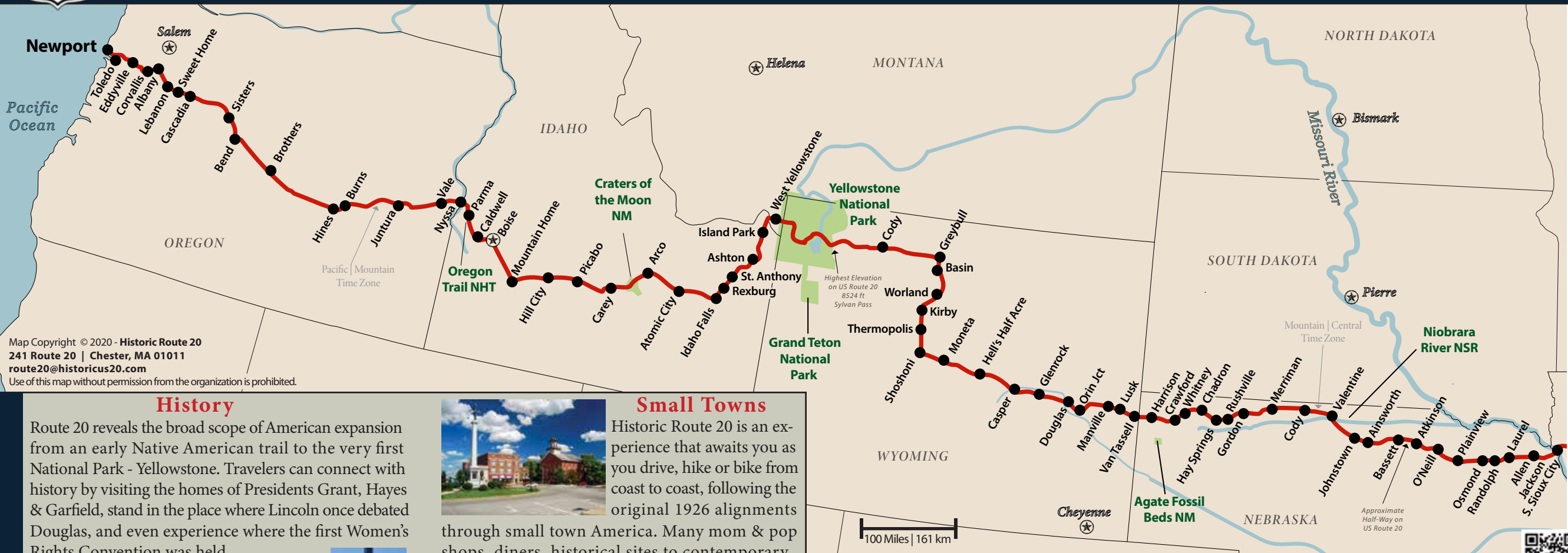




HISTORIC ROUTE 20

Western States

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History

Route 20 reveals the broad scope of American expansion from an early Native American trail to the very first National Park - Yellowstone. Travelers can connect with history by visiting the homes of Presidents Grant, Hayes & Garfield, stand in the place where Lincoln once debated Douglas, and even experience where the first Women's Rights Convention was held.



Natural Wonders

Traverse the rolling hills of New England, take in the striking beauty of the Finger Lakes as well as the granuer of the Great Lakes, experience inspiring possibilities of the wide open farmed prairies of the Great Plains, cross high mountain sage brush deserts, climb the Rocky Mountains and Cascades before they reach the shores of the Pacific.

Small Towns

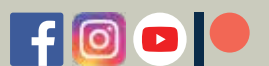


Historic Route 20 is an experience that awaits you as you drive, hike or bike from coast to coast, following the original 1926 alignments through small town America. Many mom & pop shops, diners, historical sites to contemporary breweries and wineries await your exploration.

Plan Your Trip

US Route 20 is the original concourse to the great American road trip! Whether you have a weekend, 2 weeks or six months - every mile of Route 20 is waiting to be discovered and explored.

Itineraries, detailed maps, day trips, a travel guide, events and more are available on our website & social media.



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Common Questions

- Q.** How long does it take to drive all of Route 20?
A. Minimum of 2 weeks to see the best. The longer the trip, the more to experience.
- Q.** When is the best time to drive Route 20?
A. mid-May through mid-October
- Q.** Is Route 20 a 2-lane or 4-lane highway?
A. Most of Route 20 is a rural 2-lane highway, some are rural 4 lanes. Following the Historic Route avoids many busy 4-lane bypasses.
- Q.** Where do I stay?
A. There are many hotels, campgrounds, and B&B's along the road. Finding lodging is typically not difficult - except for holiday weekends.

More information can be found on our website

Exploring Historic Route 20

 Easily follow the black and white shields marking the modern highway. To take the Historic Route follow the brown signs placed in various communities across the country. Maps are available on our website or scan the code with your phone to download detailed turn-by-turn Google Maps™.

About Historic Route 20

The Historic Route 20 Association Inc is a 501(c)-3 nonprofit organization based in Chester, MA on Route 20. Our mission is to raise the profiles of the small towns, mom & pop shops, historical & cultural sites along the original 1926 alignments of US Route 20 through educational programs, historic road signs and economic development. We are supported by donations, memberships & grants. Please consider becoming a member. To inquire about signage for your town, business, organization or to schedule an educational program, contact us.





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Eastern States

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Iowa's Historic Highway 20

Starting in 1952, the state of Iowa began moving Highway 20 to a four-lane high speed highway across the state. In October 2018, the project was completed. Historic Route 20 is an Iowa State Historic Auto Trail connecting Dubuque to Sioux City on the original 1926 alignments. We highly recommend following the Historic Route across Iowa! Signs will guide you and an Iowa specific map is available: www.historicUS20.com/IA



America's Longest Highway

U.S. Route 20 was announced on November 11, 1925, the same day as Route 66, as part of a *Uniform System of Highways*. It was officially designated one year later. The zero "0" indicates that the route is a transcontinental highway across the United States. After several oppositions & road upgrades, 20 reached Newport, Oregon in 1943. When Route 6 was decommissioned in California in 1963, Route 20 became the longest highway in America at 3,365 miles.

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Stop in and say hello! Let them know you are traveling Highway 20

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