

“Greetings from Custer South Dakota, a place we call paradise”

As a destination retreat, we offer you clean crisp DRY air. An elevation of over 5,000 feet, 226 average days of sunshine. Little congestion (unless it is biker week – Sturgis bike rally) & few bugs, (if you find a mosquito or tick a drink is on us) with loads of things to do!

This land called the Black Hills with its scared grounds has wide open spaces. The town of Custer has this to offer. At **The Custer Cutoff**, you will have your own private venue to do just that. No outside unknown guests, just those you love within your group with a peaceful atmosphere.

Our staff resides on the grounds which we consider family. We cater to each of your individual needs & that of your horses (if you care to bring them with you). We provide a safe & healthy environment for the health & wellness of yourself & that of your pets.

Plan your Vacation with EASE! Call Catherine Mary 507-276-8571

Custer Temps	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Average high in °F:	37	38	45	53	62	72	80	79	70	57	44	36
Average low in °F:	15	17	22	29	39	47	54	53	43	32	23	15

On average there are 226 days of sunshine in Custer South Dakota, with each night dropping below 65 degrees. So come out for a visit to a place we call paradise! www.blackhillsattractions.com

www.TheCusterCutoff.com or www.TaueringPines.com

Our Mission Statement: This is a place of rest, relaxation & reflection; to restore & recover, to become grounded. The feel is: Earth.

Property Management: This property is an ideal location to spring board to other points of interest & is a luxury facility that is the perfect getaway. It is private & unique, unlike anything else in the Black Hills. This Rustic Venue is a family friendly retreat. You, your pets & children are your responsibility. Prepare yourselves for hail, wind, rain, sunshine & fun. Civility & concern for the welfare of yourself and that of other guests is our tradition. Our host at 6 am & again in the late afternoon will check equines, remove garage, compost & clean bathrooms. They will repair/replace & prep items & address any concerns you may have, so leave a note or rise & shine with host.

Rules, Rental Conditions & Reservations: 50% deposit for reservation. Check in time is 3:00 pm until 8:00 pm., 12:00 pm checkout. After arrival, payment is due in full. Cancellation Policy: 60 Day Notice – Full Refund, 15-29 Day Notice – 50% Refund, Under 15 Day Notice – No Refund. Animals: No studs allowed. Guests are responsible for their animals & for cleaning up after them daily. Campfires: Campfires permitted in authorized locations. Campfires must be put out before leaving fire. Cabin / Loft: Bedding & bath towels provided. Cookware, dishes, etc., are provided in Cabin & Summer Kitchen. Broken or missing items will be charged to guest. No smoking or pets in any buildings (including bathrooms) and RV. Damage deposit: For events \$1,000.00.

Pets/Equines: Dog poop must be picked up & placed at the base of any pine tree. Dogs are NOT allowed in any buildings or rental units, (even if kenneled). If your dog digs holes, they must be filled, reseeded & watered. (I will provide you with the shovel, seed, pail and location for dirt to fill the hole.) If you stall your horse, you will need him removed daily – either out riding or in a paddock turn-out, so maintenance can be performed. If stalled you must use a hay bag. Stalls must have manure picked out daily. If you need to purchase chips for traveling it is \$17.00 a bag. You must pitch your stall before you leave.

Camp Fires: All fires must be put out before leaving or going to bed. No garbage is to be burned in any of the fire cooking pits, rings, grills, stoves or ovens. To start fires, use pine cones.

Summer Kitchen/Rental Units: Leave the kitchen as you found it – with acceptations of garbage in the garbage cans, dirty towels for laundering & compost. If you leave the kitchen with burnt, spilt, food on stove or counter, on floor, in refrigerator or dirty dishes in sink you will be cursed. For rental units: Pull up covers before leaving notify your host that you are ready for a check out inspection, (It is amazing what you forgot to take with you).

Common Areas: Common areas are for all guests to enjoy. Please keep common areas clean and free of personal items. These areas are shared with all guests on property. Please turn off all lights that you turned on when you are finished.

Garbage / Waste / Manure: We have 4 garbage cans, each labeled for “glass, plastic, aluminum & garbage”. We allow for one X-large garbage bag per day – which is ample. We also have a black compost bin for all food scraps including coffee grounds located at water hydrant in the court yard, as well as, in the summer kitchen in blue tubs. Please, do not throw refuse on the ground, in porta-potties, in horse pastures or on the lawn. There are two horse manure compost sites. One is at the north end of the 6-horse stall area with forks & wheel barrels. The other is by the hay shed next to the pine tree. There is a dog “poop fork” next to the A- Frame cabin. Dog poop is to be picked up & placed under a pine tree at the base of the trunk. Do not rake the flag stones as you remove the chinking.

Bathrooms – Showers - Tubs: We have two porta potties on site, one is located behind the A frame cabin / Pavilion and the other is by the lower horse stalls. Please do not put garbage in the potties. The last bathroom is the handy cap seasonal bathroom which is next to the Studio. This bathroom is a divided room with a sitting area and sink and outside shower for that rustic experience. The last shower is also seasonal, which is located at the back of the summer kitchen in the pavilion next to the Sauna. The Custer bath tubs are all seasonal, heated with the solar water heaters. There are 8 in total.

Parking: At liberty parking. However, we strongly recommend that you park your vehicle under the branches of any of the pine trees so when hail arrives, your car/truck will receive an extra level of safety. Bring your own leveling blocks, electrical adaptors etc. If you have guests come in to visit, please inform us prior to their arrival and they cannot dump their garbage here.

EV charging: We have numerous 50 amp plug in and there will be no charge for this. There is also a Tesla charging station in Custer behind the Dakota Mart gas station and grocery store.

Quiet Hour: When other guests are sharing the property quiet hour is 10:00 pm. Unless you are all going to party together.

Security: We have a security system in place, in common use areas. Please do not tamper with these cameras as they are there for your protection.

Cabin- Loft - RV Rentals: Used towels, hand towels washcloths leave hanging on the racks or hooks. Please do not remake beds or pull sheets. Any dishes or taken from the kitchen should be returned to the kitchen, cleaned and put away from where they were found. Before leaving, please find your host as they will walk-through. For as to this date, there has yet to be a time where something was not left behind. So,

check under furniture, outlets for chargers, personal items in bathrooms, kitchen, refrigerators, freezers and in common areas.

Expected Behavior: Parents are expected to provide leadership & be an example at all times for minors. The Custer Cutoff is a health & wellness retreat, any behaviors & activities that conflict with our goals are not tolerated. Guests will be expected to remove themselves immediately. This does not preclude responsible adult behavior.

Additional Services available –Allow your host a 24-hour heads up for scheduling the following:

Trailer use ~ \$2.50 per mile.

Swedish / Sports Massage with isolated oils & scents \$60 to \$100.00

Group or individual meals - \$12.00 to \$30.00 per person (ask for meal / menu options)

Sewing – leather – tack repair – shop time \$65.00/hr

Laundry full-service - \$20.00 per load. (Do it yourself with wringer- washer and lesson is free.)

Inform your host in the morning for scheduling: Paddle board / Kayaks / Bikes / Housekeeping / Fire made ready for the pavilion or adobe oven / Maps & where-to events / Tubs – (will show you the in's & outs) / Self-service laundry using the wringer washer & laundry line / Equine evaluation by certified Equine Sports Massage Therapist / Horse grooming / Stall cleaning / Tack & Saddle check / Fishing / Black water dumping using portable unit / Health & wellness activities (Morning classical stretch class, Foot Detox, BioMat, Alpha Stem, Red Light Therapy, Isolated Heated Body Massager, The Wiggler - Healthy Swinger/ Inversion Table, Yoga & Aerial. And, if you forgot or need something please ask, we are happy to help and assist you. *(Tip/donation customary.)*

Health Policy: When things get tough, get back to nature: When our modern world makes you feel trapped, one needs to escape to NATURE. Feeling mother earth with her clean, crisp, fresh air & sunshine will regenerate one's wellbeing faster than anything else. At The Custer Cutoff we offer you this escape. We offer long term rental rates for continued regeneration throughout the year. Just call & arrange for this service. There are five basic ways to combat any pestilence. They are: Social distancing, contact tracing, testing, isolation & treatment. We do this with our horses & pets & at The Custer Cutoff we hold up to these principles. Before any livestock or humans are unloaded, we check for health. Is there a cough, red or swollen & runny eyes or noses? Are there signs of dehydration, diarrhea, temperature or lethargic behavior? If so, quarantine is set in place & isolation is handled. The Custer Cutoff offers this with a two-stall building including turnout with a rental spot for this situation until other arrangements can be made. The Custer Cutoff has an outside pavilion & summer kitchen that all of the preparation surfaces are made of pine, a wood that is a natural antibacterial surface. (It can be said that wood surfaces & many wood compounds have antibacterial properties & that pine has a slightly larger antibacterial effect than spruce.) At the shower/sauna, summer kitchen along with the open-air pavilion, there are spray bottles of alcohol & hydrogen peroxide for disinfecting all surfaces. Influenza (FLU Viruses): How long can the flu virus live on objects, such as doorknobs & tables? The flu virus can "live" on some surfaces for up to 48 hours or exposure, it will die. What kills flu viruses? Flu viruses are killed by heat above 167° F [75° C] & ultraviolet light (sunshine). Common household cleaning products can also kill the flu virus, including products containing: • chlorine • hydrogen peroxide • detergents (soap) • iodophors (iodine-based antiseptics) • alcohols. Does hydrogen peroxide kill viruses? According to the CDC, hydrogen peroxide is a stable & effective disinfectant against viruses when used on hard, non-porous surfaces. Typically sold in 3% solutions, hydrogen peroxide can be used as is, directly from the bottle. It's best to keep it away from fabrics when cleaning & to wear gloves to protect your hands. Isopropyl alcohol is an effective disinfectant against many pathogens, including coronavirus, as long as the concentration is 70%. Most rubbing alcohols are 70% isopropyl alcohol, but concentrations can range from 60-99%. 70% is best for quickly killing coronavirus on surfaces — pure (100%) alcohol evaporates too quickly to be effective. To use: Wipe or spray the surface & make sure it remains wet for 30 seconds.

How to get to 12681 Hazelrodt Cutoff, Custer SD 57730: CALL if uncertain. *Do not rely on any cloud maps!*

Bigger freeway with large roads, pull over shoulders, longer climbs, more small town-touristy sites: *Good way to come in* From Highway I-90 near Rapid City, go south on Bypass 16 at Exit 61 & keep to the left (Mt. Rushmore / Crazy horse). Stay on 16/79 south (S Hwy 16) & stay on 16 WEST to Mt. Rushmore/Crazy horse. Move to Left turn lane to continue on (West 16) to Mr. Rushmore/Crazy horse. Take (West 16 to HILL CITY/ Crazy Horse). At Hill City take the Truck Route (16/385) - to avoid down town shops. At light take a Left & continue on (West 16 south to 385 South) to Custer for 11 miles. At light in Custer, take a Left – east, on 16A or Mt. Rushmore road for 3.5 miles to (Lower French Creek Road / Hazelrodt). Before your turn onto Lower French Creek Road, you will see a wagon wheel restaurant on the left (north side) then a Lutheran church. Come to a stop as your turn to the right onto Lower French Creek Road, which is right across from this church. Beyond this turn you will see a stockade building on the south & if you miss your turn you can turn around there. Once you turn onto Lower French Creek Road, stay right as the road tries to split away. Stay on Lower French Creek Rd for 2 miles to a fork in the road. Stay right, this is Hazelrodt Cutoff. Cross over the bridge & we are the first place on the left - # 12681

Harder climbs, goes through park, more direct, smaller more winding roads, no shoulder: *Good way to arrive if not pulling rigs. Great way to leave (do in reverse):* From Highway I-90 near Rapid City, go south on Bypass 16 & Highway 79 at Exit 61. Take 79 south to Custer State Park to 36 west. From 36 west take 16A – (staying south or left –in through park – passing park office. DO NOT TAKE 16A going north!) Once through park go past Stockade Lake & on your left you will see a stockade that is just before Lower French Creek Road. Turn left or south & hang to the right as the road tries to split right away. Head south on Lower French Creek Road for 2 miles to a fork in the road. Hang a right, which is Hazelrodt Cutoff. Cross over the bridge & we are the first place on the left - # 12681