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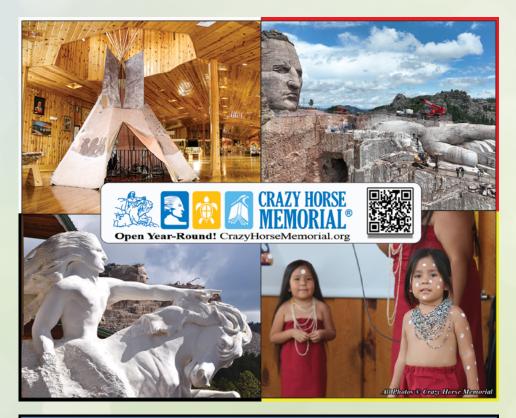
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Local Area Events

JANUARY

Black Hills Stock Show & Rodeo | Rapid City Red Dirt Music Festival | Deadwood ISOC Deadwood Snocross Shootout | Deadwood Chinook Days | Spearfish

FEBRUARY

Mardi Gras Weekend | Deadwood Annual Nemo 500 Out House Race | Nemo Annual Custer Restaurant Week (Feb-Mar) Annual Counts Car Show | Rapid City Winterfest | Lead Black Hills Fat Tire Festival | Rapid City

MARCH

Cultural Expo | Rapid City
St. Patrick's Day Weekend | Deadwood
Festival of Bands | Rapid City
Mountain West Whiskey Festival | Rapid City

APRIL

Annual Earth Day Expo | Rapid City Forks, Corks & Kegs - Food & Wine Festival | Deadwood Easter Egg Hunt | Hill City Kountry Junkin' Spring Market | Rapid City

MAY

Cinco de Mayo | Deadwood Black Hills Motorcycle Show | Deadwood Back When They Bucked: An All-Day Rodeo | Deadwood Badland's Circuit Finals Steer Roping | Deadwood

JUNE

Native POP: People of the Plains | Rapid City
Annual Black Hills Quilt Show & Sale |
Rapid City
Annual Spring Crazy Horse Volksmarch |
Rapid City
Wild Bill Days | Rapid City
Black Hills Con. | Rapid City
Deadwood PBR
Mickelson Trail Trek | Rapid City
Custer Cruisin' - Mayor's Ride | Custer

JULY

Mount Rushmore Independence Day
Celebration | Rapid City
Rapid City Independence Day Celebration |
Rapid City
Independence Day parade | Deadwood,
Spearfish
Wheeler Rally | Deadwood
Days of '76 Rodeo & Parade | Deadwood
4th of July Celebration | Custer
Custer Gold Discovery Days | Custer
Annual Black Hills Corvette Classic | Spearfish
Festival in the Park | Spearfish
Black Hills Roundup Rodeo | Rapid City

AUGUST

Central States Fair & Rodeo | Rapid City Kool Deadwood Nites | Rapid City Sturgis Motorcycle Rally | Sturgis, Rapid City Spirit of Sturgis Vintage Festival | Sturgis Sturgis Rally & Races | Deadwood Legend's Ride | Deadwood Kool Deadwood Nites | Deadwood Northern Hills AG Fest | Sturgis

SEPTEMBER

Pumpkin Festival | Rapid City
Wine Express | Rapid City
Spearfish Corn Maze (Sept-Oct) | Spearfish
South Dakota Festival of Books | Deadwood
Deadwood Jam | Deadwood
Custer State Park Roundup & Arts Festival |
Custer
Wheelin' to Wall | Wall
Autumn Festival | Rapid City
Annual Fall Crazy Horse Volksmarch |

Black Hills Polkapalooza | Rapid City

OCTOBER

Rapid City

Black Hills Powwow | Rapid City Native American Day & Parade | Rapid City Spearfish Corn Maze | Spearfish Wild West Songwriter's Festival | Deadwood

OCTOBER (CONTD)

Deadweird | Deadwood Pumpkin Fest | Belle Fourche Oktoberfest | Deadwood

NOVEMBER

Festival of Lights Parade | Rapid City Main Street Square Holiday Celebration | Rapid City Main Street Square Winter Market | Rapid City Pinedale Annual Bazaar | Rapid City

DECEMBER

Annual Lakota Nation Invitational | Rapid City Christmas Parade | Custer

* Events are subject to change





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www.thetristatemuseum.com • 605-723-2010 or 605-723-1200

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CUSTER COUNTY

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Building & Ground Maintenance	673-8117
Director of Equalization	
Emergency	911
Emergency Management	
Extension Office	
Health Department	910-4495
Highway Department	673-5678
Human Resources	673-8134
Register of Deeds	673-8171
Sheriff	673-8176
State's Attorney	673-8175
Treasurer	673-8114
Veterans Services	673-8123

LAWRENCE COUNTY

Auditor	(605) 578-1941
Building & Ground Maintenance	578-1570
Director of Equalization	578-3680
Emergency	911
Emergency Management	
Extension Office	892-3371
Health Department	578-2660
Highway Department	578-2183
Register of Deeds	578-3930
Sheriff	578-2230
Social Service Department	578-2402
State's Attorney	578-1707
Treasurer	578-1862
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MEADE COUNTY

Auditor	(605) 347-2360
Building & Ground Maintenance	347-5415
Director of Equalization /Planning	
Emergency	911
Emergency Management	
Extension Office	
Health Department	347-5650
Highway Department	347-4565
Human Resources	
Register of Deeds	347-2356
Sheriff	347-2681
State's Attorney	347-4491
Treasurer	347-5871
Veterans Services	347-7623

PENNINGTON COUNTY

Auditor	(605) 394-2153
Building & Ground Maintenance	394-2172
Director of Equalization	
Emergency	
Emergency Management	
Extension Office/4-H	
Health & Human Services	
Highway Department	394-2166
Human Resources	
Register of Deeds	
Sheriff	394-6113
State's Attorney	394-2191
Treasurer	
Veterans Services	394-2266

Custer County History



As gold was discovered in the Black Hills, Custer County was established. Founded in 1877, Custer County was named after General George A. Custer. The county seat was originally chosen as

Hayward, but due to an undecided election, Custer City was able to successfully battle for the county seat. Residents of Custer City devised a plan of staging a massacre to distract Hayward officials and the county seat was secured. As the Burlington Railroad arrived in 1890, Custer County continued to grow until the gold rush ended. Industry began to include agriculture, mining, ranching and tourism. Today Custer County is home to approximately 8,318 residents.

BUFFALO GAP – pop. 131 **CUSTER (COUNTY SEAT)** – pop. 1,919 **FAIRBURN** – pop. 60

HERMOSA – *pop.* 382 PRINGLE – pop. 109 *Populations are approximate.

BUFFALO GAP

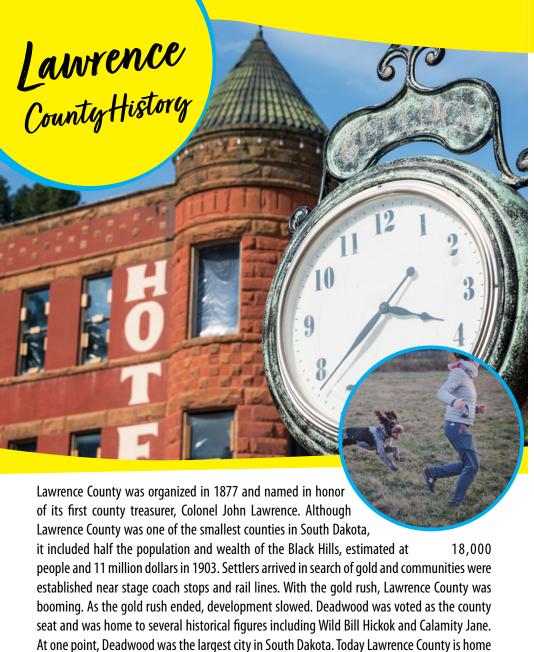
Custer County
Communities Buffalo Gap, founded in 1877, was named due to buffalo traveling through the gap of the nearby Beaver Creek. A post office was established and 1885, the area 1884 there were over 1200 people in residence. As the railroad arrived in continued to grow and had a variety of saloons, hotels, specialty shops and a bank. A boomtown and cattle town, Buffalo Gap has since grown to a small rural community. Today Buffalo Gap is home to approximately 131 residents.

CUSTER (COUNTY SEAT)

General George A. Custer commanded an expedition to the area in search of gold in 1874. As gold was discovered, a community was guickly founded. Originally known as Stonewall, by 1875 there were several thousand people panning for gold and Stonewall was renamed Custer. Within a year, news spread of gold found in Deadwood Gulch and Custer was left almost abandoned. In 1877 Custer was selected as the county seat and the area grew slowly. The Harney National Forest Headquarters were established in 1898 and Custer State Park was then founded in 1913. Today Custer is home to approximately 1,919 residents.



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BOULDER CANYON — pop. 561
CENTRAL CITY — pop. 93
CROOK CITY — pop. 132
DEADWOOD (COUNTY SEAT)
— pop. 1,156

to approximately 25,768 residents.

LEAD – *pop. 2,982* **NORTH SPEARFISH** – *pop. 2,366* **SPEARFISH** – *pop. 12,193*

SAINT ONGE – pop. 170

WHITEWOOD – *pop.* 879

MOUNTAIN PLAINS – *pop.* 327

*Populations are approximate.

Lawrence County Communities

DEADWOOD (COUNTY SEAT)

Once an illegal community, Deadwood was incorporated in 1876 and named after dead trees found in the nearby canyon. Gambling, prostitution and gold mining at tracted settlers and by 1880 its population reached 5,000. Deadwood became famous for the murder of Wild Bill Hickok and the community was widely recognized for its lawless character. As the gold rush ended, Deadwood was almost destroyed by fire. The railroad arrived in 1881 and Deadwood continued to prosper, having the first telephone service in South Dakota. It was the trading center for the Black Hills and selected as the county seat. Today Deadwood is home to approximately 1,156 residents.

LEAD

In 1876 the Homestake Mining Company founded Lead as a company town. As families grew, the need for education grew. Phoebe Hearst, local resident, established a kindergarten school and a library in 1900. As the gold rush slowed, Lead's population began to decline. With over four hundred historic buildings, much of Lead was registered on the National Register of Historic Places in 1974. Today Lead is home to approximately 2,982 residents.

SPEARFISH

The name Spearfish was coined by local Native Americans, fur traders and trappers as the local stream was a prime place for spearing fish. The community was platted in 1876 and a post office and general store were established a year later. The Spearfish Normal School was built in 1883, which is now recognized as Black Hills State University. As the railroad arrived in 1893, Spearfish continued to grow. The D.C. Booth Fish Hatchery and Matthew's Opera House are located here, attracting visitors annually. Today Spearfish is home to approximately 12,193 residents.

WHITEWOOD

Whitewood was established in 1888 and as the railroad arrived, the area began to thrive. The railroad station became the heart of the community and Whitewood was known as the Hub of the Hills. As the gold rush ended, development began to slow. Today Whitewood is home to approximately 879 residents.

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Meade County History Meade County, the largest county in South Dakota, was named in honor of General George Meade whom Fort Meade is named for. It was established in 1878 and settled by prospectors in search of gold and soldiers stationed at Fort Meade. Communities grew guickly near stage coach stops and from 1900 to 1910, the population of Meade County grew from almost 5,000 to over

12,000. Industry began to include agriculture, ranching and tourism. Today Meade County is

BLACKHAWK – *pop. 3,026* **BLUCKSBERG MOUNTAIN** – pop. 467 **BOX ELDER** – *pop.* 11,746 **ELLSWORTH AFB** – pop. 15,840 **FAITH** – *pop.* 367

home to approximately 23,916 residents.

PIEDMONT – *pop. 971* **STURGIS (COUNTY SEAT)** – pop. 7,020 **SUMMERSET** – *pop.* 2972 *Populations are approximate.

BOX ELDER

Meade County
Communities Settled in a fertile valley, Box Elder was founded as the railroad arrived in 1907. It was named after the local box elder trees and the community began to grow. A post office. school and general stores were established, attracting many settlers. It is the site of the Ellsworth Airforce Base and the Air and Space Museum. Today Box Elder is home to approximately 11.746 residents.

ELLSWORTH AIRFORCE BASE

The Ellsworth Airforce Base was established in 1942 to train military pilots for World War II. It was first known as the Rapid City Army Air Base until it was renamed in honor of Brigadier General Richard E. Ellsworth. It now houses the 28th Bomb Wing of the Air Combat Command and is NASA Space Shuttle's emergency landing site. Today the Ellsworth Airforce Base is home to approximately 15,840 residents.

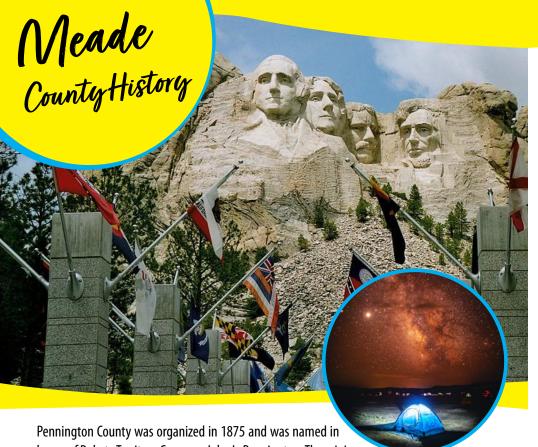
PIEDMONT

As the railroad arrived in the late 1800s, Piedmont was established. Its name is French for foot of the mountain, as it lies near the base of the Black Hills. The community attracted miners, lumberers and pioneers and has since continued to grow. Piedmont was officially incorporated in 2008. Today Piedmont is home to approximately 971 residents.

STURGIS (COUNTY SEAT)

Fort Meade was established in 1878 to defend settlers and gold miners of the Black Hills area and Sturgis grew as a boomtown. Sturgis became a stagecoach and freight stop and the community was named in honor of Colonel Samuel D. Sturgis, Fort Meade commander. Sturgis was incorporated in 1888 and later selected as the county seat. As the gold rush ended, development slowed until 1938 when Pappy Hoel and Jack Pine Gypsies started the annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. The rally, first called the Black Hills Classic, featured racing and stunts and now draws over 500,000 attendants annually, giving Sturgis the nickname Motorcycle City USA. Sturgis is also the site of Bear Butte, sacred grounds which have been established as a state park. Today Sturgis is home to approximately 7,020 residents.

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honor of Dakota Territory Governor John L. Pennington. The original county seat was located in Sheridan until it was moved to Rapid City. With the arrival of the Gold Rush, prospectors and miners flocked to the area. Mining camps became cities and by 1910, the population of Pennington County reached 12,453. As the gold rush came to a halt, tourism replaced industry. In 1941 Mount Rushmore was completed by Gutzon Borglum and dedicated by President Calvin Coolidge, now attracting over 3 million visitors annually. Today Pennington County is home to approximately 109,222 residents.

ASHLAND HEIGHTS – pop. 678 **BOX ELDER** – *pop.* 11,746 **CAPUTA** – *pop.* 32 **COLONIAL PINE HILLS** – pop. 1,903 CREIGHTON - pop. 2,561 **GREEN VALLEY** – pop. 1,051 **HILL CITY** – *pop. 872* **JOHNSON SIDING** – pop. 614 **KEYSTONE** – pop. 240

NEW UNDERWOOD – pop. 590 OWANKA – pop. 2 **QUINN** – *pop.* 63 **RAPID CITY (COUNTY SEAT)** – pop. 74,703 **RAPID VALLEY** – *pop. 8,098* **WALL** – pop. 699 **WASTA** – *pop.* 65 WICKSVILLE - pop. 139 *Populations are approximate.

HILL CITY

Meade County Communities Hill City, the oldest city in Pennington County, grew as a mining town in the 1800s. First settled in 1876, Hill City was originally known as Hillyo. A post office was established in 1877 and as the gold rush ended, Hill City was left almost deserted. With the discovery of tin in 1883, Hill City was once again booming. A school was built in 1921 and the area grew as a popular tourist destination with the establishment of Custer State Park and Mount Rushmore. Today Hill City is home to approximately 872 residents.

KEYSTONE

Gold was found in the Keystone area and was first settled by Fred J. Cross in 1877. Originally known as Crossville, Keystone was platted by Jacob Reed and the community was renamed. Keystone grew as a boomtown and with the arrival of the railroad in 1900, its population reached 2,000. As Mount Rushmore was constructed, Keystone housed a majority of the workers and development continued. Today Keystone is home to approximately 240 residents.

RAPID CITY (COUNTY SEAT)

Rapid City was established in 1876 and platted by John Brennen and Samuel Scott. It was named after nearby Rapid Creek and promoted as the Gateway to the Black Hills. As a source for mining supplies, Rapid City grew to become a trading center. With the arrival of the railroad, Rapid City became an important transportation hub. It was selected as the county seat and is now a popular tourist destination. Today Rapid City is home to approximately 74,703 residents.

WALL

Wall, named for its proximity to the the high wall of the Badlands, grew as a small community in the late 1800s. With the establishment of the Wall Drug Store in 1931, Wall has grown to a well known tourist destination attracting nearly thousands of visitors each day. Today Wall is home to approximately 699 residents.

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Parks & Recreation

ANGOSTURA STATE RECREATION AREA

13157 N Angostura Rd. | Hot Springs | 605-745-6996

Located on 14,720 acres, Angostura State Recreation Area features a large reservoir built in 1949. It was recognized for its hot springs and has since become a popular vacation and recreation spot.

BADLANDS NATIONAL PARK

25216 Ben Reifel Rd. | Rapid City | 605-433-5361

Located on 244,000 acres, Badlands National Park was established in 1939 to conserve native animals and fossils. It features Red Shirt Table, a 10 mile long mountain that reaches 3,340 feet.

BEAR BUTTE STATE PARK

20250 SD-79 | Sturgis | 605-347-5240 Located on over 563 acres, Bear Butte State Park is a sacred area that is home to a variety of religious ceremonies, rock formations and wildlife. Established in 1961, it features a variety of recreational opportunities.

BLACK HILLS NATIONAL FOREST

1019 5th St. N | Custer | 605-673-9200 2014 N. Main St. | Spearfish | 605-642-4622 8221 Mount Rushmore Rd. | Rapid City | 605-343-1567

Located on over 1.25 million acres, Black Hills National Forest is home to Harney Peak, South Dakota's tallest mountain. Established in 1907, it features a wildlife preserve and 11 reservoirs. CRAZY HORSE MEMORIAL

12151 Ave. of the Chiefs | Crazy Horse | 605-673-4681

605-673-4681 Located on 328 acres, Crazy Horse Memorial was

started in 1948 by Korczak Ziółkowski to honor Crazy Horse, an Oglala Lakota Indian warrior. Upon completion, it will be the largest sculpture in the world.

CUSTER STATE PARK

13389 US Hwy. 16A | Custer | 605-394-2693 Located on over 1.27 million acres, Custer National Forest is home to Indian burial grounds, cave paintings, the Grasshopper Glacier and a wildlife preserve. Established in 1905, it features a variety of recreational opportunities.

JEWEL CAVE NATIONAL MONUMENT

11149 US 16 B-12 | Custer | 605-673-8300 Located on 1347 acres, Jewel Cave National Monument is the second longest cave in the world spanning over 147 miles of charted passages. Established in 1908, it features calcite crystals, stalactites, stalagmites and the rare hydromagnesite balloon, a cave formation known as moonmilk.

MINUTEMAN MISSILE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

24545 CottonWood Rd. | Philip | 605-433-5552

Located on 6 acres, Minuteman Missile National Historic site preserves the Minuteman II, a nuclear warhead missile from the Cold War era. Established in 1999, it features a missile launch facility and control center that was deactivated in 1991.

MOUNT RUSHMORE NATIONAL MEMORIAL

13000 SD-244 | Keystone | 605-574-2523 Located on over 1,200 acres, Mount Rushmore National Memorial was completed in 1941 by Gutzon Borglum. Representing the first 150 years of American history, United States Presidents George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt and Abraham Lincoln are carved in the mountain.

SHADEHILL STATE RECREATION AREA

19150 Summerville Rd. | Shadehill | 605-374-5114

Located on over 2,000 acres, Shadehill State Recreation Area features a large reservoir built in 1951 and features a variety of recreational opportunities.

WIND CAVE NATIONAL PARK

Hot Springs | 605-745-4600 Located on 28,295 acres, Wind Cave National Park was the first cave in the world to be selected as a national park. Established in 1903, it features 95 percent of the world's calcite formations.

Disc golf or frisbee golf is played a lot like traditional ball golf but instead of hitting a ball with a club into a hole the player throws a frisbee into a basket. Disc golf can be played by just about anyone at any age. It's also a cheap sport to get into. Specialized frisbees for disc golf cost around \$10-\$15 and a lot of courses are free. Playing disc golf is a great way to get out for some exercise, enjoy nature and have some fun.

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AREA ATTRACTIONS

1880 TRAIN - HILL CITY DEPOT

222 Railroad Ave. | Hill City | (605) 574-2222

ADAMS MUSEUM

54 Sherman St. | Deadwood | (605) 578-1714

ART ALLEY

599 7th St. | Rapid City | (605) 394-4101 ext. #3

BEAR COUNTRY U.S.A.

13820 US-16 S | Rapid City | (605) 343-2290

BIG THUNDER GOLD MINE

604 Blair St. | Keystone | (605) 666-4847

BLACK ELK PEAK

Sylvan Lake Area (Multiple Trailheads) | Keystone

BLACK HILLS BALLOONS

747 Mt. Rushmore Rd. | Custer | (605) 673-2520

BLACK HILLS CAVERNS

2600 Cavern Rd. | Rapid City | (605) 343-0542

BLACK HILLS COMMUNITY THEATRE

601 Columbus St. | Rapid City | (605) 394-1787

BLACK HILLS MINING MUSEUM

323 Main St. W U.S. 85 | Lead | (605) 584-1605

BLACK HILLS MUSEUM AT BLACK HILLS INSTITUTE

117 Main St. | Hill City | (605) 574-4289

CHAPEL IN THE HILLS

3788 Chapel Ln. | Rapid City | (605) 342-8281

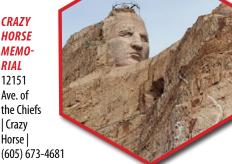


COSMOS MYSTERY AREA

24040 Cosmos Rd. | Rapid City | (605) 343-9802

CRAZY **HORSE МЕМО-**RIAL

12151 Ave. of the Chiefs Crazy Horse



CUSTER COUNTY 1881 COURTHOUSE MUSEUM

411 Mt. Rushmore Rd. | Custer | (605) 673-2443

DAHL ARTS CENTER

713 7th St. | Rapid City | (605) 394-4101

DAYS OF '76 MUSEUM

18 76th Dr. | Deadwood | (605) 578-1657

D.C. BOOTH HISTORIC FISH HATCHERY

423 Hatchery Circle | Spearfish | (605) 642-7730

DINOSAUR PARK

940 Skyline Dr. | Rapid City | (605) 343-8687

EVANS PLUNGE MINERAL SPRINGS

1145 River St. N | Hot Springs | (605) 745-5165

FIREHOUSE WINE CELLARS

620 Main St. | Rapid City | (605) 716-9463

FOUR MILE OLD WEST TOWN MUSEUM

11921 US-16 | Custer | (605) 673-3905

FT. MEADE MUSEUM

50 Sheridan St. | Fort Meade | (605) 347-9822

HIGH PLAINS WESTERN HERITAGE CENTER

825 Heritage Dr. | Spearfish | (605) 642-9378

HISTORIC ADAMS HOUSE

22 Van Buren St. | Deadwood | 605-578-3724

HISTORIC ELKS THEATRE

512 6th St. | Rapid City | (605) 343-7888

HOMESTAKE ADAMS RESEARCH & CULTURAL CENTER

150 Sherman St. | Deadwood | (605) 722-4800

JEWEL CAVE NATIONAL MONUMENT

11149 Hwy. 16 - Bldg. B12 | Custer | (605) 673-8300

MEMORIAL PARK/BERLIN WALL EXHIBIT

206 N 8th St #100 | Rapid City | (800) 487-3223

MOUNT RUSHMORE NATIONAL MONUMENT

13000 Hwy. 244 | Keystone | (605) 574-2523

MUSEUM AT BLACK HILLS INSTITUTE

117 Main St. | Hill City | (605) 574-4289

MUSEUM OF GEOLOGY

561 St. Joseph St. E | Rapid City | (605) 394-2467

OLD GOVERNORS MANSION

3777 Anderson Rd. | Rapid City | (605) 393-2344

OLD MACDONALD'S FARM

23691 Busted Five Ct. | Rapid City | (605) 737-4815

PERFORMING ARTS CENTER OF RAPID CITY

601 Columbus St | Rapid City | (605) 394-6191 | Box Office (605)394-1786

PETRIFIED FOREST OF THE BLACK HILLS

8220 Elk Creek Rd. | Piedmont | (605) 787-4560

PIONEER AUTO MUSEUM & PRAIRIE TOWN

503 5th St. E | Murdo | (605) 669-2691

PRAIRIE BERRY WINERY

23837 US-385 | Hill City | (877) 226-9453

PRAIRIE EDGE TRADING CO. & GALLERIES

606 Main St. | Rapid City | (605) 324-3086

REPTILE GARDENS

8955 US-16 | Rapid City | (800) 335-0275

RUSHMORE CAVE

13622 SD-40 | Keystone | (605) 255-4384

RUSHMORE TRAMWAY ADVENTURES

203 Cemetery Rd. | Keystone | (605) 666-4478

SANFORD LAB HOMESTAKE VISITOR CENTER

160 Main St. W | Lead | (605) 584-3110

SOUTH DAKOTA AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM

2890 Davis Dr. | Ellsworth AFB | (605) 385-5188

STORYBOOK ISLAND

1301 Sheridan Lake Rd. | Rapid City | (605) 342-6357

STURGIS MOTORCYCLE MUSEUM & HALL OF FAME

999 Main St. | Sturgis | (605) 347-2001

SUZIE CAPPA ART CENTER

722 St. Joseph St. | Rapid City | (605) 791-3578

TERRY PEAK SKI AREA

21120 Stewart Slope Rd. | Lead | (605) 584-2165

THE BROTHEL DEADWOOD

610 Main St. | Deadwood | (605) 559-0231

THE JOURNEY MUSEUM & LEARNING

CENTER 222 New York St. | Rapid City | (605) 394-6923

THE MONUMENT

444 Mount Rushmore Rd. | 394-4115

Rapid City | (605)

THE NATIONAL PRESIDENTIAL WAX MUSEUM

609 US-16A | Keystone | (605) 666-4455

THE SCULPTURE PROJECT: PASSAGE OF WIND & WATER

512 Main St. | Rapid City | (605) 716-7979

WATIKI INDOOR WATERPARK RESORT

1314 N Elk Vale Rd. | Rapid City | (605) 718-2445

WALL DRUG STORE

510 Main St. | Wall | (605) 279-2175

WONDERLAND CAVE

12634 Alpine Rd. | Nemo | (605) 578-1728

WORLD'S LARGEST LOG CHAIR

22493 Hwy. 385 S | Deadwood | (605) 324-0783

For general information on firearm safety training Contact the SD GFP For specific zone areas/dates: Online: https://gfp.sd.gov Telephone: 605.223.7660, or scan the QR code.

CARRY YOUR LICENSE ON YOUR SMARTPHONE DEVICE:

Before heading into the field this fall, log into your GFP online licensing account from your smartphone device to view your small game, fishing or trapping license and take a picture or screenshot of it with your device (Android, iPhone, etc.). This electronic version is now an acceptable method of carrying a small game, fishing or trapping license. If you choose to print and carry a paper copy of your small game, fishing or trapping license, that continues to be an allowed practice.

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Access Permit Archery Start: Aug 16, 2025 End: Oct 31, 2025

Landowner Start: Oct 4, 2025 End: Oct 19, 2025

Archery (Season closed during firearms season) Start: Aug 16, 2025 End: Oct 31, 2025

Firearms Start: Oct 4, 2025

End: Oct 19, 2025

Special Start: Oct 4, 2025 End: Oct 19, 2025

Bighorn Sheep Season

Black Hills Start: Sep 1, 2025 End: Dec 31, 2025

Custer State Park Start: Sep 1, 2025 End: Dec 31, 2025

Deer Season

East River Landowner Start: Nov 22, 2025 End: Dec 21, 2025

West River Special Buck Start: Nov 15, 2025 End: Nov 30, 2025

East River Special Buck Start: Nov 22, 2025 End: Dec 7, 2025

West River Landowner Start: Nov 15, 2025 End: Dec 21, 2025

Archery Start: Sep 1, 2025 End: Jan 1, 2026

Muzzleloader Start: Dec 1, 2025 End: Jan 1, 2026

Apprentice and Mentored Start: Sep 13, 2025 End: Jan 1, 2026

Deer Season (Contd)

Black Hills Start: Nov 1, 2025 End: Nov 30, 2025

West River Start: Nov 15, 2025 End: Nov 30, 2025

East River Start: Nov 22, 2025 End: Dec 7, 2025

Custer State Park Start: Nov 1, 2025 End: Dec 15, 2025

East River Nonresident Landowner

Start: Nov 22, 2025 End: Dec 7, 2025

Municipal Archery Start: Sep 1, 2025 End: Jan 1, 2026

Black Hills Landowner Start: Nov 1, 2025 End: Nov 30, 2025

Elk Season - Custer

State Park Firearms Start: Oct 1, 2025 End: Oct 31, 2025

Elk Season

Black Hills Archery Start: Sep 1, 2025 End: Sep 30, 2025

Landowner Black Hills Archery Start: Sep 1, 2025 End: Sep 30, 2025

Mountain Lion Season

Statewide Start: Dec 26, 2024 End: Dec 25, 2025

Black Hills Fire Protection District Start: Dec 26, 2024 End: Apr 30, 2025

Paddlefish

Gavins Point Dam Archery Start: Jun 1, 2025 End: Jun 30, 2025

Canada Goose

Resident Special Start: Oct 18, 2025 End: Dec 21, 2025

Pheasant Season

Youth Only Start: Sep 27, 2025 End: Oct 5, 2025

Traditional Start: Oct 18, 2025 End: Jan 31, 2026

Resident Only Start: Oct 11, 2025 End: Oct 13, 2025

Spring Light Goose Conservation Order

Start: Feb 17, 2025 End: May 15, 2025

Tundra Swan Season

Start: Oct 4, 2025 End: Jan 9, 2026

Turkey Season

Fall Mentored Start: Nov 1, 2024 End: Jan 31, 2025

Spring Prairie Start: Apr 12, 2025 End: May 31, 2025

Spring Black Hills Start: Apr 26, 2025 End: May 31, 2025

Spring Custer State Park Start: Apr 26, 2025 End: May 18, 2025

Spring Archery Start: Apr 12, 2025 End: May 31, 2025

Spring Mentored Start: Apr 12, 2025 End: May 31, 2025

Fall Mentored Start: Nov 1, 2025 End: Jan 31, 2026

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SAFETY FIRST: Treat every firearm as if it's loaded and always point the muzzle in a safe direction. Wear appropriate protective gear. Be aware of your surroundings and the location of fellow hunters.

KNOW YOUR GAME & REGULATIONS: Familiarize with the species you're hunting, their habitats, behaviors, and migration patterns.

Research and adhere to all local, state, and federal hunting regulations. PRACTICE SHOOTING SKILLS: This will improve your accuracy and confidence. Work on different shooting positions, target tracking, and quick shots. SCOUTING & HABITAT KNOWLEDGE: Scout potential hunting areas before the season to identify their habitats, feeding grounds, and roosting sites. USE PROPER GEAR & TECHNIQUES: Choose hunting gear specific to the species you're targeting. Research and practice hunting techniques, such as

camouflage, concealment, calling and understand wind direction.



Remember that ethical hunting practices, respect for wildlife, and safety should always be paramount while participating in any hunting activity. Additionally, always make sure to follow @ local hunting guidelines and regulations to protect the environment and wildlife populations. **HAPPY HUNTING!**

Boating safety is critical for anyone who operates a boat or spends time on the water. Here are some general boating safety tips to keep in mind:

Always wear a life jacket while boating. Make sure the life jacket is appropriate for your weight and is U.S. Coast Guard approved. Check the weather forecast before you go boating and keep an eye on changing conditions. If you notice darkening clouds, rough winds or sudden drops in temperature, Use navigation aids like buoys and beacons to get off the water. help you navigate safely. • Maintain your boat: Keep your boat well-maintained and in good working condition. Make sure all safety equipment is in good condition and functioning properly. old alcohol: Do not drink alcohol while operating a boat. It is illegal and increases the likelihood of accidents. Observe speed limits and maintain a safe speed based on conditions. Remember, slower speeds may be necessary in crowded areas or in inclement weather. • Be an for other boats and be aware of their movements. Always assume other boaters may not see you. • Know the rules: Learn and follow boating safety laws and regulations. This includes rules for navigation, safety equipment, and right-of-way. Always let someone know where you are going and when you plan to return. File a float



joy a safe and enjoyable time on the water.

7ishing Licensing and Limits

2025 Resident Fees

ANNUAL FISHING	\$31*
ONE-DAY FISHING	\$10*
SENIOR ANNUAL FISHING (65 and over)	\$17*
SETLINE	
HOOP NET	\$10
NURSING FACILITY GROUP	\$35
*Agent fee not included in price.	

2025 Non Resident Fees

ANNUAL FISHING	\$80*
YOUTH FISHING (under 18)	\$0
THREE-DAY FISHING	\$45*
ONE-DAY FISHING	\$26*
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SPECIES	DAILY LIMIT
Walleye (includes Walleye/Sauger/Saugeye) -	4 (only one 20" or longer)
Northern Pike -	6
Muskellunge, Tiger Muskie -	Catch & Release Only
Trout, Salmon, Splake (any combination) -	5
Largemouth/Smallmouth Bass (any combination) -	5
Yellow Pearch -	15
Crappie (white & black in any cambination) -	15
Sunfish (Bluegill, Green, Pumpkinseed, Redear, Orangespotted in any cambination) -	15
White Bass/Rock Bass -	No Limit
Catfish (any combination) -	10 (Only 1 Flathead 30" or longer)
Sturgeon -	Season Closed
Paddlefish -	Available by special permit only
Smelt -	5 gallons
Lake Herring/Lake Whitefish/Bullhead/Rough Fish -	No limit

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INGREDIENTS

boneless, skinless chicken breasts

1/2 cup honey

1/4 cup soy sauce

tablespoons olive oil

tablespoons apple cider vinegar

garlic cloves, minced

Salt and pepper to taste

Enjoy your delicious coney glazed chicken!

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Preheat the oven to 375°F (190°C).
- **2** In a small bowl, whisk together the honey, soy sauce, olive oil, apple cider vinegar, garlic, salt, and pepper.
- **3** Place the chicken breasts in a baking dish and pour the honey glaze over the chicken, making sure it's evenly coated.
- 4 Bake in the preheated oven for 25-30 minutes, or until the chicken is cooked through and no longer pink in the center.
- **5** After 15 minutes of baking, remove the chicken from the oven and brush the remaining honey glaze over the chicken. Return the chicken to the oven and continue baking.
- 6 Once done, remove from the oven and let rest for a few minutes before serving.
- **7** You can garnish with sesame seeds and chopped green onions if you like.



BARBECUE DO'S:

- use proper barbecue equipment and tools, such as a grill, tongs, and spatulas.
- preheat your grill before placing any food on it.
- marinate your meat before cooking to enhance the flavor.
- keep a close eye on your food while grilling to prevent overcooking or burning.
- use a meat thermometer to ensure that your meat is cooked to the correct internal temperature.
- let your meat rest for a few minutes before slicing or serving to allow the juices to redistribute.
- keep your grill and utensils clean to prevent any foodborne illness.

BARBECUE DON'TS:

- use lighter fluid to start your grill.
 Instead, use a chimney starter or electric starter.
- overcrowd your grill. Leave enough space between the pieces of meat to ensure even cooking.
- use a fork to flip your meat. Piercing the meat can cause it to lose its juices and become dry.
 - baste your meat with sugary sauces too early in the cooking process, as it can burn and create a bitter taste.
- leave cooked meat out in the sun for too long, as it can spoil quickly.
- assume that meat is fully cooked by its color. Always use a meat thermometer to check the internal temperature.
- leave your grill unattended while it's still hot. Always make sure to properly cool it down before leaving it.





BADLANDS NATIONAL PARK: Explore the otherworldly landscapes of Badlands National Park, known for its unique rock formations, rugged canyons, and expansive prairies. Hiking trails allow you to discover the park's diverse wildlife and stunning vistas.

BLACK HILLS NATIONAL FOREST: The Black Hills offer a wealth of outdoor adventures. You can hike to iconic landmarks like Harney Peak, explore scenic drives, go camping, fishing, or enjoy mountain biking through the forest's picturesque trails.

CUSTER STATE PARK: With its rolling hills, granite peaks, and pristine lakes, Custer State Park is a nature lover's paradise. Drive along the Wildlife Loop Road to observe a variety of animals, including bison, deer, elk, and bighorn sheep. Hiking, horseback riding, and fishing are also popular activities here.

MOUNT RUSHMORE NATIONAL MEMORIAL: Visit the iconic Mount Rushmore, where the faces of four U.S. presidents are carved into the granite cliffs. Take a leisurely stroll along the Presidential Trail for a closer look at the sculptures and enjoy the breathtaking views of the surrounding Black Hills.

WIND CAVE NATIONAL PARK: Discover the underground wonders of Wind Cave National Park, one of the world's longest and most complex caves. Join a guided tour to explore its unique formations, or enjoy hiking and wildlife viewing on the park's surface.

MISSOURI RIVER: The Missouri River flows through South Dakota, offering excellent opportunities for fishing, boating, and water sports. Anglers can try their luck at catching walleye, catfish, or small mouth bass. Canoeing and kayaking are also popular on the river.

SPEARFISH CANYON: Located in the northern Black Hills, Spearfish Canyon is renowned for its scenic beauty. Drive along the Spearfish Canyon Scenic Byway, hike to stunning waterfalls such as Roughlock Falls and Bridal Veil Falls, or go rock climbing in this picturesque canyon.

MICKELSON TRAIL: If you enjoy cycling or hiking, the George S. Mickelson Trail is a must-visit. Stretching for 109 miles through the Black Hills, this converted railroad line offers stunning views, trestle bridges, and numerous trailheads for convenient access.

SYLVAN LAKE: Located in Custer State Park, Sylvan Lake is a serene oasis nestled amidst granite cliffs. Enjoy swimming, kayaking, or paddleboarding in the crystal-clear waters, or take a leisurely hike around the lake on the Sylvan Lake Shore Trail.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES IN RAPID CITY: Rapid City serves as a gateway to many outdoor adventures. Explore the nearby Black Hills, visit beautiful parks like Canyon Lake Park and Dinosaur Park, or go rock climbing in the Needles area.



pesticides/fertilizers. Also benefits mental health and provides fresh food.

Composting: Decreases the amount of trash in landfills and reduces carbon emissions.

Plant Trees: Planting trees is a classic Earth Day activity.

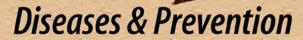
Local Food: Buy local sustainable food.

Clean-Up Events: Organize or participate in local clean-up efforts.

Upcycle Crafts: Get creative by turning old items into new useful objects.



Mosquitoes Prevention & Health Risks



You can get a tickborne disease if you are bitten by a tick that is infected • Tickborne diseases are increasing throughout the United States. • Personal protection methods can help reduce the odds of a tick bite while enjoying the outdoors

Some symptoms of a tickborne disease

- · Many tickborne diseases have similar symptoms
- Symptoms usually show up within 2-4 weeks of being bitten Watch for symptoms like:
- · Rash
- · Fever
- Headache
- Fatigue

Lone Star Tick

Coverage

Muscle or joint aches

Prompt tick removal is important.
Use tweezers to grasp the tick close to its mouth.
Gently and slowly pull the tick straight outward.

Do not squeeze the ticks' body.

Tick Removal

Wash the area and apply an antiseptic to the bite. Watch for early signs and symptoms of a tickborne disease. Don't use folk remedies like Petroleum Jelly or a burnt match.



Blacklegged (Deer) Tick Lyme disease Anaplasmosis Babesiosis Ehrlichiosis

American Dog (Wood) Tick Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever Tularemia Lone Star Tick
Ehrlichiosis
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Protect Yourself from Tickborne Diseases

- 1-Know when and where you're at risk
- Primarily Mid-May through Mid-July
- Wooded and brushy areas Blacklegged Tick
 Grassy or wooded areas American Dog Tick
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 - 2-Wear EPA-registered tick repellentDEET 20-30% on skin or clothing
 - Permethrin 0.5% on clothing
 - 3-Check yourself for ticks
 - Shower after being outdoors
 - Check at least once a day
 Remove ticks ASAP!
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A MOSQUITO FREE YARD

Create an environment in your yard that invites animals that like to eat mosquitoes. Some things that enjoy eating mosquitoes are: • Bats • Frogs • Fish • Turtles • Birds • Dragonflies

To help repel mosquitoes, plant some of the different vegetation listed: • Citronella • Geranium • Eucalyptus • Rosemary • Basil • Anise • Mint • Marigolds • Catnip • Wormwood • Tansy

Lavender • Cedar • Cloves

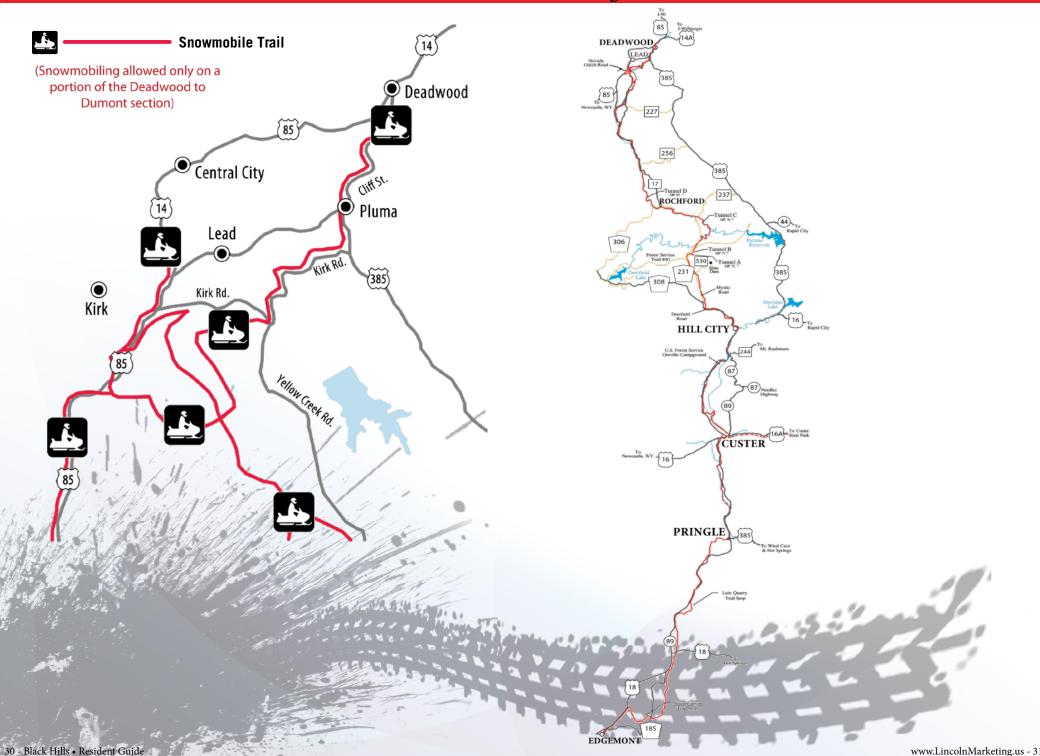
Don't have stagnant water sitting around in things like buckets or tires.

BE SAFE WHILE OUTDOORS

When a mosquito bites you it can leave saliva in your body. If the mosquito is infected it can transfer diseases to you. A few of the more common diseases transmitted to people are: • Dengue • Encephalitis • Malaria • Yellow Fever. Mosquitoes can also transmit diseases to animals. A couple of these diseases are: • Heartworm (mostly to dogs & cats) • Encephalitis. To reduce your chance of getting a disease from mosquitoes you can, apply mosquito repellent to your skin and clothing.

RANDOM MOSQUITO FACTS

- More than 3,000 different mosquito species can be found around the world.
- There are around 50 different mosquito species in the Upper Midwest.
- Female mosquitoes feed on blood. Male mosquitoes feed on plant nectar.
- Some mosquito species prefer to feed on animals or reptiles over humans
- · All mosquitoes need water to complete their life cycle.
- One female mosquito can lay over 200 eggs at one time.
- Mosquito larvae only need a week in water to hatch.
- Mosquito eggs can survive for more than five years.
- Mosquitoes can fly around 1 to 2 mph.
- Mosquitoes find food by sight, infrared radiation and chemicals in the air.
- Around 1,000 Americans get ill or die from mosquito bites each year.
- Mosquitoes are a huge food source for birds, bats and some reptiles.
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Healthy & Environmentally Friendly Lawn

Choose a type of grass that thrives in your area.

3" is the optimal height for most grasses, it allows the roots to become strong and healthy. It also helps to absorb more water. Don't bag the lawn clippings, it's a natural fertilizer. Keep your mower blades sharp.





Don't water every day. Give your lawn a good soaking once or twice a week. Your lawn should get about an inch of water each week, whether it be from rain fall or a sprinkler. Water your lawn in the early morning, preferably before 10am. Watering at night time can

create fungus growth.



Don't use pesticides. Correctly identify what the problem is and try a non-chemical method first. If you have to use a chemical based pesticide, try spot treating the problem area. All pesticides are toxic to some degree. Make sure to read all labels.



Fertilizers can harm the environment. Use natural organic or slow-release fertilizers. The best time to fertilize your lawn is in the fall.

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Sturgis, South Dakota: Motorcycie Raity

The Sturgis Motorcycle Rally is an annual event held in Sturgis, South Dakota.. The rally is one of the largest motorcycle rallies in the world, and attracts hundreds of thousands of bikers and motorcycle enthusiasts from around the globe.

The Sturgis Motorcycle Rally was first held in 1938, and has been held every year since then with the exception of a few years during World War II. The rally typically lasts for 10 days, and is held in early August. During the rally, bikers gather in Sturgis and the surrounding area to participate in a wide variety of events and activities.

The rally includes a number of motorcycle races and competitions, including hill climbs, drag races, and flat track racing. There are also a variety of music concerts, bike shows, and vendor exhibits, where attendees can buy and sell motorcycle parts and accessories.

One of the most iconic events of the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally is the ride to the nearby Mount Rushmore National Memorial, where bikers can view the famous monument of four American presidents carved into the side of a mountain.

The Sturgis Motorcycle Rally has a reputation for being a wild and rowdy event, with plenty of partying and drinking. However, law enforcement officials are typically on hand to ensure

that the event remains safe and orderly.



In recent years, the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally has attracted controversy due to concerns about the spread of COVID-19. Despite these concerns, the rally went ahead in 2020 and 2021, albeit with some modifications to reduce the risk of transmission.

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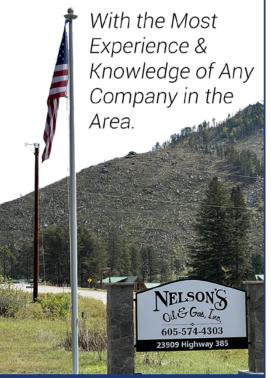
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Bird Feeder Care Tips

With the return of summer means the return of a variety of bird species. If you plan on providing food, there are a few things to keep in mind.

According to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, birds may become sick from moldy bird food and uncleaned bird feeders. This tends to happen in spring more often because of the rain and humidity. If there is mold growth, it can cause an avian disease called aspergillosis, which can disrupt a birds respiratory system. Birds can also get Salmonella from unclean feeders. Either of the diseases may kill the bird.

You should wash your bird feeders a few times every year to ensure their is no mold growth. You can do this with some bleach and water (one part bleach to nine parts water), just make sure to rinse and dry well. If you can, let it dry in the sun to help kill off any left over bacteria. This also applies to hummingbird feeders but, they should be cleaned weekly.

You also need to clean up the fallen seeds and hulls from the ground under the bird feeders to prevent moldy conditions. The seeds on the ground have a tendency of attracting some animals you may not want around like mice, voles, raccoons and bears.

When buying a bird feeder you should look for one with as much air flow as possible. Look for hopper-type feeders or fly-through feeders that provide good air flow. Another way to help keep the bird seed dry is by filling the bird feeder less and more often.

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