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In this snapshot of Oklahoma, we have included itineraries to assist you in your travel planning, and numerous Oklahoma partners are ready to make your group visits memorable.

From ancient mountains, perhaps the oldest in the world, around Lawton, to the breathtaking vistas of northwestern Oklahoma; to the historically significant Native American tribes throughout the state and the lush green gardens and forests of Eastern Oklahoma, a multitude of group friendly attractions and activities await your visit.

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MILEAGE

TULSA TO:	
Bartlesville	47 mi
Claremore	30 mi
Miami	90 mi
Muskogee	49 mi
Okmulgee	38 mi
Ponca City	94 mi
Pryor	44 mi
Tahlequah	69 mi
Oklahoma City	105 mi
TULSA TO:	
Kansas City, MO	249 mi
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Amarillo, TX	364 mi
Joplin, MO	114 mi
St. Louis, MO	404 mi

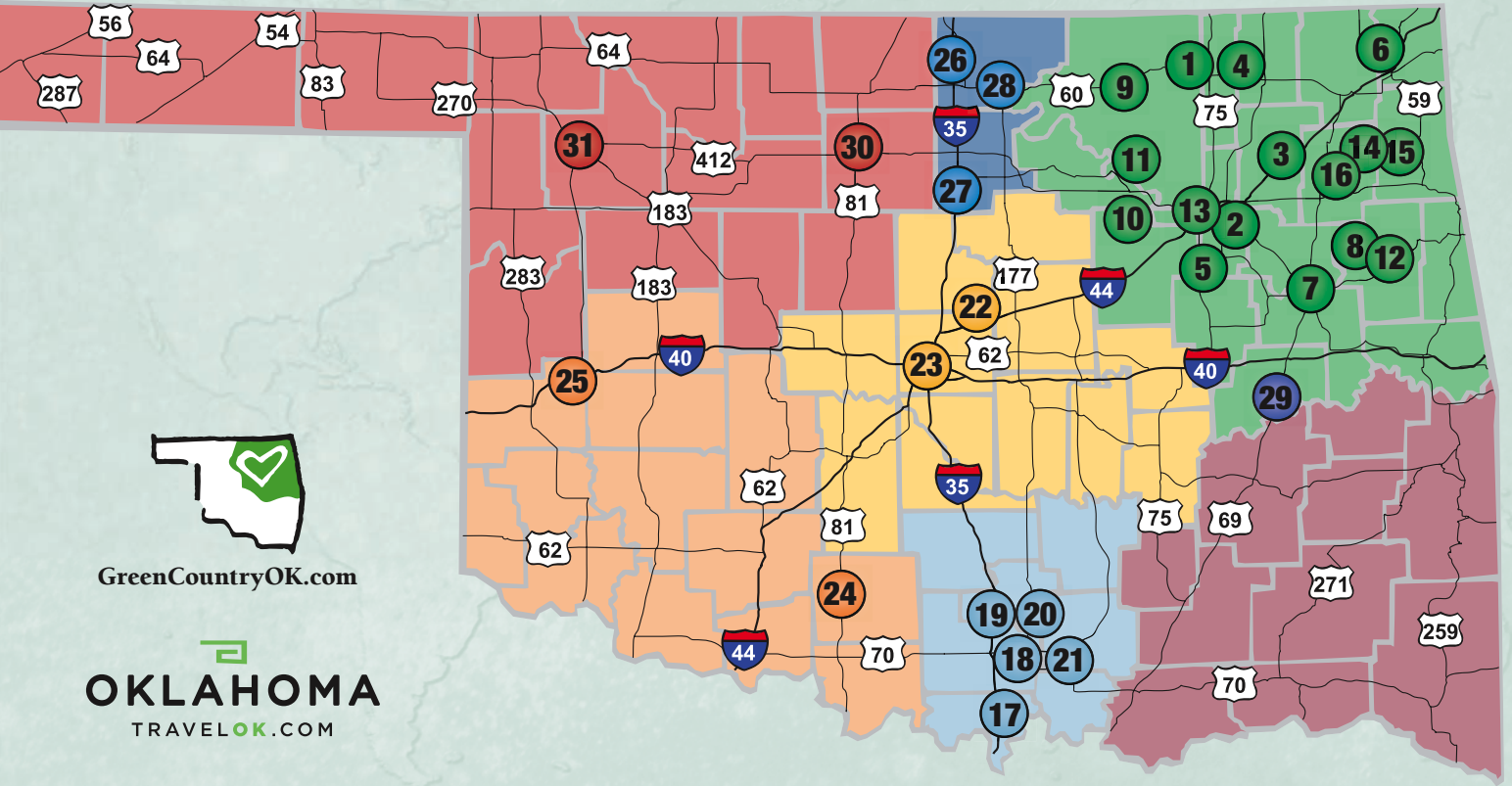
OKLAHOMA: City Legend

GREEN COUNTRY	
1	Bartlesville
2	Broken Arrow
3	Claremore
4	Dewey
5	Jenks
6	Miami
7	Muskogee
8	Park Hill
9	Pawhuska
10	Sand Springs
11	Skiatook
12	Tahlequah
13	Tulsa
GRAND LAKE	
14	Disney
15	Grove
16	Langley

CHICKASAW COUNTRY	
17	Ardmore
18	Gene Autry
19	Pauls Valley
20	Sulphur
21	Tishomingo
FRONTIER COUNTRY	
22	Arcadia
23	Oklahoma City
GREAT PLAINS COUNTRY	
24	Duncan
25	Elk City
KAW LAKE	
26	Blackwell
27	Perry
28	Ponca City
LAKE EUFAULA	
29	Eufaula
RED CARPET COUNTRY	
30	Enid
31	Woodward

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As you travel through this beautiful region of Oklahoma, enjoying the rolling hills, waving prairie grasses and many gorgeous lakes and rivers, you'll notice a special bonus... the friendliness of the people.

From cosmopolitan Tulsans to residents of charming small towns, you'll appreciate the warm welcomes and perhaps come away with a fuller understanding of the words of Native Oklahoman Will Rogers, *"I never met a man I didn't like."*

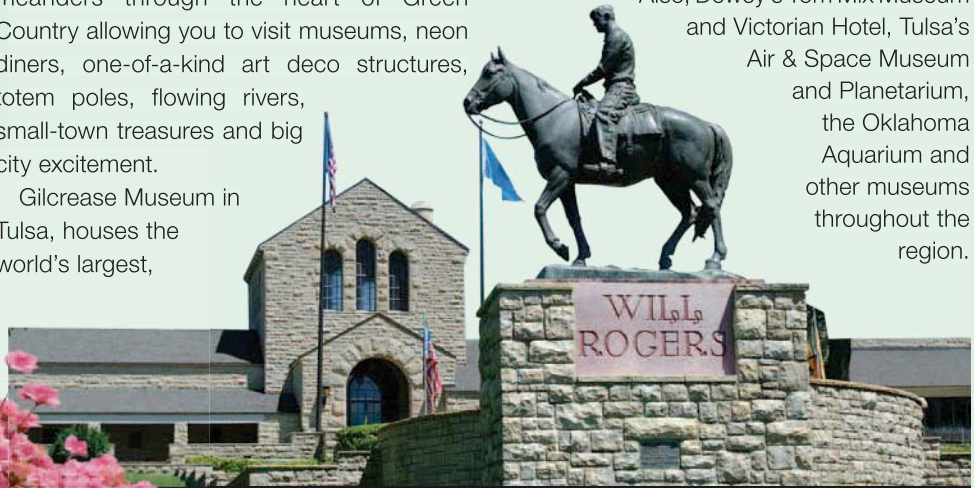
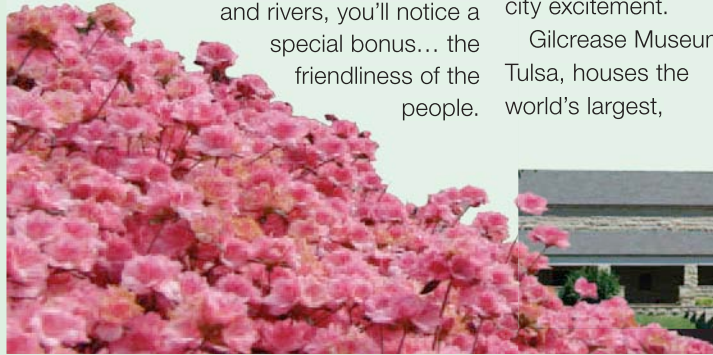
Route 66, known as the *"Mother Road,"* meanders through the heart of Green Country allowing you to visit museums, neon diners, one-of-a-kind art deco structures, totem poles, flowing rivers, small-town treasures and big city excitement.

Gilcrease Museum in Tulsa, houses the world's largest,

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Also, Dewey's Tom Mix Museum and Victorian Hotel, Tulsa's Air & Space Museum and Planetarium, the Oklahoma Aquarium and other museums throughout the region.



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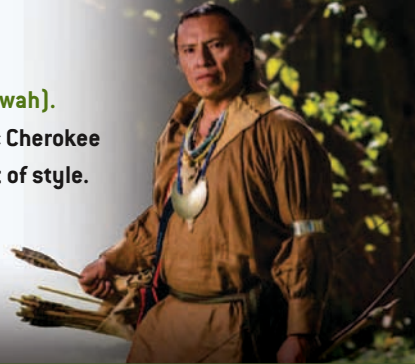
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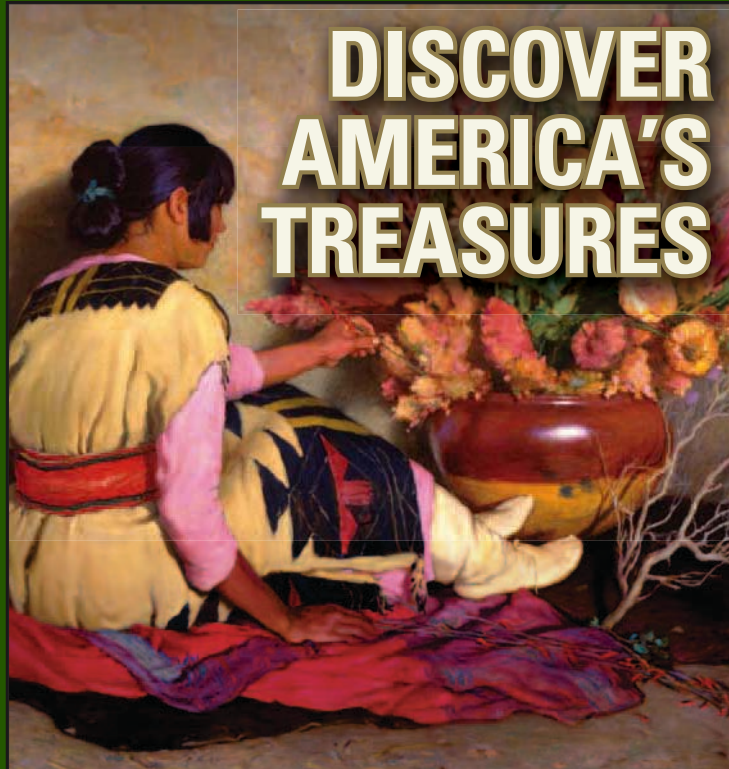


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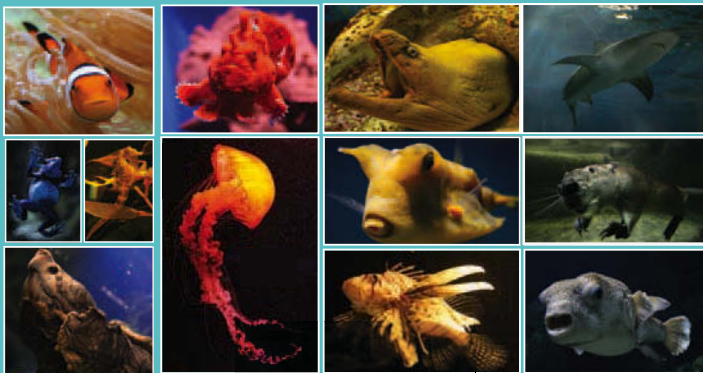


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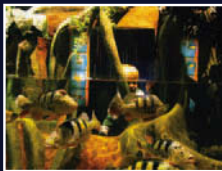


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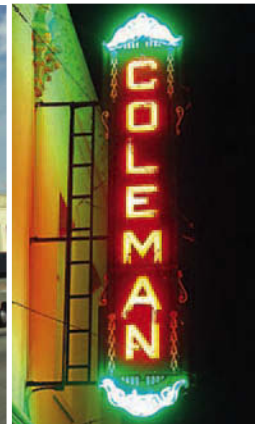
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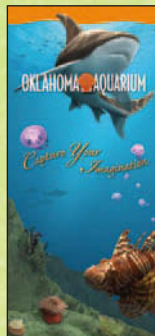
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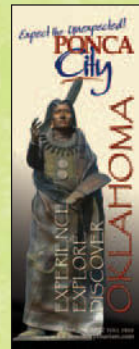
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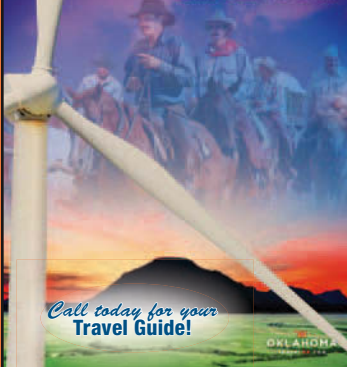
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The Kaw Lake Area covers a fifty mile radius from Tonkawa and Blackwell on the west to Cowley County, Kansas on the north; Pawhuska on the east and Perry on the south... all with Kaw Lake in the middle. It sits half in Green Country and half in Red Carpet Country.

In Ponca City, tour Oil Baron and Oklahoma's 10th Governor E.W. Marland's Grand Home which houses the 101 Ranch Museum and several other exhibits. Marland's second home, the Marland Mansion, is a virtual "*Palace on the Prairie*". Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, it also includes the Bryant Baker Art Studio, Marland Oil Museum, and chauffeur's house, known today as "Lydie's Cottage." Tours start daily at 1:30 p.m. To schedule other tours: 580.767.0420.

Other Ponca City attractions include the newly-remodeled Pioneer Woman Museum, Standing Bear Park, Ponca City Art Center, Poncan Theatre, Conoco Museum and more. Eight casinos dot the Kaw Lake area.

If you're into genealogy or antiques, Blackwell is the stop for you. The Top of Oklahoma Museum in the Electric Park Pavilion holds artifacts including antique lace, old farm equipment, vital records and historic photos of the area. Numerous annual events bring people back again and again.

Perry is just south of Kaw Lake off I-35 and serves as the

gateway to the Cherokee Strip.

Learn about its history at the Cherokee Strip Museum, a five-acre complex that includes indoor and outdoor exhibits, an implement building, one-room schoolhouse and shaded picnic areas. View sculptor Jim Franklin at work in his studio located on the square. Visit the Ditch Witch Heritage Center and Museum that traces the company's history.

On Kaw Lake in the winter the Ultimate Eagle Watch is a great destination for your group. It is held the third Saturday in January, weather permitting. Accessible to all ages, it includes indoor programs, free Native American lunch and guided tour to locations around Kaw Lake to view eagles in their native habitat. Highlight of this event is the appearance indoors of a live eagle from the Sutton Avian Research Center.



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Plan a "Top of Oklahoma" tour in

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- Relive Oklahoma's Land Run past at Blackwell's *Top of Oklahoma Museum* located in the restored Electric Park Pavilion, listed on the National Register of Historic Places



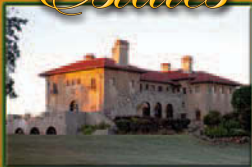
- Local celebration – 'Summerfest' (fair and entertainment) in June
- Old fashion Independence Day celebration
- Kay County Free Fair, September
- Oklahoma's largest indoor animated Christmas display in Blackwell's First Presbyterian Church

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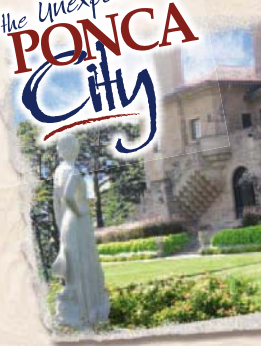
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HONEY SPRINGS BATTLEFIELD, CHECOTAH

Lake Eufaula's colorful history includes Civil War battles, the old Texas Trail and the Ft. Smith Santa Fe Trail, where more than a thousand covered wagons traveled west each week in the 1830s. Remnants of some remain for the visitor to see today.

In Eufaula, the community boasts a 20-block downtown listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Browse antique to art shops, enjoy weekend entertainment at the Plumb Theater, and stroll through the Eufaula Inspiration Garden, where scents from roses and other flowers float in the air.

Area attractions and activities include the Honey Springs Battlefield, site of the largest of many Civil War battles that took place in Indian Territory. Nearby Rentiesville hosts the annual Labor Day *"Dusk 'til Dawn Blues Festival"*. Checotah is the hometown of country music star Carrie Underwood. The Heartland Heritage Museum features the area's rich rodeo history and Creek Nation culture.



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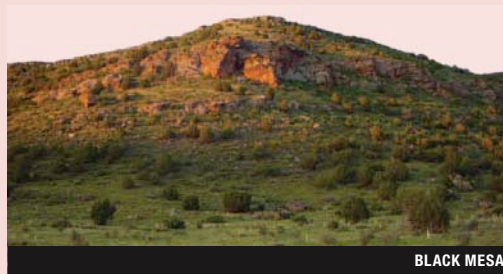
RED CARPET COUNTRY

Make tracks for northwest Oklahoma—land of massive mesas, rugged buttes and gypsum sand dunes. The constantly changing landscape of Red Carpet Country is the home of natural wonders found only in this part of the Sooner State. It is also home to the Cheyenne Indians.

Red Carpet Country gets its name from the vast prehistoric sea that once covered Northwest Oklahoma. Experience towering sand dunes at Little Sahara State Park near Waynoka and Beaver Dunes State Park in Beaver. Visit the Marland Mansion in Ponca City, Oklahoma's magnificent 55-room *"Palace on the Prairie."*

Head for the Salt Plains National Wildlife Refuge near Jet, the only place in the world where you can dig for hourglass selenite crystals. It's also a major birding habitat. Go underground at Alabaster Caverns State Park with a tour of the world's largest alabaster cavern open to the public.

Get a taste of the Wild West at the Cherokee Strip Stampede Rodeo in Enid, the nation's fourth-largest PRCA rodeo, or try your hand at the world's largest cow-chip throwing contest in Beaver. Walk in the dinosaur tracks, and then climb Black Mesa near Kenton, Oklahoma's highest point, where stargazers camp out on sweeping plateaus to study the stars.



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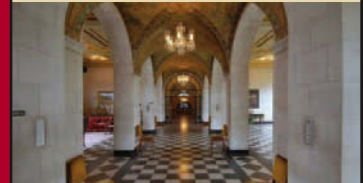
Cherokee Strip Regional Heritage Center, Enid



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Black Gold Territory

DAY ONE

Bartlesville

Frank Phillips Home – The original home of oilman Frank Phillips and his family remains unchanged since 1930. It depicts the lives, tastes, fashions, and values of the Phillips' and their world during the first half of the 20th century.

Price Tower – Frank Lloyd Wright's only realized skyscraper. Wright took his inspiration for the cantilevered design from a tree, thus "the tree that escaped the forest".

Phillips Petroleum Museum – state-of-the-art historical museum features the people who made Phillips Petroleum Company a world energy leader.

Dewey

Tom Mix Museum – Pays homage to the first super star cowboy. Bartender to cowboy on the 101 Ranch, to movie star – the museum features every aspect of Tom's life.

Dewey Hotel – Restored Victorian Hotel adjacent to the Tom Mix Museum.

Prairie Song – A replica Western town with more than two dozen buildings, provides sweeping views of the scenic high plains. An ideal location for a group meal.

Overnight – Bartlesville

**OK Mozart Festival* – Ten day music festival held each June in Bartlesville.

DAY TWO

Bartlesville

Woolaroc – Hidden away in the rugged Osage hills is the ranch retreat of oilman Frank Phillips. The ranch is a 3,700 acre wildlife preserve, home to many species of native and exotic wildlife such as buffalo, elk and longhorn cattle. The museum houses an outstanding collection of western art and artifacts, Native American materials, and one of the finest collections of Colt firearms in the world.

Pawhuska

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church – "The Cathedral on the Osage" was established in 1887 to serve the Osage Catholics of Pawhuska. The Gothic-Style brick church features twenty-two magnificent



TOM MIX MUSEUM, DEWEY



WOOLAROC MUSEUM, BARTLESVILLE



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH, PAWHUSKA

stained-glass windows, made in Munich, Germany that have been widely praised for their artistry and detail.

Ponca City

Standing Bear Park and Museum – Welcoming you is the 22 foot tall bronze sculpture of Ponca Chief Standing Bear; he overlooks the beautiful 63 acre park and museum. The Center is dedicated to educating all nationalities about Native American heritage and the important role they played in developing our country's diverse culture.

Overnight – Ponca City

DAY THREE

Ponca City

Conoco Museum – Exhibits depict the growth of a company born from the early days of a kerosene distributor and the wildcat days of the Cherokee Outlet, to an international energy empire.

Marland Mansion Estate – The story of oilman E.W. Marland is fascinating and his home is an architectural wonder. The roaring-twenties come to life in this 43,000 sq. ft. “Palace on the Prairie” and the family story still turns heads.

Pioneer Woman Museum – Created to honor the spirit of the women who played a significant role in the settling of this part of the country, twelve miniature statues toured the country and votes were cast for the favorite.

Grand Home – Mr. Marland’s first home in Ponca City houses fascinating artifacts from the 101 Ranch, an archeology display and Native American artifacts of the Plains tribes.

Overnight – Ponca City

DAY FOUR

Blackwell

Top of Oklahoma Museum – Housed in the 1913 Electric Park Pavilion are exhibits chronicling the expansion of the Cherokee Strip. Stretch your legs as you browse Main Street’s eclectic shops.

Perry

Cherokee Strip Museum and Rose Hill School – Explore the remarkable events and people who made up the history of the Cherokee Outlet.

Charles Machine Works/Ditch Witch – In the 1940s the process of installing residential utility services – electric, gas and plumbing lines – involved slow, tedious pick-and-shovel labor. Ed Malzahn’s idea was to create a compact trencher that would dramatically reduce the time and effort of this process – thus the Ditch Witch was created.



STANDING BEAR PARK AND MUSEUM, PONCA CITY



MARLAND MANSION ESTATE, PONCA CITY



TOP OF OKLAHOMA MUSEUM, BLACKWELL

Land of the Cherokee and Creek

In the 1830s the Cherokees and Creeks were two of the Indian tribes forced out of the southeastern United States, and resettled in what is now northeastern Oklahoma, an area resembling their original homeland.

DAY ONE

Muskogee

Several attractions detail the history of this area; a step-on guide can certainly enhance your tour.

Five Civilized Tribes Museum – Showcases the extensive art collections of the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Creek, Choctaw and Seminole Nations.

Three Rivers Museum – Dedicated to preserving the history of the American Frontier. The Museum is named for the convergence of the Arkansas, Verdigris and Grand Rivers.

Oklahoma Music Hall of Fame – Dedicated to recognizing the significant impact on the music world by Oklahomans.

Muskogee War Memorial U.S.S. Batfish – Explore this WWII submarine, the cornerstone of the War Memorial Museum.

Thomas-Foreman Home – Historic home featuring Native American and military items.

Overnight – Muskogee

DAY TWO

Ft. Gibson

Ft. Gibson Historic Site and Interpretive Center – A must see, this National Historic Landmark features an 1824 stockade, log fort replica, museum and National Cemetery.

Tahlequah

Cherokee Heritage Center – The Center includes the *Cherokee National Museum*, the premier cultural center for Cherokee history; *Diligwa*, a 1710 Cherokee village which gives the visitor an enhanced experience of Cherokee life; and the *Adams Corner Rural Village* represents life in the 1890s.

Lunch and Shopping – Quaint downtown shops, galleries and eateries offer a variety of options for travelers.

Park Hill

George M. Murrell Home – Certified Trail of Tears site and National Historic Landmark. George's wife's uncle, John Ross, was Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation from 1828 until his death in 1866.

Overnight – Muskogee

DAY THREE

Rentiesville

Traveling south on Hwy 69, take a bit of time to visit Rentiesville and the Honey Springs Battlefield, where the largest Civil War battle in Oklahoma took place 150 years ago on July 17, 1863. Tours can be arranged.

Lake Eufaula

Oklahoma's largest lake, Lake Eufaula was at times home for some notorious outlaws, including Belle Starr, "Queen of the Bandits," the Younger Brothers and Frank and Jesse James. Today you'll find restaurants, boutiques and antique and craft shops in this lovely outdoor destination. Check out:

Our Favorite Place – Featuring Oklahoma artists, crafters and periodic art exhibitions. Art or craft instruction classes can be arranged for groups. *Made In Oklahoma* products are also available.

Plumb Theatre – Home of the Longtown Opry, this theatre has live gospel and country music on the weekends by Paul Maloy (songwriter for George Strait), Jeweltone, Uprights and friends.

Stuffed Olive Restaurant – Where a spectacular lake view is served free with every meal. Eclectic menu offers salad, pastas and desserts, along with seafood, fish and beef.



MUSKOGEE WAR MEMORIAL USS BATFISH, MUSKOGEE

Oklahoma's Historic Old West

DAY ONE Sulphur

Chickasaw Cultural Center – The largest tribal cultural center in the United States, consciously departs from the traditional museums' "displays-under-glass" format by using showcases - interactive media stations and hands-on classes - to give the closest connection with the Chickasaw culture.



CHICKASAW CULTURAL CENTER, SULPHUR

Gene Autry

Gene Autry Museum – Houses a collection of Old West living memorabilia, movies and music with emphasis on famed Western movie star and singing legend *Gene Autry*, who owned a near-by ranch.

Tishomingo

Chickasaw Council House Museum – Showcases one of the largest collections of Chickasaw artifacts. Visit the beautiful Capitol located next door, and the original 1856 log structure *Council House*, located inside the museum for preservation.

Overnight – Sulphur

DAY TWO

Ardmore

Eliza Cruce Hall Doll Museum – Features over 300 rare and antique dolls representing a wide range of historical periods from the United States and Europe.

Greater Southwest Historical Museum – Unique artifacts collected from around the area. Everything from an early electric car to one of the earliest examples of a steam-pumper fire engine can be found here.

Duncan

Lunch and Shopping in Historic Downtown Duncan – A tea room, soda fountain, boutiques, Native American jewelry and 28,000 sq. ft. of specialty shops and antique stores await your visit.

Chisholm Trail Heritage Center – Chronicles the young boys and men, known as cowboys, who were driven by their love of freedom. They faced terrible odds as they moved millions of longhorns; their sharp hooves cut deep ruts in the vast prairies of Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas. Their stories however, have left even deeper tracks in American history.

Overnight – Duncan

DAY THREE

Lawton

Comanche National Museum and Cultural Center – Provides a glimpse of traditional cultural items and detailed history about the Comanche Nation.

Museum of the Great Plains – Artifacts preserving the culture of the Great Plains. Also showcased are a 1902 depot adjacent to a Frisco steam locomotive, trading post, agricultural implements and prairie-dog town.



CHICKASAW NATIONAL CAPITOL BUILDING, TISHOMINGO

Oklahoma Legends

DAY ONE

Commerce/Miami

Start the day in Commerce, home of #7 Mickey Mantle. See his boyhood home and snap pictures with the larger-than-life statue of the “Commerce Comet” located on the high school ball field.

Coleman Theatre – An extensively restored Vaudeville theater still features performances that entertain audiences on a regular basis. Housed here is a “Mighty Wurlitzer” pipe organ.



HAR-BER VILLAGE, GROVE

Route 66 Vintage Iron – Step into the world of Evel Knievel. The museum showcases vintage motorcycles and unique collector items.

Several casinos in the area are available to test your “lucky” skills.

Overnight – Miami

DAY TWO

Grove/Langley

Har-Ber Village – On the banks of Grand Lake ‘O The Cherokees in Grove, this collection of over 100 buildings houses a variety of exhibits. It began as a husband’s gift to his wife – a small church – and blossomed from there. From a large sawmill steam engine and water wheel to doll, military and gun collections; the Village provides a glimpse of times past.

Pensacola Dam at Langley – This Art Deco style dam was constructed between 1938 and 1940. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is the longest multiple arch dam in the world. Tours are available by arrangement.

Foyil

Totem Pole Park – This giant totem pole was erected as a monument to the American Indian, an icon on Route 66.

Overnight – Claremore

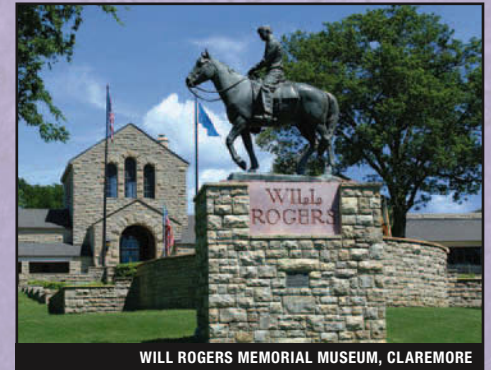
DAY THREE

Claremore

Will Rogers Memorial Museum – Pays tribute to the life of Oklahoma’s Favorite Son, where several galleries feature art and artifacts of Rogers’ life, including Vaudeville memorabilia, detailed dioramas and poignant elements from the fateful Alaska crash. Will’s boyhood home is located just a few miles north overlooking Oologah Lake.

JM Davis Arms and Historical Museum – The largest privately owned gun collection in the world is just a portion of this truly unique museum.

Take time to shop downtown Claremore, with over 300 antique and collectable dealers, it’s a shoppers bonanza.



WILL ROGERS MEMORIAL MUSEUM, CLAREMORE

Rails and Routes

DAY ONE

Enid

Railroad Museum of Oklahoma – Showcases over one million pieces of railroad memorabilia, including a world-class collection of dining car china and silverware, a vast library, photos and videos and an operating HO, N-scale and Lionel model railroads. The rail yard is full of historic engines, cars, cabooses and railroad-related machinery.

Simpson's Old Time Museum and Movie Studio – Full-sized movie sets transport you back into the Old West; visit the saloon, sheriff's office, hotel and general store for a glimpse into the cowboy's life.

Cherokee Strip Regional Heritage Center – Chronicles the history and development of the Cherokee Strip. Meet an array of historical figures and be inspired by the character traits that made them great leaders.

Overnight – Enid

DAY TWO

Freedom

Alabaster Caverns State Park – For the more active groups, this walk-through gypsum cave is over 200 million years old and features striking selenite formations.

Woodward

Plains Indians and Pioneer Museum – Eclectic collection chronicling the history of northwest Oklahoma; featured items include personal items from gunslinger/lawyer Temple Houston, to a stunning federal quilt from the early 19th century by Anna Markey Garnhart.

Woodward Main Street – check out an array of shops: kitchen, gift, antiques, books and boutiques, there's something for most everyone.

Overnight - Woodward

DAY THREE

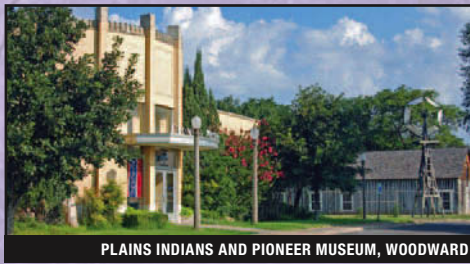
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National Route 66 Museum – Transports the visitor through all eight states, from Illinois to California. See quirky roadside attractions luring people in, and get a feel for the experience of traveling down Route 66. Walk through displays of antique cars and historical documents detailing the narrative of America's highway.

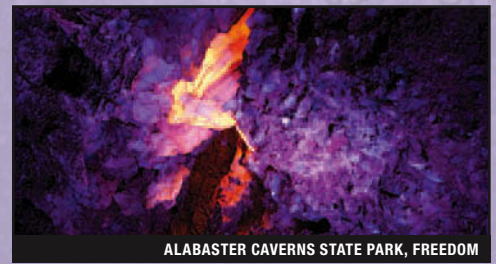
Old Town Museum Complex – Features a grand Victorian house showcasing pioneer life, along with cowboy and rodeo memorabilia. Also on the grounds are the *Farm and Ranch Museum* and *Blacksmith Museum*.



NATIONAL ROUTE 66 MUSEUM, ELK CITY



PLAINS INDIANS AND PIONEER MUSEUM, WOODWARD



ALABASTER CAVERNS STATE PARK, FREEDOM

Route 66: Oklahoma's Highway History Book



Tulsa, Oklahoma's second largest city blossomed after the discovery of oil in the early 1900s and soon became a Mecca for wildcat oilmen. The buildings they erected were frequently designed in the Art Deco style and many examples survive today through-out the city.

DAY ONE

Tulsa

Gilcrease Museum – The American West comes to life in this museum; from historically significant paintings by Thomas Moran, to sleek, expressive bronzes by Frederic Remington, the collection is one of the largest and most comprehensive of its kind in the nation.

Lunch/Play Time

Osage Casino – Fulfill your thrill! Play all your favorite electronic games including progressives and video roulette. Try your hand at a game of Blackjack or ante up for a round of Texas Hold 'Em.

Jenks

Oklahoma Aquarium – Features thousands of salt and fresh water fish and animals. See the largest bull sharks in captivity through a one-of-a-kind walk-through tunnel, plus sea horses, jellyfish and eels. See seven other dynamic exhibits including "Fishes of Oklahoma" with a 120-year old alligator snapping turtle and 7-foot-long gars.

Broken Arrow

Blue Bell Ice Cream Factory – Top off your day with a tour and treat from this premium ice cream maker.

Overnight – Tulsa

There are several choices for overnight accommodations, perhaps one of these –

Best Western Plus is convenient to I-44 and restaurants **Hampton Inn Woodland Hills** adjacent to Oklahoma's largest mall

Post Oak Lodge & Retreat's beautiful wooded area is the most unique location in the metro area.



GILCREASE MUSEUM, TULSA



OKLAHOMA AQUARIUM, JENKS



BLUE BELL ICE CREAM FACTORY, BROKEN ARROW

Consider the following events when planning your tour - *An Affair of the Heart of Tulsa* – July and November – shopping extravaganza featuring hundreds of artisans and craftsmen.

Broken Arrow's Rooster Days Festival, (May) in its eighth decade and *Rhema's Christmas Lights Extravaganza*, lighting the night with 2 million lights.

DAY TWO

Tulsa

Route 66 Transportation Village – See the newest attraction on the Route, where a 154' tall derrick and refurbished steam engine are showcased.

Arcadia

Pops – An over-the-top modern diner features hundreds of “pops” to quench your thirst. The 66-foot tall LED light covered pop-bottle greets you on the Route.



MUSEUM OF OSTEOLOGY, OKLAHOMA CITY

Oklahoma City

Oklahoma History Center – Smithsonian-quality exhibits are featured in this spectacular building over-looking the Oklahoma state Capitol. Within the 215,000 sq. ft. center are five state-of-the-art galleries housing more than 200 hands-on activities.

Overnight – Oklahoma City

Springhill Suites Meridian is convenient to I-40 and I-44 and the OKC Outlet Mall.



POPS, ARCADIA

DAY THREE

Oklahoma City

Museum of Osteology – With hundreds of skeletons and skulls, this museum is an educational treasure for kids and adults alike. The museum features a variety of North American specimens ranging from tiny mice and shrew skeletons to a 40 foot humpback whale.



ROUTE 66 TRANSPORTATION VILLAGE, TULSA

ANNUAL EVENTS

JANUARY

Kaw Lake Ultimate Eagle Watch – Kaw Lake KawLake.com – See eagles at a distance and up close; programs of all types to increase your knowledge of this magnificent bird.



RYAN VAN ZANT AND EAGLE, KAW LAKE

APRIL

Smokin' Red Dirt BBQ and Jazz Stroll – Enid VisitEnid.org – Regional chefs compete in this KC BBQ Society-sanctioned contest. Plenty of lip-smackin' food to enjoy!

"Cruisin" the Chisholm Trail – Duncan MainStreetDuncan.net – Enjoy the shops and galleries downtown during this annual car show.

Muskogee Azalea Festival – Muskogee MuskogeeChamber.org – The park comes alive as over 625 varieties of azaleas burst forth with a stunning spectrum of color in one of the most beautiful displays of flowering trees and shrubs in the world.

MAY

Rooster Days – Broken Arrow RoosterDays.com – Oklahoma's longest running festival includes music, crafts and tasty delights.

Renaissance Festival – Muskogee OKCastle.com – Journey back into an age of knights in shining armor; enjoy shopping, dining and entertainment.

JUNE

Enid Summer Chautauqua – Enid VisitEnid.org – Scholars portray historic characters in this unique Chautauqua-style format under the big tent.

Cherokee Heritage Day – Grove GroveOK.org – Experience the wonderful culture of the Cherokee people through stories, music and crafts.

OK Mozart – Bartlesville OKMozart.com – This multi-day, multi-location festival features professional orchestra musicians, concert artists and musical performances of artistic excellence for an event with international significance.

Red Earth Festival – Oklahoma City RedEarth.org – More than 1,200 American Indian dancers and visual artists gather to celebrate their art and culture.

Rockets Over Rhema – Broken Arrow RocketsOverRhema.com – Early celebration of Independence Day – one of the largest in the area.

JULY AND NOVEMBER

An Affair of the Heart of Tulsa AAOth.com – Uncover treasures that include arts, crafts, custom furniture, seasonal items, collectibles, decorative items, jewelry, clothing, one-of-a-kind merchandise and so much more. An amazing shopping experience, it is one of the largest shows of its kind in the nation with exhibitors, artists and craftsmen from across the United States.



OK MOZART, BARTLESVILLE



ROCKETS OVER RHEMA, BROKEN ARROW

SEPTEMBER***Pelican Festival – Grove***

GroveOK.org – Arts, crafts, entertainment and a parade honor this feathered friend's annual visit to the area.

Oklahoma Indian Summer – Bartlesville

OKIndianSummer.org – Intertribal event features a pow wow, dancing and art show showcasing the talents of several artists.

Western Heritage Weekend and Tom Mix Festival – Dewey

CityofDewey.com – Gunfights, a parade and cattle drive through town honor this early day cowboy.

Gatesway Balloon Festival – Claremore

Gatesway.org – Weekend filled with balloon competitions, family activities, live entertainment, arts and crafts vendors, and great food. The main attraction is the beauty and mystery of the hot air balloons.

Bluegrass and Chili Festival – Claremore

Claremore.org – Local, regional and national performers, tractor pulls, car show and chili cook-off at Claremore's largest annual festival.

Duncan Western Fall Fest – Duncan

DuncanOK.org – Almost every aspect of the Old West and cowboy life is revisited.

Elk City Fall Festival – Elk City

VisitElkCity.com – Arts and crafts festival in this Route 66 city.



WESTERN HERITAGE WEEKEND AND TOM MIX FESTIVAL, DEWEY

Oktoberfest – Choctaw

OldGermany.com – Enjoy brats, strudel, music and more at this 9-day festival.

PRCA Rodeo of Champions – Elk City

VisitElkCity.com – Labor Day Weekend rodeo where top ranked cowboys and cowgirls compete for cash and points.

Murray County Antique Tractor and Implement Show – Sulphur

ArbuckleTourism.com/mcatia – Events include wheat threshing, hay baling, corn shelling, tractor games, rope making, arts and crafts, tractor pulls, wood sawing, tractor rodeo, cotton and peanut displays, broom making, kiddie tractor pulls, a swap meet, and consignment auction.

OCTOBER***Oklahoma International Bluegrass Festival – Guthrie***

OIBF.com – 3-day festival features live acoustic bluegrass and country music.



MURRAY COUNTY ANTIQUE TRACTOR SHOW, SULPHUR

NOVEMBER

Will Rogers Days – Claremore

WillRogers.com – Honors Oklahoma’s Favorite Son, Will Rogers, on his birth date. Festivities include a parade, car show, Pony Express rides and more at his boyhood home and the Memorial.

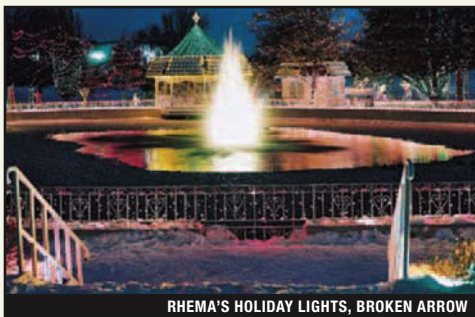


WILL ROGERS BIRTHPLACE, OOLOGAH

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

Rhema’s Holiday Lights – Broken Arrow

RhemaBibleChurch.com – More than two million lights illuminate the RHEMA campus from Thanksgiving Eve through New Year’s Day. A centerpiece of the display is the RHEMA Park bridge where more than 90,000 lights shine and are synchronized to Christmas music.



RHEMA’S HOLIDAY LIGHTS, BROKEN ARROW

DECEMBER

Festival of Angels – Ponca City

PoncaCityTourism.com/Events – Over 260 displays at 3 citywide locations - Visit the host angel at the Pioneer Woman to get a map of the locations offering beautiful lighting, found around Lake Ponca Park, L.A. Cann Gardens and the Pioneer Woman.



CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE, ENID

Garden of Lights and Christmas Kingdom – Muskogee

VisitMuskogee.com – Holiday display of over one-million lights at Honor Heights Park.



CHRISTMAS ON MAIN STREET, HAR-BER VILLAGE, GROVE

Christmas on Main Street – Grove

Har-BerVillage.com – Har-Ber Village transformed into a winter wonderland and all decorated for the holiday. Make an ornament or construct a gingerbread house at one of the workshops.

Christmas in the Village – Enid

VisitEnid.org – Experience Christmas in the Cherokee Outlet as it was over 100 years ago.

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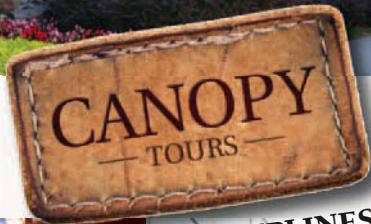
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