Sheridan — WYOMING —

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WELCOME TO SHERIDAN, WYOMING

The world comes out west expecting to see cowboys driving horses through the streets of downtown; pronghorn butting heads on windswept bluffs; clouds encircling the towering granite pinnacles of the Bighorn Mountains; and endless expanses of wild, open country. These are some of the fibers that have been stitched together over time to create the patchwork quilt of Sheridan’s identity, each part and parcel to the Wyoming experience. But what you may not have been expecting when you came way out West was a thriving, historic downtown district, with western allure, hospitality and good graces to spare; a vibrant art scene; excellent education and health care systems; bombastic craft culture; a robust festival and events calendar; and living history on every corner.

At first blush, picturesque Sheridan is all archetypal mountain verve and Wyoming vigor, but there’s an artistic dynamism and cultural allure here that belies its cow town reputation. Sheridan’s ranching roots run centuries deep, but so too does its polo legacy. The flagship Sheridan WYO Rodeo draws nearly 30,000 visitors to town every July, while the WYO Theater, Brinton Museum and the Whitney Center for the Arts have become artistic touchstones with significant regional cache.

National attractions abound – the Historic Sheridan Inn is a siren song to the legend and lore of the Wild West; the ancient Medicine Wheel, at an altitude of 9,462-feet, lords over the mountains with a mystical presence that defies explanation; and Indian battle sites like Fort Phil Kearny, the Fetterman Fight, and the Wagon Box Fight, all located along the Bozeman Trail, offer endless educational and historical attractions.

There’s an undercurrent of the carefree in Sheridan, and the legendary hospitality of its proud residents is worn like a badge of honor. Blessed by mountain topography and evenly spaced between Yellowstone National Park and Mount Rushmore and Badlands National Park, there’s a sense about town that Sheridan is poised to be the Next Big Thing, though those in the know understand that it always has been. We’re here to answer any questions you may have about Sheridan and Wyoming, and want to be the first to welcome you home.

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LIVABILITY

EXCEPTIONALLY LIVABLE

- Sheridan is ranked #1 in Wyoming
- Sheridan is ranked #498 in the USA
- Lots of Local Amenities
- Low Crime Rates
- High Graduation Rates
- High Income per Capita

Livability Score Comparison

Sheridan
Wyoming
USA

82
68
66

Sheridan
Historic downtown Sheridan
Eaton’s Horse Drive and the Sheridan Inn
Packed house at the WYO Rodeo
The Bighorn National Forest
CLOCKWISE, THIS PAGE:
SHERIDAN BICYCLE CO
SHERIDAN FARMERS’ MARKET
3RD THURSDAY STREET FESTIVAL
SUDS N’ SPURS BREWFEST

CLOCKWISE, OPPOSITE PAGE:
KING’S SADDLERY
THE SHABBY SHACK
BLACK TOOTH BREWING CO.
TWISTED HEARTS
WESTON WINES TASTING ROOM
THE MINT BAR

LIFE IN SHERIDAN, WY
With a population of 17,873 people and six constituent neighborhoods, Sheridan is the sixth largest city in Wyoming. Bedroom communities in Sheridan County include Ranchester, Dayton, Big Horn, Story, Arvada, Clearmont, and Ucross, for a total population of 30,200.

29.63% of adults in Sheridan have obtained at least a bachelor’s degree, vs. the American average of 21.84%. Sheridan’s workforce is spread across a diverse landscape of industries, including: educational, health and social services (22.6%); agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining (15.5%); professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services (15.5%); construction (12.4%); arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services (10.2%).

Residents report some of the shortest commute times in the country at an average of 13.74 minutes per day.

Sheridan is home to more than 40 foundations, non-profit groups, and community organizations, with a strong focus on education, the arts, senior care, recreation, and history.

Air service is provided by Denver Air Connection, with two daily return flights between Sheridan County Airport (SHR) and Denver International Airport (DEN).

Sheridan sits at the base of the Bighorn Mountains, at an elevation of 3,742 feet. Sheridan is 130 miles southeast of Billings, MT (2hr drive), 430 miles north of Denver, CO (6hr drive), and 204 miles east of Yellowstone National Park (4.5hr drive).
**Demographics**

**Sheridan Housing Information - Census**

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**Sheridan Housing Information - Zillow**

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**Sheridan Cost Of Living Index**

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**Property Taxes**

**Property Value**

- **$228,000**
- **$219,400**

In 2015, the median property value in Sheridan County, WY grew to $228,000 from the previous year's value of $219,400. In 2018, the median property value in Sheridan, WY is $234,400. The following bar chart displays the raw property values in Sheridan County. WY compared to other geographies and states, sorted by the dollar amount of properties sold. The bar chart compares the total value of the property to the median value of comparable properties in Sheridan County. WY. The largest share of the property values are between the $100,000-$200,000 range, followed by the $200,000-$300,000 range.
OUTDOOR RECREATION

The Bighorn National Forest features 1,500 miles of trails, 32 campgrounds, numerous lodges, three scenic US byways, and the Antelope Butte Mountain Recreation Area. Climbers travel from across the country to test their mettle in Crazy Woman canyon, while runners and bikers compete during the Bighorn Trail Run, Dead Swede 100, and other races. Hunters, hikers, backpackers, skiers, fishing, equine, ATV, and snowmobile enthusiasts have long considered the Bighorns one of the best-kept outdoor secrets in the Mountain West.

LIFESTYLE & CULTURE

A breathtaking vision of the New West, Sheridan is Wyoming’s emerald city. Life and leisure here is built on history, heritage, and recreation. This is a place where cowboys convene over craft beer and coffee, where guests marvel at public art and historic architecture, and where modern mavericks revel in Old West charm at bistros, cafes and wineries. Entrepreneurs, ranchers and artists kick through the doors of the Mint Bar, coal-hauling trains roar through the Rail District, and Downtown Sheridan remains a beacon of life well lived in Wyoming.
Sheridan has one of the top education systems in Wyoming and the western United States. Sheridan County has three school districts, with schools that have been recognized with National Blue Ribbon Program awards.

Sheridan public schools spend $19,104 per student. The average school expenditure in the U.S. is $12,383.

Sheridan College is committed to helping students achieve their academic goals through personal attention, an array of courses and degrees, and more than $3 million in scholarships and financial aid awards. Sheridan College proudly offers new, adaptive, flexible spaces to learn in a breathtaking setting and supportive community in Northern Wyoming.

The Hathaway Scholarship: Eligible students graduating from Wyoming high schools are rewarded with a scholarship of up to $1,600 per semester to attend the University of Wyoming or a Wyoming community college.

Whitney Benefits Student Loans: Sheridan students who need additional assistance or who will be pursuing undergraduate degrees at out-of-state colleges can borrow up to $24,000 interest free through Whitney Benefits, one of over 40 foundations and philanthropic organizations located in Sheridan County. Over the timeline of the fund, Whitney has loaned over $33.5 million to nearly 5,400 area students.
SHERIDAN IN THE NEWS

2017
BEST PLACE TO LIVE LIKE AN OLD WEST COWBOY — TRUE WEST MAGAZINE
BEST PROMOTION OF AN HISTORIC PLACE — TRUE WEST MAGAZINE
THE WEST’S BEST MAIN STREETS, RUNNER UP — SUNSET MAGAZINE
1,000 PLACES TO SEE IN THE US AND CANADA BEFORE YOU DIE
BEST WYOMING ATTRACTION, 3RD PLACE — USA TODAY
25 HAPPIEST SMALL TOWNS IN AMERICA — COUNTRY LIVING MAGAZINE

2016
TOP WESTERN TOWNS: WHERE HISTORY LIVES — TRUE WEST MAGAZINE
BEST PLACE TO RAISE AN OUTDOOR FAMILY, RUNNER UP — ELEVATION OUTDOORS

2015
BEST TOWN IN AMERICA, FINALIST — OUTSIDE MAGAZINE
TOP 100 SMALL TOWNS IN THE USA — LIVABILITY MAGAZINE

2014
BEST PLACE TO LIVE LIKE AN OLD WEST COWBOY — TRUE WEST MAGAZINE
BEST TOWN IN AMERICA, FINALIST — OUTSIDE MAGAZINE
TOP 10 MOUNTAIN TOWNS IN THE USA — NORTH AMERICAN HUNTER MAGAZINE
TOP 20 SMALL TOWNS IN THE USA, #2 — CITY DESCRIBED
TOP 15 TRAILS IN THE WEST — SNOWEST

2013
BEST SMALL TOWNS — BEST OF THE ROAD
TOP 15 TRAILS IN THE WEST — SNOWEST

2012
TOP 100 ADVENTURE TOWNS — NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC ADVENTURE
TOP 10 BEST SMALL TOWNS — LIVABILITY
TOP 15 TRAILS IN THE WEST — SNOWEST

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