

Region: Western High Plains - South

Note: Attractions marked with an asterisk (*) were recognized as part of the 8 Wonders of Kansas contests, sponsored by the Kansas Sampler Foundation. Don't miss them!



1. Fromme-Birney Round Barn* County Road 28, Mullinville, KS (620) 723-1125

2. Greensburg Tours http://www.GreensburgGreenTown.org/

402 South Sycamore Street, Greensburg, KS (620) 723-1125

3. Boot Hill Casino & Resort

http://www.BootHillCasino.com/ 4000 West Comanche, Dodge City, KS (620) 682-7777

4. Boot Hill Museum*

http://BootHill.org/ Front St, Dodge City, KS (620) 227-8188

5. Sandsage Bison Range & Wildlife Area http://Fosbr.com/ 785 S Hwy 83, Garden City, KS (620) 276-9400

- 6. Historic Adobe Museum Complex* http://www.UlyssesChamber.org/home 300 E Oklahoma, Ulysses, KS (620) 356-3009
- 7. Cimarron National Grasslands* http://fs.usda.gov/GoTo/Psicc/Cim 242 E Hwy 56, Elkhart, KS (620) 697-4621
- Mid-America Air Museum* <u>http://www.Visiting/Mid-America-Air-Museum.html</u> 2000 W 2nd St, Liberal, KS (620) 624-5263
- 9. Dalton Gang Hideout Museum http://OldMeadeCounty.com/ 502 S Pearlette, Meade, KS (620) 873-2731

10. Stauth Memorial Museum

http://www.StauthMemorialMuseum.org 111 N Aztec St, Montezuma, KS (620) 846-2527



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The southwestern part of the wheat state is chock-full of history, unique experiences and one of a kind attractions. This is your chance to walk through the escape tunnel used by the infamous Dalton Gang, to walk the ground where legends like Wyatt Earp and Bat Masterson have roamed and to follow the yellow brick road. Come see for yourself, why there is no place like Kansas.

Mullinville

1. Fromme-Birney Round Barn*

Built in 1912 for draft horses, this 16-sided barn is a rare architectural marvel. Originally built to stable horses, the design was considered more resistant to wind and tornados. On the National Register of Historic Places the barn (and informative photo gallery) is always open.

Looking for more to do in Mullinville? May we recommend:

M.T. Liggett's Metal Sculptures

U.S. 400, just west of Mullinville, KS The fantastical meets the political in M.T. Liggett's satirical signs and whirligigs. Made from recycled iron and castoff farm parts, Liggett's art makes its own political statement.

Greensburg

2. Greensburg Tours

May 4, 2007 is a date that residents in Greensburg will never forget, as 95% of their town was destroyed by an EF5 tornado. Following the tornado, the community worked together to become stronger, more sustainable and greener. Greensburg has a cell phone audio tour where you can learn more about Greensburg, their history and the story of their rebuilding efforts. If you prefer a more personal tour, the city offers guided green tours as well.

Unique Lodging Silo Eco Home Bed & Breakfast www.greensburggreentown.org/eco-lodging 402 S. Sycamore, Greensburg, KS (620) 723-2790 Spend the night in a sustainability-built home constructed from solid concrete.

Looking for more to do in Greensburg? May we recommend:

The Big Well Museum & Visitors Center*

http://www.BigWell.org/

315 S. Sycamore, Greensburg, KS

(620) 723-4102 The Big Well is a marvel of pioneer engineering that was completed in 1888. At 109 feet deep and 32 feet in diameter, this hand dug well is an incredible site to see.



Dodge City

3. Boot Hill Casino & Resort

Big-time excitement is always on hand at the Boot Hill Casino & Resort where high style meets 1870s Western history. You'll enjoy more than 580 slot machines and 12 table games, including Blackjack, Craps, Roulette and Poker.

4. Boot Hill Museum*

This must-do experience interprets Dodge City life in 1876 through a variety of exhibits and visual programs. Historic buildings include an 1879 cattleman's home, the jail from Fort Dodge, a one-room school and a church. Daily summer entertainment includes living history presentations, gunfight re-enactments, chuck wagon dinners and the Long Branch Saloon Variety Show.

Unique Lodging

The Moore Ranch

http://www.MooreLonghornRanch.com/

2933 CR E, Bucklin, KS

(620) 826-3649 Live the life of an authentic cowboy. Sleep under the stars while getting those doggies along a two-day cattle drive, or spend the night in the comfort of a ranch cabin.

Boot Hill Bed & Breakfast

http://www.BootHillDodgeCity.com/ 603 W Spruce, Dodge City, KS (620) 225-0111 Find this historic B&B at the top of Boot Hill. Noted on the National Register of Historic Places and recommended for its outstanding breakfast.

Unique Dining

Casey's Cowtown Club

http://CaseysCowtown.com/

503 E Trail, Dodge City, KS

(620) 227-5225 Enjoy famous Kansas steaks and classic American cuisine among the stained-glass collection and westerr décor.

Garden City

5. Sandsage Bison Range & Wildlife Area

The Sandsage Bison Range & Wildlife Area was established in 1916. The first bison were placed in 1924 making it the oldest publicly owned bison herd in Kansas. Tours are available by reservation.

Unique Dining

Pho Hoa One Restaurant*

713 E Fulton St, Garden City, KS 67846 (620) 276-3393 A local Vietnamese family serves up delicious dishes made from the freshest ingredients.



Looking for more to do in Garden City? May we recommend:

Big Pool

http://www.Garden-City.org/index.aspx?nid=372

504 Maple, Garden City, KS

(620) 276-1255 The "Big Dipper" as it was called in 1922 when it was first built is a *very large pool* -as big as a football field. In fact, when all the adjectives are added, it is the largest outdoor concrete municipal pool in the world!

Lee Richardson Zoo & Safari Shoppe

http://www.LeeRichardsonZoo.org

312 E Finnup Dr, Finnup Park Garden City, KS

(620) 276-1250 This 47-acre zoo with over 300 animals is designed for fun, learning and discovery. The Wild Asia exhibit features Asian plants, architecture and animals. Enjoy the antics of the Bactrian camels and siamangs or the quiet, powerful beauty of the snow leopards.

Ulysses

6. Historic Adobe Museum Complex and Hotel Edwards*

Constructed of adobe blocks in the 1930s, step in and feel the history of the area come to life. An Indian encampment on the banks of the Cimarron gives the visitor a glimpse into the life of the nomadic Indians who followed the immense herds c buffaloes across the plains. A freight wagon loaded with trade goods, a sod house and the museum gallery makes this premier museum a must-see for all museum visitors. The attraction is listed on the state historic register.

Unique Dining

Alejandro's

816 W Oklahoma, Ulysses (620) 356-3163 A family restaurant featuring fresh Mexican and American cuisine.

Elkhart

7. Cimarron National Grasslands*

Twenty-three miles of historic Santa Fe Trail crosses the 108,000 acres of the Cimarron National Grassland. Today the grassland is an ideal location for wildlife watching, hiking or camping. With a beautiful view of the surrounding area, visitors can hike to Point of Rocks lookout to view the ruts where freight wagons camped from 1821-1880. Tours, self-tour booklets and information can be obtained from the Grassland's website or the local office in Elkhart.

Liberal

8. Mid-America Air Museum*

http://www.CityofLiberal.org/Visiting/Mid-America-Air-Museum.html 2000 W 2nd St, Liberal, KS (620) 624-5263 With more than 105 aircrafts on display, this museum houses one of the largest aviation collections in the nation. Whether you interest is general aviation, warbird, helicopters, experimental or homebuilts, you'll find something cool to spark your imagination.



Looking for more to do in Liberal? May we recommend:

9. Dorothy's House & the Land of Oz*

Dorothy's House was built in 1907 and has been carefully restored to replicate the house shown in *The Wizard of Oz*. After visiting Dorothy at home, take a journey down the Yellow Brick Road and into 5,000 square feet of animated entertainment in the Land of Oz.

Meade

10. Dalton Gang Hideout Museum & Souvenir Shop

The Dalton Gang was an infamous group of outlaws who specialized in train and bank robberies. You can see the home of Eva Dalton Whipple (sister to brothers in the gang) restored as it was in 1887 when the gang used the home as a hideout. The facility consists of the outlaw hideout, escape tunnel to the barn, museum of western artifacts and a western souvenir shop.

Unique Dining

Smoke Hoss http://www.SmokeHoss.com/ 808 W Carthage, Meade, KS (620) 873-5101 Slow-cooked gourmet meats, gluten free options and a creative, diverse menu. Not your average BBQ join

Looking for more to do around Meade? May we recommend:

Big Basin Prairie Preserve/St. Jacob's Well*

Approximately 15 miles south of Minneola on U.S. 283 Minneola, KS Big Basin, a natural sinkhole, is thought to have been created by dissolving salts thousand years ago causing the surface to drop 100 feet. The highway traverses a mile through the basin before climbing to the rim with its nearly vertical walls. At the south rim of the Big Basin, the country road heads east to St. Jacob's Well. This was a welcome spot for early explorers, settlers, and drovers who used the picturesque watering hole during long cattle drives. A stone pillar marks the highest point in the area and indicated to travelers that water was available.

Montezuma

10. Stauth Memorial Museum

Experience the travel adventures of Claude and Donalda Stauth – longtime residents of southwest Kansas. Stroll through the "Around the World" exhibit, featuring colorful handicrafts and arts from every corner of the earth along with videos and pictures of the Stauth's trips. The museum also features a special exhibitions gallery with renowned traveling exhibits.

Looking for more to do in Montezuma? May we recommend:

Gray County Wind Farm

Hwy 56 & 17 Rd, Montezuma, KS

(620) 846-2527 Green energy makes an impressive showing on the prairie outside Montezuma. With 170 turbines, Gray County Wind Farm is the largest in Kansas.