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SWEET GRASS
RANCH
A TRADITION, SINCE 1880

A scenic view of a mountain village. In the foreground, there is a grassy field with a small stream. Several buildings with red roofs are scattered across the middle ground, including a large wooden structure and a smaller cabin. The background features a steep, forested mountain under a cloudy sky with soft light. The text "APPRECIATE the simple things" is overlaid in the top left corner.

APPRECIATE
the simple things

Nestled at the base of Montana's picturesque Crazy Mountains, Sweet Grass Ranch is a sixth generation, family-owned cattle operation and guest ranch. With miles of Sweet Grass Creek flowing through the

property, alpine forests, pristine lakes and rolling foothills dotted with vibrant wildflowers, Sweet Grass Ranch offers spectacularly diverse terrain beckoning to be explored.

We invite you to experience the freedom, simplicity, camaraderie, and adventure of ranch life in the heart of Montana.

With a rich history that dates back to 1880, when this land was first homesteaded, Sweet Grass Ranch still holds onto its old west charm. Here, you'll find warm hospitality, hearty family-style meals, magnificent horses in beautiful country, stories swapped by the campfire, and cozy cabins tucked under the trees offering a comfortable place to rest your head.

Our family welcomes guests to join us for exceptional horseback adventures, authentic cattle work, and to experience the area's abundant recreational opportunities; including hiking, plentiful wildlife viewing, and lake, stream or pond fishing.

At Sweet Grass Ranch, time is truly suspended, offering an authentic western experience and lifelong memories with friends and family.





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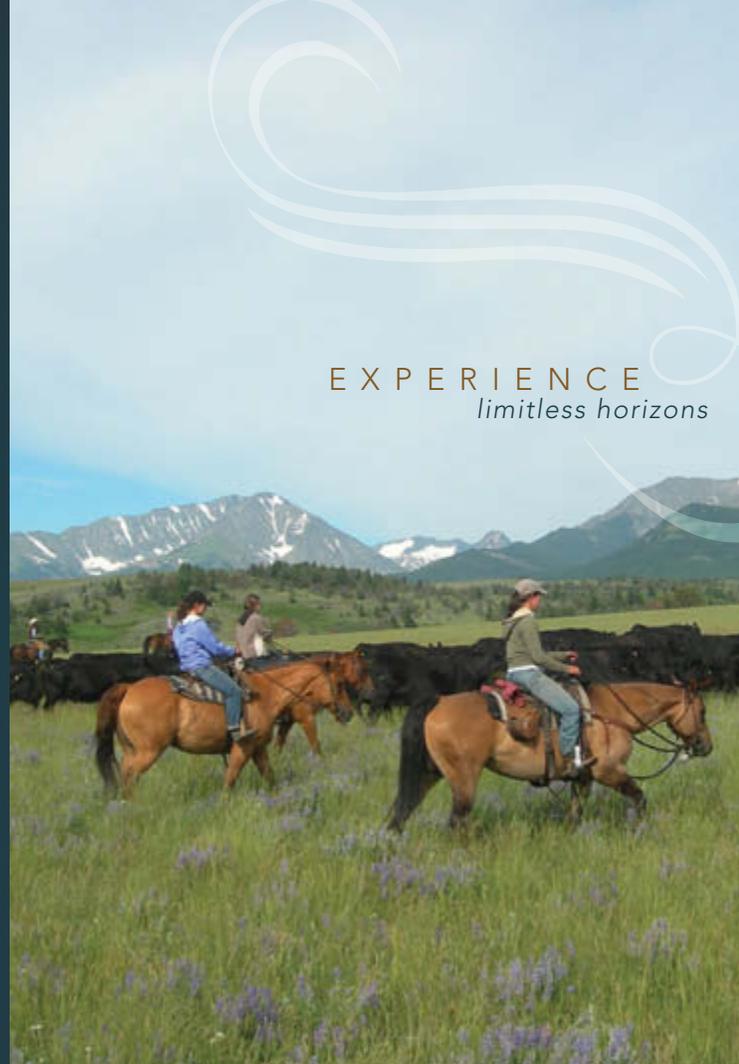
At Sweet Grass Ranch, we maintain a herd of more than 60 of our own horses, each with their own unique personalities. This allows us to find a great match for the beginner rider or the guest “born in the saddle.” Here, horses are a necessary and celebrated part of life. We take a natural approach to horsemanship and offer an array of learning opportunities for guests of all ages, from lessons, spending time working one-on-one with a ranch horse, or participating in weekly horsemanship clinics.

CATTLE

At Sweet Grass Ranch, guests have the opportunity to learn first hand about the challenges and joys of caring for a herd of grass-fed, range cattle, monitoring their health and moving them to new grazing grounds as water and grass vitality dictates.

We may do some cattle work on any given day, and guests are invited to join in whenever they desire a taste of the cowboy life. We also offer cattle drives during certain weeks for a working ranch experience, moving cattle from one ranch to another or over to different grazing lands. These dates may change slightly from year-to-year, so check with us when planning your trip.

EXPERIENCE
limitless horizons





ACTIVITIES

At Sweet Grass Ranch, guests are welcome to create any kind of ranch experience they desire. Although horseback adventures are central to many ranch activities, other opportunities abound, whether its moving cows, a brisk swim in the creek, fly-fishing a trout stream, hiking the ridge, relaxing with a massage, or resting in a lush meadow breathing in the mountain air as you

watch clouds drift by. Evenings are filled with good conversation, impromptu sing-a-longs by the campfire, a game of pool, horseshoes, or cards, star gazing, and an occasional glimpse of the Northern Lights. Trips to enjoy the area's rich cultural heritage can also be arranged to Yellowstone National Park, ghost towns, museums, Indian ceremonials, and rodeos.



With no schedule to follow and no demands on your time, you can truly step back from the rigors of everyday life and simply enjoy.

RIDING

Horseback riding opportunities are more diverse and abundant at the Sweet Grass Ranch than many other places. Our guests enjoy the freedom to roam and ride through thousands of acres of open meadows, rolling hills, sweeping plains, and lush forests. Treks into our backcountry lead to unspoiled high alpine lakes, jagged peaks, and incredible views of the Crazy Mountains.

Whether it's working cattle, scenic riding, an overnight horse pack trip, taking lessons, swimming with your horse, or playing games on horseback, Sweet Grass Ranch offers outstanding riding opportunities to all ages and experience levels. With four to five different ride choices every day and customized trips whenever possible, it's not unusual for our guests to spend eight hours in the saddle if they choose, with shorter rides always available. Discover your own passion for horses and share in ours as these sure-footed, big-hearted animals take you on amazing adventures.



DISCOVER
your passion for horses





EXPLORE
pristine alpine lakes

FISHING

Discover the unmatched peace and solitude of fly-fishing in Sweet Grass Ranch's rivers, creeks, and mountain lakes. The clear waters and deep shadowed pools of Sweet Grass Creek provide the perfect habitat for brown trout. Ride or hike to Campfire, Moose, Sunlight, or Glacier lakes where rainbow, golden and cutthroat trout abound. Families will also enjoy our onsite ponds stocked with fish. While we are always happy to cook your catch for dinner or breakfast, catch and release fishing is encouraged.

Fishing licenses required.



HIKING AND WILDLIFE

Take a mellow stroll through the wildflowers or sling a pack on for a full-fledged hike, with miles of trails and off-trail hiking. Walk through open meadows, deep into forests, and head up to the high country for breath-taking views.

Don't forget your camera. The ranch's wild and open landscape is home to a plethora of Western wildlife, including deer, antelope, elk, bear, mountain lions, coyotes, eagles, wild turkeys and songbirds. One of the largest populations of mountain goats also resides in the Crazy Mountains.



KIDS

Sweet Grass Ranch started out as a kids' camp years ago; we understand the magic that happens between a kid and a horse. We don't have a "formal" separate children's program, as kids are welcome to participate in all aspects of ranch life. We offer "pony" rides for the very little, lessons, gymkhanas, bareback rides and a host of horse-related activities designed to build comfort and confidence. We also offer kid-only rides, fishing trips, and overnights upon request.

The ranch is well set up for kids' entertainment with a variety of activities, including soccer, volleyball, softball, paintball, swimming, campfires, teenage rides and hikes, the natural waterslide, pool, cards and board games.

For those looking for a little adult alone time, we do take adult only rides, can arrange babysitters with some advance notice, and offer adult-only weeks in September.





Sweet Grass Ranch offers the opportunity for guests to truly unplug from the world of technology, sinking into a vacation where mountain views replace the television, and front porch chats replace phone calls.

U N W I N D
on the front porch



LODGING

At Sweet Grass Ranch, rustic one and two bedroom log cabins are nestled along the Sweet Grass Creek, featuring casual Western décor, down quilts and cozy atmospheres that allow guests to truly feel at home. Sit on the front porch and watch the sunset, stoke the wood stove on a chilly evening, or walk out your back door for instant access to spectacular wilderness and working ranch life. *We also have rooms in the historic main lodge with a shared bathroom, or a family unit with private bath.*



MEALS

Sweet Grass Ranch guests enjoy hearty, homemade ranch style food that leans towards gourmet, with three family-style meals per day that are sure to please any palate and appetite. Our kitchen provides a constantly changing menu that tends to fluctuate with the seasons, based on locally raised meats and garden fresh vegetables (we are fortunate to have a neighboring greenhouse), fresh cream, and home baked breads and pastries.

We can accommodate special medical diets with advance notice.

GETTING HERE

Directions are sent to guests who have sent in their deposits. The ranch is not signed for the public and is at the end of 6 miles of private road. We are located approximately 120 miles from either Billings or Bozeman. For those preferring to be met at the airport, we do have a pickup service available for an extra charge.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Special events are held throughout the summer season, including Cattle Drives, Horsemanship Clinics, Adult-only weeks, our 4th of July Rodeo special and Photography Workshops. Please contact us for information and specific dates. Sweet Grass Ranch is a memorable destination for weddings and special events for up to 30 people, with event packages that can include lodging and dining options.



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