take Exit 10 through the heart of historic downtown Spearfish. The "Queen City of the Black Hills," was named in 1876, for the surrounding mountain crown that includes Lookout Mountain, Spearfish Mountain and Crow Peak Mountain.
- 6:30** • Enjoy your canyon drive, stopping at Bridal Veil Falls, for a late-day view of this magnificent area; then on to the tranquility of the **Spearfish Canyon Lodge**.

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