

# Devils Tower Country

Bordered by the Big Horn Mountains on the west, South Dakota to the east, the Montana border to the north, the Thunder Basin National Grassland to the south, Northeast Wyoming is rich with history. Traditionally shared by a number of Native American tribes, Northeast Wyoming was a location of a great deal of conflict between the Native Americans and the encroaching settlement of white settlers. The Powder River and Devils Tower National Monument are the natural wonders most often associated with this region of Wyoming.

Nearby nestled under the shadow of majestic Sundance Mountain in the Black Hills of Wyoming is the picturesque town of Sundance. The name relates to the history of the mountain, for it was this place Native Americans performed their sun dances.

One of the most notorious outlaws, the Sundance Kid, inherited his name from this quaint town when he was jailed for stealing horses from a local ranch. He later met up with his pal Butch Cassidy and thus became, the Wild Bunch Gang.

Sundance is a close 28 miles from our first national Monument, Devils Tower. While on the route of many traveling to Yellowstone National Park, Sundance offers a prime location for travelers to base their Black Hills vacation. The Sturgis motorcycle rally held every August is a convenient 45 minute drive from Sundance. Fishermen's wits are challenged by walleye and norther pike in Keyhole Reservoir and by trout in Sand Creek. The Vore Buffalo Jump offers a unique perspective into the Plains Indian life. The Bearlodge Ranger District of the Black Hills National Forest offers primitive camping at Reuter Springs, Bearlodge and Cook Lake campgrounds. The specially designed Sundance Campground, just three miles from town, offers horse-backers a site complete with corrals, water and handicap accessible mounting docks. Trails for mountain bikers, hikers, horse riders, cross-country skiers, snowmobilers and four-wheeler enthusiasts are all nearby.