



## **Instagrammers find inspiration throughout Chickasaw Country**

*Chickasaw Country offers countless photo opportunities*

Covering 13 counties in South-central Oklahoma, Chickasaw Country is home to visually appealing landscapes, unique restaurants and historical sites offering endless photo opportunities for photographers and Instagrammers alike.

With 7,648 square miles to travel, visitors to Chickasaw Country are capturing their experiences and sharing them across their social media platforms said Paige Williams Shepherd, director of corporate development and tourism for the Chickasaw Nation.

“Chickasaw Country is full of endless destinations and attractions for visitors to the area to explore,” said Shepherd. “While in Chickasaw Country, visitors are immersed in culture, history, nature and recreation which serves as inspirations for unique and creative photos.”

One of the most photographed locations in Chickasaw Country is Turner Falls in Davis, Oklahoma, which includes the state’s largest waterfall at 77 feet tall. Visitors can hike to the waterfall’s base, or experience it from a bird’s-eye-view on top of a nearby bluff. From tranquil waters to scenic overlooks, Oklahoma’s oldest national park area, the Chickasaw National Recreation Area in Sulphur, Oklahoma, is another commonly photographed location offering no shortage of photogenic spots along its 30 miles of trails.

Food photography is common for Chickasaw Country’s locally-owned Oklahoma restaurants that have been recognized for their phenomenal fares. Whether it’s a hearty plate of barbecue from Smokin’ Joes Rib Ranch, chocolate-filled Arbuckle Mountain Original Fried Pies, or a unique Edamame sushi roll, the large variety of restaurants in Chickasaw Country have been deemed Instagram worthy from its visitors.

Historically significant areas in Oklahoma can be found in Chickasaw Country. Those looking to photograph architecture can visit the stately Tucker Tower located near the shore of Lake Murray in Ardmore, Oklahoma. The Tucker Tower was designed and primarily built by the Works Progress Administration in the 1930s, believed to serve as a retreat for Oklahoma governors. However, it never served that purpose and instead was deemed a geological museum and most recently a nature center for Lake Murray State Park. Chickasaw Country is also filled with small town main streets that are composed of buildings that were constructed during the towns’ beginnings, with some built before Oklahoma’s statehood in 1907. The main street buildings’ architecture add character to each location, highlighting the uniqueness in small town charm.



Visitors to Chickasaw Country can use the hashtag #RouteCC for a chance to be featured on Chickasaw Country's social media platforms and website.

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