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Salvation Mountain

Calipatria, CA

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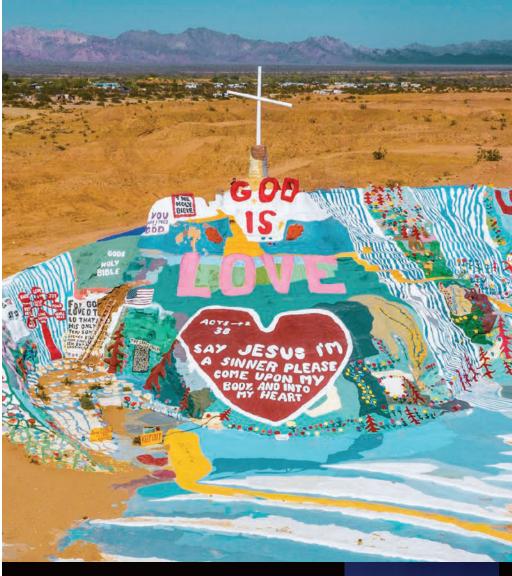
One man's trash is another man's treasure. In this spirit... Salvation Mountain was born.

Built from discarded tires and windows, various auto parts, adobe clay mixed with straw, and thousands of gallons of donated paint, Salvation Mountain is a visionary work of folk art in the California Desert. Finished in 1989 by Korean War vet Leonard Knight, the completed piece was actually a second attempt after the original version, sculpted in 1984 and reinforced by sand and just a half a bag of cement, collapsed.

With over three decades of international critical acclaim, Salvation Mountain remains a profoundly strange and beautifully accessible national treasure.

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CHECK-IN LOCATION:

As long as Salvation Mountain is in the background of your shot, you're in the right place!

Its address: Beal Road (no street number), Calipatria, CA 92233. There is no fee to visit the site (although there is a donation box), which is open daily from dawn to dusk.





World's Smallest Police Station

Carrabelle, FL

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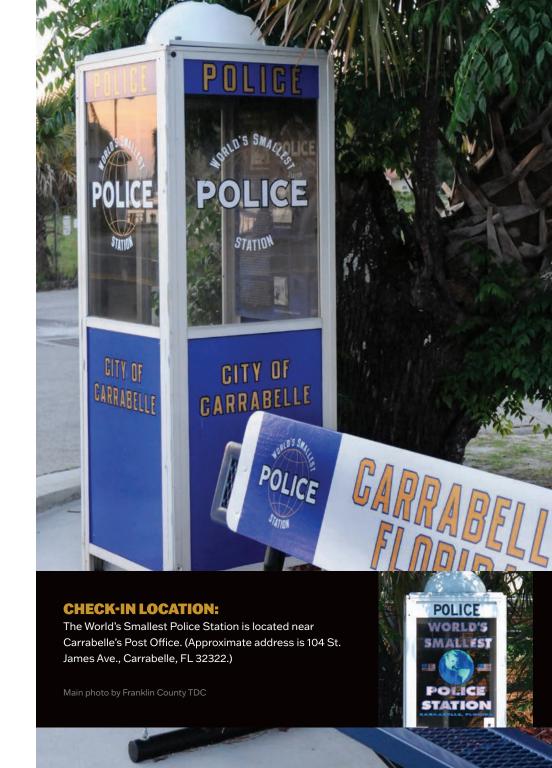
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Located along Florida's "Forgotten Coast," the World's Smallest Police Station is a claustrophobic criminal's worst nightmare—because it's actually just a telephone booth. In 1963, Carrabelle had no actual police station, and its lone police officer had to respond to calls by telephone, so the phone company installed this booth to replace a phone mounted on the side of a building that offered no protection from the weather. Due to an influx of tourists sneaking into the "police station" to make long distance calls, the dial eventually had to be removed.

Since its installation, the World's Smallest Police Station has withstood hurricanes, bullet holes, car crashes, and even an attempted theft. Yet, it stands proud and enjoys its legendary status to this day.

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Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad

Church Creek, MD

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Sometimes a road is so much more than just a slab of concrete.

Sometimes you can feel the weight of its history as you pass over it—
and it's a powerful, unforgettable feeling.

To travel the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Byway is to experience the story of a real, tough-as-nails American hero unfold before your very eyes. Bringing together some of the most pristine and well-preserved working landscapes found along the East Coast, both by ground and by water, this route pays tribute to Harriet Tubman and everyone—whether black or white, enslaved or free—who helped guide slaves from bondage to freedom before the Civil War.

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CHECK-IN LOCATION:

Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Visitor Center building and sign, 4068 Golden Hill Road, Church Creek, MD 21622. The byway itself runs 125 miles through Maryland's Eastern Shore and continues into Delaware, ending in Philadelphia. Its route includes 36 sites significant to Tubman's life and the history of the Underground Railroad.



Freedom Silo

Monett, MO

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Freedom rings loud and proud in the Missouri Ozarks, where a stunning American flag and Bald Eagle mural decorates a 60-foot tall, 130-year old grain silo. Painted in 2020 by Branson, Missouri artist Raine Clotfelter—known as "America's Muralist"— this is one of more than 170 murals he has completed across the country. It's a striking symbol of American pride, located in the heart of small-town America.

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CHECK-IN LOCATION:

The Freedom Silo is located at 701 Front St., Monett, MO 65708.

Photos by Sandra McClair





Elvis Presley Homecoming Statue

Tupelo, MS

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This has got to be the "King" of all homecoming statues. Born and raised in Tupelo, MS, this larger-than-life bronze statue actually celebrates a very real moment: when Elvis returned to his roots, rich and famous, to perform at the Mississippi-Alabama Fair and Dairy show.

Sculptor Bill Beckwith actually modeled the statue after a famous photograph from the show, of Elvis in this exact position, his hand outstretched to his adoring fans, standing in almost the exact spot of the statue. Needless to say, this makes for a photo op that no tourist could pass up.

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CHECK-IN LOCATION:

The Elvis Presley Homecoming Statue is located in the park in front of Tupelo City Hall, 71 E. Troy St., Tupelo, MS 38804.





CarhengeAlliance, NE

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Called "Nebraska's Answer to Stonehenge," the High Plains region's Carhenge was created in 1987 by local farmer Jim Reinders as a memorial to his father. Forget standing stones—the monument is comprised of 39 American-made automobiles, all painted grey, and mimics the physical size and placement of the monoliths of Stonehenge.

In addition, three cars are buried at Carhenge with an apt headstone, reading "Here lie three bones of foreign cars. They served our purpose while Detroit slept. Now Detroit is awake and America's great!"

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CHECK-IN LOCATION:

The Carhenge art installation is located at 2151 County Route 59, Alliance, NE 69301 (about three miles north of downtown Alliance). The site is open year-round, includes parking, and offers free admission.



Prada of Marfa

Valentine, TX

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A desolate ribbon of U.S. highway, deep in the heart of the Chihuahuan Desert in west Texas, is probably the last place you'd expect to see an outpost of an international luxury goods retailer. In fact, it's not a mirage, but an astonishingly real facsimile of a Prada store.

The squat white stucco building, whose signage proudly proclaims "Prada Marfa" is actually an art installation, but you'd be forgiven for thinking it's an actual retail outlet. Scandinavian artists Michael Elmgreen and Ingar Dragset designed and built the replica Prada boutique in 2005 with the full support of Prada Group of Italy, which allowed the use of its name and provided a selection of luxury goods from its 2005 fall/winter collection.

The original intention of the artists was for the piece to not be maintained over the years, but rather to let it naturally degrade, eventually morphing to fit its dusty surroundings. Unfortunately, that plan was ill-fated, as the piece was vandalized and robbed the night of its completion.

And that's why we can't have nice things.

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of Marfa, about halfway between Van Horn and Marfa).

PRADA



Golden Spike National Park

Corinne, UT

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When the final section of track for the nation's first transcontinental railroad was laid on May 10, 1869, it was considered one of the greatest technological achievements of the nineteenth century. Amidst great hoopla, a ceremonial golden spike was driven and rail lines from the Union Pacific and Central Pacific Railways were joined together.

Today's visitors to this powerful celebration of American innovation can see parts of the original railroad grade and a half mile-long stretch of track, upon which sit two working replica steam locomotives. Interestingly, the golden spike itself was donated to Stanford University's art museum in 1892, where it is displayed today.

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CHECK-IN LOCATION:

Golden Spike National Historical Park sign located about ½ mile from Visitor Center on North Golden Spike Drive. Depending on your GPS system, park address may be listed as 22300 W Promontory, Corinne, UT, 84307 or 6200 N 22300 W, Corinne, UT 84307.





Teapot Dome Service Station

Zillah, WA

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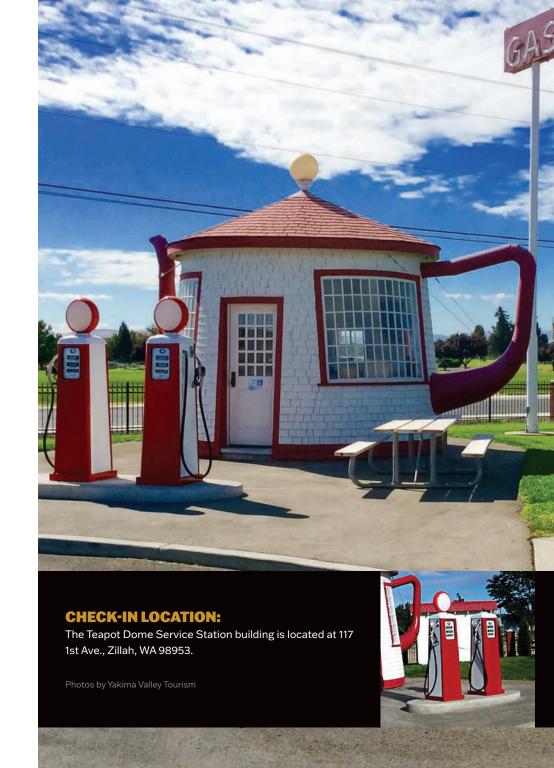
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Inspired by the Teapot Dome political bribery scandal of 1922, the former gas station was constructed in Zillah, Washington in 1922 by Jack Ainsworth to resemble a giant teapot. It was preserved and moved one mile from its original location to the present site in 1978 due to the construction of an interstate highway.

Still considered a game-changing example of novelty architecture, the Teapot Dome Service Station serves as a winking reminder that history never forgets.

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Intersection of Highways H, O & G

Globe, WI

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Ok, maybe we dig this one for selfish reasons...

Baseball great Yogi Berra, known for his creative malapropisms (mixing up his words while speaking), was famously quoted as saying "When you come to a fork in the road, take it." And although this four-way intersection in rural Wisconsin is not technically a "fork," it's definitely worth the trip out—and the photo op, of course.

Thanks to the arrangement of its markers, the letters of the intersecting county routes just happen to spell out the name of your favorite riding club. Whether this arrangement was intentional or a fortunate coincidence, we'll take it.

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CHECK-IN LOCATION:

HWY H, O, & G is located at the intersection of County Routes H, O, and G in Globe, Wisconsin. (Globe is an unincorporated community in the town of Weston. Zip Code is 54456.)

Main photo by James Genet

