From the oldest standing structures in the state to a state park defining early settlement and a mountain bike terrain park to a 2,300-acre garden dedicated to peace, Highway 5 in North Dakota offers rich cultural experiences with unforgettable recreation.

**Pembina**

**Pembina State Museum**
See Canada from the top of the seven-story viewing tower. The gallery details ancient life in the Red River Valley.

**Cavalier**

**Icelandic State Park**
North Dakota’s homesteading spirit is in the restored historic buildings. Reconnect with nature in the state’s first dedicated nature preserve and outdoor opportunities on the shores of Lake Renwick.

**Rendezvous Region Scenic Backway**
Winding along the bends of the Pembina River, you can enjoy an area steeped in history, natural resources, recreation, scenic beauty and culture. The Backway connects Cavalier, Walhalla and Vang.

**Walhalla**

**Gingras Trading Post State Historic Site**
This site preserves the oldest standing structures in North Dakota, the 1840s home and trading post of Antoine Blanc Gingras. Interpretive panels and exhibits tell the story of Gingras, Métis heritage and the Red River Valley fur trade.

**Pembina Gorge State Recreation Area**
Thousands of acres of unspoiled wilderness and trails are perfect for hiking, biking and off-road vehicles. Don’t miss the new Pembina Gorge Mountain Bike Terrain Course.

**Frost Fire**
In the winter, it’s the Ski and Snowboard Area. In the summer, it’s the Frost Fire Summer Theatre.
Belcourt
Sky Dancer Casino and Tribal Heritage Center
The Tribal Heritage Center showcases the history and culture of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa people. Sky Dancer is a full-service casino, located adjacent to the Heritage center, offering concerts and traditional music.

St. John
Turtle Mountain Scenic Byway
Enjoy a picturesque drive through the wooded landscape and tree-lined lakes unique of the Turtle Mountains. The byway also connects some of the most unique sites in North Dakota including the Coghlan Castle and Mystical Horizons.

Dunseith
International Peace Garden
Dedicated to peace between nations, the 2,300-acre garden straddles the United States and Canadian border. Its many gardens and conservatory are open year-round.

W’eel Turtle
This giant turtle statue is made of more than 2,000 tire rims and is located next to Log House visitors center with local crafts and gift items for sale.

Bottineau
Lake Metigoshe State Park
One of the most popular year-round vacation spots in North Dakota. The small lakes are perfect for fishing, kayaking, swimming or boating. A multitude of trails attract hikers and mountain bikers. Winter brings snowmobilers, cross-country skiers, sledgers and ice fishing enthusiasts.

This area was home to several Native American tribes, including the Blackfoot and Hidatsa, and later the Assiniboine and Chippewa. The lake takes its name from the Chippewa phrase, “metigoche washegum,” or clear lake surrounded by oak trees.

Upham
J. Clark Salyer National Wildlife Refuge
At 58,700 acres, this refuge located along the Souris River in north-central North Dakota is the largest refuge in the state.

Carpio
Upper Souris National Wildlife Refuge
Lake darling on the Upper Souris NWR is a consistent hot spot for both open-water and ice fishing.

Kenmare
Danish Mill
Built in 1902 by Christian C. Jensen on his homestead, this is the only Danish Mill in North Dakota. Now located in downtown square.

Lostwood and Des Lacs national wildlife refuges
Located in the waterfowl migration corridor known as the Central Flyway, together they are one of the best areas to spot a moose or view the Northern Lights in North Dakota.

Portal
Portal’s Gateway Cities Golf Club
This nine-hole course has eight holes in Saskatchewan and one on the American side.

Crosby
Divide County Courthouse
Built in 1917, it was designed by architects Buechner & Orth in Beaux Arts style. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, its interior features terrazzo floors and dark wood trim in an austere version of the usual Buechner and Orth treatment.

Grenora
Writing Rock State Historical Site
Two granite boulders inscribed with Thunderbirds, mythological creatures responsible for lightning and thunder, are central to stories told by Algonquian and Siouan-speaking tribes.