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in a series about popular  
travel destinations  
and other countries.

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**Black Hills National Forest** (pictured below) straddles the U.S. states of South Dakota and Wyoming. In the north, Roughlock Falls tumbles into the narrow, wildlife-rich gorge of Spearfish Canyon. South, the Peter Norbeck Scenic Byway is known for roaming

elk and views of the gigantic Mount Rushmore sculpture. Nearby are the spiky Cathedral Spires rocks and Black Elk Peak, overlooking the granite cliffs of the Black Elk Wilderness.

What people probably think of first when it comes to South Dakota is **Mount Rushmore** (pictured above), where a massive sculpture in the mountain depicts the faces of U.S. presidents George Washington, Thomas Jefferson,

**See SOUTH DAKOTA on 2B**

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South Dakota travel guide;  
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# food

While you're in  
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eat some...

According to foodnetwork.com, South Dakota's culinary scene is a collection of dishes heavily influenced by Native Americans, Scandinavians, farmers and ranchers, hunters and gatherers, meat eaters and vegetarians, and church basement ladies. Communities have their own food stories, but in a state where traditions and recipes vary, dishes like Indian fry bread, chislic, tiger meat, walleye, buffalo burgers, lefse and mocha cakes gather people around the table to eat and drink as neighbors.



Photo: lilluna.com

## Indian fry bread

Also known as "Navajo Tacos," Frybread only requires four ingredients: flour, water, baking soda and salt. After it's fried, natives pile on the meat, beans, and other toppings.



Photo: thekitchn.com

## Lefse

Lefse, thin potato-dough flatbreads like Scandinavian tortillas, or Oslo injera, can be found on holiday tables throughout the upper Midwest, wherever Norwegian families settled to farm.



Photo: tramplingrose.com

## Chislic

Chislic is a traditional dish of cubed red meat most commonly localized to the state of South Dakota. Can be made with venison, lamb or game.



Photo: Elise Bauer

## Buffalo Burgers

American buffalo (bison) burger made with ground buffalo meat and seasoned with sage, topped with smoky barbecue sauce.



Crazy Horse Memorial

Photo: theconversation.com



The Corn Palace

Photo: cornpalace.com



Wall Drug Store

Photo: visitrapidcity.com

## SOUTH DAKOTA

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Theodore Roosevelt and Abraham Lincoln. Started in 1927, the sculpture in the Black Hills region was completed in 1941. Today, the site also features a museum with interactive exhibits.

Another beautiful site in South Dakota is **Badlands National Park**. Its dramatic landscapes span layered rock formations, steep canyons and towering spires. Bison, bighorn sheep and prairie dogs inhabit its sprawling grasslands. The Badlands Loop Road (Highway 240) winds past scenic lookouts. Several trails begin near the Ben Reifel Visitor Center. The Fossil Exhibit Trail is a boardwalk with displays on fossils uncovered in the park.

The granite peaks and rolling plains of **Custer State Park** are calling. The clear mountain waters are inviting and the open ranges are waiting to be discovered. Encompassing 71,000 acres in the Black Hills, Custer State Park is home to abundant wildlife and adventure; camping, hiking, biking, swimming, fishing, or relaxing, there's something here for everyone.

The **Crazy Horse Memorial** is a mountain monument under construction on privately held land in the Black Hills, in Custer County. Rising over 563 feet high, Crazy Horse Memorial dwarfs the carved portraits of Mount Rushmore by nearly 10 times and is set to become one of the tallest monuments in the world.

The **Corn Palace**, commonly advertised as The World's Only Corn Palace and the Mitchell Corn Palace, is a multi-purpose arena/facility located in Mitchell, South Dakota. The Corn Palace serves the community as a venue for concerts,

sports events, exhibits and other community events.

One of the world's most well-known tourist attractions, it's hard to believe **Wall Drug Store** got its start with something many wouldn't even turn their heads at today ... the promise of free ice water. But in fact, the Husteads turned free ice water into a million-dollar idea with a little determination, quick thinking and a lot of signs.

Wall Drug drew weary travelers into the small-town drug store to enjoy a refreshing break. Today, more than 2 million visitors a year stop at the popular roadside attraction for a meal or activity, 5-cent coffee, and ice water — which is still free.

Located in Wall, South Dakota, Wall Drug has always been a popular stop on the road to the more populated areas like Mount Rushmore or Rapid City.

**Deadwood** is a city in South Dakota known for its gold rush history. Mount Moriah Cemetery has the graves of Wild West figures like Wild Bill Hickok and Calamity Jane. Exhibits at the Adams Museum include a huge gold nugget and a plesiosaur fossil. The 1892 Historic Adams House is a Victorian mansion with original features. South of town, the George S. Mickelson Trail leads through the Black Hills National Forest.

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**B**illboard is the world's most influential music media brand reaching key executives and tastemakers in and around the music business. The Billboard brand is built on its exclusive charts and unrivaled reporting on the latest news, issues and trends across all genres of music. The following are a few of the live concert performances that Billboard has rated among the greatest and most exciting.

Source: billboard.com

# Greatest live concert performances ever

## Billboard rates these artists among the most exciting:

### The Rolling Stones

They're the band whose guitarist was electrocuted live onstage, whose free show at Altamont turned into the riot that killed the '60s, and whose recent shows prove that age is nothing but a number.



### AC/DC

They ride on stage on a train, there's a hyperactive, ancient schoolboy in the band and they play 'Back In Black' as a matter of course. **If you don't enjoy an AC/DC show, you don't like live music.**



### Led Zeppelin

Listening to Led Zeppelin's albums tells you only half of the story of this legendary rock band. "Zeppelin was a live band and that's how we got our reputation," John Paul Jones has said.



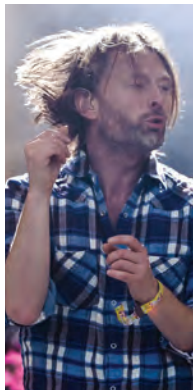
### Bruce Springsteen

Delivering the performances of his life even though he's now in his 60s, **The Boss lives up to his nickname onstage**, where his epic sets include plenty of old favorites.



### Radiohead

They're the only band who could make apocalyptic Glastonbury conditions seem like a good thing (for the atmosphere), they're a band that can hold thousands of people in rapt attention and — if you're lucky — you might see Thom Yorke do his special little dance.



### Jimi Hendrix

**Jimi Hendrix burning his guitar onstage at 1967's Monterey Pop Festival** is one of the most iconic rock images of all time. His shows were unpredictable, improvisational and wild.



### Queen

Of all the performers at 1985's Live Aid, Queen emerged the true winners, holding the whole of Wembley stadium — and a global TV audience — in the palm of their hands. Freddie Mercury was born to perform; rarely has a singer been blessed with such magnetism.



### Nirvana

Nirvana were unbeatable when they were plugged in — their 1992 Reading Festival performance was probably their defining moment — and their MTV Unplugged album confirmed they were just as good without the amps.



### Foo Fighters

There's a reason why Dave Grohl has played Reading a mammoth nine times — it's because he and his band are the modern-day descendants of the original monsters of stadium rock.

### David Bowie

Though he didn't tour for 12 years before his death, Bowie could be counted on to bring a touch of theatre to his live performances, from the wild costumes of the Ziggy Stardust to the elaborate stadium trickery of 1987's Glass Spider tour. Whether it's Thin White Duke-era or Ziggy, **Renaissance man Bowie always put on a heck of a show.**



### Pink Floyd



**Pink Floyd didn't do 'normal' gigs.** Early shows were acid-fuelled '60s happenings, then they played at Pompeii, then they invented the high concept arena show with The Wall, a show which saw the band bricked up behind a giant white wall live on stage. Even Pink Floyd tribute acts have higher production values than most bands.

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The School Board will not accept any bid submitted after the indicated due time and date. Bidders will be required to submit with their Bid Proposals a Bid Security by a qualified surety authorized to do business in the state where the Project is located. All Bid Proposals shall be accompanied by the following two forms: Familial Disclosure Form (in accordance with MCL 380.1267) and an Iran Economic Sanctions Act Form (in compliance with Michigan Public Act No. 517 of 2012). Bid Proposals that do not include these two sworn and notarized forms shall not be accepted.

Roll Call: Board Members Present: Miller, Gambka, Blaska, Noble, Scheib-Snider.  
Board Members Absent/Excused: None.

Approved: Agenda.

Approved: Consent Agenda.

Approved: North Oakland County Fire Authority (NOCFA) FY 2019 budget in the amount of \$536,000.00.

Approved: Lake Braemar Application for Fireworks Display Permit for July 7, 2018.

Approved: Regional Transit Authority Tax Opt-Out Resolution.

Approved: Elimination of the Constable Office position.

Approved: Appointed Ordinance Enforcement Officer Duties to David Plewes with salary increase.

Approved: Invasive Species Postcard mailer.

Denied: Supervisor request to work with Webmatters.

Approved: \$500.00 donation to City of Escanaba to help defray legal costs incurred in Menard Inc. v City of Escanaba “Dark Store” Litigation.

Adjourned: By motion at 8:28 p.m.

Dianne Scheib-Snider  
Rose Township Supervisor

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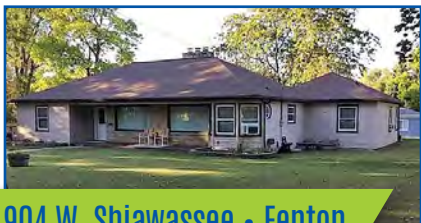
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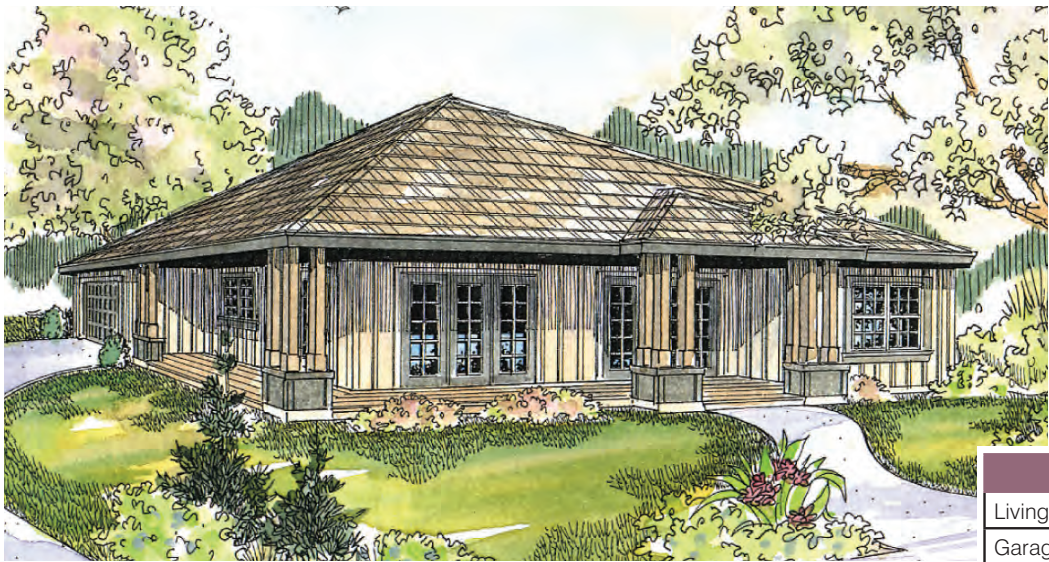
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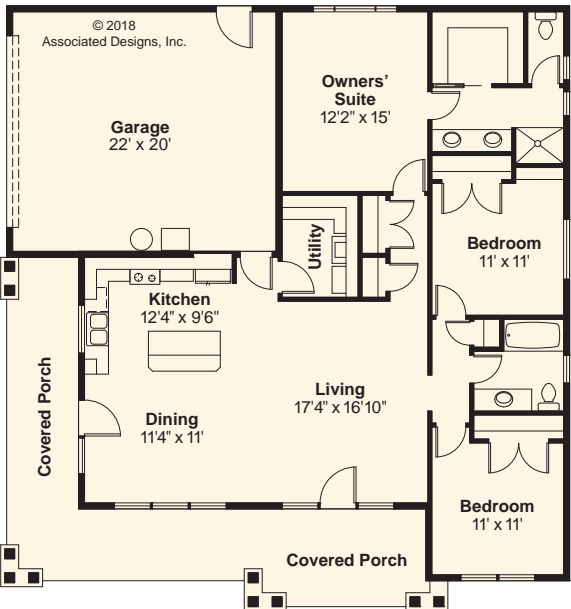


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INTRO TO POE

ACROSS

1 Iraqis, e.g.

6 Yank's Civil War foe

9 "View of Toledo" artist

16 Road sign no.

19 — Haute, Indiana

20 Fruit eater in Genesis

21 "Naked" rodent

22 Byronic "before"

23 A second time

25 When you get there

27 Flat-topped rise

28 Choose to participate

30 Nosh, say

31 Like a desert

32 "Sister Wives" ailer

34 Lots of

38 Greater than

40 President Nixon

44 Snatch

45 RV hookup gp.

46 Zilch

47 Love of Lennon

48 What jailbirds are behind

50 Color akin to navy

54 Pop singer Lovato

56 Journalist Paula

58 Dimwit

59 Lock plates

60 Cold, cloudy conditions, say

64 See 77-Across

65 Declaration at the door

66 Spook player

67 Has a printed price of

72 Secretive U.S. org.

73 "Since the subject has come up ..."

77 With

64-Across, of equal status

78 Olympic skater Witt

80 Packaging abbr.

81 Ugly beasts

83 Puppy's bite

84 "Seems suspect to me"

87 Dimwit

90 Singer with the 2001 hit "Thank You"

92 Kemo — (the Lone Ranger)

93 Simon or Diamond

94 Meditated on

98 Guitar great Lofgren

100 "Botch- —" (1952 hit song)

101 "What —!" ("He's the best!")

102 Balkan repub.

103 Shag, e.g.

105 Get flushed

107 Actor Michael of "Star Trek: The Next Generation"

108 Cowardly

112 Day, in Peru

113 Shed tears

115 Rap's "Dr."

116 Arsenal

118 Take apart

122 "Such is life"

126 One may seek respite

128 Family cat, e.g.

129 Stephen, French-style

130 & so forth

131 Huge name in insurance

132 Voting "yes"

133 Least lax

134 With

135-Across, poem whose first line is found among this puzzle's 11 longest answers

135 See 134-Across

DOWN

1 Quark locale

2 Actress Russo

3 Oval portions

4 Respiration

5 Briny deep

6 Lop a crop

7 Best Musical of 1980

8 Gentle

9 Kiwi relative

10 Trotted

11 Twilight, old-style

12 1995 Leslie Nielsen comedy

13 Long span

14 Avis offering

15 Other, in Peru

16 Restorations

17 Exchanged for the better?

18 Slippery sort

24 Flip out

26 Jail cell parts

29 Linguist Chomsky

33 Testing spot

35 Osaka sash

36 Off-limits

37 Slangy "OK"

39 Actress Charlotte and others

40 Tennis champ Andy

41 Notion about motion

42 Charges

43 Enticed

49 Aussie miss

51 Post-WWII prez

52 Fish-fowl link

53 "Yes, it's also included"

55 "— so sure!"

57 Put a label on

61 Second draft

62 Pull along

63 "Laughing" mammal

64 Greek letter

67 Guy keeping the peace

68 Smidgen

69 Refrain

70 Former

71 Grappled, in dialect

74 In the know

75 Amp (up)

76 Summers, in French

79 Painkillers

82 Fired thing

84 Altar words

85 Carpooling lane abbr.

86 Misleading sort

87 Apple debut of 2010

88 Person with a pet pooch

89 No longer fazed by

90 Editor's mark

91 Pin-ons worn by staffers

95 Not refined

96 East ender?

97 Repents of

99 — Lankan

104 Not stay dry

106 Queasiness

109 Norway's currency unit

110 Wails in lamentation

111 Performs, in the Bible

114 Virgil, e.g.

117 Indy 500, e.g.

119 Tube fan's punishment

120 Desert hill

121 "The Good Earth" wife

122 87-Down user's buy

123 Suffix with Seattle

124 Pewter part

125 In place

127 Lt. Tasha on "Star Trek: The Next Generation"

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**W. Jean Calkins**  
 1941-2018

W. Jean Calkins - age 76, formerly of Linden and Flushing passed away January 13, 2018. A memorial service will be held at 3 PM Friday, May 25, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. The family will receive friends from 1 PM until the time of service. Jean was born on October 10, 1941 in Bragg City, MO the daughter of Carl and Wanda Estes. Jean is survived by her sons; Rob (Shirley) McCartney, Kevin McCartney; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; sisters, Ann Furey and Sherree Stanley. She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Bradley McCartney; brothers Carl and Gary Estes; husband, Fred Calkins. Tributes may be shared at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).


**Barbara Pitcole**

Barbara Pitcole - age 88, died May 18, 2018. [www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com).


**Sharron L. Diem**

Sharron L. Diem - age 71, died May 14, 2018. [www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.temrowskifamilyfuneralhome.com).


**Burl E. Lemonds**  
 1926-2018

Burl E. Lemonds - age 91, of Linden, passed away May 11, 2018 at Caretel Inns of Linden. At Mr. Lemonds request, there will be no public service. Private burial was held at Sunset Hills Cemetery, Flint. Arrangements are being handled by Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. Mr. Lemonds was born in Kennett, MO on December 30, 1926 to Louie and Goldie (Metheny) Lemonds. He was a veteran of the United States Army. He was employed by Hamady Brothers for 42 years. He married Manueline Stanley on August 2, 1947. They had one child, Cathy Lemonds Vargo, now deceased. Surviving are wife; Manueline Lemonds; one brother, Ronald Lemonds of Omaha, NE; sister-in-law, Cynthia Daniels; son-in-law, Curtis Vargo of Palos Heights, IL; special niece, Arita Magee and nephew, Richard Zuber; many nieces and nephews. Special thanks to Reverence Hospice for the wonderful care given to Mr. Lemonds. Online tributes may be shared at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).


**Dr. Edward Steve Butcher II**  
 1955-2018

Dr. Edward Steve Butcher II - age 62, of Fenton, died Thursday, May 17, 2018. Services will be held 4 PM Sunday, May 20, 2018 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Road, Fenton. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Sunday from 2 PM until the time of the service. Edward was born December 15, 1955 in Livonia, the son of Edward Steve and Marilyn Estelle (Fenner) Butcher. He was a graduate of the University of Michigan Dental School and worked for Family Dental Group in Flint. He had resided in Fenton since 1985 coming from Farmington. Surviving are: four sons, Brandon Butcher of Kalamazoo, Adam Butcher of Marquette, Jason (Britain) Butcher of Linden, and Austin Butcher of Fenton; granddaughter, Estelle Rose Butcher; mother, Marilyn Butcher of South Lyon; sisters, Sheryl (Rick) Estes of Cape Coral, FL and Kim (Greg) Gordon of South Lyon; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Edward Steve Butcher. Tributes may be shared at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).



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**Pamela (Snyder) Hennig**  
 1956-2018

Pamela (Snyder) Hennig - age 62, of Fenton, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at the Arbor Hospice in Saline, MI. Born in Plainfield, NJ, Pam was the daughter of William Snyder of Parksley, VA and the late Elizabeth Snyder. Pam was raised in Spring Lake Heights on the Jersey Shore, graduated from Manasquan High School, and attended Brookdale Community College. While her husband Rick pursued his medical career, Pam established homes and many friendships in New Brunswick, NJ, Philadelphia and Allentown, PA, and Frederick, MD before settling in Fenton, in 1994. Pam's life was shaped and fulfilled by her tremendous faith. Pam gave her life to Christ in 1974, converting to Catholicism in 2004. She was an active member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Fenton. Her Bible Studies, caring friendships and her generosity of her time and talent to St. John's Outreach have enriched many lives. Pam's favorite and perhaps most memorable role, however, was that of "Mrs. Blue Shoes," Fenton's beloved storyteller at the Fenton Free Library where she entertained and entranced so many children. The City of Fenton is planning on constructing a garden that will surround the "The Librarian" statue in front of the library, dedicated to "Mrs. Blue Shoes". Pam was a Jersey Girl through and through and loved visiting the Jersey Shore

every summer where she would walk the Ocean Grove boardwalk and catch up with family and friends. Everyone knew her as an especially kind, thoughtful, spiritual person. Pam is survived by her beloved husband and children, Dr. Richard Hennig of Fenton; her daughter, Katie of New York City, and her son Patrick of Fenton. She also leaves behind her much loved and close-knit family including her father, Bill and her brothers and sister, Billy (Anne), of Mount Horeb, WI, James (Anna) of Nashville, TN, John (Emily) of Spring Lake, NJ, Laura (Peter) Salerno of Oakhurst, NJ, and her sister-in-law Karen Pentz, of Shark River Hills, NJ, as well as many nieces and nephews, grand nieces and nephews, cousins and many, many, great friends, all of whom will miss her tremendously. A Mass in celebration of Pam's life will be offered at 11 AM Monday, May 21, 2018 at St. John the Evangelist Church, 600 N. Adelaide St. Fenton, MI. Interment will follow at St. John Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2-4 and 6-8 PM Sunday, May 20, 2018 at the Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 W. Silver Lake Road, Fenton, MI where a scripture service will be held at 7 PM Sunday. Visitation will also be held from 10-11 AM Monday at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. John's Outreach Program or the Fenton Children's Library. Tributes may be shared at [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).


**Edith Irish**

Edith Irish - age 90, died May 16, 2018. Services entrusted to Sharp Funeral Homes. [www.sharpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sharpfuneralhomes.com).


**Ruth Shaw**

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**Peggy Allen**

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**Shannon Crooks**

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**Bobby Floyd**

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**Ida Nalbandova**

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**Nancy Miller**

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**Richard Sobota**

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# Birds for first-time bird owners

Birds are friendly, loyal and intelligent pets that can learn to replicate human speech and interact with their owners in very unique ways. Such attributes have helped make birds increasingly popular pets.

Interest in pet birds has risen, as statistics from the American Pet Products Association National Pet Owners Survey 2017-2018 show that 7.9 million American households have pet birds, and roughly 20 million birds reside in homes across the country.

Although there are many different bird species that can make wonderful pets, certain birds may make better companion animals, particularly for first-time bird owners, because of their amenable personalities. Before getting a feathered friend, prospective owners are urged to learn about bird care, including researching the type of caging, exercise, food, and attention required to care for birds. This education can help bird lovers find companions who will get the care they deserve.

When considering birds, here are some of the more popular species, courtesy of PetMD and PetSmart.

## PARAKEETS

The average parakeet has a life span of seven to 10 years, and their docile personalities make parakeets great companion birds. Also known as Budgies, parakeets are good for people new to bird-keeping. Parakeets are quite intelligent and can learn a few basic commands. Some may be able to pick up some human words. Parakeets thrive on interaction with their owners and should be handled for around a half-hour or more per day. Early socialization and handling is advised to raise a parakeet that's part of the family.



## COCKATIELS

These personality-heavy birds can also be great pets for first-timers. Well socialized cockatiels recognize and respond to their owners. Cockatiels are a bit larger than parakeets and require medium-sized cages. They can benefit from socializing time outside of their cages and require mental stimulation to stay healthy.

## FINCHES

For people who like to watch birds more so than handle them, finches might be the ideal fit. These little birds thrive in small flocks and are content to pay more attention to their cage mates than humans. They'll flit from perch to post, and their delicate tweets can fill a room with vitality.

## CONURES

Conures are social and outgoing and love to hang out with people. They tend to be loud birds, so owners should keep this in mind. Conures can live 20 to 30 years, so they require a lengthy commitment. Mental stimulation is important to a conure so it doesn't get bored and begin to pluck feathers. Toys, foraging puzzles and time outside of the cage can help keep conures healthy and happy.

## CANARIES

Canaries are another type of bird that can be watched instead of cuddled. They're popular thanks to their prolific, operatic songs. Some are even bred to perform specific songs. When properly provided for, canaries can live from five to 10 years.

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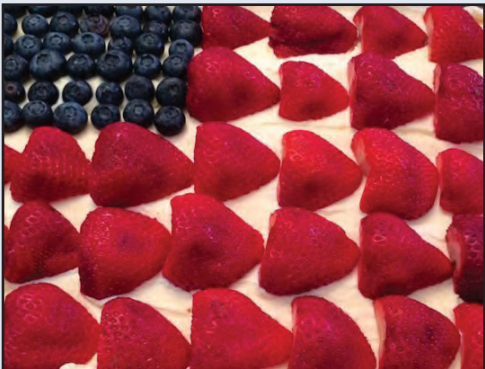


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# NO-BAKE CHEESECAKE FLAG CAKE



A great recipe for Memorial Day or Fourth of July

## INGREDIENTS

- Crust
- 1 1/2 cups finely crushed graham cracker crumbs
  - 1/4 cup white sugar
  - 2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder
  - 6 tablespoons butter, melted

## Filling

- 1 cup cream cheese at room temperature
- 1 cup mascarpone cheese at room temperature
- 2 teaspoons grated lemon zest
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/3 cup white sugar
- 1 1/4 cups cold heavy whipping cream

## Topping

- 20 large fresh strawberries, hulled and halved lengthwise, or as needed
- 20 large fresh blueberries, or as needed

## DIRECTIONS

Combine graham cracker crumbs, 1/4 cup sugar, cocoa powder, and melted butter in a bowl until mixture is thoroughly combined and crumbly. Transfer crust mixture to a 9x11 inch baking dish. Press crust into bottom of dish until smooth and even. Cover dish with plastic wrap and refrigerate until set, about 30 minutes. Mix cream cheese and mascarpone cheese in a bowl until thoroughly combined. Stir in lemon zest, lemon juice, and vanilla extract into mixture. Whisk 1/3 cup sugar into whipping cream in a separate metal or glass bowl until the cream is fluffy and forms soft peaks. Add whipped cream to the cream cheese mixture and gently whisk until filling is soft, fluffy, and well combined. Spoon filling on top of the graham cracker crust, spreading and smoothing the top. Tap the pan gently on a work surface several times to settle the crust and filling. Cover pan tightly with plastic wrap and refrigerate until chilled and set, at least 3 hours. Starting at the bottom long edge of the cake, arrange strawberry halves in a horizontal line with the pointed bottoms of the strawberry halves pointing to the right. Start a second stripe of strawberry halves at the top right of the cake, arranging strawberries with the bottoms pointing right in a line stretching about 2/3 of the length of the cake. Continue to make strawberry stripes, starting about 3/4 inch up from the bottom stripe and laying down 3 more stripes stretching the full length of the cake. Make 1 more line of strawberries beneath the short stripe to leave a square space for the blue field of stars. Lay a line of blueberries with the blossom ends pointing up in the upper left square space. Continue to lay down blueberries in lines, berries touching the previous line, until the square is filled with blueberries. Cut cake into squares to serve.

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