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ADVENTURE, HISTORY, CULTURE & WINE

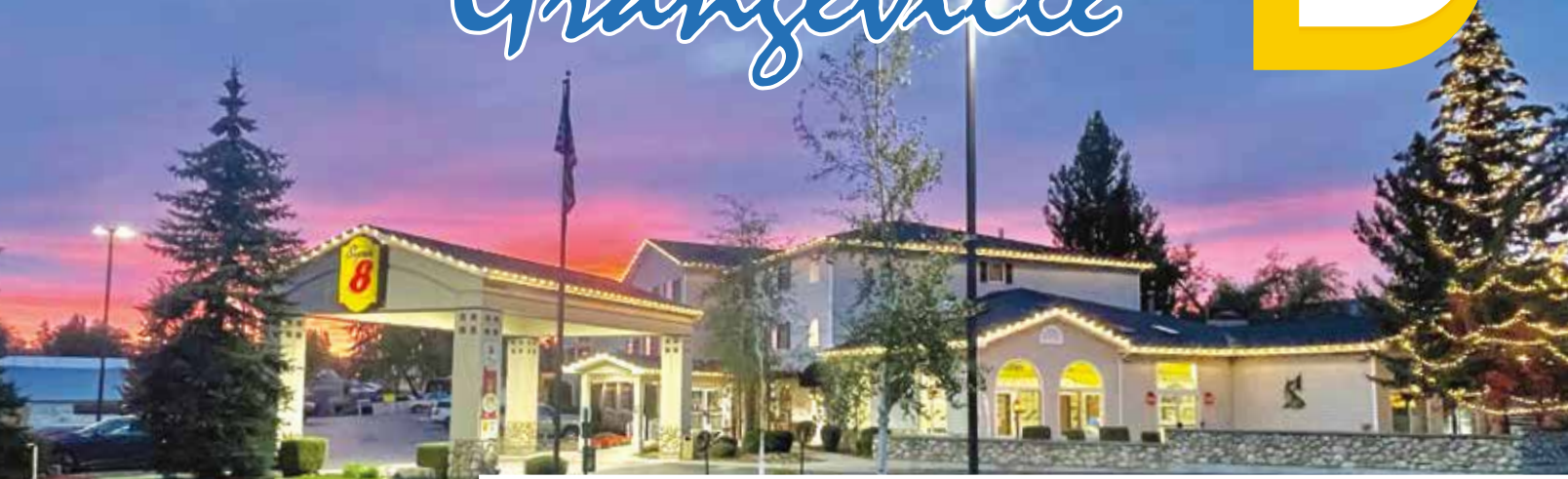
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Your Road Trip to Adventure, History, Culture & Wine

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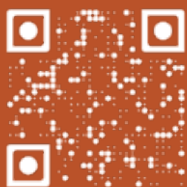
A Nimiipuu rider and horse in traditional regalia. The Nez Perce Horse is a spotted horse breed derived from old-line Appaloosa (the Wallowa herd) and Central-Asians horse belonging to the Akhal-Teke breed. Visitors can experience this with a guided adventure from Nez Perce Tourism.

North Central Idaho is home to vast wilderness, pristine rivers, deep canyons, and rolling hills. Take a road trip along any one of the regions' designated Byways and discover our charming small towns. Hop aboard a guided jet boat tour in Hells Canyon, the deepest river gorge in North America. Try rafting the Salmon, Snake, Lochsa or Selway rivers, some of the most wild and scenic around.

Visit the many important and sacred sites that make up the region, which is home to the Nimiipuu, who have hunted, fished, and lived on these lands for thousands of years. Taste your way through the Lewis-Clark Valley AVA wine region and discover the award-winning wines that call this area home.

So pack your bags, take off an extra day (or two) and experience the natural splendor of Idaho.

Unlock More Adventures with QR Codes!



VISIT OUR
WEBSITE

Throughout this guide, you'll find QR codes that make planning your North Central Idaho adventure even easier. Simply scan the codes with your smartphone's camera to access detailed information, insider tips, event schedules, and maps.

Whether you're looking for the best hiking trails, local dining options, or seasonal activities, these codes connect you instantly to everything you need for an unforgettable trip. Don't just explore—experience all that North Central Idaho has to offer with just a quick scan!

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FIND YOUR FLOW ON OUR RIVERS

Idaho boasts more river miles than any other state, with North Central Idaho home to the majority of these wild and scenic waterways, making it a premier destination for river adventures and natural beauty.

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ADVENTURE ON THE EDGE IN HELLS CANYON

The deepest canyon in North America, carves through North Central Idaho, offering breathtaking views, rugged landscapes, and thrilling adventures along the Snake River's wild currents.

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The Selway River is a pristine, wild river renowned for its clear, rushing waters and breathtaking wilderness surroundings. Flowing through the rugged Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness, it's a top destination for seasoned rafters and kayakers seeking thrilling whitewater adventures. Selway Falls, a stunning natural cascade along the river, adds to the area's allure with its powerful, scenic drop, surrounded by dense forests and rocky landscapes.

MAKE LC STATE YOUR DESTINATION

Whether you're from the area or traveling through, LC State is the place for you!

LC State provides unique opportunities for you to connect and experience our beautiful region. For more information about events, reservable space, summer housing, or renting outdoor adventure gear, please contact Events and Conferences at **208-792-2644** or email **ecc@lcsc.edu**.



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Dworshak Reservoir

OROFINO, PIERCE, WEIPPE, ELK RIVER CLEARWATER COUNTY

Where Rivers Run Wild & Adventure Flows

Nestled along the banks of the Clearwater River, Orofino is a gem of North Central Idaho, inviting visitors with its rich blend of natural beauty, outdoor adventure, and small-town charm. Start your day by exploring the historic downtown, where you'll find local shops, cafes, and friendly faces eager to share the town's stories. Orofino's deep connection to the river is palpable; whether you're fishing, kayaking, or simply

strolling along its scenic banks, the Clearwater River is central to life here and offers visitors an ever-present sense of tranquility and connection to nature.

For outdoor enthusiasts, Orofino is a gateway to adventure. Just a short drive away is the stunning Dworshak Reservoir, an expansive body of water surrounded by forested hills, perfect for boating,

The Clearwater River winds through some of North Central Idaho's most inviting landscapes, connecting vibrant communities steeped in history and outdoor adventure.

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A rainbow frames the scenic
Clearwater River

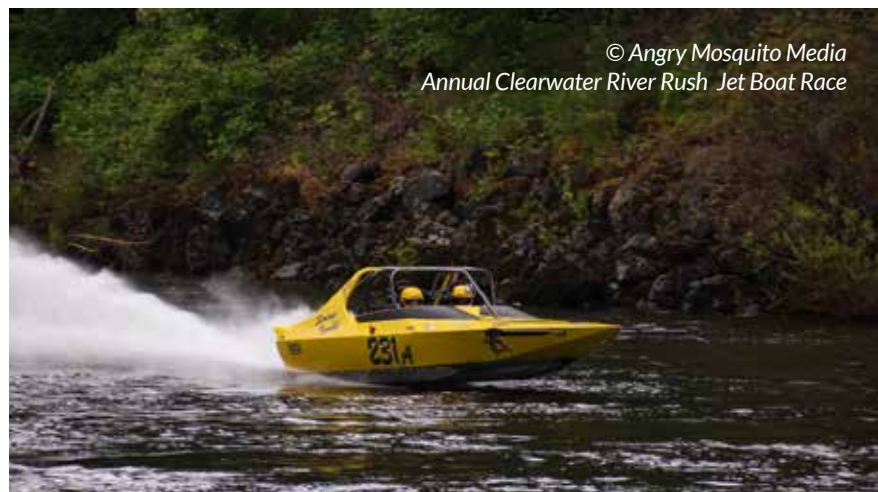


Dworshak Dam is the Tallest
Straight Axis Dam in North America

fishing, and camping. The reservoir's beautiful inlets and hidden coves make it a paradise for kayakers and anglers alike, while nearby trails invite hikers to immerse themselves in the rugged beauty of Idaho's wilderness. And in winter, the area offers a quieter kind of beauty, with serene landscapes perfect for wildlife viewing, fishing, photography, and peaceful snow-covered trails.

Beyond its natural allure, Orofino is a place of rich history and culture. The town hosts

annual events like the Orofino Lumberjack Days, celebrating the area's logging heritage with thrilling competitions and community festivities. Visitors can also learn about the history of the Nez Perce Tribe and the region's Indigenous roots through local exhibits and museums, offering a deeper understanding of the area's past. Warm, welcoming, and full of Idaho spirit, Orofino and its surrounding areas offer a unique blend of adventure, history, and heart, making it an unforgettable destination for visitors.



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Annual Clearwater River Rush Jet Boat Race

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VISITOR INFORMATION

CLEARWATER COUNTY ADVENTURES

208.476.4335;
clearwatercountyadventures.com

DWORSHAK VISITOR CENTER

208.476.1255

LODGING

BUCK HOLLOW LODGE AT FURRY TALE FARM

furry-tale-farm.com

SIGNATURE EVENTS

JUN

BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL
CLASSICS ON THE CLEARWATER
MANIAC DAM RACE
CLEARWATER RIVER RUSH JET BOAT
RACES

JUL

ALL AMERICAN FIREWORKS
OROFINO SHOW & SHINE

SEP

LUMBERJACK DAYS



Deer Creek Reservoir

FISHING & WATER ADVENTURES

Anglers will find plenty of opportunities to cast a line in the region's lakes and streams, with Elk and Deer Creek Reservoirs and surrounding waters offering healthy populations of trout and bass. Elk River's tranquil settings make for a peaceful day on the water, whether fishing or simply enjoying the scenery.

HIKING & TRAILS

Explore miles of trails that weave through lush forests and open meadows. Don't miss the trek to Elk Creek Falls, Idaho's tallest waterfall, cascading over three tiers for a combined drop of more than 140 feet. The hike offers stunning views and a chance to experience the serene beauty of the backcountry.

ATV & SNOWMOBILING

For thrill-seekers, the area boasts an extensive network of ATV and snowmobile trails. During the warmer months, riders can navigate through dense forests and open terrain, while winter transforms the landscape into a snow-covered playground perfect for snowmobiling adventures.

CAMPING & BACKCOUNTRY ESCAPES

Set up camp at one of the many campgrounds in the area, or venture deeper into the backcountry for a truly remote experience. The serene surroundings and dark skies make for unforgettable nights under the stars.

Dworshak Dam and Reservoir



Don't miss the 3rd tallest dam in the USA!

The Visitor Center is FREE, family friendly & offers three floors of:

- Movies
- Displays
- Historical Information
- Gift Shop
- Also a Picnic Area

Dworshak abounds with recreational opportunities from camping, to hiking, to boating or fishing and hunting. There is something for everyone!

Hours 8:30-4:30
Off season- Monday-Friday
Summer- 7 days per week



Dworshak Visitor Center
1842 View Point Rd. Ahsahka, ID
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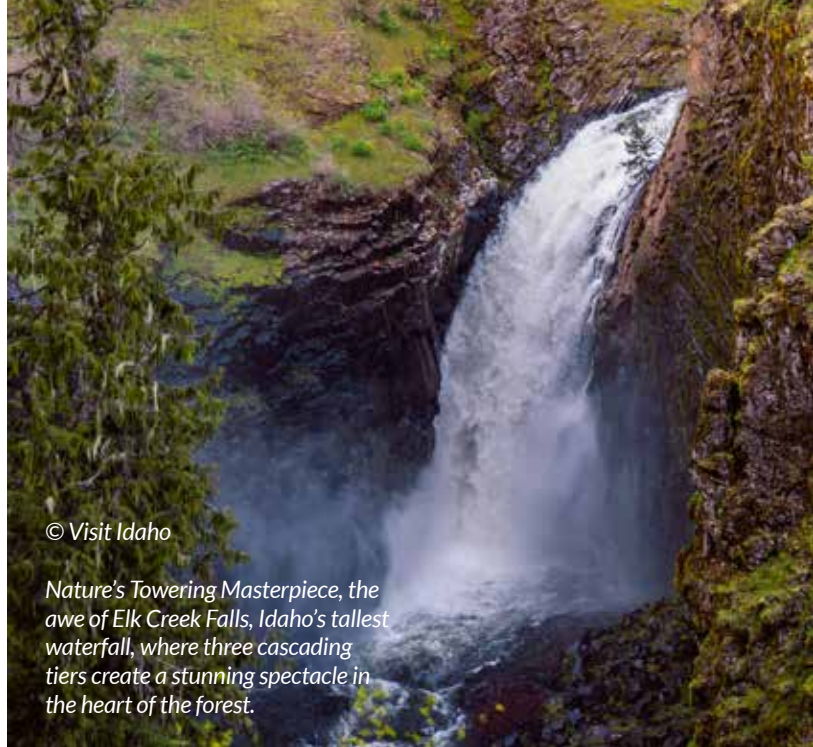
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GOLD RUSH & FRONTIER HISTORY

Pierce holds a special place in Idaho's history as the site of the state's first gold discovery in 1860, sparking a gold rush that brought fortune-seekers to the area. Visit the Pierce Courthouse, Idaho's oldest public building, and step back in time to the early days of the gold boom.

In Weippe, walk in the footsteps of Lewis and Clark, who passed through the area in 1805 and made contact with the Nez Perce Tribe. The Weippe Prairie is a key site in this historic encounter and is now a scenic destination for reflection and exploration.

Elk River also echoes with history, from its days as a booming logging town to its current role as a tranquil retreat for outdoor lovers.



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Nature's Towering Masterpiece, the awe of Elk Creek Falls, Idaho's tallest waterfall, where three cascading tiers create a stunning spectacle in the heart of the forest.

The communities of Orofino, Pierce, Weippe, & Elk River create a perfect gateway to North Central Idaho's natural beauty and rich cultural heritage.

Weippe, Idaho
Deyo Reservoir

(See www.weippe.com for campground map and reservations)

Weippe Discovery Center

A Lewis & Clark Visitor Center & Public Library

Kayak & Paddle Boards available

Calendar of Local Events

Memorial Weekend- Weippe Heritage Days

July – Sept: Weippe Farmers Market Fridays: 3-5 pm

3rd Weekend in August: Wild Weippe Days + Rodeo

ClearwaterCountyAdventures.com
208-435-4406

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VISITOR INFORMATION

ELK RIVER CITY HALL
208.826.3209; cityelkriver.org

WEIPPE DISCOVERY CENTER
208.435.4058; ccfldatweippe.lili.org

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE RENTALS

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SIGNATURE EVENTS

- FEB** PIERCE WINTER FESTIVAL
ELK RIVER ICE FISHING DERBY
- MAY** ATV MOTHER'S DAY RIDE
ELK RIVER THUNDER RUN
- JUN** SLORA BOAT RACES
ELK RIVER SPRING FISHING DERBY
ELK RIVER THUNDER RUN
ORV CLUB FATHER'S DAY RIDE
- JUL** ELK RIVER FIREWORKS IN THE MOUNTAINS
- AUG** PIERCE 1860 DAYS
ELK RIVER DAYS
WILD WEIPPE DAYS & RODEO
MUSIC IN THE MOUNTAINS

THE LOCHSA REGION

WHERE ADVENTURE MEETS TRANQUILITY

Whether you're chasing rapids, soaking in hot springs, or walking in the footsteps of explorers, it is an unforgettable blend of adventure and history.

LOLO PASS

Start your journey at Lolo Pass, a historic crossing for the Nez Perce and Lewis and Clark. The Lolo Pass Visitor Center highlights the area's rich history and offers access to hiking trails, snowmobiling routes, and breathtaking mountain views.

LOCHSA RIVER

The Lochsa River is famous for its exhilarating whitewater, drawing experienced rafters and kayakers to its Class III-IV rapids each spring. Anglers and nature lovers can also enjoy its scenic beauty, with ample spots for fishing and wildlife watching.

DEVOTO CEDAR GROVE

Take a peaceful stroll through DeVoto Cedar Grove, a tranquil old-growth forest named after Bernard DeVoto, a historian of the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

The towering cedars create a magical atmosphere perfect for reflection and exploration.

SELWAY RIVER & SELWAY FALLS

The Selway River, one of the original Wild and Scenic Rivers, offers a remote, pristine experience for adventurers seeking solitude. Its clear waters are perfect for fishing and whitewater rafting. Don't miss Selway Falls, where the river tumbles through a series of rocky chutes, creating a dramatic and awe-inspiring cascade.

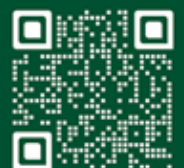
HOT SPRINGS & TRAILS

The surrounding trails offer endless opportunities to explore Idaho's wilderness, with routes for every skill level. Some wilderness trails lead to hot springs providing a natural retreat for hikers.



Journey through the wild and scenic Lochsa region, a land of untamed beauty and rich history stretching from Lolo Pass to Kooskia. Whether you're seeking adrenaline on the water, serenity in the forest, or a connection to the past, the Lochsa region invites you to explore its wonders.

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DeVoto Cedar Grove



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VISITOR INFORMATION

LOLO PASS VISITOR CENTER
208.942.3113

FENN RANGER STATION
208.926.4258

LODGING & DINING

LOCHSA LODGE & RESTAURANT
208.942.3405; lochsalodge.com

THREE RIVERS RESORT
208.926.4430; idaho3riversresort.com



GRANGEVILLE & COTTONWOOD YOUR GATEWAY TO ADVENTURE

You'll find experiences that capture the spirit of exploration!

GRANGEVILLE: THE HEART OF IDAHO COUNTY

As the county seat, Grangeville is a hub for travelers seeking adventure and history. Surrounded by the rolling hills of the Camas Prairie, it's an excellent base for exploring nearby wilderness areas. The Snowhaven Ski Area offers family-friendly winter recreation, from downhill skiing to tubing. In the summer, enjoy access to the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forest, perfect for hiking, camping, and wildlife spotting. History buffs can visit the Bicentennial Museum, which highlights local pioneer and Native American history.

The Camas Prairie is a sprawling landscape of rugged wilderness, vibrant small towns, and rich history. Whether you're drawn to its outdoor recreation, historic sites, or welcoming communities, this region offers experiences that capture the spirit of exploration.

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YOURSELF IN
THE OUTDOORS
WITH PANORAMIC
VISTAS AND
NATURE-FILLED
ADVENTURE



South Fork of the Clearwater River

COTTONWOOD: SMALL-TOWN CHARM & UNIQUE EXPERIENCES

Just a short drive from Grangeville, Cottonwood offers quirky attractions and serene landscapes. Travel some of the rural roads and you'll find old railroad trestles popping out of the rolling landscape. Cottonwood also provides access to the Monastery of St. Gertrude, a peaceful retreat known for its historic chapel and museum detailing the region's history.

*Rolling hills of the Camas
Prairie with brilliant
golden canola fields and
the regal Seven Devils
mountains beyond.*



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VISITOR INFORMATION

GRANGEVILLE CHAMBER
208.983.0460; grangevilleidaho.com

LODGING

GATEWAY INN
208.983.2500; idahogatewayinn.com

INN AT ST. GERTRUDE
208.451.4321; innatstgertrude.com

SUPER 8 GRANGEVILLE
208.983.1002;
super8motelgrangeville.com

SIGNATURE EVENTS

JUL BORDER DAYS
ART & MUSIC IN THE PARK

AUG IDAHO COUNTY FAIR



Monastery of St. Gertrude

KAMIAH, KOOSKIA, STITES, CLEARWATER, HARPSTER ELK CITY, RED RIVER & DIXIE WHERE HISTORY & ADVENTURE MEET

McAllister Picnic Area on the South Fork of the Clearwater River

Where rich history and rugged beauty of North Central Idaho unfold.

The Highway 14 Corridor in North Central Idaho offers a journey through rugged beauty, rich history, and year-round activities. Stretching from the small towns of Kamiah and Kooskia to the remote wilderness of Elk City, Dixie, and beyond, this route connects travelers to historical landmarks, outdoor recreation, and the timeless charm of Idaho's backcountry.

KOOSKIA: AT THE CONFLUENCE OF ADVENTURE

Nestled at the confluence of the Clearwater and Lochsa Rivers, Kooskia is a quaint town with a rich history tied to the Nimiipuu (Nez Perce) people and early settlers. It serves as a gateway to the Selway-

Bitterroot Wilderness and the wild and scenic Lochsa River, making it a hub for outdoor enthusiasts and history buffs alike. Whether you're rafting the rapids or exploring cultural sites, Kooskia offers a mix of adventure and heritage.

KAMIAH: A CULTURAL CROSSROADS

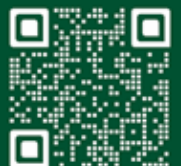
Situated along the Clearwater River, Kamiah is a cultural hub with deep connections to the Nez Perce Tribe. Visitors can explore the Heart of the Monster site, a sacred place in Nez Perce mythology, and learn more about the tribe's history at local interpretive centers. Kamiah's downtown offers unique shops, cozy cafés, and local art. Outdoor enthusiasts will find plenty to do, from fishing and river rafting to hiking in the nearby foothills.

ELK CITY: GATEWAY TO THE BACKCOUNTRY

At the edge of the wilderness, Elk City is a haven for outdoor enthusiasts. This small town serves as a jumping-off point to the Frank Church-River of No

Whether you're exploring cultural landmarks, hiking to breathtaking vistas, or taking on winter's challenges, the Highway 14 Corridor offers unforgettable experiences year-round. Its rich history, seasonal activities, and stunning scenery make it a must-see destination in North Central Idaho.

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CORRIDOR



Return Wilderness, one of the largest protected wilderness areas in the lower 48 states. Miles of trails for hiking, snowmobiling, and ATV riding await adventurers, while nearby rivers and streams are ideal for fishing. Elk City is a must-visit for those seeking remote and rugged landscapes.

DIXIE & RED RIVER: HIDDEN GEMS OF THE WILDERNESS

For a truly off-the-beaten-path experience, head to Dixie and Red River, two remote communities steeped in mining history. Dixie’s historic buildings offer a glimpse into Idaho’s Gold Rush era, while Red River’s natural hot springs provide a relaxing retreat after a day of exploring. These areas are surrounded by pristine wilderness, with opportunities for backcountry camping, wildlife watching, and horseback riding.

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VISITOR INFORMATION

KAMIAH CHAMBER
208.935.2290; kamiahchamber.com

KOOSKIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
208.935.5837; kooskia.com

SIGNATURE EVENTS

- JUN** CLEARWATER RIVER RUSH JET BOAT RACES
- JUL** ELK CITY WAGON ROAD DAYS
KOOSKIA DAYS
- AUG** CHIEF LOOKING GLASS POWWOW
- SEP** KAMIAH BBQ DAYS



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RIGGINS & WHITE BIRD EVERY BEND IS AN ADVENTURE

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The legendary Salmon River of No Return

The Salmon River of No Return, where rugged beauty and adventure collide.

WHITEWATER RAFTING THRILLS

The Salmon River is a legendary destination for whitewater rafting, offering heart-pounding rapids and serene stretches through deep canyons. Guided trips range from exhilarating single-day adventures to multi-day expeditions that immerse you in the wilderness. Rafters navigate class III and IV rapids, with names like “Time Zone” and “Lorna’s Lulu,” surrounded by dramatic cliffs and wildlife.

The communities of White Bird and Riggins lie deep within river canyon walls. Life here centers around the rivers and the abundant recreational opportunities that surround them.

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RIGGINS &
WHITE BIRD



Old White Bird Grade

WHETHER IT'S THE RUSH OF THE RAPIDS OR THE QUIET OF A MOUNTAIN TRAIL, THE SALMON RIVER PROMISES AN UNFORGETTABLE JOURNEY.



HIKING & WILDERNESS EXPLORATION

For those who prefer land-based adventure, trails wind through the Seven Devils Mountains, offering access to rugged backcountry and breathtaking views of Hells Canyon. Backpackers can tackle multi-day treks or opt for shorter hikes to scenic overlooks. This region's remote and challenging terrain promises solitude and stunning vistas for those who seek them.

GATEWAY TO HELLS CANYON

At Pittsburgh Landing, you'll find a launch point for jet boat tours and access to Hells Canyon, the deepest river gorge in North America. Visitors can explore historic sites, fish, or camp along the riverbanks, experiencing the canyon's raw beauty and rich history.

HISTORY & HERITAGE

The area is steeped in history, with the White Bird Battlefield serving as a significant site from the Nez Perce War of 1877. Trails and interpretive signage invite visitors to reflect on the region's complex past while taking in sweeping views of the surrounding hills.

FISHING & SEASONAL ADVENTURES

Fall and winter bring opportunities for world-class steelhead and salmon fishing. Anglers are drawn to these waters to catch trophy-sized fish amid snow-dusted landscapes, making it a peaceful yet thrilling experience. The Salmon River's diverse waters ensure something for every fishing enthusiast, from fly-fishing to deep-water angling.

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VISITOR INFORMATION

SALMON RIVER CHAMBER
208.305.8052; rigginsidaho.com

DINING

1906 BREWS
208.839.9993; 1906brews.com

LODGING

SALMON RAPIDS LODGE
208.628.2743; salmonrapids.com

SWIFTWATER RV PARK
208.839.2700; swiftwaterrv.com

SIGNATURE EVENTS

APR SALMON RIVER JET BOAT RACES

MAY RIGGINS RODEO
SACRED SALMON CEREMONY

JUN BIG WATER BLOWOUT RIVER FESTIVAL
WHITE BIRD DAYS
RATTLE THE CANYON MUSIC FESTIVAL
WHITE BIRD RODEO

JUL HOT SUMMER NIGHTS



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1906 Brews in White Bird

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White Bird

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JULIAETTA & KENDRICK HIDDEN GEMS

A taste of small-town charm, rich history, and outdoor adventure.

Tucked along the Potlatch River, the sister towns of Juliaetta and Kendrick are known for their close-knit communities and scenic landscapes. These towns are a perfect escape for those seeking relaxation and exploration.

JULIAETTA: A QUIET ESCAPE

Juliaetta's picturesque setting, with rolling hills and riverbanks, provides a peaceful backdrop for visitors. Nearby is the popular Rivaura Winery & River Ranch Brewing, where you can sample regional wines crafted from locally grown, estate grapes and craft beers. Whether you're sipping wine or beer on the patio or enjoying a stroll through the town, Juliaetta offers a relaxing retreat.

Outdoor enthusiasts can explore nearby trails for hiking and biking or cast a line in the Potlatch River for fishing. In the fall, the changing leaves add vibrant color to the landscape, making it a perfect time for a scenic drive or photography.

Nestled in the scenic Potlatch River Valley, these towns charm visitors with their outdoor recreation, small-town festivals, award-winning wine, and vibrant community spirit.

KENDRICK: A HUB FOR ADVENTURE

Just a few miles from Juliaetta, Kendrick is an outdoor lover's dream. The town serves as a gateway to the Ed Corkill Memorial Trail, a popular route for cyclists and walkers that connects Kendrick and Juliaetta. Kendrick is also home to charming shops and historic buildings that tell the story of its early railroad days.

For those seeking adrenaline, the surrounding hills offer opportunities for ATV riding and exploring backcountry roads.

Experience a unique blend of relaxation and adventure. The towns of Kendrick and Juliaetta are ideal destinations to experience the beauty and hospitality of North Central Idaho. Whether you're savoring local flavors, exploring trails, or simply enjoying the scenic views, these towns invite you to slow down and embrace the journey.

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VISITOR INFORMATION

KENDRICK-JULIAETTA & 7 RIDGES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
208.305.8052; kendrick-juliaetta.com

LODGING

FURRY TALE INN
furry-tale-farm.com

SKY VIEW INN
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SIGNATURE EVENTS

MAY

LOCUST BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

SEP

BLACKBERRY FESTIVAL & CAR SHOW

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JULIAETTA





MOSCOW & THE PALOUSE ART, CULTURE & LOCAL FLAVORS

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Downtown Moscow

A tapestry of rolling hills, vibrant communities, and unique experiences

MOSCOW: ART, CULTURE, AND LOCAL FLAVORS

As the cultural hub of the Palouse, Moscow is a dynamic blend of creativity and community. Stroll through its lively downtown, where local shops, art galleries, and cozy cafes invite exploration. The city's vibrant farmers market, held from spring through fall, is one of the best in the nation, showcasing fresh produce, handmade goods, and live music. Moscow is also home to the University of Idaho, which infuses the town with youthful energy and a calendar full of arts and cultural events.

Food and drink lovers will revel in the local flavors, from award-winning craft breweries to farm-to-table restaurants serving fresh, locally sourced ingredients.

THE PALOUSE: A SCENIC PARADISE

The Palouse Hills stretch out from Moscow, offering breathtaking scenery and plenty of ways to enjoy it. Take a drive or bike ride through the undulating fields of wheat, chickpeas, and lentils that change color with the seasons. Explore parks like Kamiak Butte and Idler's Rest, where hiking trails lead to panoramic views of this one-of-a-kind landscape. Photographers and painters alike are drawn to the region's natural beauty, which provides endless inspiration.

DEARY & TROY: GATEWAY TO THE OUTDOORS

The small towns of Deary and Troy are nestled in the scenic landscapes of the Palouse, offering visitors a tranquil escape with a welcoming, rural charm. These communities are ideal for those seeking outdoor

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adventures, whether it's hiking, biking, or fishing in the nearby creeks and forests.

In Deary, you'll find a peaceful atmosphere perfect for unwinding, while Troy serves as a jumping-off point for exploring trails that wind through lush woodlands and rolling fields. Both towns showcase the Palouse's natural beauty and offer a taste of small-town Idaho hospitality that invites travelers to slow down and enjoy the journey.



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ALONG THE CAMAS PRAIRIE

Craigmont sits along the historic Camas Prairie Railroad, known for its stunning train trestles and scenic views. This small town is steeped in agricultural history, with wide-open fields of wheat and canola creating a patchwork of color. It's a perfect stop for those seeking quiet, rural charm and a glimpse into Idaho's farming heritage.

This region offers a peaceful retreat into Idaho's countryside, rich with history and scenic beauty. From its quiet towns to its outdoor adventures, this region invites visitors to explore a slower pace of life and enjoy authentic experiences.

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Nezperce City Park

NEZPERCE: A TOWN ROOTED IN TRADITION

The town of Nezperce, named after the Nez Perce Tribe, offers a blend of history and modern community life. Visitors can explore the local museum and learn about the area’s past while enjoying the warmth of small-town hospitality. The surrounding countryside is ideal for scenic drives and photography, especially during spring canola blooms and late summer harvest season when golden fields stretch to the horizon.



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The valley serves as the northern gateway to Hells Canyon, the deepest river gorge in North America. Take a jet boat tour to experience its rugged beauty, spot wildlife, and see historic sites like petroglyphs and old ranches.

RICH HISTORY AT EVERY TURN

Named for the legendary explorers Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, the valley is steeped in history. Walk in their footsteps along the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail, or visit the Nez Perce National Historical Park to learn about the Nimiipuu (Nez Perce) people who have called this land home for millennia. Sites like the Spalding Mission and the interpretive centers in Lewiston and Clarkston bring these stories to life.

RIVERSIDE RECREATION

With its prime riverside location, the Lewis Clark Valley is a paradise for water enthusiasts. The Snake and Clearwater Rivers offer world-class fishing, with steelhead and salmon drawing anglers from around the globe. Boating, kayaking, and jet boat tours add to the fun, and the area's warm-weather golf courses make it a rare winter golf destination.

CULINARY DELIGHTS & LOCAL FLAVORS

The Lewis Clark Valley is a hidden gem for culinary exploration, offering a mix of rich local flavors and a burgeoning wine scene. At the heart of it all is the Lewis-Clark AVA (American Viticultural Area), a distinguished wine region producing award-winning wines that reflect the valley's unique terroir. Known for its basalt-rich soils, warm days, and cool nights, this AVA is home to boutique wineries crafting exceptional varietals like Cabernet Franc, Merlot, and Riesling.

Beyond the wineries, the valley's culinary scene features farm-to-table dining, locally raised beef, and fresh-caught fish, often paired perfectly with its regional wines. Don't miss visiting local tasting rooms, where knowledgeable winemakers share their passion for this "hidden gem" of a wine destination. Paired with the area's craft breweries and welcoming eateries, the Lewis Clark Valley truly delivers flavors as memorable as its scenic beauty.

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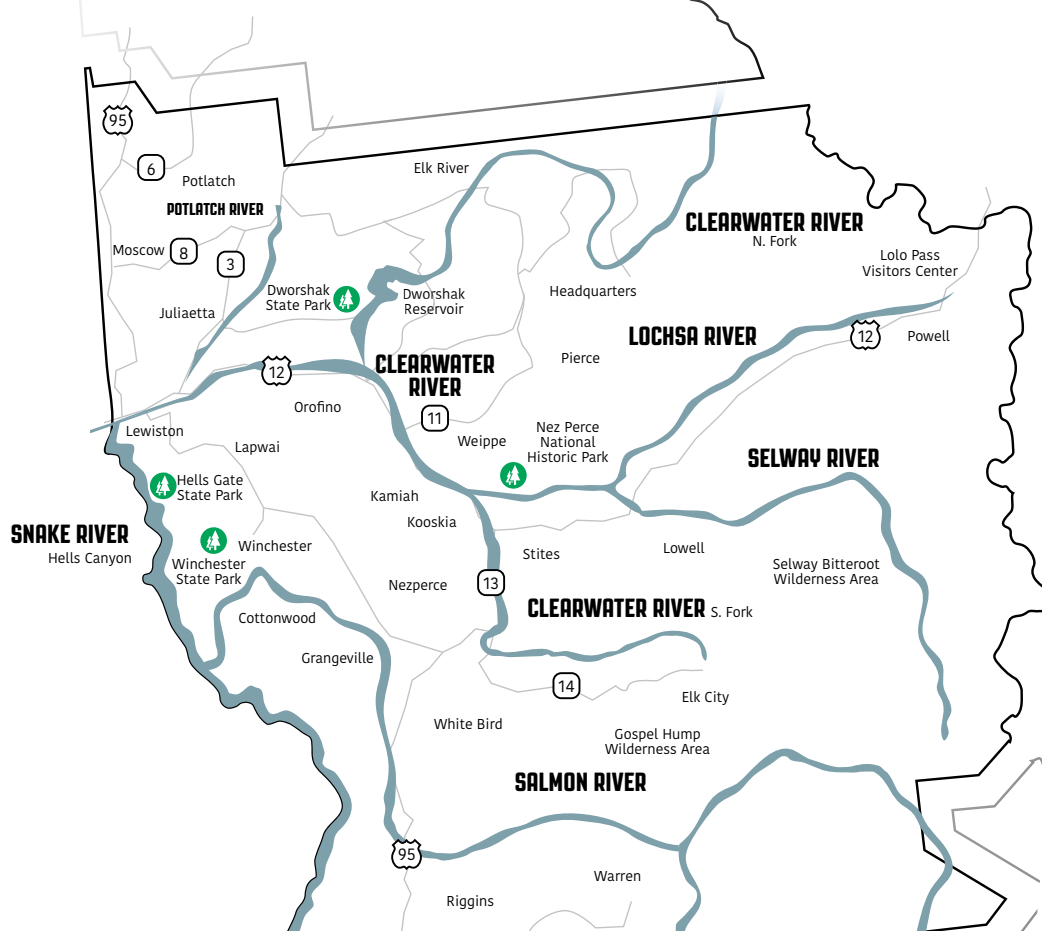
North Central Idaho is a rafter's paradise, home to some of the most exhilarating whitewater in the country. Whether you're seeking adrenaline-pumping rapids or a scenic float, the region's rivers deliver unforgettable adventures. Each river offers its own distinct experience, shaped by wild landscapes, rich history, and untamed beauty.

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Famous for its springtime thrills, the Lochsa River (Nez Perce for “rough water”) lives up to its name with miles of continuous Class III and IV rapids. Surrounded by towering evergreens and rugged wilderness, the Lochsa is a dream for seasoned whitewater enthusiasts seeking high-adrenaline runs and breathtaking scenery.

SELWAY RIVER

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Carving through Hells Canyon, the deepest gorge in North America, the Snake River is as epic as it gets. Rafters can tackle Class III and IV rapids while marveling at towering canyon walls. The journey through Hells Canyon also offers glimpses of wildlife and ancient petroglyphs, adding layers of history to this thrilling ride.



SALMON RIVER

Known as the River of No Return, the Salmon River is a wild and free-flowing gem. Its legendary rapids range from Class III to heart-pounding Class IV, offering a challenge for adventurers. Stretching through deep canyons and wide open landscapes, the Salmon River is a journey into the heart of Idaho's rugged beauty, with adventure waiting around every bend.



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Jet boat tours take visitors in Hells Canyon



Petroglyphs in Hells Canyon

CULTURAL LANDMARKS AND HISTORIC SITES

Hells Canyon is steeped in history, with stories etched into its cliffs and landscapes:

Nez Perce Petroglyphs:

Ancient rock carvings tell the story of the Nez Perce people, who have lived in harmony with this land for thousands of years. These petroglyphs offer a glimpse into their spiritual and cultural connection to the canyon.

Chinese Massacre Cove:

This somber site commemorates a tragic event in 1887, when Chinese miners were ambushed and killed. The site stands as a reminder of the diverse groups that sought their fortunes in this rugged region.

Historic Ranches: A visit to Kirkwood Ranch provides a window into early homesteading life. The ranch, once a thriving cattle operation, now serves as a museum and waypoint for those exploring the canyon's depths.

Whether by jet boat, raft, or foot, Hells Canyon offers an adventure that is both exhilarating and humbling—a chance to connect with nature and history in one of Idaho's most iconic landscapes.

Hells Canyon, carved by the Snake River, is an untamed wonder and the deepest river gorge in North America. Adventure here offers not just breathtaking views but a passage through history, geology, and culture. The rugged beauty of the canyon, with its sheer cliffs and sprawling landscapes, immerses visitors in an unparalleled wilderness experience.

SCENIC SPLENDOR AND WILDLIFE

The canyon's dramatic vistas feature towering rock formations and river rapids winding through a landscape that feels untouched by time. As you explore, keep an eye out for bighorn sheep perched on rocky ledges, deer grazing along the riverbanks, and bald eagles soaring above. The Snake River itself is home to thriving fish populations, drawing anglers seeking world-class fishing experiences.



Hells Canyon experiences with Nez Perce Tourism





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In the morning, head out for more adventures, like hiking hidden trails, fishing in the Snake River's legendary waters, or simply soaking in the solitude. A stay in Hells Canyon offers an unforgettable escape, blending adrenaline-filled exploration with serene relaxation, all in one of Idaho's most awe-inspiring landscapes.



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Petroglyphs in Hells Canyon

For thousands of years, Nimiipuu (Nez Perce) people have navigated the rugged landscapes of North Central Idaho, creating trails that connected their villages, hunting grounds, and sacred sites. These ancient paths were deeply tied to their way of life, fostering a harmonious relationship with the land. Today, those same trails invite modern explorers to walk in the footsteps of history.

225 Years of Shared History

In 1805, the Nez Perce encountered the Corps of Discovery led by Lewis and Clark near what is now Weippe Prairie. This meeting marked a pivotal moment in American history and laid the groundwork for the expedition's successful return journey. The Nez Perce offered critical aid, providing food and guidance through the treacherous Bitterroot Mountains. As the Corps traveled through the region, they marveled at the landscapes and the hospitality of the Nimiipuu people, whose deep knowledge of the land proved invaluable and saved their lives.

NIMIIPUU: GUARDIANS OF THE LAND, PAST AND PRESENT

The Nimiipuu (Nez Perce) have called the lands of North Central Idaho home since time immemorial. For thousands of years, they thrived in this diverse landscape, stewarding vast stretches of mountains, rivers, and prairies. Their lives were intricately tied to the natural world, following seasonal cycles to fish, hunt, and gather across a network of trails that spanned from the Clearwater and Salmon Rivers to the Bitterroot Mountains and beyond.

Their deep spiritual connection to the land is reflected in sacred sites and oral traditions that continue to guide the Nimiipuu today. Despite immense challenges, including the 1877 Nez Perce War and forced displacement, the Nez Perce people have persevered. Today, the Nez Perce Tribe maintains a vital presence in the region, preserving their culture and traditions while fostering economic development and environmental stewardship. Visitors to North Central Idaho can experience this living history through cultural centers, powwows, and interpretive trails that honor the Nimiipuu legacy.



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CORPS OF DISCOVERY: A PASSAGE THROUGH NORTH CENTRAL IDAHO

In 1805, the Lewis and Clark Expedition entered what is now North Central Idaho, embarking on one of the most arduous legs of their journey. After crossing the Bitterroot Mountains, weakened and hungry, they were met by the Nez Perce near Weippe Prairie. This encounter was crucial to the expedition's success. The Nimiipuu welcomed the explorers, offering food, guidance, and knowledge of the region's challenging terrain.

The Corps traveled along the Clearwater River, building canoes and navigating the waters toward the Columbia River. They marveled at the area's rugged beauty but also faced considerable challenges, including swift river currents and dense forests. On their return journey in 1806, the Nez Perce once again provided support, reinforcing the significance of their alliance.

Today, traces of the Corps' journey can be explored through historical markers, trails, and sites like Canoe Camp and the Lolo Trail, and Northwest Passage Scenic Byway allowing visitors to follow in the footsteps of this historic expedition and reflect on the resilience and resourcefulness of both the explorers and the Nez Perce people.

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Woolly Mammoth Replica at the
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PIONEER SETTLERS AND GOLD RUSH FEVER

By the mid-1800s, trails once used by the Nez Perce became routes for pioneer settlers and gold seekers. The discovery of gold in Pierce and along the Clearwater River sparked a rush of prospectors, bringing dramatic change to the region. Trails expanded into wagon routes, linking emerging towns like Grangeville and Elk City with trading posts and mining camps. The influx of Chinese miners added to the cultural tapestry, leaving behind traces of their presence in remote canyons and forgotten camps.

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Located next to the Nez Perce County Museum in Lewiston, the replica showcases artifacts, historical displays, and stories of the people who shaped Idaho's beginnings. It's a must-see stop for history enthusiasts and anyone curious about the roots of this rugged and remarkable state.

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North Central Idaho’s culinary scene is a celebration of local flavors, where farm-to-table dining connects visitors to the region’s agricultural roots. Restaurants here emphasize seasonal ingredients sourced from nearby farms, bringing Idaho’s natural bounty to each dish. From hearty, rustic comfort foods to creative, modern twists on regional favorites, the area’s eateries offer something for every palate. Whether you’re looking for a casual meal at a local café or a memorable dining experience in a charming restaurant, North Central Idaho’s food scene is rich with flavors that reflect its landscapes and traditions.

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RAISE A GLASS TO LOCAL BREWS

For those who love craft beer, North Central Idaho offers a vibrant selection of breweries, each putting its own spin on traditional and innovative flavors. Local brewers draw inspiration from the region's adventurous spirit, creating everything from hoppy IPAs to dark, smooth stouts. Many breweries use locally sourced ingredients, bringing an authentic taste of Idaho into every pint. Visitors can enjoy these unique brews in cozy taprooms, often paired with fresh, local fare, making it easy to relax and savor the experience.



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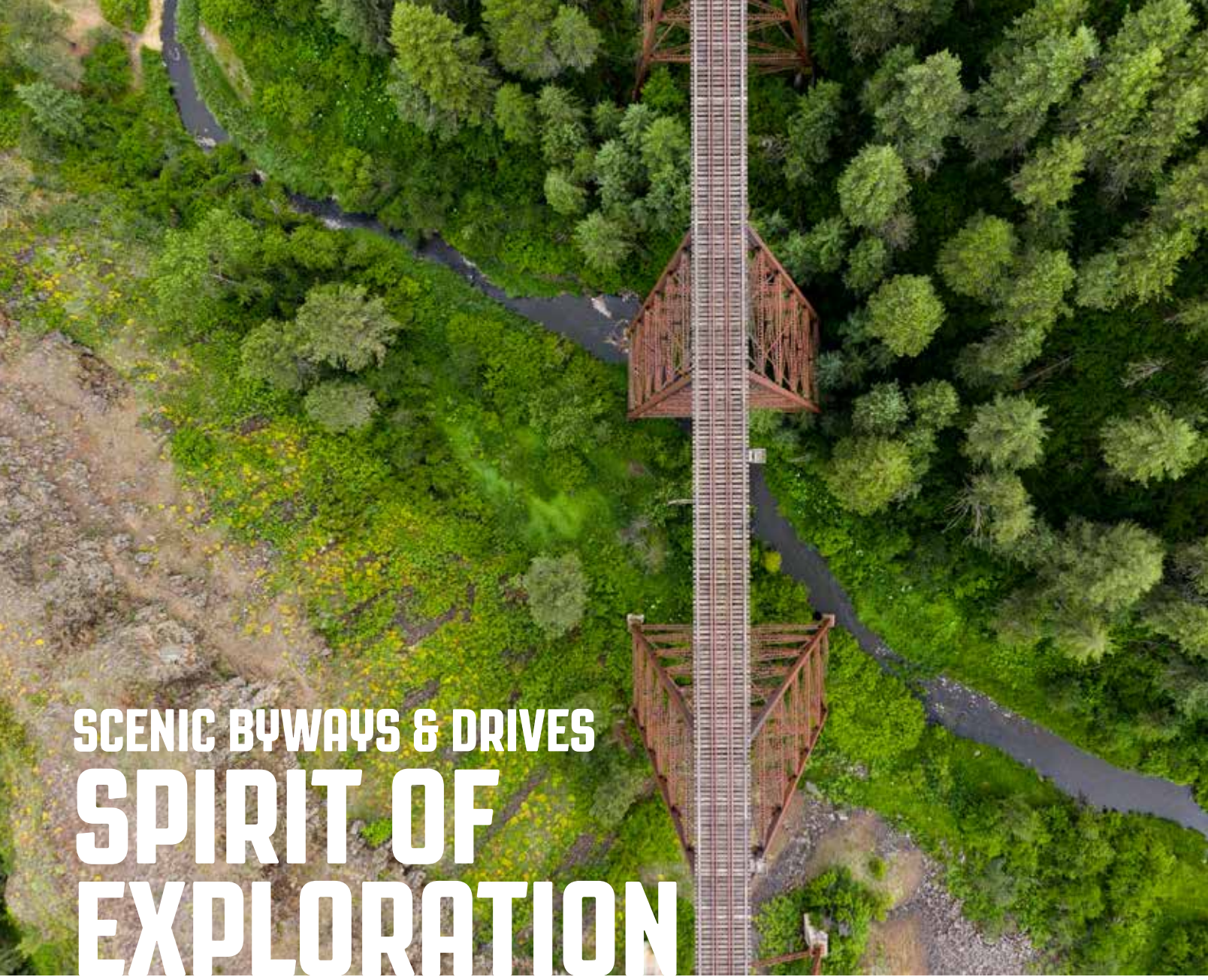
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An aerial photograph showing a tall, narrow wooden tower with a lattice structure, situated in a dense green forest. A river winds through the forest, passing near the base of the tower. The scene is lush and scenic.

SCENIC BYWAYS & DRIVES SPIRIT OF EXPLORATION

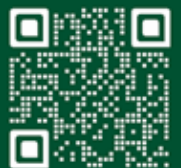
Journey through scenic byways and explore landscapes shaped by rivers, mountains, and history.

NORTHWEST PASSAGE SCENIC BYWAY

Travel the Northwest Passage Scenic Byway, tracing the footsteps of Lewis and Clark along the Clearwater and Lochsa Rivers. This historic route immerses you in wilderness beauty and provides endless opportunities for adventure and reflection.

Much like the explorers who first traversed these lands, each drive offers a sense of discovery and wonder, guiding you through some of the region's most awe-inspiring natural and cultural landmarks.

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SCENIC
DRIVES**





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Suspended in Serenity, the Dent Bridge stretches gracefully over the vast, tranquil waters of Dworshak Reservoir. It is the tallest and longest spanning bridge in Idaho.

CAMAS PRAIRIE: TRESTLES AND CANOLA FIELDS

Drive through the Camas Prairie, where historic train trestles span canyons and open fields. In summer, vibrant yellow canola fields create a stunning contrast against the rolling hills, making this route a photographer's dream.

SALMON RIVER OF NO RETURN (White Bird to Riggins)

Follow the Salmon River from White Bird to Riggins, hugging the river's edge as it carves through deep canyons. This rugged drive showcases the untamed spirit of Idaho, with

opportunities to stop and enjoy fishing, rafting, or simply soaking in the scenery.

ROLLING HILLS OF THE PALOUSE REGION

Explore the Palouse, a region of undulating hills that seem to stretch endlessly. Known for its picturesque farmlands, this drive is especially breathtaking during the golden hour, when the light dances across the fields.

GRANGEVILLE TO ELK CITY ALONG THE SOUTH FORK OF THE CLEARWATER RIVER

Take a drive along the South Fork of the Clearwater River from Grangeville to Elk City. This remote route meanders through dense forests, following the river as it cascades through the wilderness. It's a haven for anglers, hikers, and those seeking solitude.

GOLD RUSH HISTORIC BYWAY

The Gold Rush Byway brings the spirit of exploration alive as you navigate through Pierce and Weippe, towns born of Idaho's early gold discoveries. Explore historic sites, hike forested trails, and imagine the dreams that fueled Idaho's first rush for riches.

ELK RIVER BACKCOUNTRY BYWAY

For those craving off-the-beaten-path experiences, the Elk River Backcountry Byway leads over the expansive Dworshak Reservoir (and the tallest and longest spanning bridge in Idaho) to hidden treasures like Elk Creek Falls and a Giant Cedar Grove (home to the "Champion Tree of Idaho"), offering a perfect blend of tranquility and thrill. Whether you're chasing waterfalls or winding through forested roads, each mile feels like a step into the unknown.

OLD WHITE BIRD GRADE

One of Idaho's oldest highways is also one of its most breathtaking! This route, steeped in Nez Perce history, is both scenic and storied, offering panoramic vistas at every turn. Make a stop at White Bird Battlefield, a Nez Perce National Historical site.

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Historic trestles on Winchester Grade rise above the Camas Prairie, blending engineering marvels with sweeping Idaho landscapes



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FISH OUR PRISTINE WATERS REEL IN ADVENTURE

Fishing isn't just a pastime—it's a journey into some of the most spectacular waters in the country.

Whether you're after a trophy catch or a peaceful day on the water, North Central Idaho's diverse fisheries invite you to explore, cast, and discover your next big adventure.

CLEARWATER RIVER

Famous for its world-class steelhead fishing, the Clearwater River draws anglers from across the globe. Its deep, swift waters are perfect for landing these powerful fish, especially during fall and winter runs. Salmon fishing also peaks in spring, offering another layer of excitement.

From fast-flowing rivers to serene alpine lakes, anglers are drawn here for the thrill of the catch and the beauty of the surroundings. Whether you're chasing the legendary steelhead, the elusive trout, or the mighty sturgeon, every cast is an invitation to explore.

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FISHING**





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Sturgeon Fishing in Hells Canyon

DWORSHAK RESERVOIR

For those seeking a peaceful fishing experience, Dworshak Reservoir offers excellent opportunities for kokanee salmon and bass. Its expansive waters and scenic backdrop make it ideal for a relaxing day on the water.

ALPINE MOUNTAIN LAKES

Hidden in the high country, North Central Idaho's alpine lakes are a paradise for anglers seeking trout. These crystal-clear waters are perfect for fly fishing and offer a tranquil

escape surrounded by rugged peaks and wilderness.

LOCHSA & SELWAY RIVERS

These remote rivers offer excellent opportunities for catching wild trout in their pristine, fast-moving waters. Their isolated locations make them a true backcountry fishing experience.

ICE FISHING

In winter, the frozen waters of places like Dworshak, Deyo, and Deer Creek Reservoirs and Tolo & Winchester Lakes are prime spots for catching trout and other cold-water fish, providing the perfect way to spend a crisp winter day in a quiet, beautiful setting.

SNAKE RIVER

Known for its diversity, the Snake River is home to sturgeon, the largest freshwater fish in North America. Anglers can also find salmon, bass and trout in its waters, making it a versatile destination for a variety of fishing styles. Hells Canyon provides an epic backdrop for any angling adventure.

SALMON RIVER

The iconic Salmon River lives up to its name with excellent

salmon runs, particularly in the spring and summer. Anglers can also target steelhead and various trout species as they navigate its pristine waters. Known as the River of No Return, it promises adventure with every cast.



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Fishing on the Lower
Salmon River

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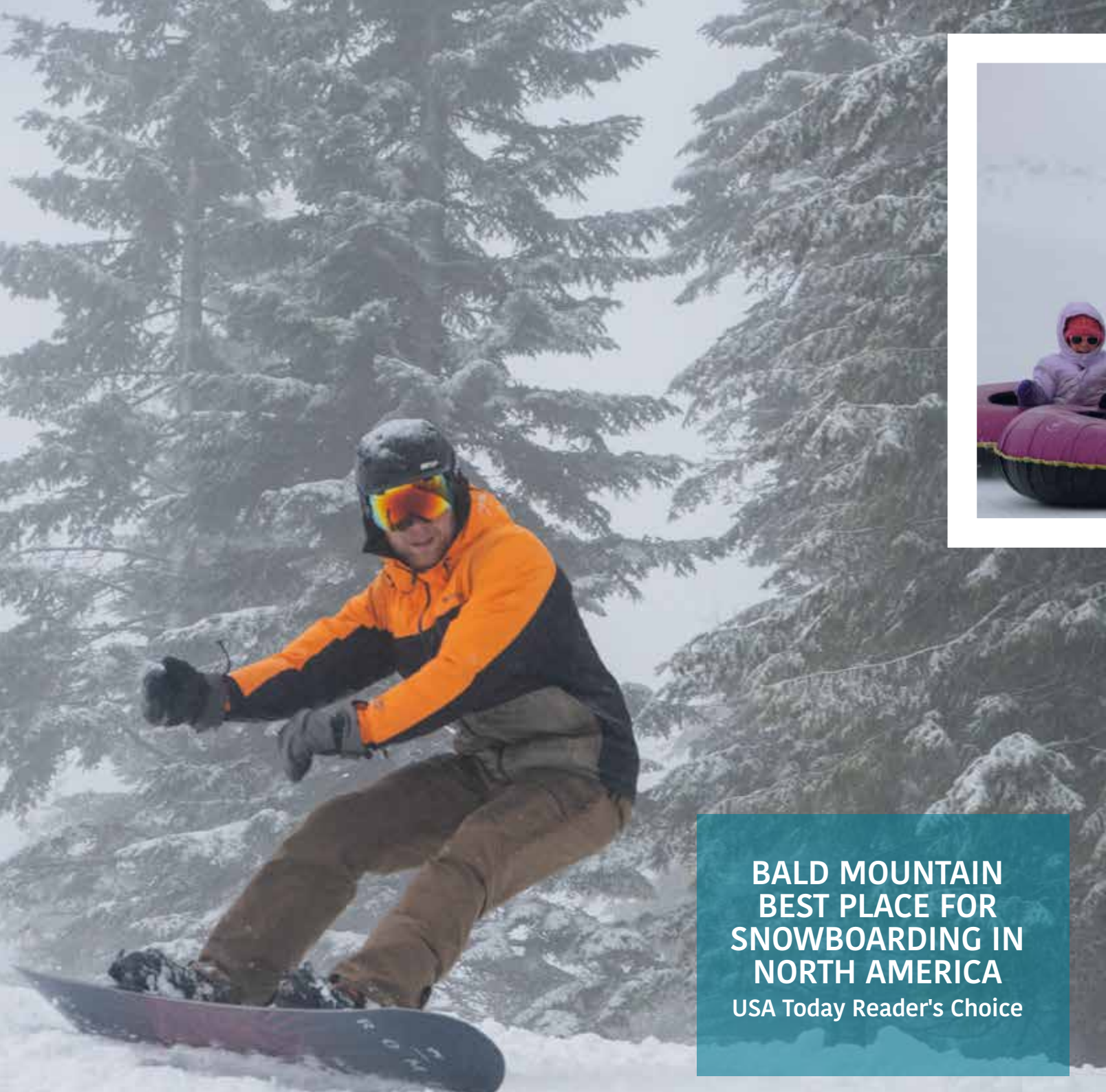
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SNOW DAYS DONE RIGHT

North Central Idaho is a winter wonderland! If you love winter, this is the perfect place to plan an adventure away from the crowds.

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WINTER
RECREATION**





to the fun, giving kids and adults alike a chance to enjoy the thrill of winter on the slopes without skis. With so many options, North Central Idaho makes it easy to embrace winter and discover just how exciting snow days can be.

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COTTONWOOD BUTTE | COTTONWOOD

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SNOWHAVEN | GRANGEVILLE

208.983.3866; grangeville.us/snowhaven-ski-and-tubing-hill



Winter brings an endless playground of powdery trails, scenic landscapes, and cozy winter escapes that make every snow day a perfect adventure.

When winter blankets North Central Idaho in snow, it transforms into a paradise for outdoor enthusiasts. With miles upon miles of trails, snowmobilers, snowshoers, and cross-country skiers have ample room to explore the breathtaking backcountry. Snowmobile trails wind through dense forests and open meadows, offering thrilling rides with views of rugged mountain peaks. For those seeking a quieter journey, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing trails provide a serene way to connect with nature and take in the area's tranquil winter beauty.

Downhill enthusiasts can head to local ski areas, where slopes await for skiers and snowboarders, offering runs for all skill levels. Family-friendly tubing hills add

GROOMED TRAILS

FOR SNOWMOBILING, SNOWSHOEING, & CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING

MOSCOW, BOVILL, ELK RIVER 300 miles

PIERCE, WEIPPE 200 miles

POWELL/LOLO PASS 75 miles

ELK CITY, DIXIE, CLEARWATER 350 miles

GRANGEVILLE, WHITE BIRD 150 miles

WINCHESTER, SOLDIERS MEADOWS 250 miles

NORTH CENTRAL



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LEGEND

- State/Region Boundary
- County Boundary
- River, Wild & Scenic River
- Primary Highway
- Secondary Highway
- Paved Roadway
- Gravel Roadway
- Backcountry Dirt Road (High Clearance Vehicles Only)
- Lewis & Clark Trail: 1805
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- Southern Nez Perce Trail
- Northwest Passage All American Road
- National Recreation Area
- Wilderness Area
- Nez Perce Reservation
- U.S. Highway
- State Highway
- County
- Forest Service Road
- Commercial/General Aviation Airport
- Visitor Information Center
- Forest Service Office
- Point of Interest, Boat Launch/River Access, Golf Course
- Campground: Forest Service, Other
- Picnic Area: Forest Service, Other
- Snowmobiling, Downhill, Cross-Country Skiing

NOTE: Please consult with the U.S. Forest Service before traveling on unimproved roads.

Contact the North Central Idaho Travel Association (NCITA) to learn more about audio tours available for the U.S. 12 and Highway 13 corridors.

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