

Driving along I-90 between Mitchell and Chamberlain, visitors aren't yet bombarded with many pleas from beckoning tourist attractions.

That doesn't mean there aren't places to stop.

Sports fans should take notice that two world-class athletes grew up in these parts.

Mike Miller, the former University of Florida star and member of the NBA's Memphis Grizzlies, grew up in Mitchell and played his prep basketball in the Corn Palace.

And Chad Greenway, formerly of the University of Iowa and now a starting linebacker for the Minnesota Vikings, hails from Mount Vernon. Stop into either of these towns and locals likely can tell you about the exploits of these players as they led their teams to state high school titles.

Hungry? The small towns between Mitchell and Chamberlain generally have uptown restaurants that feature true home-style cooking. Vacations are built around fast-food, but sometimes it's nice to stop off the highway and enjoy a meal in the slower pace of a small town.

At Chamberlain is one of the region's most unique state rest areas. Remember, this is Lewis and Clark country, and the rest area at Exit 263 offers visitors a look at a replica of an expedition boat, as well as some of the best views in South Dakota.