

Madison Valley Day Trip

In this 240 mile day trip through the Madison Valley, you'll find a wide variety of things to see and do. There are spectacular views of the mountains and lush valleys, as well as plenty of little towns to stop and walk around.

Bozeman to Norris (38 miles) - Head west down Highway 84 until you reach the town of Norris, an old gold mining town now known for its hot springs.

Norris to Ennis (16 miles) - From Norris, turn south on Highway 287 until you see signs for Ennis. Ennis is the self-proclaimed "Fly-fishing Capital of the World."

Ennis to Quake Lake (43 miles) - Continue south on Highway 287 to Quake Lake. This unique lake was formed by an earthquake in 1959 and reaches depths of up to 180 feet.

Quake Lake to Hebgen Lake (12 miles) - From Quake Lake, continue east on Highway 287 until you reach Hebgen Lake, which is considered to have some of the best dry fly-fishing in the state.

Hebgen Lake to West Yellowstone (31 miles) - Continue on Highway 287 to the Highway 191 junction. Head south until you reach West Yellowstone, a bustling little town and one of the main entrances to Yellowstone National Park.

West Yellowstone to Big Sky (48 miles) - Travel north on Highway 191 until you reach Big Sky. From here, take Highway 64 to Big Sky Resort, one of Montana's premiere ski destinations.

Big Sky to Bozeman (49 miles) - Come back down Highway 64 to Highway 191 north. Enjoy the scenic drive through Gallatin Canyon and along the Gallatin River until you reach Four Corners, 30 miles down the road. Turn right onto Huffine Lane and continue east for six miles until you get back to Bozeman.

