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But it's here in the Northeastern U.S., where wooden covered bridge design and construction re

WHY SO MANY COVERED BRIDGES IN THE NORTHEAST?

The northeast is a region of rivers, streams and creeks. As the population surged out away fro

But why cover them?

While much speculation has been put forth on this topic; the simple answer is protection again

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT COVERED BRIDGES...

Most historians agree the first covered bridge in America was The Permanent Bridge completed i

But perhaps the most famous covered bridges are in Madison County, Iowa. The Bridges of Madiso

A question often asked is why so many of the bridges are painted red on the outside?

Historians believe the red coating makes the bridge seem more like a barn to a horse, and as h

THE CHANGING FACE OF THE COVERED BRIDGE IN NORTH AMERICA

As the twentieth century progressed bridge construction changed and metal manufactured truss b

The "work horse" bridges of the 19th century gave way to economics, and most wooden covered br

VIEWING OF COVERED BRIDGES...

For sheer volume Pennsylvania and Vermont take honors, accounting for well over a third of the

Self-guided tours are also popular in New England for covered bridge vacations, particularly i

As a covered bridge enthusiast I can tell you half the fun is finding the bridges. The major h

Experts suggest appreciating the bridge by first taking in the design and massive timbers used

As you view an authentic covered bridge remember it was built for a simple functional purpose

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