

Valley City IN 2 DAYS

DAY 1

FIRST THINGS FIRST - COFFEE!

Start your day off on the right foot with a warm cup of coffee and a bite to eat at The Bakery on Main Street. This cozy shop right in the heart of Downtown offers freshly baked goods, including some of the best donuts around! This is a must see!

ROSEBUD VISITOR CENTER

The Rosebud Visitor Center on Main Street in Valley City has all of the maps for the area and is the hub for information and railroad history. Inside you will find an 1881 Superintendent's railcar with the original furnishings— one of a kind! The North Dakota Agriculture Hall of Fame honors the pioneers that made agriculture the mainstay of North Dakota. (1 hour)

DRIVE THE SCENIC BYWAY

- Head south on the byway, stopping at each national award winning interpretive panel.
- Visit **Clausen Springs** to learn some military history and be refreshed at the natural springs. Camping available.
- Continue on the byway to **Fort Ransom State Park**. Pay the minimal park fee— see the panels and then you can plan to hike the North Country Trail or picnic at the park. If you have horses there are corrals and campsites available. Fall visitors can enjoy **SodBuster Days** the second weekend in September and the last weekend is the **Sheyenne Valley Arts and Craft Festival**.
- Go into town and walk the historic district and up the hill to the original Village of Fort Ransom fort site. Visit with the locals at Thor's Bar & Grill. Head back out on the byway, visit the interpretive sites on the way to Lisbon where you will enjoy the small town atmosphere and wonderful stores like Ho Den Attes and the historic Opera House on Main Street.

DRIVE THE SCENIC BYWAY

See flatland farming on the way back to Valley City heading north on Highway 32, get back on I-94 and head back to Valley City. See the night life with karaoke and live music at one of many downtown bars, including Brockopp Brewery!

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DAY 2

FIRST THINGS FIRST - COFFEE!

Start your day off on the right foot with a warm cup of coffee and a bite to eat at Alley Beans. Newly renovated and a wonderful atmosphere, this is on our top places to enjoy your morning coffee, a delicious muffin, and gear up for your second day in Valley City!

VISIT DOWNTOWN VALLEY CITY

Starting at the top of Central Avenue, across from the high school, you will see the first Episcopal Church in North Dakota. A block south is an Andrew Carnegie public library with original furnishings and woodwork. Railroad enthusiasts will want to stop at the Barnes County Museum and listen to the area's rich history, including seeing a miniature version of the Hi-Line Bridge and a dinosaur! Stop in to the handful of local shops and boutiques including Bongs Bootery, Eagles Nest Book Store, and Blush! Painted on the side of the Rudolph Hotel, you'll want to see the Peggy Lee mural. At the end of Central Avenue across the footbridge is Valley City State University. It is a historical district- history buffs will enjoy the architecture inside and out. (2-4 hours)

MEDICINE WHEEL PARK

Medicine Wheel Park is named for the replica of a Native American solar calendar. Learn about Native American burial mounds found in the park. Take a tour of the solar system on a walk of the planets starting with the Sun in the middle of the wheel and all the way to Pluto. (1 hour)

HISTORIC BRIDGE TOUR

Start the Historic Bridge Tour at the Visitor Center. There are 8 interpreted bridges that you can view by walking or driving. (1.5 hours driving, 4 hours walking tour)

EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS

Head north to Lake Ashtabula for fishing, hiking, kayaking, and more. Visit the Cold War Missile Site in Cooperstown called Oscar Zero Missile Site. For a small admittance fee, you can see this incredibly interesting historical site. After that, head to Jamestown to see the world's largest buffalo museum