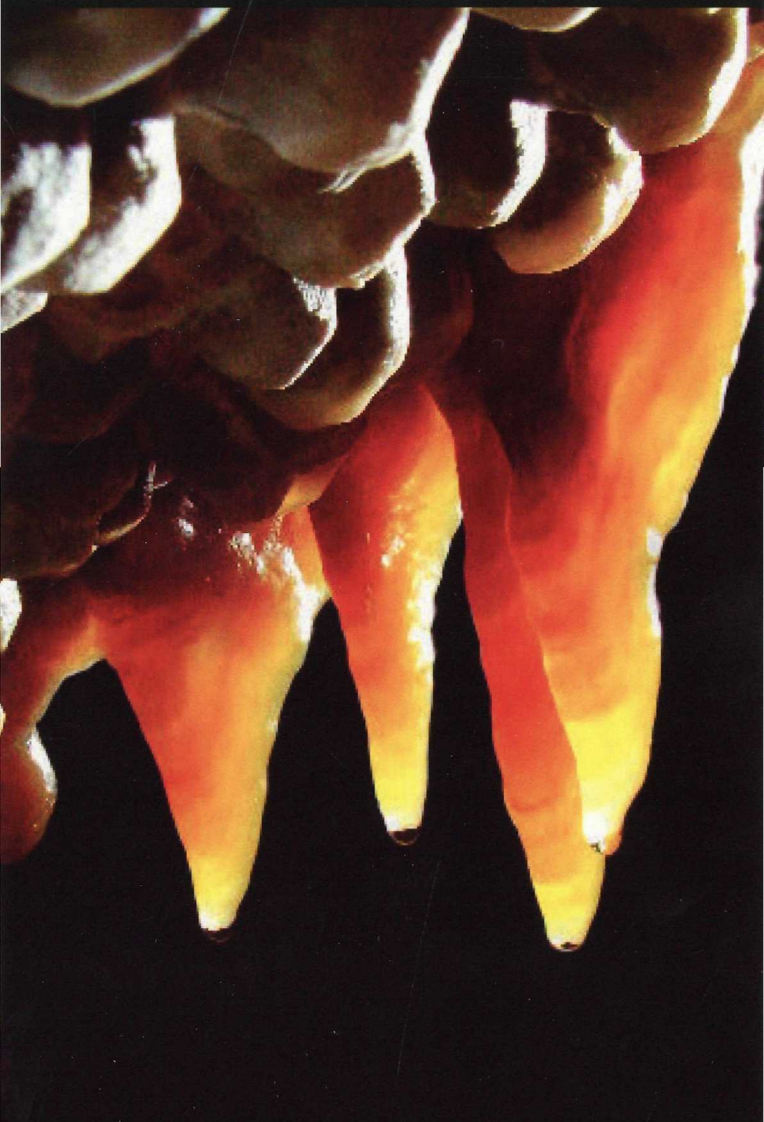


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# Jewel Cave

NATIONAL MONUMENT



*“Where the twin worlds of surface and subterranean collide, a place of mystery and discovery exists. Sights foreign and strange abound, with grandeur cast in stone, beauty found in darkness, and enlightenment in silence.”*

*Lydia Austin - Park Ranger*

# Interpretive Ranger Programs & Additional Visitor Information

	Length	Difficulty
<b>Discovery Tour</b>	One cave room 20 minutes	Wheelchair accessible
<b>Scenic Tour</b>	1/2 mile paved trail 1 hour and 20 minutes	Moderate to strenuous 734 stairs
<b>Historic Lantern Tour (summer season only)</b>	1/2 mile unpaved trail 1 hour and 45 minutes	Strenuous (must be 8 years or older)
<b>Wild Cave Tour (Reservations Required)</b>	2/3 mile off trail 3-4 hours	Extremely strenuous (must be 16 years or older) (must pass through 8.5" x 24" space)

 **Tickets are required for all cave tours.**

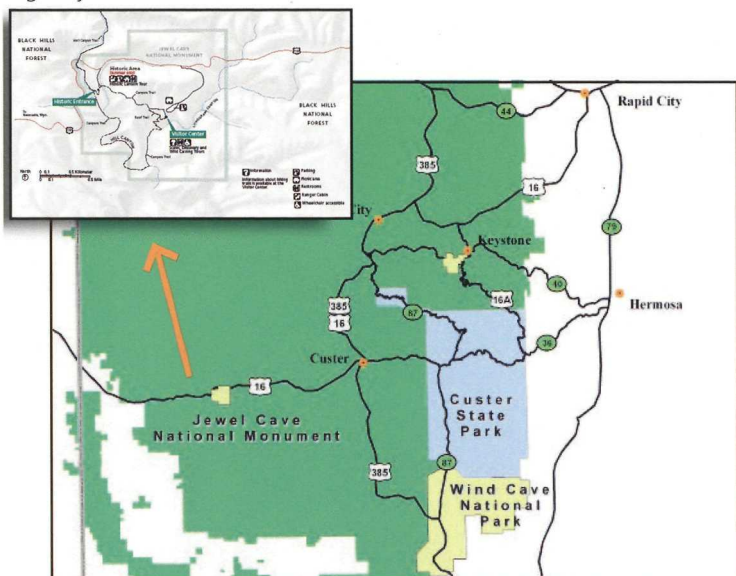
**Patio Talks, Guided Nature Hikes,** and other ranger-led Programs are offered during the summer season.

**Canyons Trail:** 3 1/2 mile hike • *Moderate to Strenuous* • Open Year-Round

**Roof Trail:** 1/4 mile hike • *Easy* • Open Year-Round

## Directions to Jewel Cave National Monument

Jewel Cave National Monument is located thirteen miles west of Custer, South Dakota and 24 miles east of Newcastle, Wyoming on U.S. Highway 16. The Monument is about 53 miles from Rapid City, South Dakota via U.S. Highways 16 and 385.



## Hours of Operation & Tour Information

Hours of operation and tour schedules vary based on season. Call Visitor Center at 605-673-8300 for current hours, tour availability, and times.

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