

**Here is what you can do at  
Pompeys Pillar:**

Facilities/ Services	Summer Season*	Off Season**	Comments
Visitor Center	●		
Gift Shop	●		
Drinking Water	●		
Interpretive Tours	○		Off season tours available by request
Restrooms	●	○	Open year round
Boardwalk to Signature	○	○	Open year round
RV Parking	○		
Picnicking	○		
Wildlife Viewing	○	○	Year round opportunities

\*Memorial Day weekend to September 30

\*\*October 1 to Memorial Day weekend - gate closed, site open to walk-in access, one mile walk

○ - available

● - available - fully accessible

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— Call or visit us —

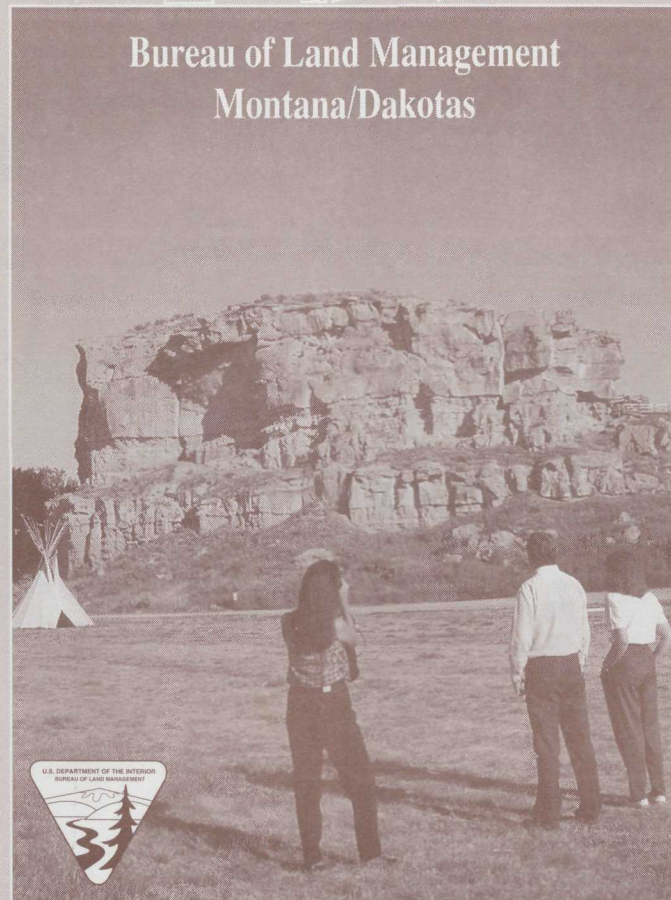
Pompeys Pillar Visitor Center  
28 Miles East of Billings  
(406) 875-2233

Bureau of Land Management  
Billings Resource Area  
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Billings, Montana  
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# POMPEYS PILLAR

## NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

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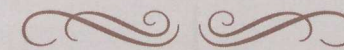


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# CROSSROADS PAST AND PRESENT, PRESERVED FOR YOU

How many times have you traveled somewhere and thought about who had been there before? Pompeys Pillar is like a sandstone history book that reads like a who's who of western frontier history. Look on the rockface for the remains of animal drawings created by people who used the area for rendezvous, campsites, and hunting.

Explorers also left their carvings on this "remarkable rock" with Captain William Clark's signature as the most notable. In 1804, President Thomas Jefferson sent the Lewis and Clark Expedition to explore the land acquired from France known as the Louisiana Purchase.



"I marked my name and the day of the month and year," wrote Captain William Clark in his journal on Friday, July 25, 1806. This inscription is the only surviving on-site physical remains of the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

Clark named this rock Pompy's Tower. Pompy was Clark's nickname for young Baptiste Charbonneau whose mother, Sacagawea, was the party's interpreter. Pompy means "little chief" in the Shoshoni language. In 1814 the landmark was renamed when the journals of the Lewis and Clark Expedition were published.



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