

South Dakota Guest Ranches

Ranches and horse riding in the Badlands area:

Cow Creek Guest Ranch

The Cow Creek Guest Ranch is a working ranch located about 10 miles north of Wall, South Dakota. This family provided the wagons for the filming of "Dances with Wolves", filmed entirely in South Dakota, with actor Kevin Costner. This ranch is located near the Cheyenne River and Badlands National Park. Lodging options accommodate up to four people. Package options and rates can be found on their website.

22025 Trask Rd

Wall, SD 57790

Phone: (605) 685-8604

Website: www.cowcreekranches.com

Dakota Badlands Outfitters

The Husted's formed Dakota Badland Outfitters in 1990 and in the spring of 1991 began leading pack mules and horseback vacationers into the Badlands National Park and the Black Hills National Forest. These multi-day adventure vacations are always memorable, frequently challenging, and sometimes exciting. In 2000 the managers at Palmer Gulch Resort invited the crew of DBO to take the helm of their horse operation. Palmer Gulch Stables had a very reputable and long standing history in the Black Hills. Dating back over 60 years this trail ride barn had taken as many as a half million people on horseback rides. The partnership proved to be very successful and the collaboration continues to this day. Palmer Gulch Stables holds the premier trail ride license offered by the U.S. Forest Service in the Black Hills, a Norbeck Wildlife Preserve permit, and a Permit allowing access to the Black Elk Wilderness Area.

PO Box 730

Hill City, SD 57745

Phone: (605) 574-3412

Website: www.ridesouthdakota.com or www.palmergulch.com

Gunsel Horse Adventures

Get ready to saddle up and ride the wild & wooly backcountry of Yellowstone National Park & the Black Hills of South Dakota. Gunsel Horse Adventures, with Awesome Yellowstone & Black Hills Backcountry Horse Pack Trips allows you to visit the remote areas seldom seen of Yellowstone National Park and the Black Hills of South Dakota. After over 40 years of outfitting in both Yellowstone Park & the Black Hills of South Dakota, we feel we are more than qualified to take you & yours safely into the wilderness on our trustworthy, experienced, trail horses. They offer a four day Black Hills adventure. Rates can be found on their website. A deposit of 50% is required to hold your reservation with the balance due 30 days prior to the start of your Black Hills adventure.

PO Box 1575

Rapid City, SD 57709

Phone: (605) 343-7608 or (605) 390 2176 cell phone

Website: www.gunselhorseadventures.com

Email: lantisgunsel@aol.com

Ranches in the Black Hills and central South Dakota:

Sunrise Guest Ranch

Nestled at the foot of the beautiful Black Hills, guests at Sunrise Guest Ranch enjoy the solitude and beauty of ranch living while exploring the many options of entertainment and sightseeing close by. The ranch features a variety of amenities and can sleep up to 16 people in the six bedroom lodge. The ranch also has RV availability. Activities offered at the ranch include trail rides and cattle drives, sightseeing tours, Mickelson trail riding, seasonal ranch chores and more. Excellent option for family reunions.

Sunrise Ranch LLC
27772 Elbow Canyon Road
Edgemont, SD, 57735
Phone: (605) 662-6275
Website: www.sunrisequestranch.com
Email: info@sunrisequestranch.com

Crow Creek Guest Ranch

This guest ranch offers transportation to & from the Rapid City Regional Airport located approximately one hour away. The new lodge has all modern facilities, and sleeps 4-6 adults comfortably. They provide delicious home cooked meals daily. They are very interested in working with the international market, and offer a nice array of activities. They are located near Belle Fourche, South Dakota at the northern tip of the Black Hills. They offer packages for 6 nights & 7 days and 3 nights & 4 days. Rates can be found at their website. They also require a 50% down payment upon booking and will refund down payments with a \$100.00 deduction within 30 days of your stay.

17816 Prairie Winds Lane
Belle Fourche, SD 57717
Phone: (605) 892-6961
Website: www.crowcreekquestranch.com
Email: Todd12@dishmail.net

Handboy Creek Ranch

Handboy Creek Ranch is a modern day working cattle ranch located on the Cheyenne River Indian Reservation in Central South Dakota. There are miles of open space on this native grass ranch that you can ride horses, go hiking, and explore. Minimum of two guests per stay. Located 2 miles west on Highway 20; 1 mile south, 1/2 mile west, 1 mile south of Trail City.

HCR 77 Box 89
Trail City, SD 57657
Phone: (605) 845-3082
Website: www.handboycreek.com
Email: jones@westriv.com

High Country Guest Ranch

The High Country Guest Ranch is nestled within the natural beauty of the Black Hills National Forest. They offer a variety of cabins with one, two, three, five and seven bedrooms. Circle B Chuckwagon & Music Show offers Western family experience with pony rides, trail rides, gun shootouts, cowboy music and more! Chuckwagon dinner serving up roast beef, buffalo and BBQ chicken. Reservations requested. The award-winning Native American group Brulé performs five nights a week (Tues-Sat) outdoors in the brand new Buffalo Moon Theater, June 17-August 30, 2014.

12138 Ray Smith Drive
Hill City, SD 57745
Phone: (605) 574-9003
Website: www.highcountryranch.com
Email: info@highcountryquestranch.com

Country Charm Cabins & Corrals

Country Charm Cabins and Corrals in scenic Black Hills of South Dakota offers a wide variety of outdoor recreational opportunities for individuals, families and group vacations. Enjoy horseback riding, trail rides, camping or take in some of the local attractions. They will provide you with everything you need to have an enjoyable ranching experience! Packages include a two hour trail ride for four and two night's cabin and 2 two hour trail rides and stay four night's in a cabin. Additional nights and riders can be accommodated for additional fees.

11871-C West Argyle Road
Custer, SD 57730
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Website: www.countrycharmcabins-corrals.com
Email: cccrider@gwtc.net

Allen Ranch

The Allen Ranch is a family-owned business. Their operation is laid back, peaceful, with plenty of room for hiking, river tubing, and wildlife viewing. Allen Ranch is a perfect setup for reunions, cowboy suppers, and events. The Allen Ranch is located in southwest South Dakota within the Black Hills near Hot Springs. They offer a complete outdoor adventure into the old west that includes their own Sioux Indian Tipi village. The village is located along a gentle flowing river known as the "Minnekahta", the river of warm water. They offer tipi rentals which can accommodate up to six people. Guests will need to bring their own sleeping bags.

Phone: (605) 745-1890
Website: www.gwtc.net/~allenranch
Email: allenranch@gwtc.net

Trail Rides:

Back Country Wagon Trips

Horse drawn wagon trips through the Black Hills National Forest w/permitted outfitters! A 2 ½ hour wagon ride ends with an end of the trail chuck wagon supper! Breakfast rides with sweet rolls! Special packages! Reservations required.

11938 Hopkins Flats Road
Custer, SD 57730
Phone: (605) 673-4317
Website: www.springvalleyranch.org or www.backcountrywagontrips.com
Email: springva@gwtc.net or springvalleyranch@hotmail.com

Blue Bell Stables and Trail Rides

Saddle up and hit the trail for horseback adventure. Choose from 1-2 hour trails, half-day or all-day rides. Also, now offering trail rides with breakfast or lunch in Parker Canyon. Reservations recommended.

Located at Blue Bell Lodge in Custer State Park
Phone: (605) 255-4772
Website: www.CusterResorts.com

Rockin' R Trail Rides

Closest trail rides to Crazy Horse Memorial. Friendly, knowledgeable staff guides your small group on beautiful trails in the Black Hills National Forest. Reasonable rates, families welcome. Bring your camera! Memorial weekend through September.

24853 Village Ave.
Custer, SD 57730
Phone: (520) 349-6078 or (605) 673-2999 (summer only)
Website: www.rockingrtrailrides.com

Spirit Horse Stables

Take a guided trail ride in the black hills national forest meandering past rock outcroppings, scenic overlooks and plenty of South Dakota wildlife on wooded trails. 2- and 4-hour horseback trail rides. Walk-ins welcome. Open May-October, reservations required. 7 minutes west of Custer on Hwy 16, on the way to Jewel Cave.

11596 W Hwy 16

Custer, SD 57730

Phone: (605) 673-5801

Website: www.spirithorseescape.com

Email: fleming@gwtc.net

Wild horse ranches in South Dakota:

Black Hills Wild Horse Sanctuary

See hundreds of wild mustangs roaming free across wind swept prairies. Travel back in time and view the rugged natural beauty of America as it was 100 years ago. Explore wild horse history and learn how important horses were to early man. Located about 9 miles south of Hot Springs in the southern Black Hills. Tour options and rates are offered on their website.

PO Box 998, 12165 Highland Road

Hot Springs, South Dakota 57747

Phone: (605) 745-5955

Website: www.wildmustangs.com

Email: bhmustangs@gwtc.net or iram@gwtc.net

International Society for the Preservation of Mustangs & Burros

Located on the Cheyenne River Sioux Indian Reservation in South Dakota, the International Society for the Protection of Mustang and Burros (ISPMB) is an empowering force, influencing global attitudes and catalyzing actions for the protection, preservation and understanding of wild horses and burros as well as their habitat. Situated on 680 acres, the ISPMB cares for three separate and unique wild horse herds. Tours run from May 15 through October 15, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. We are located on the Cheyenne River Lakota Sioux Reservation. Take scenic Highway 212 East, just 2.5 hour northeast of Rapid City, South Dakota. They offer one hour introductory tours, half day tours and full day tours. Children 6 and under are free. Reservations are preferred.

PO Box 55

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If you need photos, please go to: www.mediasd.com to the photo gallery, or contact Maureen Droz (contact information below) and we can have the state photographer provide photos.

Museums:

Casey Tibbs Rodeo Foundation and Rodeo Center:

The Casey Tibbs South Dakota Rodeo Center located in Fort Pierre, South Dakota is a historical museum devoted to the legendary sport of South Dakota rodeo; the history and its stars. With an extensive collection of the memorabilia and collections of icons Casey Tibbs, 9-time World Champion Saddle Bronc Rider and Mattie Goff Newcombe, the spectacular trick rider of the 1920s, this museum provides a historical view into the rich culture which has made rodeo such an important part of South Dakota history. Their conference center offers a spectacular view on a hill overlooking the Missouri River. It's the perfect place for conferences, meetings, banquets, and receptions. Amenities: full catering kitchen, seating for 250 guests, dance floor and ample parking.

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