Game days at Nebraska are unlike any in college football. Fans line the streets of Lincoln waiting to enter the “Sea of Red,” while the marching band parades up Stadium Drive as thousands of red-clad fans look on. The Huskers emerge from the famous “Tunnel Walk” to the sound of “Sirius” and the fans stay at a frenzied pitch until the final play of the game when they graciously cheer for the opposing players as they exit the field.

Tunnel Walk
The Tunnel Walk, which began in 1994, has become an integral part of Memorial Stadium’s game-day experience. It was created as a way for fans to share in the excitement of the team emerging from the locker room, something only a few could do before HuskerVision’s cameras and big screens came to Memorial Stadium. The sounds of the Alan Parsons Project’s “Sirius,” and the roar of the 85,000 frenzied fans rock the stadium as the Huskers burst through the locker room doors and into the tunnel on their way to the Memorial Stadium FieldTurf. The players emerge through the Tunnel Walk Gates located in the northeast corner of the stadium. These gates are guarded and opened by special different service men and women each game.

The Horseshoe
For as long as anyone can remember, the Huskers have touched a lucky horseshoe on their way from the locker room to the field. The horseshoe hangs above the door as Nebraska leaves the North Stadium, just as it hung in the South Stadium tunnel before.

One of Nebraska’s newest traditions began in 2005, when the Huskers joined the student section and the Cornhusker marching band in singing “There is No Place Like Nebraska” after each victory.

TUNNEL WALK

There is No Place Like Nebraska

"Coming down that tunnel for the first time, it’s chilling. It’s absolutely chilling."

Bill Callahan
Nebraska Head Coach

THE HORSESHOE

THERE IS NO PLACE LIKE NEBRASKA

5 National Titles • 803 All-Time Wins • 282 Consecutive Sellouts • 3 Heisman Trophy Winners
The Husker Spirit Squad and Scarlet Dance Squad annually rank among the top cheer programs in the country. In 2000, the Scarlets finished as the national runner-up in Orlando, Fla.

“Of all the fans in America, Nebraska’s are the most in-tune with college football, and they have the most respect for the way a college football game should be played.”

Lee Corso
ESPN Commentator
Nebraska football fans are perhaps the most loyal in college football. An entire state follows the Huskers, along with an ever-growing national fan base, packing Memorial Stadium for every game since 1962. Husker fans bring their show on the road as well. More than 60,000 red-clad Huskers trekked to Pasadena for the 2002 Rose Bowl, and in 2001, more than 30,000 Huskers swarmed South Bend for a matchup with Notre Dame. This past season, the Husker Nation again outdid itself as nearly 30,000 Nebraska fans descended on the Coliseum in Los Angeles to watch the Husker contest with USC.

GREATEST FANS IN COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Every entrance at Memorial Stadium welcomes Husker fans with the following phrase:

“Through these gates pass the Greatest Fans in College Football.”

“The greatest asset to this University is our fan base. We’re grateful for the people who get up on Saturday mornings, don their red and cheer.”

Steve Pederson
NU Athletic Director

“If people watching this at home can’t tell, this is a home game for Nebraska. The Big Red Nation is here, and it is affecting the attitude of this Nebraska team.”

Kirk Herbstreit
ESPN analyst during Nebraska’s 2005 Alamo Bowl victory

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The Husker Nation knows no bounds. In 2006, more than 30,000 Nebraska fans descended on Los Angeles to cheer on the Huskers as they took on USC (above). Another Husker tradition is Fan Day which attracts nearly 10,000 fans annually to Memorial Stadium during fall camp. Every Husker player and coach signs autographs and takes pictures with fans in a tradition that dates back more than 30 years.

Nebraska’s annual Red-White Spring Game (above) has become a major attraction with Coach Bill Callahan on the sideline. The Huskers have averaged nearly 61,000 fans per Spring Game over the past four years to conclude spring practice. In that time, more than 235,000 fans have flocked to Memorial Stadium to watch NU’s final practice of the spring, including a record 63,416 fans in 2005. In 2006, 54,228 Husker loyals turned out to see the Red top the White, 38-0.

"I can’t go without saying how impressed I am by the Nebraska fan base. Whether it be for women’s volleyball or football, there’s nothing like the Big Red."

George W. Bush
President of the United States