OUTDOOR ADVENTURES
DESTINATION GUIDE

PLACES TO EXPLORE
IN NORTH DAKOTA AND MINNESOTA

Photo courtesy of ND Tourism
Where: Moorhead, MN
What: A local park in Moorhead with easy access to the outdoors with a short commute time.
When: Year-Round
Address: 3601 11th St N, Moorhead, MN 56560
From Campus: 10 minutes/4 miles
Activities: Hiking, Cross-country Skiing, Snowshoeing, Biking, Fishing and Boat Launch

Website
Directions and Map

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**EDGEMOOD NORDIC SKI TRIALS**

**Where:** Fargo, ND

**What:** Easy cross-country Skiing Trails available for anybody within the Fargo area. Fun for the entire family!

**When:** Winter months

**Address:** 19 Golf Course Ave N, Fargo, ND 58102

**From Campus:** Approx. 10 minutes/5 miles

**Activities:** Cross-country Skiing, Sledding, Snowshoeing. Chalets also available for rent!

**Website**  
**Directions and Map**
SHEYENNE NATIONAL GRASSLAND

Where: McLeod, ND
What: Over 70,000 acres of grassland available to a wide range of recreational usage. Features a section of the North Country Trail as well as a number of unique features including Iron Spring Creek and an old fire lookout tower.
When: Year - Round
Address: 6148 154th Ave SE, McLeod, ND 58057
From Campus: Approx. 50 minutes/45 miles
Activities: Hiking, Camping, Fishing, Wildlife Viewing, Biking, Cross-country Skiing, Snowshoeing
Website
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**FORT RANSOM STATE PARK**

**Where:** Fort Ransom, ND

**What:** Fort Ransom State Park is a public recreation area located in the Sheyenne River Valley.

**When:** Year - Round

**Address:** 5981 Walt Hjelle Parkway, Fort Ransom ND 58033

**From Campus:** Approx. 1 hour 20 min./77 miles

**Activities:** Camping, Hiking, Snowshoeing, Biking, Cross-country Skiing, Kayaking, Canoeing

**Website**

**Directions and Map**

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TURTLE RIVER STATE PARK

Where: Arvilla, ND
What: Turtle River State Park is a public recreation area occupying 775 acres on the Turtle River.
When: Year - Round
Address: 3084 Park Ave NE, Arvilla, ND 58214
From Campus: Approx. 1 hour 30 min./95 miles
Activities: Hiking, Camping, Fishing, Cross-country Skiing, Snowshoeing

Website
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ICELANDIC STATE PARK

**Where:** Cavalier, ND  
**What:** This 912-acre park allows visitors to learn about the state’s early settlement and provides an array of recreational opportunities.  
**When:** Year - Round  
**Address:** 13571 Highway 5, Cavalier, ND 58220  
**From Campus:** Approx. 2 hours 30 min./164 miles  
**Activities:** Hiking, Biking, Snowshoeing, Cross-country Skiing, Camping, Boating, Swimming, Fishing

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Grahams Island State Park

**Where:** Devils Lake, ND

**What:** Campers can enjoy the largely shaded campsites and take part in the numerous national and regional fishing tournaments happening throughout the year.

**When:** Year-Round

**Address:** 152 South Duncan Road, Devils Lake, ND 58301

**From Campus:** Approx. 2 hours 45 min./177 miles

**Activities:** Camping, Hiking, Biking, Fishing, Cross-country Skiing, Snowshoeing

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QUARRY PARK AND NATURE PRESERVE

Where: St. Cloud, MN
What: As its name implies, quarry park used to be the location of granite quarries until the 1950’s. After ceasing mining operation, the land was converted into a park that visitors can now fish, swim and explore the unique rock structures left behind.
When: Year-Round
Address: 1802 County Road 137, Waite Park, MN 56387
From Campus: Approx. 2 hours 45 min./170 miles
Activities: Biking, Cross-country Skiing, Fishing, Geocaching, Hiking, Picnicking, Rock Climbing, Scuba Diving, Snowshoeing, Swimming
Website Directions and Map

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FORT ABRAHAM LINCOLN STATE PARK

Where: Mandan, ND
What: This is the oldest state park in North Dakota and provides a variety of adventures for travelers of all ages. Gaze upon the breathtaking views of the Hear and Missouri river bottoms and gain insight into the lives of the Mandan Native Americans by venturing through reconstructed earth lodges.

When: Year-Round
Address: 4480 Fort Lincoln Rd, Mandan, ND 58554
From Campus: Approx. 3 hours/208 miles
Activities: Hiking, Biking, Horseback Riding, Camping, Snowshoeing, Fishing

Website
Directions and Map

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CROSS RANCH STATE PARK

Where: Center, ND
What: Cross Ranch State Park is a public recreation area covering 569 acres on the west bank of the Missouri River.
When: Year-Round
Address: 1403 River Rd, Center, ND 58530
From Campus: Approx. 3 hours 30 min./237 miles
Activities: Camping, Hiking, Cross-country Skiing, Snowshoeing, Biking, Fishing

Website
Directions and Map

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FORT STEVENSON STATE PARK

Where: Garrison, ND
What: Known as the “Walleye Capital” of North Dakota, Fort Stevenson is a preferred spot for anyone to experience a great day out on the lake. Park visitors can also enjoy the parks 10 miles of trails in long segments and shorter loops.
When: Year-Round
Address: 1252A 41st Ave NW, Garrison, ND 58540
From Campus: Approx. 4 hours/270 miles
Activities: Hiking, Fishing, Biking, Cross-country Skiing, Snowshoeing
Website
Directions and Map

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LAKE SAKAKAWEA STATE PARK

**Where:** Pick City, ND

**What:** This park is surrounded by miles of lakeshore, providing breathtakingly stunning views. Visitors can spend time at the swim beach, camping beneath the trees, hiking on the trails or out on the lake.

**When:** Year-Round

**Address:** 720 Park Ave, Pick City, ND 58545

**From Campus:** Approx. 4 hours/265 miles

**Activities:** Fishing, Hiking, Camping, Biking, Cross-country Skiing, Snowshoeing

**Website**

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LAKE METIGOSHE STATE PARK

Where: Bottineau, ND

What: Nestled in the scenic Turtle Mountains along the U.S./Canadian border, Lake Metigoshe is one of the most popular year-round vacation spots in ND. Visitors can enjoy over 8 miles of open hiking trails.

When: Year-Round

Address: 2514 2nd St E, Bottineau, ND 58318

From Campus: Approx. 4 hours 25 min./279 miles

Activities: Hiking, Biking, Cross-country Skiing, Snowshoeing, Canoeing, Kayaking, Snowmobiling, Camping

Website

Directions and Map

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LEWIS AND CLARK STATE PARK

**Where:** Epping, ND

**What:** Situated on a scenic upper bay of Lake Sakakawea, the rugged buttes of the North Dakota Badlands at Lewis and Clark State Park create a towering backdrop to one of the state’s best recreation areas.

**When:** Year-Round

**Address:** 4904 119th Road NW, Epping, ND 58843

**From Campus:** Approx. 6 hours/ 375 miles

**Activities:** Camping, Hiking, Biking, Snowshoeing, Fishing, Kayaking, Canoeing

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