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DESTINATION: SOUTH SLAVE



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WELCOME TO  
**FORT**  
**PROVIDENCE**

Tucked just off Hwy 3, this Dene community known as Zhahti Kųę in Slavey has front row tickets to the Mackenzie River—though a bison or two might obscure the view.



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# NOT TO BE MISSED



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**1** The Dene Fur Clouds shop has stunning mitts, hats and other accessories, created by Indigenous artists and harvested locally from lynx, hare, sheared beaver and fox. The fashions will amaze you and craftsmanship will inspire you. Don't forget your wallet.

**2** Bison Burgers are a popular fare at the Big River Service Centre along Hwy 3 just after the magnificent Deh Cho Bridge. You'll have a view of the Mackenzie River while you fill you up and fuel up for the rest of your drive.



BIG RIVER SERVICE CENTER



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**3** The Snowshoe Inn gift shop features local artwork like moose hair tufting, porcupine quill weaving and all kinds of jewellery. The restaurant serves up a full menu and if you ask a local what to do on a Saturday night, it's karaoke at the Snowshoe Inn, of course.

**4** The forests and waters surrounding the community are home to lots of wildlife, but one species stands out – the regal wood bison, the largest creature in North America. Thousands dwell in the nearby Mackenzie Bison Sanctuary, and often they can be seen right in town, strolling the quiet streets.



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