







**GATEWAY COMMUNITIES**  
regional amenities for travelers

American Prairie strives to contribute to the vitality and diversity of the region's economy. We encourage you to visit these gateway communities for the goods and services you need for a comfortable, educational, and enjoyable adventure. Additional travel resources for the area are available on our website and at [missouririvervisitmt.com](http://missouririvervisitmt.com).

**LITTLE ROCKY MTNS COMMUNITIES**

The Aaniiih Nakoda Community offers cultural, scenic, and bison tours of the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation, as well as a community-owned grocery cooperative, hiking and camping amenities, and gas/convenience stores for travelers. Learn more at [fortbelknapcedc.org](http://fortbelknapcedc.org). Nearby historic mining towns, Zortman and Landusky, afford visitors the opportunity to explore the adjacent Little Rocky Mountains as well as replenish gas and food supplies or seek refuge in historic log cabins.

To learn more about our campgrounds or to reserve a site visit [americanprairie.org](http://americanprairie.org).

**LEWISTOWN**

Located in the geographic center of the state, Lewistown is a regional hub of 6,000 residents and is surrounded by mountains and plains. In addition to a traditional western feel, you will find a vibrant town with grocery stores, gas, restaurants, lodging, campgrounds, and a variety of retailers and outfitters. Stretch your legs on the local trail system and stop in at the Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge headquarters for visitor information.

Visit the National Discovery Center at 302 W Main Street in Lewistown. The Center features interactive exhibits about the prairie ecosystem and a film theater. Check [americanprairie.org/national-discovery-center](http://americanprairie.org/national-discovery-center) for hours and information.

**TRAVELING TO AMERICAN PRAIRIE**  
arriving by plane and car

**Airports:** Billings Logan (BIL), Bozeman Yellowstone (BZN), and Great Falls (GTF) are the closest commercial airports.

**Driving Times (hours):**

**Sun Prairie Unit:** Billings – 4; Bozeman – 5.5; Glasgow – 3; Great Falls – 4; Havre – 3; Helena – 6; Kalispell – 7; Lewistown – 3; Malta – 1; Missoula – 8

**PN Unit:** Billings – 3.5; Bozeman – 4.5; Glasgow – 4; Great Falls – 2.5; Havre – 2; Helena – 4; Kalispell – 6; Lewistown – 1.5; Malta – 3; Missoula – 5

**To Antelope Creek Campground From Lewistown**

From Lewistown, take Highway 191 north for 72 miles. Antelope Creek Campground will be off the highway on your left, between mile markers 96 and 97.

**To PN From Lewistown**

Travel 39 miles north of Lewistown to Winifred. Navigate to Main Street and travel through town, following the road as it turns to the right. Continue past the end of the pavement and bear right at the sign for the PN Bridge Road (MT-236). Follow the road as it turns left, then right again. After traveling approximately 10 miles from town, bear left (there is an old cabin on the right side of the road). Travel another 12 miles and then turn left onto the road located across from the access gate for the Dog Creek Area. Follow the road (MT-236) and the Judith River for 4.3 miles to a collection of buildings. PN visitors are welcome to stop by the Elk House porch where visitor maps, an emergency phone, non-potable water, and wireless internet are available.

**To Sun Prairie From Lewistown**

Travel north from Lewistown on Highway 191 for approximately 40 miles. At the T-intersection (Bohemian Corner), turn left to continue on Highway 191 through the Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge. Approximately 21 miles after crossing the Missouri River, turn right onto the gravel road (immediately after mile marker 109). Bear left at the fork onto Dry Fork Road\*. Travel 26 miles to the T-intersection and turn left. After 3.5 miles, bear right at the fork in the road. Continue 12.7 miles to the next bend in the road and turn right. Travel 5.6 miles to arrive at Buffalo Camp, following signs along the way. Continue past Buffalo Camp to reach the Enrico Education and Science Center where an emergency phone is available.

\*Dry Fork Road is not maintained (plowed) in the winter months. If traveling during a snowy season, please consider alternate routes: Madole or Regina Road.

**MALTA**

North of American Prairie and along the Milk River, Malta is home to attractions like the Great Plains Dinosaur and Phillips County Museums and nearby Bowdoin National Wildlife Refuge. With lodging, restaurants, shops, groceries, and gas, Malta offers visitors a chance to stock up on supplies and enjoy small town Montana hospitality. Malta is a perfect stop for travelers continuing on to Yellowstone or Glacier National Parks due to its location at the intersection of Highways 2 and 191. Learn more at [maltachamber.com](http://maltachamber.com).

- American Prairie National Discovery Center
  - American Prairie Bison Unit
  - American Prairie Campground
  - American Prairie Hut
  - Other Public Campground
- American Prairie
- American Prairie Deeded Land
  - American Prairie Unit Boundary including grazing lease
- Public Land refer to managing agency for rules and regulations
- Bureau of Land Management
  - State of Montana
  - Wildlife Refuge
  - US Fish and Wildlife Service
  - National Monument (BLM)
  - USFS Wilderness

