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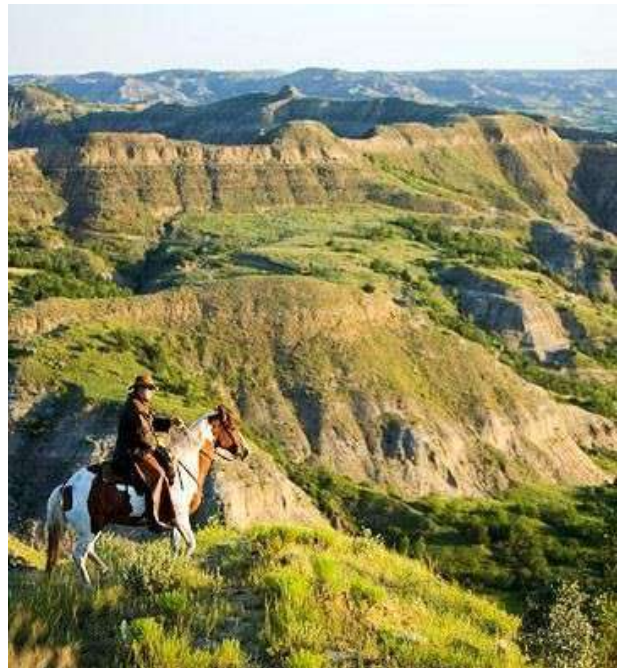
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It's a microcosm of many different cultures, brought by immigrants from all around the world, nestled in the rugged, enchanting and wild landscape at the edge of the North Dakota Badlands. As you travel the 64 miles of the Killdeer Mountain Four Bears Scenic Byway, the traditions of many nations unfold as the landscape ranges from shapely carved formations to vast prairie grasslands. Native Americans have prospered in the area for millenniums, ultimately congregating into the Three Affiliated Tribes of Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara. They were joined with Crimean Bohemians (from Bohemia), Ukrainians, Russian Germans, Scandinavians, Czechoslovakians, Germans, western cowboys, Texans, and Yankees from the East Coast.



The original Mandan nation were peaceful farmers and traders, thriving in what was known as the "Marketplace of the Central Plains." After an early smallpox epidemic, they banded with the Hidatsa to survive. The Arikara soon joined after they were forced northward by wars with the Lakota. In 1861, the Dakota Territory began to promote the "Myth of North Dakota" to attract immigrants who were promised the ability to own land.



As you drive north, you'll be treated to stunning landscape views of the rolling prairie hills of cattle country along a gently winding road. The influence of Ukrainian and Bohemian heritage in the architecture is quite apparent. Further north, buildings are reminiscent of the architectural styles of the Black Sea region of

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Russia. When you reach Killdeer, in the most rugged region of the North Dakota Badlands, you'll be in the cowboy capital of North Dakota where ranchers trace their roots back to the mid-1800's. As you travel past the Killdeer Mountains the famous Badland pinnacles come into view at Little Missouri State Park, where the most recent configurations of the Badlands that are the most rugged.



Make time to savor the scenic beauty and picturesque natural wonders of the highly eroded hills, the unique foodways all up and down the route, historic buildings constructed from the only materials available, yet stylized to resemble the old country, and all the other heritage and culture you'll find along the very scenic route.

Touring the Byway

We recommend starting your journey in Dickinson, the "Queen City of the Prairies." Discover the heritage of the area at the Dickinson Museum Center with life-sized dinosaurs and an array of fossils. New Hradec, settled in 1861, 15 miles north of Dickinson is the only documented community of Crimean Bohemians in the United States. Bohemians here were not defined as we do today, they hailed from the Bohemia region in Crimea, known for a hard work ethic and deep devotion to family and community. Saints Peter and Paul Church, over 100 years old, is a good example of their eclectic architecture.

North of Manning, the Hurmacher Farm was constructed of cedar, rock, sod and dirt, the only locally available materials. Further north, the land becomes more rugged with rocky hills punctuated with hundreds of ranches with thousands of cattle. Swing up into Killdeer for a quick lunch before heading to Lake Ilo National Wildlife Refuge and Dunn Center.

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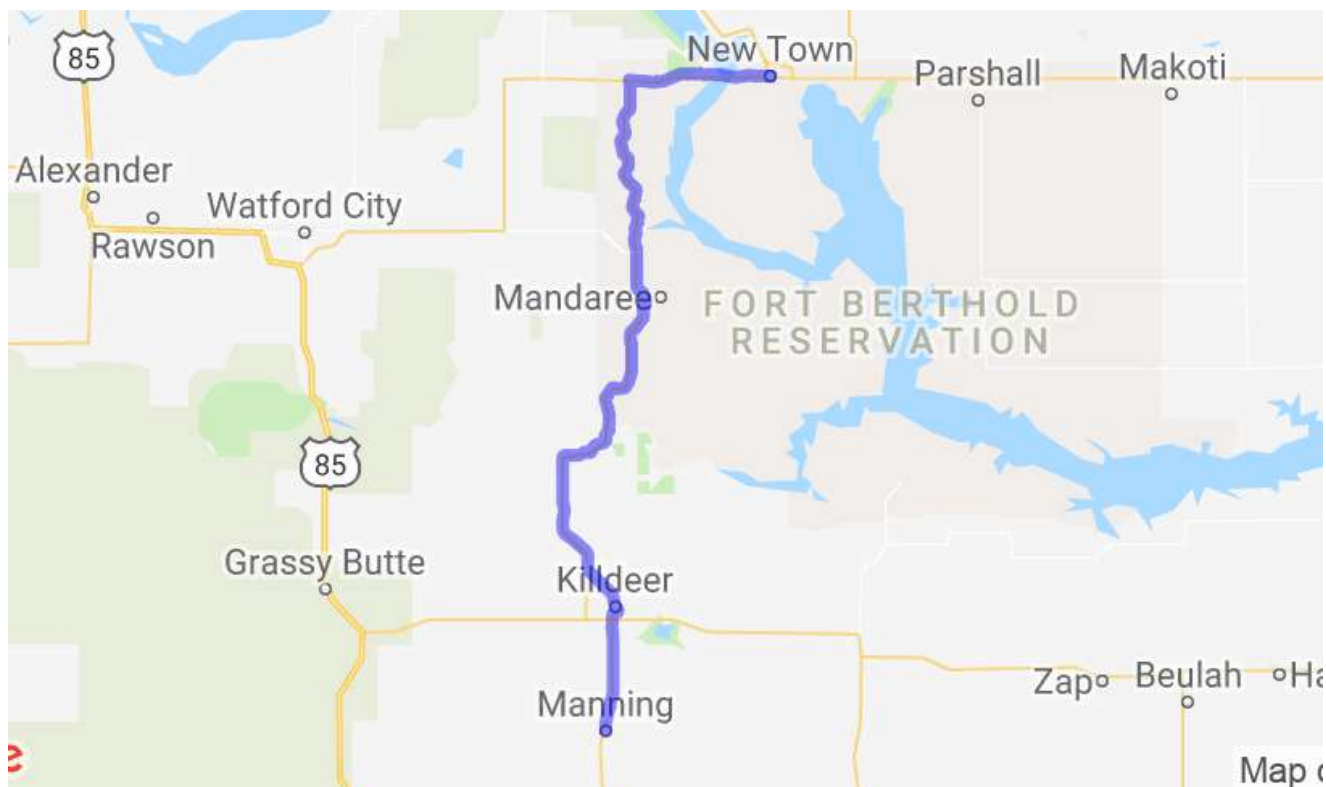
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Further north in the Killdeer Mountains, you'll discover the Killdeer Mountain Battlefield honoring those on both sides of the battle who fought the Plains Indian War. North of Killdeer, you'll be crossing the rim of the valley and descending to the Little Missouri River and Lost Bridge. The Fort Berthold Indian Reservation is now reaping the one-time harvest of oil on their land. The unspoiled beauty of the Badlands remains virtually unchanged as you reach Crow Flies High Butte Overlook where William Clark waited to reunite with Meriwether Lewis. At low water, you may catch a glimpse of the town of Sanish, which was flooded by the lake. The Crow Files High Overlook delivers breathtaking views of Four Bears Bridge, Lake Sakakawea, and the Badlands bluffs.

Four Bears Bridge takes you into New Town, home of the historic Earth Lodges, which the MHA nation restored for spiritual activities and as a way to illustrate early life in the area. From there, we wish you a safe and pleasant journey home, or on another North Dakota Scenic Byway.



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DAY ONE



Dickinson

Founded by the railroad in 1880 as Pleasant Valley Siding, Dickinson was renamed for the railroad official who platted the town. The area was ultimately settled by Russian, Ukrainian, Scandinavian, and German immigrants who were attracted to the productive prairie soil. Their varied culture and traditions still shape life in the area, from farm homesteads to the annual Ukrainian Festival.

Dickinson Downtown Walking Tour

Experience the unique history and architecture of downtown Dickinson, built on the railroad and ranching.

Begins at 215 Sims Street, Dickinson, ND 58601

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Dickinson Museum Center

The 12-acre campus of the Dickinson Museum Center hosts four complimentary parts that include the Badlands Dinosaur Museum, with the largest collection of dinosaur fossils on display in North Dakota. The collection includes a complete Triceratops skull, six full dinosaur skeletons, hundreds of fossils, and a colorful mineral collection. You can watch the paleontologists at work in the fossil lab preparing recently discovered fossils for display. The Joachim Regional Museum celebrates Dickinson's heritage. Prairie Outpost Park features historic and ethnic



structures that tell the story of southwest North Dakota. Pioneer Machinery Hall holds a marvelous collection of historic agricultural implements. 188 Museum Drive East, Dickinson, ND 58601, 701-456-6225, M-Sat 9AM-5PM, Sunday Noon-5PM, Memorial Day and Labor Day \$6 Adults

Ukrainian Cultural Institute

The first Ukrainian immigrants escaping Protestant persecutions in Czarist Russia, came to North Dakota in 1867, attracted by the ability to own land Homestead Act to be able to own land. The Cultural Institute features folk art, cultural exhibits, religious displays, and a research library, plus showcasing beautiful hand-crafted "Psyanky" Eggs, each one individually created with themes and stories. Embroidered cloths adorn the walls next to the heritage paintings of the early settlers. The museum's Varenyky, better known as "Cheese Buttons" are distributed in stores across the upper Midwest. Traditional Lenten meals and summer events feature the history and "Stepovi Dity," Ukrainian dancers in colorful costumes. 1221 West Villard Street, Dickinson, ND 58601, 701-483-1486, M-F 9AM-3PM

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Destination Accommodations

Roosevelt Grand Dakota Hotel, BW Signature Collection, 532 15th Street West, Dickinson, ND 58601, 701-483-5600

The Roosevelt Grand Dakota Hotel is the only full-service hotel in Dickinson. Amenities include complimentary full breakfast, onsite restaurant, indoor heated pool, hot tub, exercise facility, guest laundry, barber/beauty shop, complimentary business center, and satellite TV. Rooms include a coffee maker, microwave, refrigerator, desk, and high-speed internet.

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Destination Distinctive Dining

Brickhouse Grille, 2 West Villard Street, Dickinson, ND 58601, 701-483-9900

The "New York" style eatery Brickhouse Grille, is the oldest fine dining restaurant in Dickinson. Located in a historic brick building, the menu includes exotic seafood to 21-day aged Angus beef, 24 signature martinis, fine wines and liquors and an exclusive lunch menu.

Fluffy Fields Vineyard & Winery, 2708 21st Street East, Dickinson, ND 58601, 701-483-2242

For a sip or light meal, the winery's tasting room features daily wine tastings, wine by the glass, locally brewed beer by the glass, and a small menu. Enjoy the outdoor patio or a beautiful North Dakota sunset by a nice fire. Weather permitting, take a guided tour of the vineyard or just wander around in the fresh air.

Destination Distinctive Retail

Settled on Spruce, 1462 I-94 Business Loop East, Dickinson, ND 58601

Discover home items, apparel, and gifts at this unique shopping boutique

Sparrow's Cottage Mercantile, 42 Sims Street, Suite 10, Dickinson, ND 58601

Sparrow's Cottage is all about "Vintage Inspired Décor," including antiques and up-cycled finds, signs, floral, rusty decor, as well as new items. Free gift wrap, refreshments, and popcorn.

P Frame Shop & Western Edge Gallery, 6 West Villard Street, Dickinson, ND 58601

701-483-8495 M-F 10AM-6PM, Sat 10AM-2PM

Showcases local, regional, and well-known artists, as well as Pride of Dakota products and unique gifts.

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DAY TWO

New Hradec

Named Novy Hradec, Czech for New Castle, New Hradec was established in 1887 by immigrants from Ukrainian Crimea, where they had emigrated prior to coming to the United States.

Saints Peter and Paul Church

This church is considered the most significant representation of New Hradec's Czech heritage. Founded in 1898, the current building constructed in 1917 includes original wood floors and pews as well as plaster Stations of the Cross. Outside, a grotto is dedicated to Holy Mary. The cemetery has Czech headstones with Czech inscriptions. In addition to the church, the property includes a school building and bell tower with an eight-sided wooden spire at its peak. 101 Lafayette Street, New Hradec, ND 58601, 701-225-2644

Hutmacher Farmstead

Located near the beginning of the Killdeer Four Bears Scenic Byway, the Hutmacher Farmstead illustrates early life in the area. With no trees available, and lumber too expensive, for many years settlers lived in sod houses, with vermin and insects, and roofs that needed constant attention. This farm in particular, considered the



Midwest's finest example of an earthen house, was constructed in 1911 by immigrants from South Russia, reflecting traditional ethnic architecture from the Black Sea region of Russia and Ukraine, that was also home to many German Russians. The structures here include a house, below-grade cellar, the ruins of a barn and granary, a summer

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kitchen, butchering shed, poultry barn and a garage, which likely held livestock. Exterior surfaces of the sandstone walls were covered with a mixture of clay and chapped straw. The walls and roofs are currently being rebuilt and visitors with extra time are welcome to participate in the restoration and preservation of the site.

On the Byway northwest of Manning, 701-356-3001

Destination Distinctive Dining

Nana Lil's Café, 51 Railroad Street SE, Killdeer, ND 58640, 701-764-6346

Family friendly café with a breakfast menu, and a variety of burgers, sandwiches, fries and ice cream.

Lake Ilo National Wildlife Refuge

After years of drought during the Depression construction of a dam began in 1936 at the confluence of Spring and Murphy Creeks, creating the first major lake in the area to benefit farmers, ranchers, the town's people, and wildlife. The Lake Ilo National Wildlife Refuge on the lake, became a breeding ground for migratory birds and other wildlife. Today, the refuge is also involved in environmental education, interpretation and conservation of endangered species. 489 102 Avenue S.W., Dunn Center, ND 58626, 701-548-8110, Sunrise to Sunset Daily



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Dunn Center

Dunn Center's growth began when the Homestead Act of 1862 brought settlers to the area. Even though at first, the odd numbered sections of land were given to the railroad, they too became homestead land for farmers and ranchers. The railroad arrived in 1914.

Dunn County Museum

Housed in the Dunn Center Public School, this museum showcasing the rich history of the area and the American West, surrounded by a meadow filled with meadowlarks, finch, and Canadian geese. Historical exhibits include a log cabin, one room schoolhouse, first bank of Dunn County, and a weather-beaten homesteader shack.

153 Museum Trail, Dunn Center, ND 58626, 701-548-8111



Lynch Knife River Flint Quarries

Native Americans camped and harvested flint for their tools and weapons at the site of Lynch's Knife River Flint Quarries that is still rendering the same type of flint that has been traded throughout the continent for centuries. This location is privately owned so please call ahead to arrange to visit. On 95th Ave., East of Dunn Center off Hwy. 200, Dunn Center, ND 58626 701-745-3300

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Destination Accommodations

Cobblestone Hotel & Suites, 158 Rodeo Drive, Killdeer, ND 58640, 701-764-2200
Conveniently located hotel in Killdeer, the hotel has complimentary breakfast, and easy access to all things in town.

Destination Distinctive Dining

Buckskin Bar & Grill, 64 Central Avenue South, Killdeer, ND 58640 701-764-5321
The Buckskin Bar & Grill, featured on the North Dakota Culinary Trail, is a unique country-western style restaurant that combines the areas American, Mexican and Italian heritage, with a western flare.

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DAY THREE

Killdeer

Founded in 1914, Killdeer was the hub of Cowboy country in Western North Dakota. Today, expansive ranches with thousands of cattle are still nestled in beautiful pastoral scenery surrounding the town. You'll appreciate the old-fashioned western hospitality of the region.

Killdeer Mountain Battlefield Historic Site

Killdeer Mountain Battlefield was the site of one of the many battles between the US Army and Native American nations that occurred in the West and Midwest. More than 2,000 troops commanded by General Sully attacked a gathering of 6,000 Sioux Indians. Interpretation provides background on what occurred.

Medicine Hole

Oral tradition has it that the Sioux fleeing the Killdeer Mountain Battle escaped through a nearby cave called the Medicine Hole, a few miles down a gravel road from the Battlefield. A one-mile hike to Medicine Hole takes you to the largely unexplored cave that extends into the Killdeer Mountains.

Medicine Hole can be reached from Highway 22 north of Killdeer.

Little Missouri State Park

By the time you reach Little Missouri State Park on the Byway, you have reached the rough and tumble North Dakota Badlands. Enjoy the breathtaking views of the waterways rolling through the rugged landscape on any one of the 45 miles of trails in the Park. 910 103rd Avenue NW, Killdeer, ND 58640, 701-764-5256, Open seasonally from May to October



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New Town

New Town, located where Four Bears Bridge crosses Lake Sakakawea, was created when two other towns were flooded out by the Garrison Dam. After a 1950 groundbreaking ceremony, lots were gifted to churches and a school being relocated to the town and three years later, a post office opened. Businesses began moving from the surrounding villages that were scheduled to be submerged by the dam. The first train arrived in 1953. The more recent discovery of oil nearby brought many people to the community to work on the new bridges, roads and home construction.

Earth Lodge Village

Reconstruction of an Earth Lodge village on the shores of Lake Sakakawea reflects the traditional lifestyle of the Three Affiliated Tribes. The main lodge is used for ceremonies and a way for the MHA nations to introduce visitors to the traditional ways of life that kept thousands of families intact by growing gardens, harvesting wild game and economic trade. You can rent a tipi for a night to enjoy cultural presentations and traditional foods. 404 Frontage Road, New Town, ND 58763, 701-627-2243



Three Affiliated Tribes Museum

The building that housing the Three Affiliated Tribes Museum also serves as a heritage center to preserve and illustrate the history and culture of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara people. Many of the Native American treasures on display were salvaged by one visionary woman before they were submerged in the lake.

302 Frontage Road, New Town, ND 58763, 701-627-4477, M-F 9AM-4PM

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Destination Distinctive Accommodations

Four Bears Casino & Resort, 202 Frontage Road, New Town, ND 58763 800-294-5454
A full Las Vegas-style casino with live entertainment overlooking Lake Sakakawea.

Destination Distinctive Dining

The Bison Room, 202 Frontage Road, New Town, ND 58763, 701-627-7591
For an easy dinner, try the Bison Room at Four Bears.

Destination Distinctive Retail

Blue Buttes Native Gift Shop, 202 Frontage Road, New Town, ND 58763-9405

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Minot is said to have “grown like magic” after the Great Northern Railroad set up tent camp for construction workers. Magic City grew more when Minot State University was established along with the Minot Air Force Base in the 1950s.

Scandinavian Heritage Park

To discover the heritage of another group of immigrants to North Dakota, the Scandinavians from Sweden, Norway, Finland, Denmark and Iceland, visit the Scandinavian Heritage Park, established to honor these five cultures. Remembrances and replicas include an authentic Stabbur Stave Church, from Gol, Norway, and a 25-foot tall Swedish Dala Horse. 1020 South Broadway, Minot, ND 58702, 701-852-9161



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Northwest Arts Center

Located on the campus of Minot State University, the Northwest Arts Center began as a hallway gallery. It now encompasses the lower level of the library including the Walter Piehl Gallery and climate-controlled collection storage for Minot State University's Permanent Art Collection and Native American Collections. The Native American Collections features approximately 450 items of traditional clothing, decorative crafts and other artifacts. 500 University Avenue West, Minot, ND 58707, 701-858-3264, Tues-Fri 10AM-5PM, Sat 1PM-5PM

Taube Museum

Housed in the restored Union National Bank Building, The Tabue maintains a permanent collection of works of art as well as showcasing guest artists. 2 North Main Street, Minot, ND 58703, 701 838-4445: Rachel Alfaro, Executive Director Tues – Fri 10:30AM-5:30PM, Sat 11AM-4PM, or by appointment. Donations accepted.

Dakota Territory Air Museum

With a presence of the Air Force nearly since it was founded, Minot is the perfect place for the Dakota Territory Air Museum that has proudly evolved into a significant historical depository honoring the men, women and machines that have impacted the rich history of aviation. Inspiring displays feature military and vintage aircraft and also the rich and varied stories of our region's aviation history. 100 34th Avenue NE, Minot ND 58702, 701-852-8500, M-Sat 10AM-5PM, Sun 1PM-5PM May-October



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Destination Distinctive Accommodations

Dakotah Rose Bed and Breakfast, 510 4th Avenue NW, Minot, ND 58703, 701-838-3548

Originally the Andrew Carr home, this premier 1903 Bed and Breakfast, has all the charm of yesterday with all the modern amenities of today. Sitting on the bend of the Souris River, the mansion is wrapped in a grandiose porch with art glass windows dotting several elevations. Large fixed leaded glass windows adorn both levels of the west bay, leaded glass transoms on the east bay, stained glass transoms in all main façade window treatments, and a stained glass lunette on the west elevation all add to the grandeur. A clear glass cameo window lights the gable peak above the Palladian-like window arrangement in the façade gable. A true Minot hidden treasure!

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Destination Distinctive Dining

10 North Main, 10 Main Street North, Minot, ND 58703 701-837-1010

Minot's downtown destination featured in the North Dakota Culinary Trail, features USDA Prime Steaks, Day Fresh Seafood, and craft beer, wine, and cocktails. They offer a diverse menu because they believe each guest's taste is different. The hand cut NY Strip and other entrees can be customized by the Team.

Charlie's Main Street Café, 113 Main Street South, Minot, ND 58701 701-839-6500

One of the oldest restaurants in Minot, located righty downtown, Charlie's Main Street Café featured on the North Dakota Culinary Trail is a local, family-owned classic American diner serving breakfast all-day and brunch/lunch menu with a variety of choices. Considered by some the best breakfast in town!

Minot's Daily Bread, 1500 South Broadway, Minot, ND 58701 701-837-6904

Local family opened bakery with a simple dedication to quality. All breads and other goodies are made with the best ingredients and shaped by hand, the old-fashioned way. Bread offerings include Sourdough, Baguette, Ciabatta, Focaccia, Challah and Babka.

Destination Distinctive Retail

62 Doors Gallery & Studio, 11B Main Street South, Minot, ND 58701

Started by a small group of artists, the innovative and hip gallery that continues to sustain the art scene. Now with eight arts studios producing everything from carving to hammering, all creating stunning pieces, the walls of the space are made of 62 doors salvaged from an old barn and the Art Main building downtown.

Margie's Art Glass Studio, 109 Main Street South, Minot, ND 58701, 701-837-8555

For everything art glass, visit Margie's Art Glass Studio, including supplies, handmade gifts, gourmet coffee and teas.

The Market on 4th, 1900 4th Avenue NW, Minot, ND 58703, 701-839-4123

Repurposed furniture, home decor, handmade crafts, gifts, and vintage goods.

52 West Trading Company, 2815 S Broadway, Minot, ND 58701, 701-838-4550

High quality, unique clothing, footwear, and accessories, locally crafted leather goods and more.

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