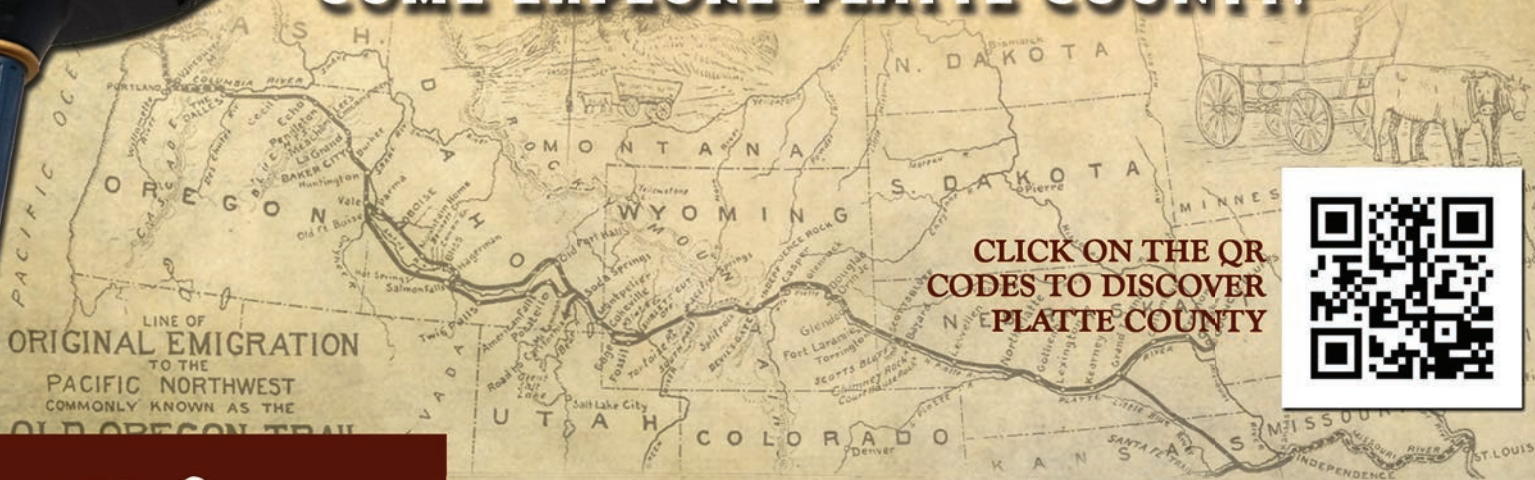


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OUR PAST CAN BE YOUR PRESENT - VISIT PLATTE COUNTY WYOMING



Chugwater WYOMING

Chugwater is the home of the Swan Land and Cattle Company, which in its day owned 1,000,000 acres of land and ran over 110,000 cattle. The Swan was instrumental in bringing ranching to the mountain west. Much about the Swan's history can be learned at the Chugwater Museum. A National Historic marker can be found in Chugwater as well; it marks the stage stop on the Cheyenne to Deadwood route. Chugwater is also the home of Chugwater Chili. Started by five ranch families in 1986, the company now sells chili seasoning around the world and welcomes visitors to stop in for a free taste. The Chugwater Soda Fountain offers old fashioned shakes and malts in the oldest working soda fountain in the State of Wyoming. Meals are offered there and at the Buffalo Lodge and Grill and the new Stampede Eatery, which also features live music every Friday and Saturday evening.

You can find local artisan products at the Stage

Stop Arts and Crafts Center as well as Variety Artisans Fabric and Gift Store.

Every year on the Saturday before Father's Day, the town comes alive with thousands of visitors coming in to enjoy the Chugwater Chili Cook-off. Contestants from around the United States bring in their own regional red or green recipes to the challenge. Free samples! There is also live entertainment all day long. Fun for the entire family.

The Chugwater Town Park is the perfect place to stop and take a break. The park has all the amenities kids would want as well as adult exercise equipment and benches for a nice break.

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Wheatland WYOMING

Water – essential to all life. Wheatland, Wyoming, was put on the map because of water, and that is such an important component in the history of the area it can't be overlooked. A vision of what water could do for this vast rangeland is what brought the town of Wheatland into existence in the late 1870s. The town became the county seat for Platte County because of the establishment of the largest privately owned water companies in the United States. The irrigation project brought in many new settlers who stayed and developed the area into an agricultural mecca. Scottish cattle barons, who were buying up vast amounts of rangeland, came to the county at about the same time and saw the virtue of the large irrigation system that provided the life blood to this community.

The Western way of life is still alive and well in Wheatland, and water is still a prevalent resource in its economy, along with a coal-fired power plant and the many area streams and lakes for recreational use. The abundance of wildlife and fish are in part due to

the accessibility of water in this corner of a rather arid region. Opportunities for hiking, hunting, fishing, photography, boating, rock climbing and sightseeing abound within a short scenic car ride. Wheatland has a history rich in agriculture, entrepreneurship and western ways that are apparent still in this bustling community. A vibrant, historic downtown, community festivals throughout the year, beautiful city parks, walking and biking trails, a museum, active businesses throughout the town, eye-catching murals, and a welcoming attitude among the residents make Wheatland a perfect stopping point for some great day trips to explore all the facets of this Western town and Platte County.

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Guernsey WYOMING

Guernsey, located on the Oregon Trail, offers a rich glimpse into the history of the area from the earliest Americans to the hardy immigrants that passed through on their way West. Warm Springs, the immigrants' washtub, was used by many as a place to wash clothes, water stock and even take baths. Guernsey is also the site of wagon wheel ruts cut into the stone of the trail by the pioneers that passed through the area on wagons pulled by mule, oxen and horses. Some wheel ruts are cut three feet deep. Register Cliff, just south of Guernsey, served as a "guestbook" for immigrants to sign as they made their way West. You may recognize a family name somewhere on the cliff if you look long enough.

The North Platte River runs through Guernsey. Guernsey Dam, built in the 1920s, generated hydroelectric power for the region and creating Guernsey Lake, the site of Guernsey State Park. The park is home to

camping, boating and water sports and was the site of a Civilian Conservation Corps camp in the 1930s. Some remarkable CCC stone structures are still standing today.

Founded in the 1880s by Charles A. Guernsey, the town has become a center of farming and ranching as well as mining, railroads and tourism. Guernsey is a glimpse of the West you will want to visit on your trip to Wyoming and Platte County.



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Hartville WYOMING

AN INVITATION TO “PAY A VISIT INTO THE PAST”

Nestled in beautiful Eureka Canyon, just five miles north of Guernsey on Hwy 270, is the picturesque and historic town of Hartville, Wyoming. In the 1880s, Hartville was the rest and entertainment community for the prospectors, ranchers, soldiers from old Fort Laramie and the miners who worked at the limestone quarries and the Sunrise hematite mine nearby.

Gone are Hartville’s once numerous brothels and saloons, but its authentic false-front buildings, stone-walled buildings, school house museum, jail, native stone Episcopal Church/parish hall and older homes preserve and retain the town’s historic aura.

Hartville’s cemetery records the town’s early history, where as many as 25 different nationalities are memorialized on Memorial Day for their contributions to

Hartville’s history. Visit the graves of Hartville’s first Mayor-Judge Hauphoff, or Daisy – the Madam of the Fletcher Opera House, and many others.

Hartville’s unique charm survives, so stop by and pay us a visit. Enjoy a great meal at the Miners/Stockmen’s Bar with Wyoming’s oldest back bar, mail your valentines during the month of February affixed with a special Hartville cancellation stamp and enjoy our lovely juniper- and pine-lined hills.

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Glendo WYOMING

Glendo is a community small in number but Big in Heart! Incorporated on May 20, 1922, the entire Glendo area is rich in history. Glendo began as one of the first of five telegraph stations of the Overland Stage Express, the Horseshoe Stage Station. The town was established at its present location when the railroad came through.

Today Glendo's small town atmosphere has many activities including the Glendo Day's parade, craft fairs, street dances, fishing tournaments, and fly-ins, plus in 2017 it will be one of the best places to view the total eclipse of the sun.

Glendo offers many points of interest and attractions: The California Trail, The Oregon Trail and The Mormon Trail all passed south of Glendo. Sightseers have a seemingly endless supply of beauty in the mountain's and canyons, rolling plains, sparkling streams and Glendo Lake. Rock hunting has long been enjoyed in the area. Hunting in the area offers elk, deer, antelope and pheasant on par with the finest areas of the West.

The Town of Glendo is the entry way to Glendo State Park which is one of southern Wyoming's most popular boating parks. It offers visitors water-skiing, fishing and other water-based activities. Fishing is so good that Glendo has several fish records and holds several Fishing Tournaments each summer. Day-use and overnight facilities feature improved campsites, comfort stations, tables and grills. Concrete boat ramps make loading and unloading a pleasure.

Glendo State Park is quickly becoming a trails destination. Since 2010, Glendo State Park has established over 40 miles of diverse non-motorized trails stretching from the Marina to Sandy Beach.



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Oregon Trail HISTORY

The best-known emigrant trail in America stretches from Missouri to the Pacific Coast, enters Platte County between Fort Laramie and Guernsey. During the most active period on the trail, 1840-1870, an estimated 300,000 men, women, and children traveled westward through the county. Wagon trains tried to reach Warm Springs, a mile southwest of Guernsey, on their first day out of Fort Laramie. The waters of the springs afforded travelers a chance to wash clothes in warm water instead of cold river water. Along the way, thousands stopped to scratch their names into the soft sandstone of Register Cliff. After leaving Warm Springs, the Bitter Cottonwood Crossing near the present-day ghost town of Wendover was the next camp-site. Days three and four were spent ten miles south and then a few miles north of Glendo.

This four or five-day section, out of a trip that took six months might not seem like much, but this area of

the trail was of enormous importance to travelers. Fort Laramie offered the last bit of civilization for weeks, and the presence of Laramie Peak towering in the West reminded travelers of how far away from home they were. Stories of Indian problems, mostly unsubstantiated, and the ever present dangers of cholera, fatigue, the lack of firewood and the constant problems with wagons and livestock and this stretch became one of the most important along the trail.

Each summer thousands of vacationing history buffs enjoy following the trail through Wyoming.





The Great OUTDOORS

There are many ways to experience the great outdoors in Platte County. You can tailor your outdoor experience to your time, your endurance or your desire for adventure.

Some of the best boating, skiing and water sports are available at Guernsey and Glendo State Parks as well as at Gray Rocks Reservoir. Bike trails in both parks offer the serious bikers all the challenges they would want in a beautiful outdoor setting.

Feeling really adventurous? The trail to the top of Laramie Peak calls hikers to a vista that will take in a view that won't soon be forgotten.

Fishing spots in Platte County are so numerous; they aren't even secret. Just ask a local for some directions.

Want to stay in town, but still get out for some of

our great outdoors? Walking and biking trails in our towns provide the visitor a shorter, easier chance to get to see the sights while providing some exercise. The parks in all the communities offer the visitor a chance to play, romp and relax.

Look for our golf courses, playgrounds, skate-parks and walking trails just for a start. Swimming pools in Guernsey and Wheatland offer the visitor a chance to not only cool off after a day of traveling, but one features a water-slide and the other a new splash park. Need to get in a quick round of golf while some are swimming, we have courses that will challenge your game.

Enjoy our great outdoors while you are here; we know you'll enjoy our part of Wyoming because we live here every day.



Wildlife VIEWING

There is much to see in Platte County and some of it is on the move. We call them our outdoor neighbors, our wildlife. You can see lots of wildlife from the road, so keep your eyes open. If you want to really spend some time looking for and at our wildlife, take to the back roads of the county or take a hike in one of our state parks. It will be worth your time. Ask a local where to wander for a few hours to have your best chance to catch a glance. You are likely to see:

Bald Eagles It takes five years for bald eagles to attain solid white head and tail feathers. During the first five years they slowly change: the beak turns from black to yellow, the eyes from brown to pale yellow, body feathers from mottled to dark brown, and head and tail feathers from mottled to solid white. Here's a hint, head for Eagle Nest Canyon: (6.9 miles east on Greyrocks Road on the right side).

Golden Eagles live in mountainous areas, prairie coulees, and other places where rugged terrain creates abundant updrafts. One way to distinguish a golden eagle from an immature bald eagle is leg plumage. A golden eagle's legs are entirely feather covered.

Turkey vultures have red heads and silvery wing edges. When soaring, a turkey vulture holds its wings in a V-shape. Although the eating habits of these birds might seem disgusting to you, their way of life works for them. And, by eating up dead animals, vultures help prevent the spread of germs that can cause diseases.

Pronghorn (Antelope) are the fastest land animal in North America. They have the body shape of a deer with long legs, short tail and a long snout. The fur is a reddish-brown color, but it can also be tan or darker brown. Pronghorns have white markings on the face, neck, stomach and rump. The neck markings are white stripes. The rump has extra-long white hairs that the pronghorn can stick up when scared.

Mule deer's defining characteristic are their large ears, which are about 3/4 the length of the head. They have a distinctive black forehead, or mask, that contrasts with a light grey face. When running, they bound in a motion called "stotting," in which all four hooves push off the ground at the same time.

Black-tailed prairie dogs are small rodents with a height of about 16 inches. They are tan over most of their body except for the lighter colored belly and its namesake black tipped tail! Prairie dogs are very social and live in large colonies in underground burrows.

Coyotes appear often in the tales and traditions of Native Americans—usually as a very savvy and clever beast. Modern coyotes have displayed their cleverness by adapting to the changing American landscape. Coyote fur ranges in colors from dark grey to red and often depends on what geographic region and subspecies they belong to.

We have a few more neighbors out there such as fox, elk, water fowl and even a bear or two up on Laramie Peak. Keep your eyes open and watch for our neighbors, they're out there.

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BUFFALO LODGE
307.422.3248 (42 rooms)
100 Buffalo Ave., Chugwater WY

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GLENDO TRADING POST
307.735.4099 (5 rooms)
115 South Yellowstone, Glendo WY

HALL'S MARINA
307.735.4216 (9 rooms)
Glendo State Park, Glendo WY

HOWARDS GENERAL STORE
307.735.4252 (9 rooms)
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LAKEVIEW MOTEL
307.422.3248 (8 rooms)
422 6th St., Glendo WY

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307.836.2356 (32 rooms)
Highway 26, Guernsey WY

OAK TREE INN
307.836.5503 (20 rooms)
800 W. Laramie St., Guernsey WY

SAGEBRUSH MOTEL
307.836.2331 (12 rooms)
Highway 26 St., Guernsey WY

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307.322.3842 (25 rooms)
1101 9th St., Wheatland WY

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307.422.3248 (5 Spaces)
100 Buffalo Ave., Chugwater WY

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307.422.3248 (3 Spaces)
100 Buffalo Ave., Chugwater WY

GLENDO

ENGLINGS RV PARK
307.735.4394
1400 S Glendo Hwy., Glendo WY

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307.836.2161 (10 Spaces)
450 Whalen St., Guernsey WY

TWOE RV PARK
307.575.1828 (5 Spaces)
34 North Iowa Ave., Guernsey WY

WHEATLAND

AOK RV PARK
307.322.8901 (21 Spaces)
26 Fish Creek Rd., Wheatland WY

ARROWHEAD
307.322.2467 (21 Spaces)
2005 16th St., Wheatland WY

MOUNTAIN VIEW
307.322.4858
77 20th St., Wheatland WY

PEAK VIEW
307.921.1452 (15 Spaces)
497 State Hwy. 26, Wheatland

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YES	YES	YES	
YES	YES	YES	
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YES	YES	YES	
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NO	NO	NO	
YES	YES	YES	
YES	YES	YES	
YES	YES	YES	
YES	YES	YES	*SHOWERS & LAUNDRY
YES	YES	YES	*SHOWERS & LAUNDRY DUMP STATION

RV DUMP STATIONS: Chugwater Rest Area 125 & Exit 54, Glendo State Park State Park Road , Guernsey State Park Near 26 Entrance

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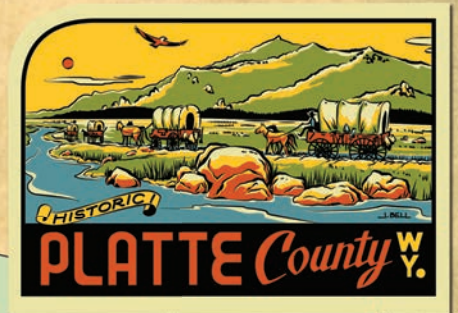
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