

## Natural Friends

Nature is full of competition, but some organisms have found that working together helps them both.

*Can you find these natural friends?*

### Bees & Flowers

Flowers provide sweet nectar that bees love. While bees are collecting nectar, they spread pollen from flower to flower.



### Ponderosa Pine & Fungi

Mycorrhizal fungi live in and around the roots, helping the tree collect more water and nutrients. The tree produces and provides sugars that feed the fungi.



## Be a Good Friend to Nature

Just like Seth Bullock and Theodore Roosevelt, you can help make sure that nature is protected for the future.

**Take the pledge and follow these guidelines.**

I, , pledge to be a good friend to nature.  
your name

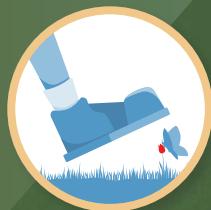
### Pack it in, Pack it out

Be sure to pack out any food, drinks, or trash that you bring in.



### Tread Lightly

Respect nature by making sure you don't destroy it.



### Stay Back!

Wild animals can be unpredictable and dangerous. Keep your distance!

**25 yards**



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Let's Explore  
**MT. ROOSEVELT  
FRIENDSHIP TOWER**

WOW! LOOK AT THAT TOWER, TRACK.

LET'S FIND OUT HOW A FRIENDSHIP BUILT THIS TOWER AND HELPED PRESERVE SPECIAL PLACES ACROSS AMERICA!

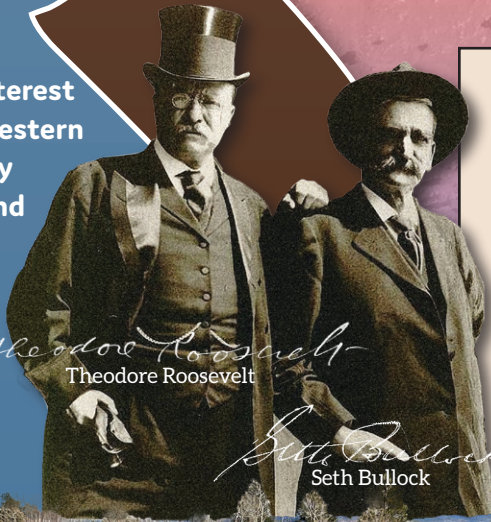


# A Friendship that Helped Build America


Seth Bullock and Theodore Roosevelt met on the Dakota plains in 1892. It was the beginning of a friendship that would last the rest of their lives and shape the future of the country.

### Famous Friends

Roosevelt would go on to become President of the United States and Seth Bullock would become one of the most famous sheriffs in the West. Throughout the years they camped and hunted together. Roosevelt's kids spent summer's on Bullock's ranch.



Theodore Roosevelt



Seth Bullock

They bonded over their shared interest in preserving wild places in the Western Frontier. Together, they played key roles in creating National Parks and Monuments—like Devils Tower, Jewel Cave, and Wind Cave—and the Black Hills National Forest.

## The Landscape

Look out on the landscape that brought these two friends together. From the top of the tower you can see many places that were important to Bullock and Roosevelt.

Can you find these features?


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**Mt. Moriah**

Bullock wanted a view of the tower from his grave.

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**Devils Tower**

Bullock and Roosevelt helped make it a National Monument.

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**The Plains**

Where Bullock and Roosevelt first met.

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**Black Hills National Forest**

Where Roosevelt appointed Bullock as Forest Supervisor.

### Beautiful Buttes

Look out and you can see up to 8 buttes on a clear day. A butte is an isolated hill with a small flat top and steep sides.

Draw any buttes you see below.



GOOD FRIENDS CAN BUILD GREAT THINGS. TRACK IS MY BEST FRIEND. WHO IS YOURS?



## Legacy of Friendship

Seth Bullock constructed the tower to honor his longtime friendship with Theodore Roosevelt. Today, the tower is an enduring symbol of a friendship that helped preserve a vanishing wilderness in the West. New generations of people have come together to make sure the tower stands long into the future.

Can you find ways that people have preserved the tower?

- ☐ **National Register of Historic Places Plaque** - This designation helps provide resources to continue preservation. Can you find the date when it was officially listed? \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ **Roof** - The tower was built without a roof, but it helps protect the structure from rain, snow, and ice. How is it different than the rest of the tower? \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ **Hand rails** - The stairs are steep and fairly difficult to climb. The rail makes it safer and more accessible for more people. Why do you think it is important that people have the opportunity to climb the tower? \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ **Stone** - Touch the walls. Thanks to the work of preservationists, these walls are in the same condition as when they were built. What do you think Bullock and Roosevelt would think if they saw the tower still standing today? \_\_\_\_\_

