



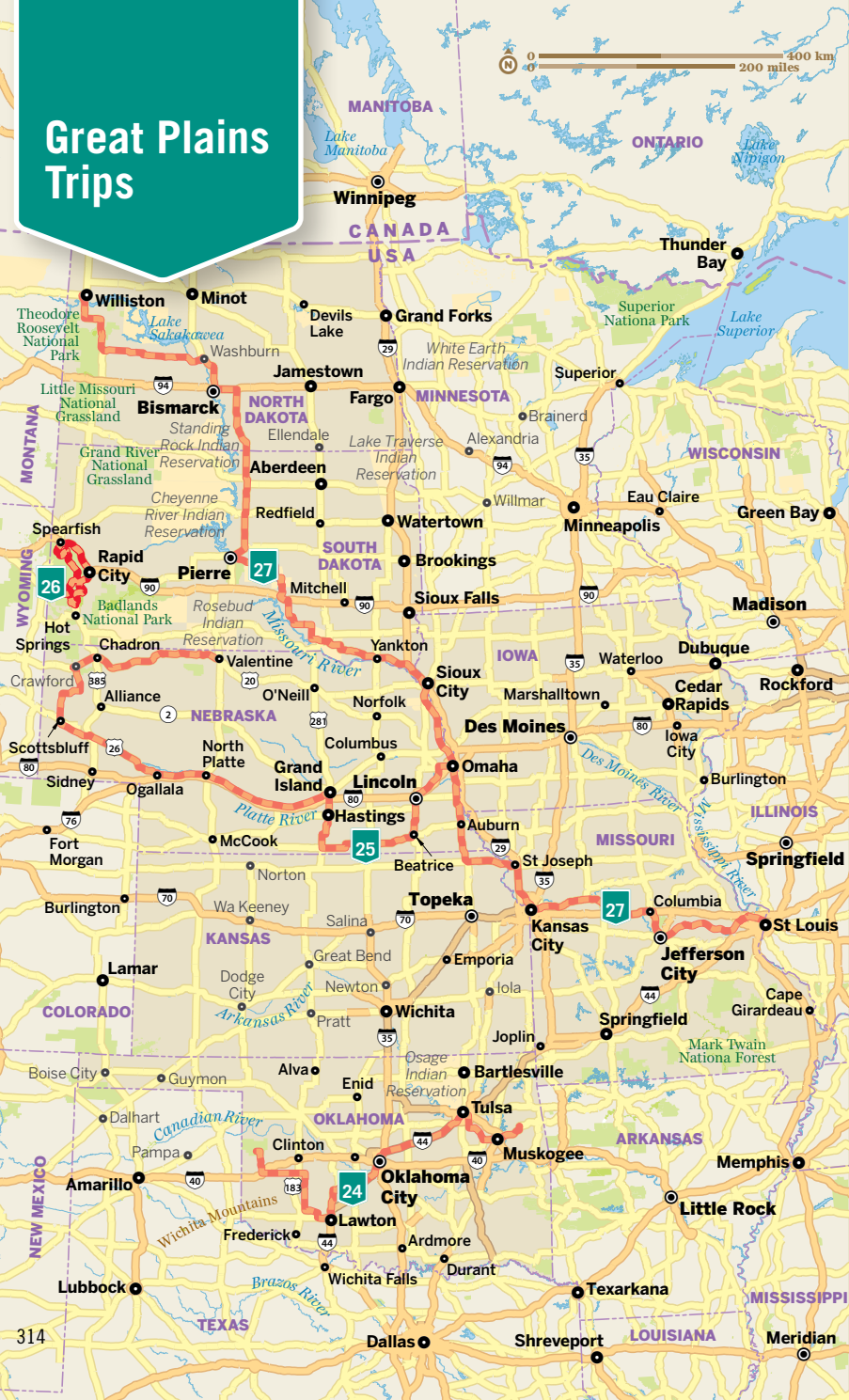


Great Plains Trips

THE STATES OF THE GREAT PLAINS ARE MORE THAN HAPPY TO TRANSITION you between east and west. But if you slow down for just a moment, they'll open the door, invite you in and share with you some of the country's finest history, scenery and yarns of adventure. You'll hear the stories of outlaws, pioneers and the likes of Geronimo, Crazy Horse and the Five Civilized Tribes, as well as the original duo of explorers, Lewis and Clark.

All this, and we haven't mentioned Gateway Arch, Mt Rushmore or Scotts Bluff. One required stop? The prairie. Scratchy blue stems, unabashed birdsong, the smell of cut grass – by tickling the senses, it reinvigorates the soul. Pull over, get out of the car, breathe deep. We think you'll see what we mean.

Great Plains Trips





Bison Badlands National Park (Trip 26)

24 Oklahoma's Tribal Trails 4–5 days

Learn the heart-breaking stories of Oklahoma's Native Americans. (p317)

25 On the Pioneer Trails 5–7 days

Follow the trails and tales of early travelers as you explore Nebraska. (p327)

Classic Trip

26 Black Hills Loop 2–3 days

Icons, beauty and fun combine for the perfect driving loop. (p337)

27 The Mighty Mo 7 days

America's longest river first lured Lewis and Clark, now it's your turn. (p349)



**DON'T
MISS**

Washita Battlefield National Historic Site

This Native American camp was raided at dawn in 1868. A National Park Service facility tells the tragic story; visit the site on Trip **24**

Homestead National Monument

The Homestead Act of 1862 opened up much of the American West to settlers. Among the earliest were the Freeman's, whose story is recalled on Trip **25**

Iron Mountain Road

A real-life roller coaster, this road passes through the unparalleled beauty of Custer State Park on Trip **26**

Lewis & Clark Historical Trail Visitors Center

On the Missouri riverfront in Omaha, this center lets you plan your own journey of discovery on Trip **27**

Knife River Indian Villages Site

The centuries barely seem to have touched this remote site. Revel in the desolation on Trip **27**