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January:

Citizen Of The Year Awards | Custer
Montana Coyote Calling Contest | Baker
Firefight Toy Dance & Auction (Jan-Feb) | Miles City

February:

Cowtown Beef Breeder's Show | Miles City

March:

Irish Throwdown | Miles City
Wake Up & Lace Up Fundraising Auction | Miles City
Annual ReFresh | Miles City

April:

SpringFest | Miles City
Walleye Unlimited Banquet | Miles City
B4 Bike Show & Silent Auction | Miles City
Annual Gem & Mineral Show | Miles City
Baker Jam Basketball Tournament

May:

Bucking Horse Sale | Miles City

June:

Buzzard Day | Glendive
Big Hill Buffalo Shoot | Baker
Cowtown BBQ Cook Off | Miles City
Battle of the Little Bighorn Reenactment | Crow Reservation
Show & Shine Baker Car Show
Bump N Run Races | Baker
Smalltown Showdown Co-Ed Softball Tournament | Broadus

July:

4th of July Parade & Fireworks | Miles City
Annual Dino Shindig | Ekalaka
July 4th Bash & Fireworks Display | Ekalaka
Youth Rodeo | Ekalaka
4th of July Celebration | Broadus
Powder River County Fair | Broadus

August:

Days of '85 Fair, Rodeo & Parade | Ekalaka
Eastern MT Fair | Miles City
Fallon County Fair | Baker
Carter County Fair | Ekalaka
Miles City Ranch Rodeo
Crazy Days | Miles City
Crow Fair & Rodeo

September:

Fallon Junior Rodeo
Lewistown Chokecherry Festival
Miles City Bluegrass Festival
MT Ram Sale | Miles City

October:

Cowboy Poetry Gathering | Miles City
Cowboy Poetry | Alzada
Broadus Fall Fest

November:

Sagebrush Service Club Holiday Bazaar | Ekalaka

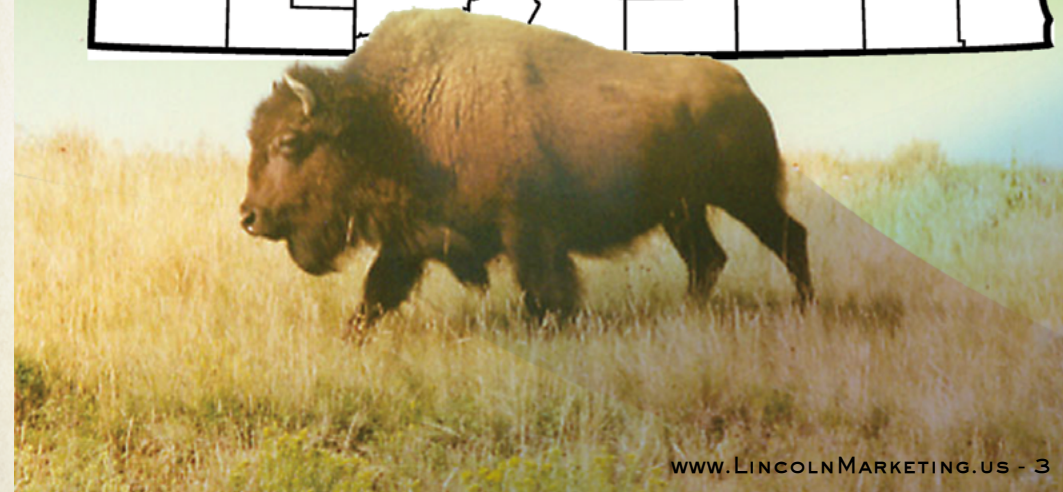
December:

Polar Plunge | Miles City
Christmas Stroll | Baker, Broadus
Christmasin the Park | Baker

**Events are subject to change.*

In the 19th century, the grasslands in North America were ruled by herds of American buffalo. These animals were massive, with length reaching 11ft and weight up to 2200 lbs. Despite the popular beliefs, the Native Americans never domesticated bison. It was the Europeans who came during the 20th century who tried to domesticate them although it was met with limited success. Part of the reason why it's very difficult to domesticate bison is the fact that they have very wild tempers and enormous strength. They can run up to 40 mph and jump up to 6 feet making them able to easily escape most fencing systems, including razor wire. Bison were heavily hunted in the 19th century; they were prized for their meat, fur and horns. They lost their natural habitat due to expansion of ranch and farms in North America. The arrival of non-indigenous hunters played a major part in the population decline as the US government sanctioned and actively endorsed buffalo hunting to remove the Native Americans main food source.

Bison are some of the most dangerous animals when they attack. Even those kept in US state parks, with a safe and confined environment, are still very aggressive and will not hesitate to attack people. Their large body is not representative of their speed and agility. Between 1980 and 1999, there were three times as many people injured by bison at Yellowstone National Park than by bears.



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| County Attorney..... | 406-775-8853 |
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| Justice of the Peace..... | 406-775-8754 |
| Department of Revenue..... | 406-778-7172 |
| Road and Bridge..... | 406-775-6593 |
| Sanitarian..... | 406-853-0029 |
| Senior Citizen..... | 406-775-8751 |
| Law Enforcement..... | 406-775-8743 |
| Superintendent of Schools..... | 406-775-8714 |
| Treasurer..... | 406-775-8735 |
| Weed District..... | 406-775-6278 |

Fallon County

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|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Clerk and Recorder..... | 406-778-7106 |
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| Commissioner..... | 406-978-2213 |
| County Attorney..... | 406-778-2422 |
| Public Health..... | 406-778-2824 |
| Disaster & Emergency Services..... | 406-778-7121 |
| Human Resources..... | 406-778-8164 |
| Justice of the Peace..... | 406-778-7128 |
| Landfill..... | 406-778-2734 |
| Library..... | 406-778-7160 |
| Noxious Weeds Department..... | 406-778-7131 |
| Road & Shop Department..... | 406-778-2019 |
| Environmental Health/Sanitation..... | 406-778-8102 |
| Sheriff Department..... | 406-778-2879 |
| Treasurer..... | 406-778-7109 |

Custer County

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| Disaster & Emergency Services..... | 406-853-4623 |
| Treasurer..... | 406-874-3427 |
| County Attorney..... | 406-874-3310 |
| Commissioners..... | 406-874-3352 |
| Planning..... | 406-234-6339 |
| Sheriff..... | 406-874-3320 |
| Fire..... | 406-874-3510 |
| District Court..... | 406-874-3326 |
| Justice Court..... | 406-874-3408 |
| Road & Bridge..... | 406-232-1970 |
| Fairgrounds..... | 406-234-3758 |
| Solid Waste District Landfill..... | 406-232-7991 |
| Public Health..... | 406-874-8700 |
| Weed Management..... | 406-874-3370 |

Powder River County

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| Clerk and Recorders..... | 406-436-2361 |
| Clerk of District Court..... | 406-436-2320 |
| County Assessor..... | 406-436-2407 |
| County Attorney..... | 406-436-2365 |
| County Commissioners..... | 406-436-2361 |
| Justice of the Peace..... | 406-436-2503 |
| Medical Clinic..... | 406-436-2651 |
| Public Health..... | 406-436-2297 |
| Road Department..... | 406-436-2248 |
| Sanitarian..... | 406-366-1424 |
| Senior Center..... | 406-436-2635 |
| Sheriff's Office..... | 406-436-2333 |
| Superintendent of Schools..... | 406-436-2488 |
| Public Transportation..... | 406-436-2243 |
| Treasurer..... | 406-436-2444 |
| Weed District..... | 406-436-2405 |



Carter county was created by the Montana State Legislature on February 22, 1917, and was named in honor of United States Senator, Thomas Henry Carter. One of its earliest buildings was a courthouse built in 1920 that is still in use today. The main industry of the area is beef production with ranching and farming following. The population in 1920 was around 2,972 and today its population is around 1,160.

- Towns:**
 Ekalaka (county seat) - pop. 332
- Census-designated place:**
 Alzada - pop. 29

- Unincorporated communities:**
 Boyes
 Capitol
 Hammond
 Mill Iron
 Ridge

Alzada

Alzada was first established in 1878 as Camp Devin by the 9th U.S. Infantry soldiers. Later it was named Stoneville after the local bartender Lou Stone. Stoneville didn't last very long because of confusion with another similarly named community. It was eventually named Alzada after the early settler Laura Alzada Shelden. In 1997 a B-1 bomber crashed near Alzada and the small town was briefly in the news. It is home to around 29 residents.

Ekalaka (County Seat)

Ekalaka is named after Ijkalaka, the wife of David H. Russell. She was born in 1858 and was the daughter of Eagle Man, an Oglala Sioux. Russell was the first white settler in the valley and the town formed on the edge of his ranch. In 1885 a man named Carter opened a saloon in the town and is credited for saying "Anyplace is a good place to open a saloon". The town soon became a trade center for cattle ranchers and shepherders. The population today is around 332.



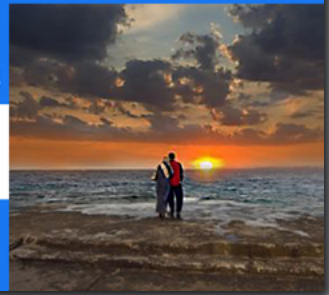
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Custer County was established in 1877 and named after General George A. Custer. General Custer was a cavalry commander in the American Civil War and the American Indian Wars. Custer had a good reputation during the Civil War. He fought in one of the first major battles, the First Battle of Bull Run. When Custer was dispatched to fight in the American Indian Wars he didn't do as well. He and all his men were killed at the Battle of the Little Bighorn fighting against an alliance of Native American tribes. The battle is popularly known in American history as "Custer's Last Stand". He is mainly remembered for this battle and not his prior achievements. Custer County celebrates its rich western history. The main source of income still comes from cattle ranching and dryland farming. Custer County covers 3,793 square miles and is home to approximately 11,699 residents.

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|--------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|
| Cities: | Towns: | Unincorporated communities: |
| Miles City (county seat) | Ismay - | Volborg |
| - pop. 8,410 | pop. 19 | Kinsey |

Ismay

Ismay is thought to be named after Isabelle and Mary Peck, George W. Pecks daughters. He was the general counsel for the railroad at that time. The government wanted the lands in this area to be settled and passed a homestead act in 1909. This would give anyone 320 acres if they agreed to farm it. People started flocking to the area looking for better quality of life. But the government had lied, spreading false brochures around with pictures of lush fields and saying the area had tropical weather, when it was actually more like a desert. Most people left leaving the area barren and abandoned again. Ismay is home to around 19 people currently.

Miles City (County Seat)

Miles City was incorporated in 1887 as the county seat of Custer County. It was named after the U.S. Army officer General Nelson Appleton Miles. Miles City like many of the surrounding cities owe their existence to the soldiers who staked claim there. But it was the settlers that were looking for new areas to better their lives that helped the city remain and grow. The city experienced rapid growth until the 1930s, but with the upriver town of Billings getting an oil refining center, banking center, and a medical service center first the city became less desirable. The city is 3.3 square miles and has approximately 8,410 residents.

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Powder River County was established in 1909 and named after the Powder River. The Powder River got its name from the gun powder colored sand of the river banks. Shortly after the county was established, Broadus was chosen as the county seat in 1920. The county is mainly rural and agricultural land with limited oil and timber production, although there are substantial reserves of these resources. Powder River County covers 3,298 square miles and is home to approximately 1,743 residents.

Town:

Broadus (county seat) - pop. 468

Census-designated place:

Biddle - pop. 61

Unincorporated communities:

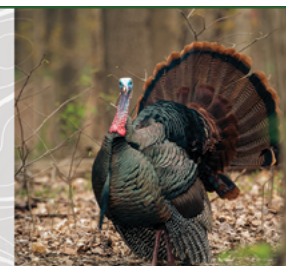
- Belle Creek
- Coalwood
- Epsie
- Moorhead
- Olive
- Otter
- Powderville
- Sonnette

Biddle

Biddle started growing in the 1900's and its first post office was established in 1916. It is near the Little Powder River but has no water in its borders. The area gets around 14.5 inches of rain per year and 39 inches of snow. Biddle has 17.27 square miles of land and approximately 61 residents.

Broadus (County Seat)

Broadus was named after the Broaddus family, they were early settlers in the area. Its first post office was established in 1900 and also called Broadus. The area is known for its amazing wild life, making it great for photography, hiking, and hunting. Native Americans have called this land home for a long time and as a result it is common to find arrowheads and artifacts scattered around, with a possibility of finding skeletal remains from dinosaurs. Broadus is home to approximately 468 residents.



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!**



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Hell Creek State Park

2456 Hell Creek Road | Jordan, MT 59337
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Makoshika State Park

1301 Snyder St. | Glendive, MT 59330
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Medicine Rocks State Park

1141 MT-7 | Ekalaka, MT 59324
406-377-6256

Pirogue Island State Park

59N & Kinsey Road/Hwy 489 | Miles City, MT
59301 | 406-377-6256

Pumping Plant Park

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406-377-6256

Riverside Park

Miles City, MT 59301
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Spotted Eagle Recreation Area

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Carter County Museum

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Ekalaka, MT 59324
406-775-6886

Devils Tower National Monument

WY-110
Devils Tower, WY 82714
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Eagle Creek Campground

NF-3243
Gardiner, MT 59030
406-848-7375

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619 Pleasant St.
Miles City, MT 59301
406-234-3234

Fallon County Fairgrounds

3440 MT-7
Baker, MT 59313
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Fallon County Public Library

6 W Fallon Ave.
Baker, MT 59313
406-778-7160

Hell Creek Campground

2456 Hell Creek Rd.
Jordan, MT 59337
406-557-2362

Holiday Spring Campground

E Fork Rd.
Ashland, MT 59003
406-784-2344

Makoshika Campground

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Glendive, MT 59330
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Medicine Rocks State Park

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Ekalaka, MT
406-377-6256

Miles City KOA

1 Palmer St.
Miles City, MT 59301
406-232-3991

Miles City Public Library

1 - S. 10th St.
Miles City, MT 59301
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Milwaukee Park Disc Golf Course

1509 Lincoln St.
Miles City, MT 59301
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352 I-94BL
Miles City, MT 59301
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Montana Theatre

905 Main St.
Miles City, MT 59301
406-232-2958

O'Fallon Historical Museum

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Baker, MT 59313
406-778-3265

Powder River Historical Museum

102 Wilson St. W
Broadus, MT 59317
406-436-2352

Range Riders Museum

435 L.P. Anderson Rd.
I-94 Business Loop
Miles City, MT 59301
406-232-6146

Red Shale Campground & Geocache Site

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Ashland, MT 59003
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Tilt Würks Brewhouse & Casino

420 Pacific Ave.
Miles City, MT 59301
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Tongue River Reservoir Campground

290 Campers Point
Decker, MT 59025
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Tongue River Winery

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MT HUNTING SEASONS, 2023

Montana Antelope Seasons

900 series: Aug. 15 - Nov. 12

Archery: Sept. 2 - Oct. 6

General: Oct. 7 - Nov. 12

Montana Bighorn Sheep Seasons

Archery: Sept. 2 - Sept. 14

General: Sept. 15 - Nov. 26

Montana Black Bear Seasons

Spring: Apr. 15 - May 31 or June 15

Spring Hound Hunting: Apr. 15 - May 25

Spring Hound Training: June 1 - June 15

Archery: Sept. 2 - Sept. 14

Fall: Sept. 15 - Nov. 26

Montana Deer & Elk Seasons

Archery: Sept. 2 - Oct. 15

Youth, deer only: Oct. 19 - Oct. 20

General: Oct. 21 - Nov. 26

Shoulder seasons: Aug. 15 - Feb. 15,

varying dates before and/or after the

archery and general seasons

Muzzleloader: Dec. 9 - 17

Backcountry - HD's 150, 280, 316*

Archery: Sept. 3 - Sept. 14

General: Sept. 15 - Nov. 27

*HD 316 does not have an Archery-only

Season

Montana Bison Seasons

Nov. 15 - Feb. 15, 2024

Moose

Sept. 15 - Nov. 26

Mountain Goat

Sept. 15 - Nov. 26

Mountain Lion

Archery (without dogs): Sept. 3 - Oct. 16

Fall (without dogs): Oct. 22 - Nov. 27

Winter: Dec. 1 - April 14

Resident Hound Training Season: Dec.

2 - April 14

Upland Game Birds Seasons

Mountain Grouse: Sept. 1 - Jan. 1

Partridge: Sept. 1 - Jan. 1 (except for

portion of Carbon County, where it is

Sept. 1 - Jan. 10)

Ring-necked Pheasant: Oct. 7 - Jan. 1

Youth Hunt: Sept. 23 - Sept. 24

Sage Grouse: Sept. 1 - Sept. 30

Sharp-tailed Grouse: Sept. 1 - Jan. 1

Falconry: Sept. 1 - March 31

Turkey

Spring: April 15 - May 31

Fall: Sept. 1 - Jan. 1

Furbearer Seasons

For general reference only. 2022 dates adopted in August, 2022.

Trapping Districts 1, 2 & 3

Beaver Nov 1-April 15, 2023

Bobcat Dec 1-Feb 15, 2023*

Trapping Districts 4, 5, 6 & 7

Beaver Sept 1-May 31, 2023

Bobcat Dec 1-Mar 1, 2023*

Portion of Trapping District 6

Swift Fox Nov 1-Mar 1, 2023*

Fisher, Marten, Wolverine (where open) Dec 1-Feb 15, 23*

Mink, Muskrat, Otter Nov 1-April 15, 2023*

* May close earlier when the quota is reached.

*At the time of publication not all 2024 season dates were available.

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(406) 828-4404

Baker

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116 W Montana Ave. | Po Box 1300
(406) 778-2411

Runnings Farm And Fleet

130 Lakeview Shopping Ctr. | Po Box 520
(406) 778-2795

Broadus

Powder River Taxidermy
708 S Park Ave. | Po Box 693
(406) 436-2393

Miles City

Fish Wildlife & Parks - Region 7
352 I-94 Business Loop | Po Box 1630
(406) 234-0913

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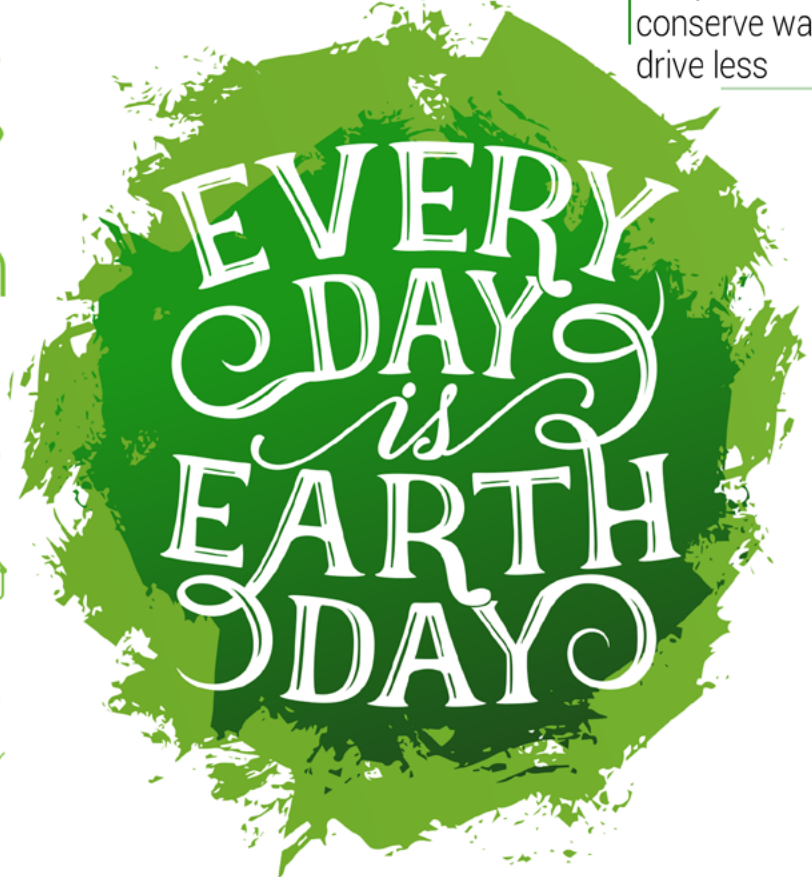
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Composting: Decreases the amount of trash in landfills and reduces carbon emissions.

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.



FISHING SEASONS & RECORDS

2024 Montana Fishing Seasons Lakes & Reservoirs - Open all year Rivers & Streams

• *Western District* - 3rd Sat in May through Nov. 30 unless otherwise specified in Exceptions to Standard Regulations.

• *Central District* - Open all year, unless otherwise specified in Exceptions to Standard Regulations.

• *Eastern District* - Open all year

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| FISH | MONTANA NATIVE | LENGTH (inches) | WEIGHT | SITE | ANGLER | DATE |
|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------------|---------|
| Arctic Grayling | ■ | 20 | 3.63 lbs. | Washtub Lake | Glenn Owens | 6/28/03 |
| Bigmouth Buffalo | ■ | 40.7 | 57.75 lbs. | Nelson Reservoir | Craig D. Grassel | 6/4/94 |
| Black Bullhead | | 14.37 | 2.60 lbs. | Smiley Slough | Birrell White | 6/20/09 |
| Black Crappie | | 16.7 | 3.13 lbs. | Tongue River Reservoir | Al Elser | 1973 |
| Bluegill | | 11 | 2.64 lbs. | Peterson's Stock Dam | Brent Fladmo | 6/3/83 |
| Blue Sucker | ■ | 34.56 | 13.29 | Marias River | Jason Karls | 4/19/19 |
| Brook Trout | | | 9.06 lbs. | Lower Two Medicine Lake | John R. Cook | 1940 |
| Brown Trout | | 37 | 32.42 | Marias River | Robbie Dockter | 3/3/21 |
| Bull Trout (Dolly Varden) | ■ | 37 | 25.63 lbs. | | James Hyer | 1916 |
| Burbot | ■ | 39 | 17.08 lbs. | Missouri River Wolf Point | Jeff Eugene Iwen | 4/18/89 |
| Channel Catfish | ■ | 38.75 | 35.18 | Colstrip Surge Pond | John D. Smith | 7/7/19 |
| Chinook Salmon | | 38.125 | 32.05 | Fort Peck Reservoir | Greg Haug | 8/16/20 |
| Cisco | | 18.2 | 2.08 lbs. | Missouri River | Troy Holstein | 6/2/14 |
| Creek Chub | ■ | 11.0 | .52 lbs. | Harbaugh Bass Pond | William Bibeau | 5/12/13 |
| Coho Salmon | | 25.5 | 4.88 lbs. | Fort Peck Reservoir Face of Dam | Irven F. Stohl | 5/29/73 |
| Common Carp | | 38 | 40.2 lbs. | Nelson Reservoir | Jared S. Albus | 5/24/98 |
| Cutthroat Trout | ■ | | 16 lbs. | Red Eagle Lake | Wm. D. Sands | 1955 |
| Emerald Shiner | | 3.43 | 0.01 lbs. | Park Grove Bridge | Ike Braaten | 6/9/06 |
| Fathead Minnow | ■ | 2.7 | 0.01 lbs. | Dollar Lake | Chris Gustine | 5/30/14 |
| Flathead Chub | ■ | 11.2 | 0.59 lbs. | Thornton Pond | Douglas Jordan | 4/29/01 |
| Freshwater Drum | ■ | 29.5 | 21.59 lbs. | Fort Peck - Ghost Coulee | Matt Washut | 5/3/03 |
| Golden Trout | | 23.5 | 5.43 lbs. | Cave Lake | Mike Malixi | 7/16/00 |
| Goldeye | ■ | | 3.18 lbs. | Nelson Reservoir | Don Nevriy | 7/4/00 |
| Green Sunfish | | 10.0 | 0.85 lbs. | Gartside Reservoir | Garin Hicks | 5/27/23 |
| Kokanee Salmon | | 26.8 | 7.85 lbs. | Hauser Lake | John Bomar | 9/23/03 |
| Lake Chub | ■ | 3.9 | .02 lbs. | Teton River | Joe Hagenruber | 8/22/10 |
| Lake Trout | | 42.5 | 42.69 lbs. | Flathead Lake | Ruth Barber | 6/23/04 |
| Lake Whitefish | | 27 | 10.46 lbs. | Flathead Lake | Swan McDonald V | 8/26/06 |
| Largemouth Bass | | 22.5 | 9.58 | Lake Elmo | Brandon Wright | 4/24/21 |
| Largescale Sucker | ■ | 23.1 | 6.16 lbs. | Woodland Pond | Kevin Fraley | 6/27/08 |
| Longnose Sucker | ■ | 19.5 | 4.21 | Holter Lake | Austin Wargo | 5/17/21 |
| Mottled Sculpin | ■ | | 0.05 lbs. | Belt Creek (North of Neihart MT) | Brad Sullivan | 7/30/01 |
| Mountain Sucker | ■ | 6.2 | 1.60 oz. | Beaver Creek Reservoir | Robert Garwood | 4/23/01 |

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| Mountain Whitefish | ■ | 23 | 5.11 lbs. | Hauser Reservoir | Walt Goodman | 10/10/07 |
| Northern Pike | ■ | 27.125 | 7.88 lbs. | Noxon Rapids Reservoir | Darrel Torgrimson | 5/28/91 |
| Northern Pike | | | 37.5 lbs. | Tongue River Reservoir | Lance Moyer | 1972 |
| Paddlefish | ■ | 77 | 142.5 lbs. | Missouri River Near Kipp Park | Larry Branstetter | 5/20/73 |
| Pallid Sturgeon | ■ | | 60 lbs. | Yellowstone River Near Sidney | Gene Sattler | 5/13/79 |
| Peamouth | ■ | 16.125 | 1.52 lbs. | Clark Fork River | Mike Jensen | 7/29/07 |
| Pumpkinseed | | 9.5 | 0.96 lbs. | Upper Thompson Lake | Nathan Bache | 7/30/06 |
| Pygmy Whitefish | ■ | 9.84 | 0.36 lbs. | Little Bitterroot Lake | Richard Geldrich | 2/13/10 |
| Rainbow Smelt | | 7.1 | 0.08 | Fort Peck Reservoir | Nathan Cooper | 2/18/20 |
| Rainbow Trout | | 38.62 | 33.1 lbs. | Kootenai River David Thompson Brdg | Jack G. Housel, Jr. | 8/11/97 |
| Rainbow-Cutthroat Hybrid Trout | | 35.75 | 30.25 lbs. | Ashley Lake | Pat Kelley | 5/16/82 |
| Redside Shiner | ■ | 6.5 | 0.10 lbs. | Lost Lake | Josh Ahles | 8/21/01 |
| River Carpsucker | ■ | 24 | 6.95 lbs. | Fort Peck Reservoir | Brady Miller | 8/15/08 |
| Rock Bass | | 10.8 | 1.31 lbs. | Lower Crazy Head Springs Pond | Karson Campbell | 4/26/14 |
| Sauger | ■ | 28.2 | 8.805 lbs. | Fort Peck Reservoir | Gene Moore | 12/12/94 |
| Saugeye | | | 15.66 lbs. | Fort Peck Reservoir Squaw Creek | Myron Kibler | 1/11/95 |
| Shorthead Redhorse | ■ | 20.25 | 4.68 lbs. | Marias River Near Loma | Ray Quigley | 4/14/85 |
| Shortnose Gar | ■ | 35 | 7.41 lbs. | Fort Peck Dredge Cuts | Brandon Hansard | 5/16/13 |
| Shovelnose Sturgeon | ■ | 39.75 | 14.125 lbs. | Missouri River | Chad Buck | 5/21/10 |
| Smallmouth Bass | | 22 | 7.84 | Fort Peck Reservoir | Theron Thompson | 10/3/20 |
| Smallmouth Buffalo | ■ | 38 | 38 lbs. | Nelson Reservoir | Brady Miller | 4/28/07 |
| Spottail Shiner | | 3.0 | .02 lbs. | Tiber Reservoir | Joe Hagenruber | 8/14/10 |
| Stonecat | ■ | 10 | 0.54 lbs. | Milk River | Dale Bjerga | 6/16/96 |
| Tiger Muskellunge | | 50 | 38.75 lbs. | Deadmans Basin Reservoir | Leo Cantin | 9/2/12 |
| Tiger Trout | | 20.6 | 4.04 lbs. | Bear Lake | Joe Sobczak | 2/9/97 |
| Utah Chub | | | 1.81 lbs. | Canyon Ferry Reservoir | Eugene Bastian | 2/5/92 |
| Walleye | | 32.25 | 18.02 | Holter Lake | Trevor Johnson | 5/10/21 |
| White Bass | | 17 | 2.80 lbs. | Missouri River South of Bainville | Vernon Pacovsky | 10/13/07 |
| White Crappie | | 18.5 | 3.68 lbs. | Tongue River | Gene Bassett | 5/10/96 |
| White Sturgeon | ■ | 75 | 96 lbs. | Kootenai River | Herb Stout | 1968 |
| White Sucker | ■ | 21.625 | 5.33 lbs. | Nelson Reservoir | Fred Perry | 2/10/83 |
| Yellow Bullhead | ■ | 15.5 | 1.91 | Tongue River Reservoir | Robert Legge | 12/17/20 |
| Yellow Perch | | 14.375 | 2.39 lbs. | Lower Stillwater Lake | Josh Emmert | 2/19/06 |

10 Tips for Green Thumb GARDENING

Don't like all the dirt in your fingernails while you work in the garden? Before you go out, run your fingernails across a bar of soap and you'll effectively seal the undersides of your nails so dirt cannot accumulate. Then, after you are all done gardening, use a toothpick or nailbrush to remove the soap and your nails will be sparkling clean.

2. Spray vegetable oil on your string trimmer to help prevent jamming or breaking (Treat before installing string in trimmer).



Make a convenient measuring tool out of a long handled garden tool by laying it on the ground next to a tape measure. Use a permanent marker to copy the inches and feet. Next time you are spacing plants you already have a dual-purpose measuring tool in your hand!

Write the names of your plants (With a permanent marker) on the flat parts of stones of any size and lay them in front of your plants for natural looking markers.



The next time you boil or steam vegetables, use the leftover water to water potted patio plants, and you'll be surprised at how the plants grow with "vege-soup."

You can use leftover tea and coffee grounds to help acidify the soil of acid-loving plants like azaleas, rhododendrons, camellias, gardenias and blueberries. A light sprinkle of about 1/4 of an inch applied once a month will help keep the pH of the soil on the acidic side.



You can use chamomile tea to control damping-off fungus, which often attacks young seedlings quite suddenly. Just add some tea to the soil around the soil of seedlings once a week for healthy plant.

Here is a really quick way to dry out your herbs: Just lay a sheet of newspaper on the seat of your car, arrange the herbs in a single layer, then roll up the windows and shut the car doors. Your herbs will be dry in no time!



Use your blender to grind up egg shells. Just like a mother bird chews up worms for the baby birds making the food easier to digest, grinding eggshells makes it easy for your garden to absorb the calcium egg shells retain.

Animals (cats especially) seem to think all of the hard work you've put into your garden looks like a huge litter box. To keep them from pooping on your basil and other plants, strategically place a few plastic forks around your plants to deter them from destroying your fresh herbs, fruits, and vegetables.



So, You have decided to get a pet... NOW WHAT??

Commitment and Time: Owning a pet is a long-term commitment. Before bringing a pet home, consider your lifestyle and ensure you have enough time to spend with your pet. Dogs, cats, and many other animals require attention, exercise, and mental stimulation.

Choose the Right Pet for Your Lifestyle: Different pets have varying needs, temperaments, and activity levels. Research and select a pet that fits well with your lifestyle, living situation, and family dynamics. Whether you choose a dog, cat, bird, fish, or any other animal, make sure you can provide for its specific needs.

Proper Nutrition: Feed your pet a balanced and nutritious diet suitable for their species and age. Consult with a veterinarian to determine the best food options for your pet's health and well-being.

Regular Exercise: Most pets need regular physical activity to stay healthy and happy. Engage in playtime and exercise with your pet daily, as it helps prevent obesity and provides mental stimulation.

Routine Veterinary Care: Schedule regular check-ups with a veterinarian to monitor your pet's health, get necessary vaccinations, and address any concerns. Early detection of health issues can often lead to better outcomes.

Spaying/Neutering: Consider spaying or neutering your pet if you don't plan on breeding. This helps control the pet population and can have health benefits for your pet.

Training and Socialization: Properly train your pet to follow basic commands and have good manners. Socialize them with other animals and people from a young age to prevent behavioral issues later on.

Provide a Safe Environment: Ensure that your home and yard are safe for your pet. Remove hazards, keep toxic substances out of reach, and provide appropriate shelter from extreme weather conditions.

Grooming: Regular grooming is essential for most pets. Brush their fur, trim nails, and clean their ears as needed to keep them comfortable and healthy.

Identification and Microchipping: Keep identification tags with your current contact information on your pet's collar. Consider microchipping your pet as an extra measure to ensure they can be identified if lost.

Love and Attention: Pets thrive on love and attention from their owners. Spend quality time with your pet, provide affection, and build a strong bond.

Respect and Understanding: Learn to understand your pet's body language and behavior. Respect their boundaries and feelings, and avoid forcing them into uncomfortable situations.



Patience and Forgiveness: Pets, especially young ones, can be mischievous or have accidents. Be patient with them during the training process and forgive any mistakes they make along the way.

Emergency Preparedness: Have a plan in place for emergencies, including natural disasters. Know how to evacuate with your pet safely if needed.

If you have just rescued / adopted a new fur baby, please it is important to remember the 3-3-3 RULE:

3 Days:

In the first 3 days being in its new home, they will be feeling overwhelmed, scared & unsure of what is going on. They may also be uncomfortable being "themselves", and may not want to eat or drink. They may want to "shut down" or hide under a bed or in a crate, and they will test boundaries.

3 Weeks:

At this point, they may be a lot more comfortable & settling in. Learning a new routine can be overwhelming, so please be patient. By now they may have figured out the new environment & accepted that this may be their FURever home. Their personality traits will start to show, as well as any behavior issue that may be present.

3 Months:

For most fur babies, 3 months is enough time to finally be comfortable and begin to build trust and a true bond. A sense of security may be present & a set routine will help this process.

Please know that this is not the rule with every rescued or adopted pet, as some may need 6 months to a year to adjust & adapt, depending on MANY factors. Age of animal, what type of an environment did they come from?

DOG PARKS

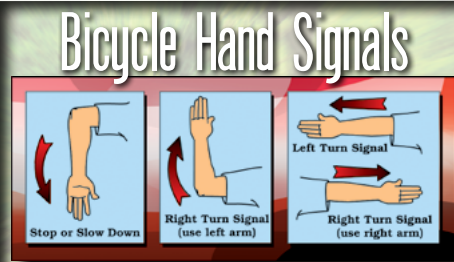
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Small Off Leash Dog Park •
Free Entry • Fenced



Be Aware of your Surroundings

- Always wear a properly fitting bike helmet as most serious injuries are to the head.
- Be sure your handlebars, seat and wheels fit snugly.
- Keep your bike in good shape by checking and oiling your chain, making sure your brakes work properly and maintaining your tire pressure.
- Always ride with both hands on the handlebars except when doing turn signals.
- When leaving a driveway, curb or alleyway always stop and check for traffic in both directions.
- Cross only at intersections.
- Use the crosswalk to walk your bike across busy intersections and follow the traffic signals.
- Never ride against traffic. Travel in the same direction as the cars.
- Whenever you can, use bike routes and avoid busy streets.
- Don't ride near parked cars as doors can open and cause accidents.
- Obey all traffic signs and traffic lights.
- When biking with friends, ride in a single file.
- Always pass other bikers or pedestrians on the left and say "On your left!" to make your presence known.
- Always use bicycle hand signals to alert traffic of your changing direction.



Drink lots of Water!



Know Your ATV

Read the owner's manual and know your vehicle thoroughly.

- Check your vehicle before you ride.
- Wear protective equipment and clothing.
- Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders.
- Supervise young or inexperienced riders.
- Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider.
- Do not operate under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Drive at speeds that are appropriate to trail conditions.
- Stay to the right on trails.
- Stay away from thin ice, open water and wetlands.
- Know the weather forecast.
- Make sure headlights and taillights work properly.
- Maintain safe distances between other riders.
- Reduce your speed when riding at night.
- Yield to other motor vehicles and trail users.
- Young or beginning riders are encouraged to take a safety training course.

- Do not consume alcohol or take drugs prior to or during your snowmobile trip. Doing so increases your chances of injury or death.
- Slow down and don't cut to the inside of the trail corners. It's dangerous and illegal.
- If you snowmobile at night, don't override your lights.
- Always use the buddy system. Never ride off alone.
- Drowning is one of the causes of many snowmobile fatalities. Whenever possible, avoid the ice.
- Wear sensible, protective clothing designed for operating a snowmobile.
- Use a full size helmet, goggles, or visor to prevent injuries from twigs, stones, ice chips and other debris.
- Avoid wearing long scarves. They may get caught in moving parts of the snowmobile.
- Know the terrain you are going to ride. If unfamiliar to you, ask someone who has traveled over it before.
- Know the weather forecast, especially the ice and snow conditions.
- Be sure your snowmobile is in top-notch mechanical condition throughout the months of use.
- Familiarize yourself with the snowmobile you are driving. Thoroughly read the manual that accompanies the snowmobile.
- Do not pursue domestic or wild animals. That is not the conduct of a sportsman. Report such violations to the nearest law enforcement officer.

Snowmobile Hand Signals



PRIVATE PROPERTY NO TRESPASSING

Please respect private property and no trespassing signs. Stay on trails. Exercise extreme caution on all lakes and streams. Obey all state and local laws and ordinances. Do not operate snowmobiles/ATVs on county roads or state highways.

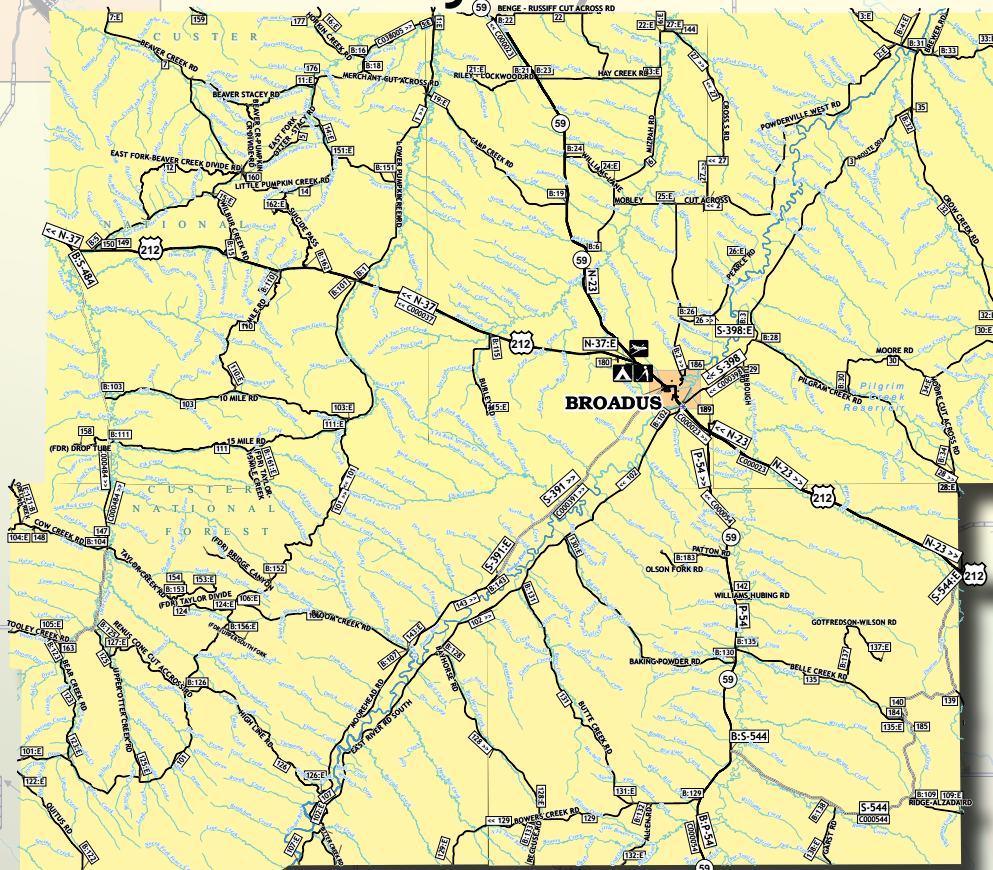
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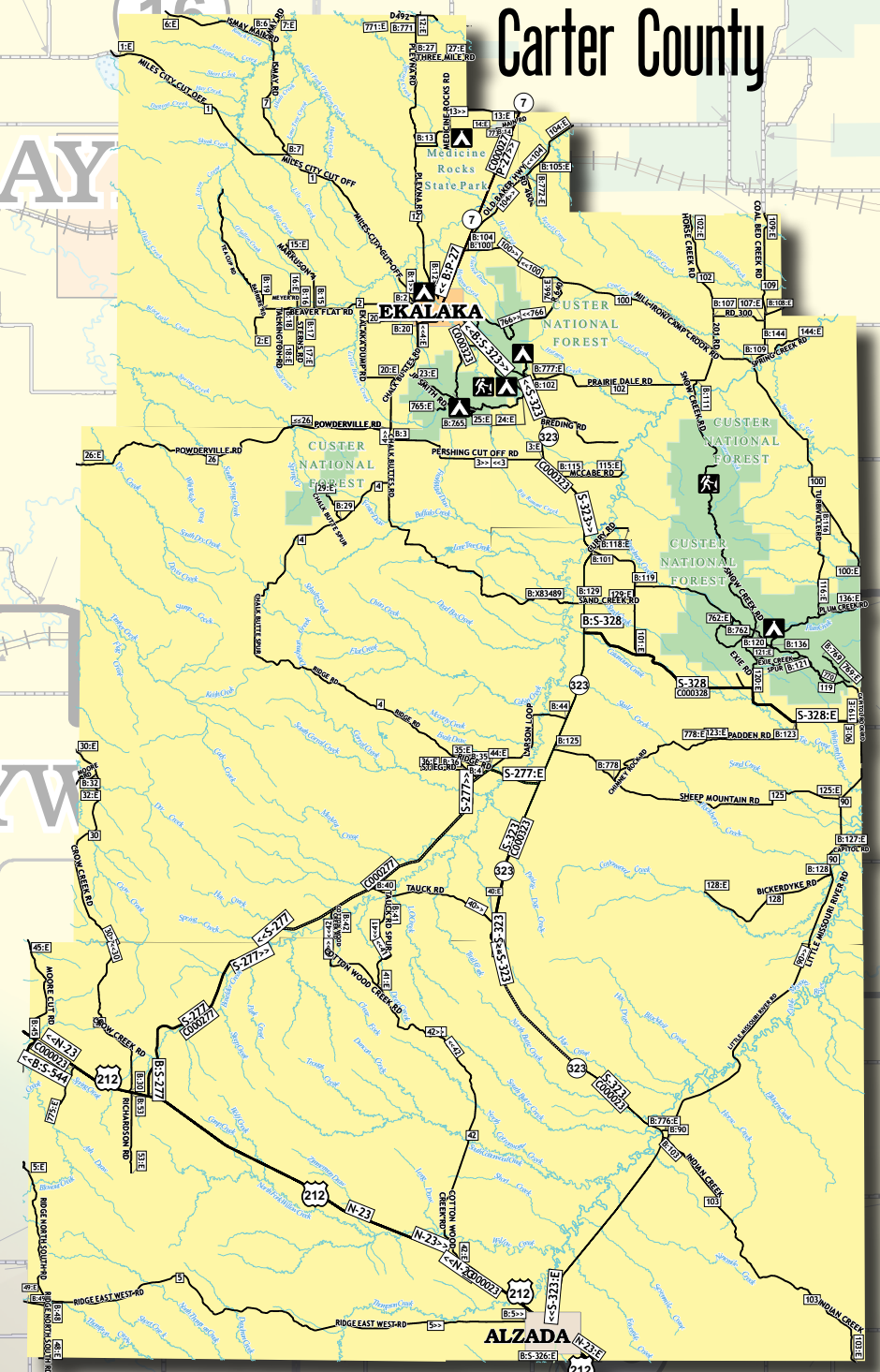
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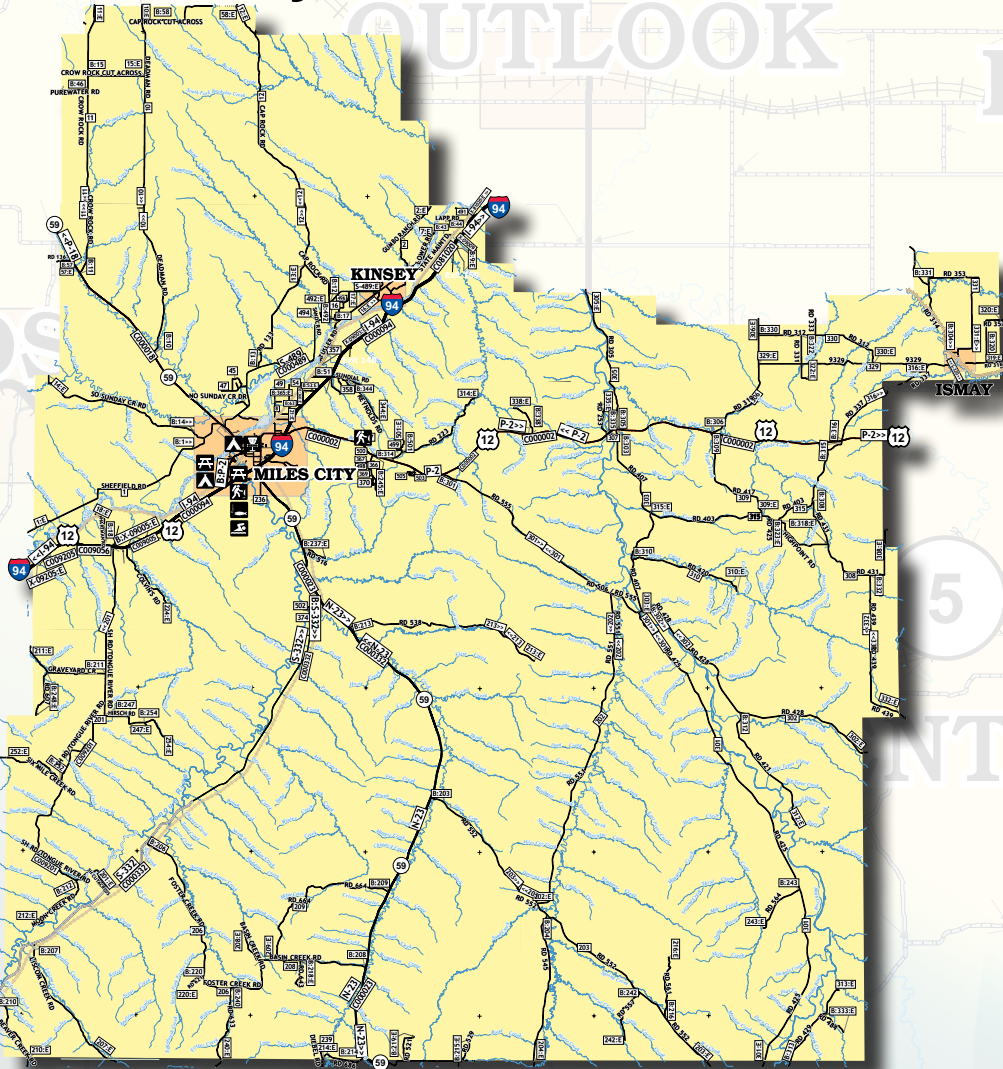
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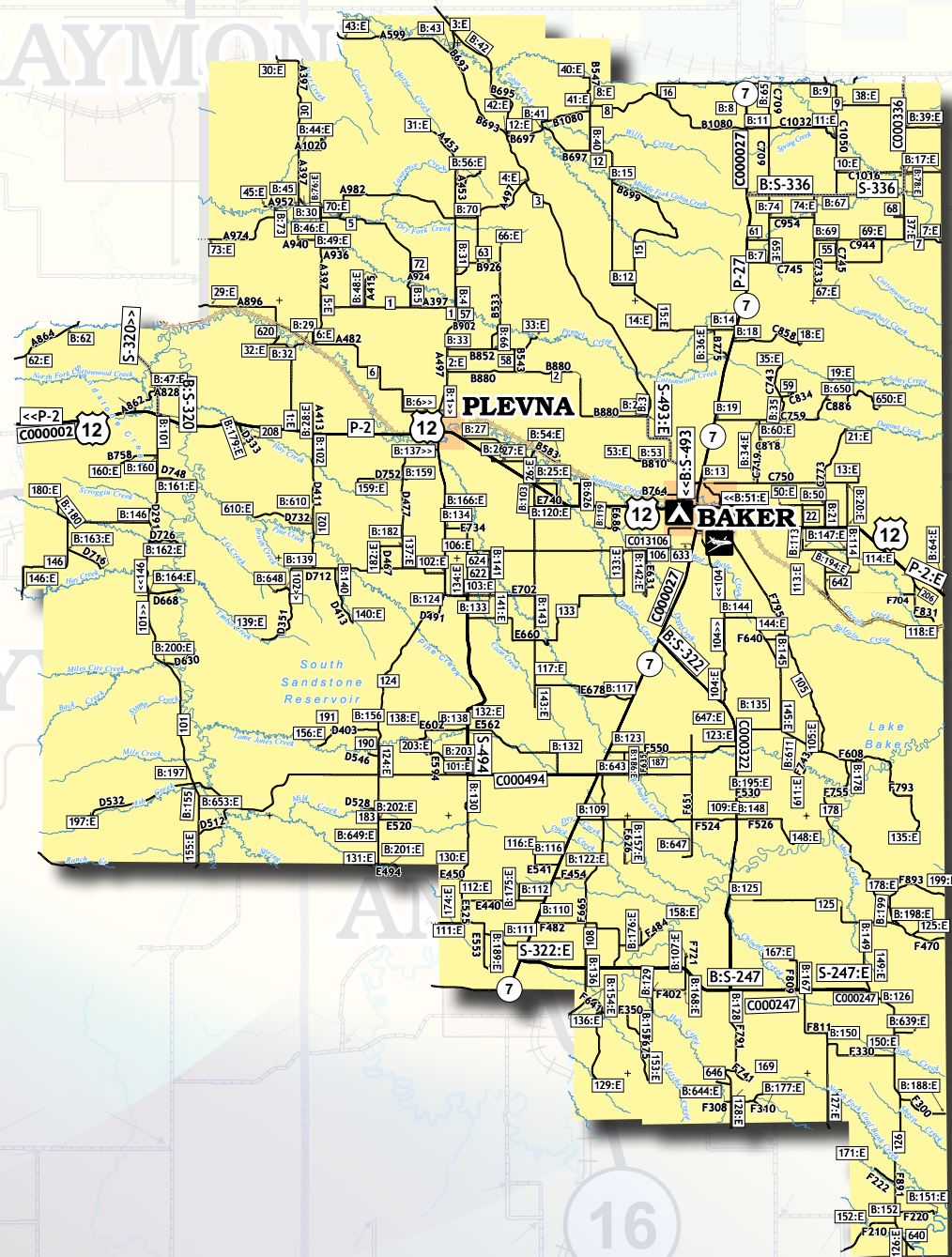
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Fishing Access



Picnic Area



Swimming Beach



Hiking Trail



Campground



Barbecue

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.



BUTTERED-UP Steak



Simple meal with a *Gourmet* Feel

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Take the steaks out of the refrigerator and let them come to room temperature for about 30 minutes. This helps the steak cook more evenly.
- 2 Preheat your oven to 400°F.
- 3 Season the steaks generously with salt and pepper on both sides.
- 4 Heat a large skillet over high heat until very hot. Add the steaks and cook for about 2-3 minutes per side, until nicely browned.
- 5 Remove the steaks from the skillet and place them on a baking sheet.
- 6 In the same skillet, add the butter and garlic. Cook for about 30 seconds, stirring constantly, until the garlic is fragrant.
- 7 Pour the garlic butter over the steaks on the baking sheet.
- 8 Place the baking sheet in the oven and cook for about 5-7 minutes for medium-rare doneness, or longer if you prefer your steak more well-done.
- 9 Remove the steaks from the oven and let them rest for a few minutes before slicing.
- 10 Serve the steak with any remaining butter from the baking sheet and fresh herbs if desired.

INGREDIENTS

- 2 steaks (ribeye or sirloin are good choices)
- Salt and pepper
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- Fresh herbs (optional)

Enjoy your delicious
buttered-up steak!

PREP: 35 MIN • TOTAL: 50 MIN

Travel

Choosing the
perfect
destination

What is your dream vacation? Do you want to lay on the beach, hike a mountain or explore a city? Questions like these are a good starting point to decide on where to go. Do research on some different areas and activities that may interest you and any others that you are traveling with to identify the most suitable vacation area.

How long do you plan on being gone? Don't try to go too far or jam in to many activities if you don't have the time. Leave some free time in your schedule to accommodate any unforeseen changes during the trip.

Depending on what type of climate you are wanting to vacation in, plan your trip for an appropriate time of the year in that area. Also watch out for peak seasons at some popular vacation destinations. At these times prices may be higher with larger crowds.

Plan:

- Research and learn about the area you are heading to
- Check the Travel Advisories for your intended destination
- Pack the appropriate clothing and supplies you will need for your trip
- Have a backup plan in case of injury or illness while on your trip
- Let friends or family know about your trip

Protect:

- Make sure the food and water in the area is safe to consume
- Protect your skin from the sun and insects
- Don't take any unnecessary risks
- Keep an eye on your health while traveling & when you get back

Shop • Dine
Play • Stay

LOCALLY



...and
support the
community you live in!