

# MEANDER



Nebraska Highways 11 & 91

## ***The Route***

150 miles along Nebraska Highways 11 and 91 from Wood River to Dunning.

## ***The View***

Rolling farmland, cattle country, winding rivers, and breathtaking sandhills.

## ***The Adventure***

A historic military fort, canoeing and tanking, rodeos, the Danish Capital of Nebraska, and half a million sandhill cranes.

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## **Left**

Fort Hartsuff, Burwell

## **Right Clockwise**

Museum of Nebraska Major League Baseball, St. Paul; Happy Jack Peak and Chalk Mine, Scotia; Roadside Camel, Cairo; Nebraska's Big Rodeo, Burwell; Calamus Reservoir, Burwell; North Loup River

# Loup Rivers Scenic Byway

This byway makes its way through the scenic sandhills in a fashion similar to the river system it was named after. And the vast cattle country and lush river valleys you'll wind through have been known to inspire a wandering spirit and a slower pace.

This area is also said to be one of the last places you'll find real cowboys. So it's only fitting that you make plans to catch Nebraska's Big Rodeo in Burwell or one of the many other rodeos happening throughout the summer. You can even stay at a working guest ranch and help out with typical ranch activities.

If you're looking for pastimes that are a bit more relaxing, the possibilities are plentiful. Birding is popular in this region, and one of the largest draws is the annual sandhill crane migration along the Platte River Valley. Local wineries

offer the chance to sit back and take in your surroundings with a glass of locally produced wine. You can even peruse 300 miles of continuous yard sale during Nebraska's Junk Jaunt, a three-day event held every fall.

Water recreation is prevalent as well. Calamus Reservoir offers the expected boating, swimming, and fishing in addition to great windsurfing. Canoeing is also popular along the North Loup, Middle Loup, and Calamus Rivers, or you can go tanking (floating downriver in a stock tank).

And glimpses at the history of the area can be found at Fort Hartsuff State Historical Park near Burwell, Happy Jack Peak and Chalk Mine outside Scotia, the Museum of Nebraska Major League Baseball in St. Paul, and many attractions celebrating local ethnic heritage.

