



### Legends in Learning:

This day trip includes visits to four museums with outdoor activities peppered in. Allowing for a good mixture of learning and play for the family. It is about 203 miles and will cover the Northern and Southern Black Hills areas.

Here are the highlights!

**Crazy Horse Memorial- The World's Largest Mountain Carving**, dedicated to preserving & honoring the North American Indian living culture. Crazy Horse Memorial offers something for everyone with large museums featuring an extensive collection of Native American Artifacts, arts and crafts for the kids, seminars, laser light shows (at night), regular blasts on the Mountain, gift shop and restaurant.

**Journey Museum-** A wonderful educational venue with four collections that include displays on geology, archaeological research, Sioux Indian Museum and pioneer museum. Everything from rocks, dinosaurs & covered wagons can be found that the Journey.

**Fort Meade Museum-** Established as a working fort in 1879 as a military post protecting gold seekers and settlers and continued as an installation until 1944. This museum is a testament to military history in the Black Hills area.

**Bear Butte State Park-** Matho' Paha' or Bear Mountain is a religious site for many Plains Indian tribes. Named so because of it's shape is reminiscent of a sleeping bear. Stop in for a hike, picnic or visit the educational center.

**Rocky Point Recreation Area-** Created as a water storage system for agricultural use, the Rocky Point Recreation Area is a great stop for the water lover in the family. When the Orman Dam was completed in 1911 to create the

lake it was the largest earthen dam in the world.

Tri-State Museum- Exhibits focus on the early pioneer, rodeo and old west history. This museum can also boast that it is the geographic center of the United States (when taking into account Hawaii & Alaska). You can also visit the Johnny Spaulding house, built in 1876 this was the first home in Butte County.

D.C. Booth Historic Fish Hatchery- Visit for a close-up view of the fish production process. Over 20,000 rainbow trout are raised and shipped out of the hatchery every year. Educational tours of the site are available daily in the summer.

Tatanka Story of the Bison- Over 30-60 million bison once roamed the great plains of North America. By the end of the 19th century only about 1,000 remained. The Bison has made a comeback recently, this site tells the story of Tatanka. Enjoy a larger than life bronze sculpture and a hands-on interpretive center.