



University of Wyoming Archaeological Dig Site, Lab & Visitors Center

Beneath this simple bluff lies a wealth of history.

The **University of Wyoming Archaeological Dig Site** and **Windows on the Past Interpretive Center** (I-80 Rest Area at Pine Bluffs) work to uncover artifacts dating from 100 to 10,000 years ago. A short drive from the Interpretive Center is the **Lab & Visitors Center** (2nd & Elm), home to artifacts taken directly from the dig site's 22 levels. Artifacts represent both animal and human activity through the ages. Also highlighted are Native American tribes and early settlers. *Mid June – mid Aug; call in advance: 245-9372.*



Our Lady of Peace Shrine

East edge of Pine Bluffs, off old Hwy 30. Overlooks I-80. Crafted by Cheyenne artist Robert Fida, this statue is among the largest of the Virgin Mary in the US: at 180 tons, it watches the landscape from a five-story vantage point.

UNLESS NOTED, ALL NUMBERS ARE AREA CODE 307. NUMBERS NEXT TO ATTRACTIONS CORRESPOND TO MAP.

Pine Bluffs Rodeo

2nd & Beech St, 632-3626. Saddle up for a hidden gem as “night rodeos” kick up dust and cowboys. This series features the area’s finest talents, who compete for money and points. *Fridays, 7 pm, June – August.*



Texas Trail Museum



3rd & Market, 245-3713. Housed in Pine Bluffs’ old power plant building, the Museum preserves the lives of settlers with vintage clothing, quilts, saddles and other relics of frontier life. On the premises is an early Union Pacific caboose, the Texas Trail Monument, the first schoolhouse in eastern Laramie County and a 1900s Catholic church. *Open Memorial Day – Labor Day, Mon – Sat, 11 am – 5 pm. Admission is free.*



Pine Bluffs Nature Area

I-80 Rest Area at Pine Bluffs. Spectacular vistas frame a leisurely 1.8 mile trail, which surrounds visitors with the flora and fauna of Pine Bluffs. Part of the trail is wheelchair accessible.

Leaning Rock Golf Course

Beech St, four miles from center of Pine Bluffs. 245-3236. Scenic Leaning Rock Golf Course is a public, nine-hole, 32 par golf course. Perched high above the town on a picturesque wooded bluff, this rough course features four greens and five sand greens. *Open dawn – dusk, weather permitting. Green fees: \$5 per day.*



Pine Bluffs Municipal Pool

200 E 8th St, 245-3783. This seasonal attraction is a family favorite, offering open swim sessions seven days a week, late May through late August. *Open swim Mon – Sun, 1–5 pm, plus Tues & Thursday 6–8 pm. Lap swim Mon – Fri, 12–1 pm.*

Small Town Charm...Big Time Vistas

East of Cheyenne, Wyoming stretches the quiet charm of the prairie and the enchanting community of Pine Bluffs. Along with quaint neighbors Albin, Carpenter and Burns, Pine Bluffs showcases small town America at its best, harkening back to a time when Grandma’s apple pie cooled on the window sill and crazy quilts were a winter standby.

In 1868, Pine Bluffs (then known as Rock Ranch) consisted only of a tent, slab shack and a shed. In 1884 the town became the largest cattle shipping point on the Union Pacific Railroad, and by the early 1900s was a well-known town, hailed as the best-lit city of its size in the nation.

Today, Pine Bluffs and its neighbors shine on as Wyoming gems. Savor the West’s best vistas and history in mint condition as you venture beyond the city lights.

Ticket to Yesteryear



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The Neighbors Always Set a Place for Guests...

Albin ③

Perched on a small hill, this cozy town was established in 1905 by John Albin Anderson, Albin's first postmaster. Not far from the Wyoming/Nebraska border, Albin is the very picture of rural beauty, surrounded by sunflower patches and farmland. While in Albin, be sure to stroll through the Albin Memorial Park.



Burns ⑨

If you don't believe that there exists a place where strangers greet each other like old friends, visit Burns, an agricultural and retirement community 10 miles west of Pine Bluffs. Drop by the quaint town square for authentic hometown flavor.



SCENIC SIDE TRIPS

Panorama Point ⑩

15 mi southeast of Pine Bluffs.

Only minutes away, Panorama Point offers an unhindered view of the majestic Rocky Mountains and the vast Nebraska plains. At 5,524 feet, it marks the highest point in Nebraska. Maps are available at the Pine Bluffs Visitors Center.



Pawnee Buttes ⑪

15 mi south of Pine Bluffs.

Stroll the Great Plains the settlers knew and be awed by the buttes, rising 250 feet above grassy valleys. Yucca, wheatgrass and cheatgrass tickle the eye as raptors soar overhead. The 4.2 mile trail is open year-round.



Panorama Point photo courtesy of Alan Ritter, www.mritter.org.

Navigating the Frontier Crossroads



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