

Visitor ETIQUETTE

COURTESY OF LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE

In order to make your visit as enjoyable and respectful as possible, the following briefly outlines some general rules of thumb to follow when visiting Indian Country.

Native American communities contain a diversity of tribal members who practice varying degrees of tradition. Traditionalists expect tribal members and visitors alike to conduct themselves in a manner that is respectful of tribal religion and ceremonies. With this in mind, it must be recognized that a code of conduct practiced at one community or event may not be appropriate at another.

Moral precepts in appropriate dress, speech and behavior, and adherence to them, are highly regarded at ceremonial events.

An unkempt appearance is offensive at a ceremonial event, where many people wear their finest. Ragged jeans and especially high shorts are also offensive at ceremonial events, though they may be acceptable at other gatherings such as craft fairs and some powwows.

The ancestors of today's tribes left many artifacts and ruins behind. Resist the impulse to pick up souvenirs. Native American remains and artifacts are protected federally by the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, which carries stiff penalties.



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Tribal LANDS



South Dakota's nine tribes invite you to visit their reservations and tribal lands. Rich in history and culture, these areas offer something for visitors of all ages. Enjoy colorful powwows, Native art markets, hunting and fishing, western events, tipi communities and hospitality at its finest.

To learn more about what to do and see while traveling in these areas, contact the Tribes by telephone or visit their websites.

Collectively known as Sioux, each of the allied bands within this nation spoke one of three dialects: Dakota, Lakota or Nakota.

Visitors can view and purchase authentic art and crafts at many locations. Tribal casinos provide gaming excitement and many powwows are open to the general public.



SOUTH DAKOTA Tribes & LOCATIONS



CHEYENNE RIVER SIOUX

The Cheyenne River Reservation is home to four bands of Lakota Sioux: Minnecoujou, Two Kettle (Oohenunpa), Sans Arc (Itazipco) and Blackfoot (Si Sapa). It is located in the north central part of the state comprising the counties of Dewey and Ziebach.

CHEYENNE RIVER TOURISM OFFICE
PO BOX 590, EAGLE BUTTE, SD 57265
605-964-7812 OR WWW.SIOUX.ORG

CROW CREEK SIOUX

The Crow Creek Reservation is home to the Dakota Sioux: Mdewakanton (People of Spirit Lake) and Ihanktonwan (People of the End). It is located in the central part of the state in Buffalo County.

CROW CREEK SIOUX TRIBAL OFFICE
PO BOX 50, FT. THOMPSON, SD 57339
605-245-2221

FLANDREAU SANTEE SIOUX

The Flandreau Reservation is home to the Dakota Sioux: Mdewakanton and Wahpekute. It is located at Flandreau on the Big Sioux River in the eastern part of the state.

FLANDREAU SANTEE SIOUX TRIBE
PO BOX 283, FLANDREAU, SD 57028
605-997-3512
WWW.FSST.ORG OR WWW.SANTEESIOUX.COM

LOWER BRULE SIOUX

The Lower Brule Reservation is home to the Lakota Sioux Sicangu (Brule or Burnt Thigh). It is located on the west side of the Missouri River, across from the Crow Creek Reservation, in central South Dakota in Lyman County.

LOWER BRULE TOURISM OFFICE
187 OYATE CIRCLE, LOWER BRULE, SD 57548
605-473-0561/888-323-2260 OR
WWW.LBST.ORG

OGLALA SIOUX

The Pine Ridge Reservation, home to the Oglala Sioux Tribe (Scatter Their Own), is located in the southwest corner of the state in Bennett, Jackson and Shannon counties.

PINE RIDGE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
PO BOX 375, KYLE, SD 57752 ■ 605-455-2685
WWW.PINERIDGECHAMBER.COM OR
WWW.OGLALALAKOTANATION.ORG

ROSEBUD SIOUX

The Rosebud Reservation is home to the Sicangu Lakota Oyate or Friendly Burnt Thigh People. The Reservation is located in the south central part of the state in Todd County.

ROSEBUD SIOUX TRIBE
11 LEGION AVE, ROSEBUD, SD 57570
605-747-2381 ■ WWW.ROSEBUDSIOUXTRIBE-NSN.GOV/
ABOUT/TOURISM.HTML

SISSETON WAHPETON OYATE

The Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate is made up of two Dakota bands: the Sisseton (People of the Fish Village/Peninsula) and the Wahpeton (People Among the Leaves/Leaf Shooters). The reservation, formerly known as the Lake Traverse Reservation, is located in Marshall, Day and Roberts counties in the northeastern portion of the state.

SISSETON WAHPETON OYATE
PO BOX 509, AGENCY VILLAGE, SD 57262
605-698-3911

STANDING ROCK SIOUX

The Standing Rock Reservation is located in the north central part of South Dakota (Corson County) and the south central part of North Dakota (Sioux County). The tribal headquarters is located in North Dakota. The four bands that make up the Standing Rock Reservation are: Hunkpapa, Blackfeet, Yanktonais and Cutheads.

STANDING ROCK TOURISM OFFICE
STANDING ROCK ADMIN SERVICE CENTER BLDG 1,
NORTH STANDING ROCK AVE,
FT. YATES, ND 58538 ■ 701-854-8500 OR
WWW.STANDINGROCKTOURISM.COM

YANKTON SIOUX

Home to the Ihanktonwan Dakota Oyate or People of the End Village, the Yankton Reservation is located in the southeast part of South Dakota in Charles Mix County.

YANKTON SIOUX TRIBE
PO BOX 2348, MARTY, SD 57361
605-384-3641

Wacipi (powwow)

Please contact each tribe for more information regarding their Wacipi (powwow) or visit www.state.sd.us/oia/powwow.asp.