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Welcome to the Saint Croix Valley

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Welcome to the Saint Croix Valley

Nestled in the valley between Minnesota and Wisconsin you will find quaint, historic river towns to explore featuring one-of-a-kind shops, wineries, breweries, artist studios, spas and great dining. Visitors come year round to experience these charming communities and the beauty of the Saint Croix Valley landscape.

This guide provides just a snapshot of the many fun and memorable experiences you can have on a visit to the Saint Croix Valley. Please use it for inspiration on where to visit, where to stay, what to do and what to eat and drink. And if you need even more ideas please visit us on line at www.saintcroixriver.com.

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St. Croix Valley Visitors' Centers

National Park Service St. Croix River Visitor Center

 **401 North Hamilton St.
St. Croix Falls, WI • (715) 483-2274**
Masks required! Hours: Open & staffed
mid-April - mid-Oct.: daily 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Off season hours: daily 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Visitor Center closed: Thanksgiving,
Christmas and New Year's Day.

Namekagon River Visitor Center


 **Hwy 63, one mile east of Hwy 53
in Trego, WI • (715) 635-8346**
Masks required!

Hours: Open & staffed Memorial Day
Weekend - Labor Day: daily 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Off season hours: Sat. & Sun. 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Both visitor centers have National Park
Service Rangers available to help you plan a
river trip, direct you to maps, educational
materials, and answer questions about the
St. Croix River and National parks.

Services Available:

- Trip Planning
- Ranger presentations
- Picnic areas, river trails
- Gift shop/bookstore
- Parking for buses and RVs


Polk County Information Center

 **710 Hwy 35 South
(just south of Hwy 8)**
St. Croix Falls, WI • (800) 222-POLK (7655)
DiscoverPolkCountyWis.com
DiscoverPolkCountyWi@gmail.com
Hours: May - Oct., Mon. - Fri. 8:30 a.m. -
4:30 p.m., Sat & Sun. 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Winter hours: Nov. - April, Mon. - Fri. 8:30 a.m. -
4:30 p.m., Sat. 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Services Available:

- Exhibits & historic displays
- Brochures, maps
- Gift shop/bookstore
- Trailhead pass information for 50-mile
Gandy Dancer Bike/Snowmobile Trail
- Parking for buses, RVs
- Clean restrooms

St. Croix Travel Information Center

 **Westbound rest area 3 miles from I-94
Bridge, 14100 I-94 • West Lakeland
Township, MN • (651) 296-0733**
Julie.Ramer@State.MN.us
ExploreMinnesota.com
Hours: Mon. - Sun., 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.,
Nov. - March: Sun., 12 - 5 p.m.
Services Available:

- Information on lodging & attractions

- Travel counselors on staff
- Family restroom, vending & picnic area
- Walking trail, playground, pet area
- Located on bike trail
- Parking for trucks, RVs, buses

Great River Road Visitor & Learning Center at Freedom Park


 **200 Monroe St. • Prescott, WI
(715) 262-0104 • grrvlc@gmail.com**
www.FreedomParkWI.org

Hours: Spring: March 1 - Memorial Day,
Tues. - Sat., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.,
Sun., Noon - 5 p.m., Closed on Monday
Summer: Memorial Day - Labor Day,
Mon. - Sat., 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.,
Sun., Noon - 5 p.m.
Fall: Labor Day - Oct. 31
Tue. - Sat. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.,
Sun., Noon - 5 p.m., Closed on Monday
Winter: Nov. 1 - Feb. 28/9
Closed: Mon. - Fri.
Sat., 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sun., Noon - 5 p.m.

Services Available:

- Gift shop • Walking Trails
- Art Exhibits and Art Bench
- Clean Restrooms • Shaded picnic area
- Educational gardens, native plants/gardens
- Audubon Birding site
- Overlooks of Mississippi & St. Croix Rivers
- Northern gateway to the Wisconsin
Great River Road


Welcome & Heritage Center - Prescott, WI

 **237 Broad St., Prescott, WI**
ChamberOfPrescott@gmail.com
ChamberOfPrescott.com • (715) 649-0047
Hours: Tue. - Fri., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Services Available:

- Prescott Area Chamber of Commerce
& Prescott Area Historical Society
- Local history exhibits - Prescott
& Pierce County
- Brochures, maps, information
on lodging & attractions

Chisago Lakes Chamber & Information Center

 **30525 Linden St. • Lindstrom MN**
(651)257-1177 • www.chisagolakes.org
info@chisagolakeschamber.com

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opportunities and charm.*

Hours: Mon. - Fri., 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Services Available:

- Brochures, maps
- Information on lodging and attractions
- Resource for information and events
- Business resources



Hudson Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau

 **502 Second Street, Hudson, WI 54016**
715-386-8411 • www.HudsonWI.org

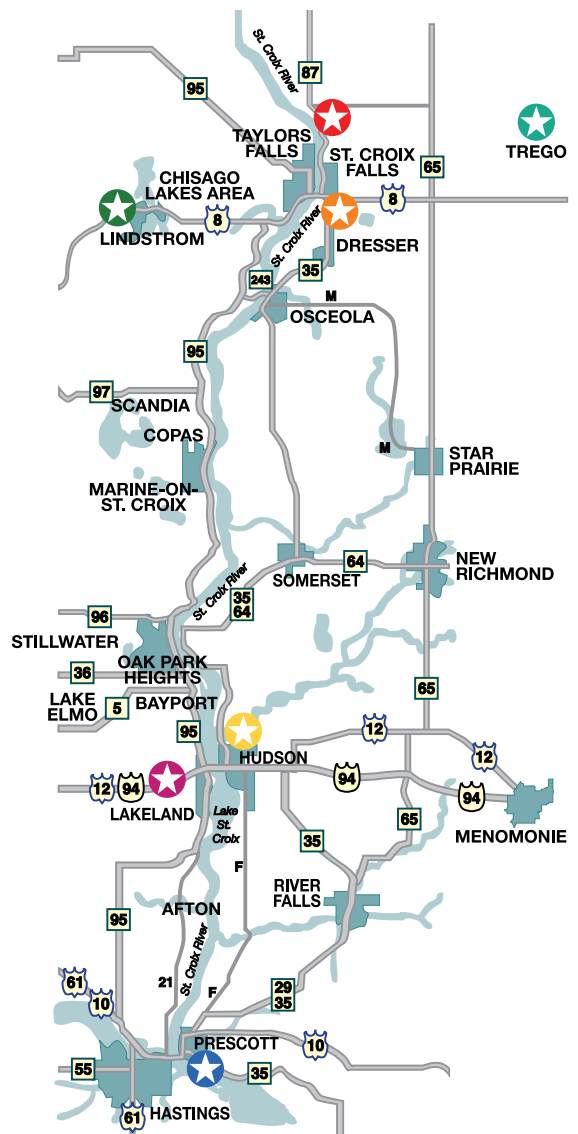
Hours: Mon. - Fri., 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Weekend hours June - August,
Sat., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. & Sun., Noon - 3 p.m.

Tourism information is available at main building entrance
24 hours a day.

Services Available:


- Tourism Brochures & Maps • Trip Planning
- Information on local and state attractions, business
resources, community information and lodging.



2022 Essential Events

Communities throughout the St. Croix Valley host a variety of special events and festivals all year long. The events listed, below, are a small sampling of the hundreds of events occurring in St. Croix Valley communities throughout the year; please check websites or call ahead to confirm dates and locations.

JANUARY


Frederic, WI • Winter Fun Day
DiscoverPolkCountyWis.com 
715-483-1410

FEBRUARY

Balsam Lake, WI • WinterFest
DiscoverPolkCountyWis.com 



March

Amery, WI • MapleFest at Glenna Farms • www.GlennaFarms.com 
715-268-4702


April

Clear Lake, WI • Earth Day Celebration • Facebook.com/ClearLakeEarthDayCelebration 

May

Bayport, MN • Memorial Day Parade • www.ci.Bayport.mn.us 
651-275-4404


Hudson, WI • Rotary's Taste of Hudson • Business.HudsonWi.org/Events  • 715-386-8411


Polk County Earth Arts Spring Tour • 715-483-1410
DiscoverPolkCountyWis.com 



June

Afton, MN • Strawberry Festival
701-269-4639 • ExploreAfton.com 

Baldwin, WI • Windmill Days
Baldwin-WoodvilleChamber.org 
715-483-1410


Hudson, WI • Concerts in Lakefront Park • 715-386-8411
HudsonWi.org/Discover 




July

Balsam Lake, WI • Freedom Fest
DiscoverPolkCountyWis.com 
715-483-1410


Hastings, MN • Rivertown Days www.VisitHastingsMn.org/Rivertown-Days 
651-437-6775


Hudson, WI • Hudson Booster Days • HudsonWi.org/Discover 
715-386-8411



Hudson, WI • RiverFest
HudsonWi.org/Discover 
715-386-8411

Lindstrom, MN • Karl Oskar Days
Facebook.com/KarlOskarDays
651-257-0620 

New Richmond, WI • Fun Fest
NewRichmondChamber.com 
715-246-2900

St. Croix Falls, WI • Polk County Fair • 715-483-1410
DiscoverPolkCountyWis.com 

Taylor Falls, MN • Wannigan Days – Spirit of the River
WanniganDays.com 

August

North Hudson, WI • Pepper Fest
www.PepperFest.org 


Scandia, MN • Spelmansstämman (Swedish Music Festival)
GammelgardenMuseum.org/events


Turtle Lake, WI • Moon Lake Threshing Bee • MoonLakeShow.org




September


Amery, WI • Amery Fall Festival
AmeryFallFestival.org/Events

Bayport, MN • Derby Days
BayportCommunityActionLeague.com/Calendar/Derby-Days 


Hudson, WI • Spirit of St. Croix Art Festival • 715-386-8411
HudsonWi.org/Discover 

Osceola, WI • Wheels and Wings
DiscoverPolkCountyWis.com 
715-483-1410



River Falls, WI • Bacon Bash
RFChamber.com/Bacon-Bash 
715-425-2533


October


St. Croix Falls, WI • Autumn Fest
DiscoverPolkCountyWis.com 
715-483-1410


Osceola, WI • Fall Colors Train Rides • TransportationMuseum.org/Train-Rides 

Hudson, WI • Hilltop Pumpkin Party • HudsonWi.org/Discover 
715-386-8411


November

Hudson, WI • Hudson Christmas Tour of Homes • 715-386-8411
HudsonWi.org/Discover 

Taylor Falls, WI • Lighting Festival • lightingfestival.com 

Somerset, WI • Sam's Christmas Village • 715-247-5099
SamsChristmasVillage.com 

December

Hudson, WI • Candlelight Stroll
HudsonWi.org/Discover 
715-386-8411







Hudson, WI
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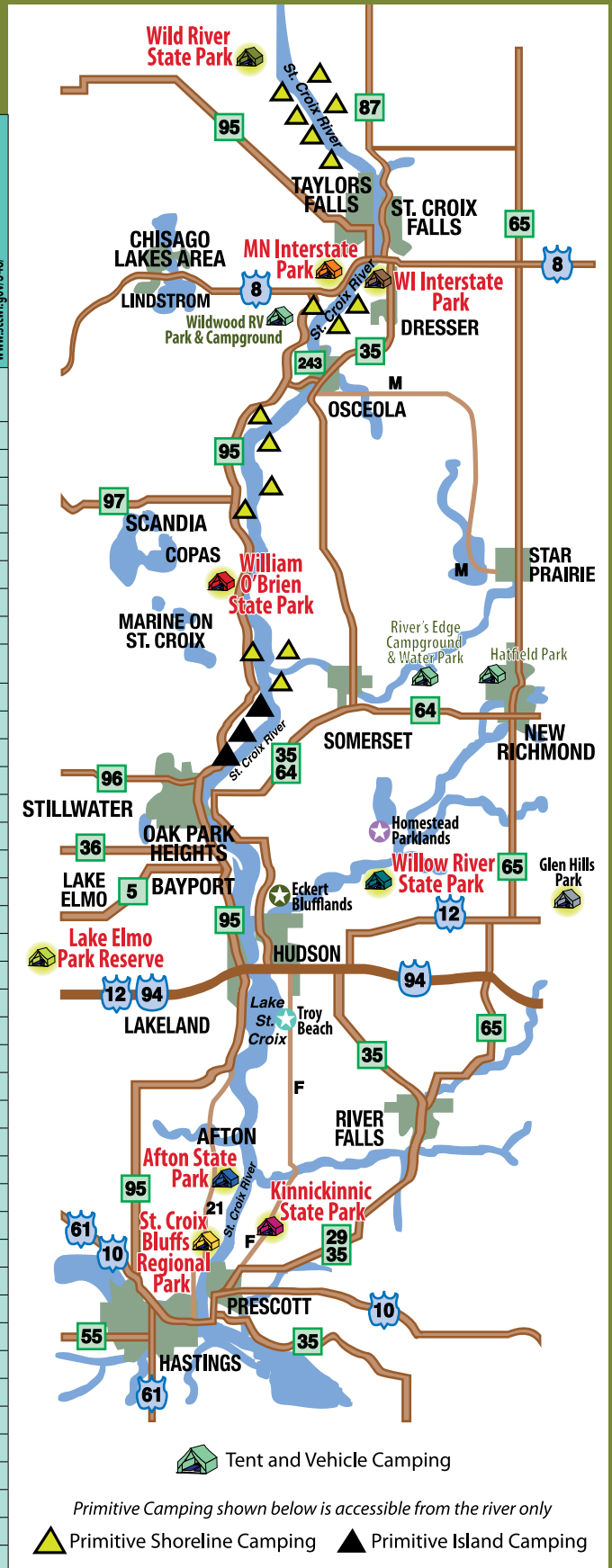
- Hot Air Balloons • Torchlight Parade
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- Fireworks • Marketplace & Craft Fair
- Taste of Hot Air Affair • and much more!

HudsonHotAirAffair.com   

Amazing Parks to Explore... Saint Croix Valley Parks

If you are looking to escape city life, or just everyday life, look no further than the amazing Saint Croix Valley's parks!

	Wild River State Park www.dnr.state.mn.us/state_parks/wild_river	Minnesota Interstate Park www.dnr.state.mn.us/state_parks/interstate	Wisconsin Interstate Park dnr.wi.gov/topic/parks/name/interstate	William O'Brien State Park www.dnr.state.mn.us/state_parks/william_obrien	Willow River State Park www.dnr.state.mn.us/state_parks/willowriver	Afton State Park dnr.wi.gov/topic/parks/name/afton	Kinnickinnic State Park dnr.wi.gov/topic/parks/name/kinnickinnic	Lake Elmo Park Reserve www.co.washington.mn.us/facilities	St. Croix River Bluffs Park www.co.washington.mn.us/facilities	Homestead Parklands www.scowi.gov/345	Glen Hills Park https://www.scowi.gov/344	Troy Beach County Park www.scowi.gov/348
Acres	18 miles along St. Croix	298	1330	1803	3000+	1700	1242	2165	579	125	700	5
Total Campsites	171	63	84	113	750	31		80	73		88	
Campsites electrical hook ups	34	22	23	81	55			80	62		61	
Drive in /RV Campsites	94	37		81				80	36		88	
Pull-Through Site	2								26		6	
Family Campsites			82								88	
Hike-in Camping Sites	7		2			28		5				
Group Camping Sites	9	4	2	4	12	2		4	2		29	
Equestrian Camping	20							20				
Wheelchair Accessible Campsites	1		1	3	3						2	
Canoe Sites	4					1						
Camper Cabins	6			4		4					2	
Yurts						2						
Historic Information Site	X	X	X	X	X			X				
Special Programs and Events	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X	
Ranger Station/Visitor Center	X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X	
Handicap Access	X	X	X	X	X			X		X	X	
Park Shelters	X	X	X	X	X			X		X	X	
Picnic Shelters	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Play Structures	X		X		X			X		X	X	
Picnic Tables	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Drinking Fountains	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Fire Rings/Grills	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Firewood	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	
Hiking/Walking Trails (miles)	35	4	9	12	13	20	6.5	20	4	3.5	13	
Wheelchair Accessible Trails (miles)	2.6	.5		1.5	.6					.5		
Paved Bicycle Trails (miles)	2.6			1.5	.9	4		5	1			
Equestrian Trails (miles)	18					5		8				
Cross Country Ski Trails Groomed	30		2.8	12	X		X	10.8				
Cross Country Ski Trails (miles)	30		12.5	12	X	18	16.4	5.5		1.5	4	
Winter Walking Trails	6		12.5	2.1	X	6	X	7.5	.6	3.5	13	
Snowshoeing Trails (miles)	6	X	12.5	X	X	4	2.8	4.5		3.5	13	
Rock Climbing		X										
Boat/Canoe Launch			X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	
Swimming Beach			X	X	X	X				X	X	X
Fishing	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Geocaching	X			X		X				X	X	X
Vehicle Permits Required	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Showers	X	X	X	X	X			X	X		X	
Restrooms	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Vault Toilets	X	X	X	X	X	X						X
Dump Station	X	X	X	X	X			X	X		X	



Explore Saint Croix Valley Parks & Nature Centers

Favorite spots for Birding, Wildlife Watching,
Hiking & Camping



Willow River Falls photo by Jeff Bucklew

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Afton State Park - Afton, MN ~ Grand oaks and delicate prairie flowers grace the rugged, rolling landscape of this park. Wind your way down deep ravines and rise up to the grassy ridgetops and bluffs overlooking the scenic St. Croix River. The trails are perfect for hikers, horseback riders and cross-country skiers, in the winter.

William O'Brien State Park - Marine on St. Croix, MN

A great "get away" park only one hour from the Twin Cities. Hiking trails offer quiet exploration of the Park's rolling, wooded hills. For anglers, the channels of the St. Croix have northerns, walleye, bass and trout. Ideal for canoeing, the river is also a migratory pathway that offers visitors an exciting diversity of sights and sounds.

Wild River State Park - Center City, MN ~ Located along 18 miles of the beautiful St. Croix River. The park attracts people who enjoy camping, hiking, horseback riding, canoeing, interpretive programs, self-guided trails, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing.

Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center - MN & WI

Located along the bluffs of the Wild & Scenic St. Croix River, 425 acres of tall grass prairie, oak savannah, flood plain, pine plantation, wetland and woodland. Hike or stroll 4 miles of paved trails and 11 miles of mulched trails. Birders will find perfect viewing of fall raptor migration.

Interstate Park - Taylors Falls, MN & St. Croix Falls, WI

Visitors can climb the cliffs of the St. Croix River Dalles, canoe the flat-water, or kayakers' can rush through the rapids. Spring brings a great diversity of wildflowers; in fall the St. Croix River Valley forest is ablaze in autumn colors of red, gold, and orange.

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Willow River State Park - Hudson, WI ~ Multiple Habitats,

Multiple Seasons. At 2,891 acres, Willow River State Park has a variety of habitats to explore, prairie, forests and panoramic river scenery. Avid birders will glimpse Eastern and Western Meadowlarks, Bobolinks and Sedge Wrens in the prairies. The most popular hiking trail destinations are the Willow Falls and the scenic overlooks of the river valley.

Kinnickinnic State Park - River Falls, WI ~ Wildlife watchers

in Kinnickinnic State Park can observe a wide variety of birds and animals in their natural environments. The gorge and delta are designated as a state natural area. The valley of the Kinnickinnic River, a cold water trout stream, is a rare sanctuary with majestic white pines and sheer limestone cliffs.

Freedom Park Visitor & Learning Center - Prescott, WI

Located at the northern gateway to Wisconsin's Great River Road, a National Scenic Byway, the Center overlooks the scenic upper Mississippi River Valley where the St. Croix River enters the mighty Mississippi. Enjoy the educational native plant gardens, and look for

raptors, migrating birds and other wildlife at this Audubon Birding site and Watchable Wildlife site.

Come explore the beauty St. Croix County Parks! ~ Come in spring, summer, or fall to explore miles of hiking, along with camping, kayaking, biking on the bi-state St. Croix River Crossing Loop Trail. Winter in St. Croix County Parks offers many exciting activities, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, and ice fishing. For more information visit: www.sccwi.gov/parks.

Homestead Parklands on Perch Lake - Hudson, WI ~ Scuba

Divers Paradise. Homestead Parklands is on the northern 2/3 of Perch Lake, which is the central feature of the park. The land area includes steep slopes covered by oak woodlands and pine stands, a beautiful flowering prairie, 6,800 feet of shoreline along pristine Perch Lake, and the best beach in St. Croix County. Please see the parks grid for a full list of park amenities.

Glen Hills Park on Glen Lake - Glenwood City, WI ~ Camping

in all seasons. Glen Hills Park is a water-based recreation facility located in the hill country of West Central Wisconsin. This park consists of 700 wooded acres surrounding the beautiful 78-acre Glen Lake. There are 88 electric, non-electric, RV, and tent campsites, and two all season camper cabins available throughout the park. Please see the parks grid for a full list of park amenities.

Troy Beach on the St. Croix - Hudson, WI ~ Relaxation central!

Troy Beach is a five-acre day use park on the beautiful St. Croix River, a national scenic riverway. The 400-foot beach is a popular destination for those looking to beat the summer heat under the shade of large cottonwood trees or to relax and watch the sail boats on the St. Croix.

Eckert Blufflands on the St. Croix - Hudson, WI ~ The new

Eckert Blufflands County Park, along the St. Croix River just north of Hudson, consists of 170 acres of wooded upland, deep ravines, prairie restoration, over 100-foot-high river bluffs, and more than half a mile of river shoreline. (Currently under development.)



The Saint Croix Valley

.....Great Outdoors

The Saint Croix Valley isn't just about hiking, biking, charming communities and delicious dining. That's only the beginning. From zip-lining to learning how to sail, to kayaking quiet streams, reeling in a trophy fish, biking the beautiful back roads or hiking in one of our beautiful parks the Saint Croix Valley has recreational opportunities that will suit your taste and budget.

Hiking

Your closest encounter with nature

Lace up your walking shoes or hiking boots. There is no better way to immerse yourself in the wonders of the Saint Croix Valley outdoors than on foot. With 8 State Parks and over 24 County and Regional Parks the Saint Croix Valley has hundreds of trails that are perfect for all levels of hiking. Not only are the trails easy to access but the catalog of available hiking experiences is incredibly diverse - Paths through wildflower-strewn meadows, treks amid cliffs where glaciers around 10,000 years ago carved deep "glacial pot holes" down into the basalt or journeys through serene forest that haven't changed since explorers first set foot there hundreds of years ago.



Birding

The Saint Croix Valley is an extremely bio-diverse area that serves as home to 100's of species of birds throughout the year. As a matter of fact, conservation efforts among the communities of the Saint Croix Valley have garnered the Bird City designation by Bird City Minnesota and Wisconsin for 5 communities within the Saint Croix Valley. Bring a camera and binoculars to enjoy world-class bird watching. Not sure where to begin? Let the Saint Croix Valley Bird Club be your guide - <http://www.scvbirdclub.com/home>





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Motorcycling

The Saint Croix Valley of Minnesota and Wisconsin is a motorcycling haven for those that are looking for winding roads, spectacular views, and friendly communities. For the inside scoop on planning the perfect ride visit the Saint Croix Valley Riders website <https://stcroixvalleyriders.org/> And for all your motorcycle gear a stop at Croixland Leatherworks in Osceola, WI is a must. <https://croixlandleather.com/>



Biking

If your idea of fun is where the rubber meets the road, bicycling is an awesome way to tour the Saint Croix Valley. Pedal your way through the countless roads and trails throughout the Saint Croix Valley from the South at the confluence of the Mississippi and St. Croix Rivers to the North where you will find beautiful trails through serene woods in our state parks or soak up rural beauty on quiet country roads. No matter what style of bike you ride, the perfect roads and trails are waiting to be explored year-round. **A sampling of bike trails** include: Minnesota – Brown's Creek State Trail – https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/state_trails/browns_creek/index.html Stower 7 Lakes Trail - <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/parks/stower> Gandy Dancer Trail - <https://www.burnettcounty.com/287/Gandy-Dancer-Trail>



Browns Creek



Stower 7 Lakes



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Snow-filled Adventures

Winter in the Saint Croix Valley offers everything from cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, downhill skiing, sled dog adventures, fat tire biking or just relaxing in front of a cozy fireplace with a good book.

The Saint Croix Valley

.....Great Outdoors

A Paddler's Paradise

The Saint Croix Valley is a premier destination for both canoeing and kayaking. Offering crisp, clean waters surrounded by incredible views of limestone cliffs and serene woods. Bring your own equipment, choose to rent from local outfitters or take advantage of organized tours by well trained and seasoned guides. Contact – Kinni Creek Lodge and Outfitters <http://www.kinnicreek.com//>



Fishing

The waters of the Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway support one of the best fisheries in the Upper Midwest. Which fish do you want to catch? When anglers are asked about the fish they would like to catch, it becomes clear that beauty is clearly in the eye of the beholder. For a complete list of fish found in the waters of the Saint Croix River, please visit <http://www.stcroixriverfishing.com>. The Saint Croix Valley's panfish season never closes, and walleye, northern pike and other seasons extend deep into winter. As a result, fishing continues to be one of the Valley's most popular outdoor activities even long after the rivers and lakes have turned to ice.



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The St. Croix Valley Where Art & Nature Meet




The natural beauty of the St. Croix Valley has attracted painters, sculptors, performers, writers and musicians for over a century. You'll be inspired by the creative energy flowing through the Valley. There's hardly a country road that doesn't lead to an artist's gallery or studio, not a community on a summer day without live music, an art fair or theatrical production.

"Art is a harmony parallel with Nature."
~Paul Cezzane

Galleries & Studios

-  **Art's House** • 127 N. Main Street, River Falls, WI
(715) 268-8600 • www.RiverFallsCAB.org
-  **ArtReach St. Croix** • 224 N 4th Street • Stillwater, MN
(651) 439-1465 • www.ArtReachStCroix.org
-  **artZ Gallery** • 208 Keller Ave N • Amery, WI • (715) 268-8600
www.artZGallery.org
-  **Glädje Gallery** • 13025 Lake Blvd • Lindstrom, MN
(651) 257-2575 • www.GustafsUpNorthGallery.com
-  **Hasting Art Center** • 216 4th Street East • Hastings, MN
(651) 437-4320 • www.hastingsartscenter.org
-  **Seasons Gallery** • 401 2nd Street • Hudson, WI
(715) 381-2906 • www.SeasonsOnStCroix.com
-  **The Phipps Center for the Arts** • 109 Locust St • Hudson, WI
(715) 386-2305 • www.ThePhipps.org

Musical Groups

-  **Music Saint Croix** • (651) 430-9198 • MusicSaintCroix.com
-  **St. Croix Falls Music on the Overlook** • St Croix Falls, WI
www.MusicOnTheOverlook.com
-  **St. Croix Valley Opera** • (612) 404-9265 • www.SCVOpera.org



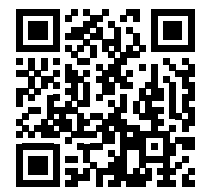
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Theater

Nature Spaces With an Eye to the Arts

Events & Tours

Full maps of each venue listing
are available online at
www.StCroixSplash.org



Theater

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- 🔥 **Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center** • 12805 St. Croix Trail S
Hastings, MN • (651) 437-4359 • CarpenterNatureCenter.org
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Events & Tours

- 🔥 **Earth Arts Tour (May)** • www.EarthArtsWI.org
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- 🔥 **Art on the Kinni (Sept.)** • www.RiverFallsCAB.org/art-on-the-kinni
- 🔥 **Take Me to the River (Sept.)** • TakeMeToTheRiver.info
- 🔥 **Spirit of the St. Croix Art Festival (Sept.)**
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- 🔥 **St. Croix County Historical Society/Octagon House Museum**
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The historic Village of Afton is nestled between wooded river bluffs on the scenic, nationally protected St. Croix River. Those that visit call Afton “nostalgic, friendly, charming, and quaint.” In the mid-1800s, visitors were reminded of Robert Burns’ poem “Flow Gently, Sweet Afton,” and hence came its name.

Explore Main Street Treasures

Afton’s Historic Main Street (St. Croix Trail) features several unique shops offering clothing, repurposed antiques, works from local artists, spas/salons, jewelry, hand-made gift items and more. A visit to Afton would not be complete without a stop at the lovely 19th century **Afton House Inn**, offering upscale dining and gracious accommodations featuring rooms with fireplaces and Jacuzzi tubs—perfect for a romantic weekend get-away.

Explore the River

Afton is home to two of the largest marinas in the Valley. Enjoy a cruise on the beautiful St. Croix River with Saint Croix River Cruises. Pleasure boaters will find Windmill Marina, ready to cater to any of their needs. The Marina features a complete service department, ship’s store, launch ramp and gas dock with pump out facilities, ice, bait and more.



No one can resist a great parade on the 4th of July and Afton’s parade is not to be missed! A tradition for St. Croix Valley residents and visitors, alike. Enjoy great music, food, and music in the park.

A Summertime Tradition

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Get in Touch with Nature

Afton’s location on the widest expanse of the St. Croix River, Lake St. Croix, and its proximity to Afton State Park, Belwin Nature Center and Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center offers visitors and nature lovers the opportunity to see a variety of wildlife, excellent birding, and great hiking.

AFTON AREA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

www.ExploreAfton.com

EVENTS

June 25th-26th - Strawberry Festival
July 4 - 4th of July Parade
Sept. 24th-25th - Art in the Park
Oct. 29th - Trick or Treat Trail
Dec 2nd-3rd - Holiday in the Village
Ultimate Girls Night Out - Every 3rd Thursday

Afton Apple Corn Maze
Saint Croix River Cruises
The Old School House Art Studio
Swirl Wine Bar
Lumberyard Pub
Baglio’s of Afton
Bisou Bisou Salon

ATTRACTIONS

Historic Afton House Inn
Civil War Cemetery
City Docks on Lake St. Croix
Current Restaurant
Afton Historical Society & Museum
Afton-Lakeland Bike Trail

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Afton State Park
Belwin Nature Center
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St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park
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Afton Holiday in the Village • December 2nd & 3rd

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Discover the... City of Lakes and Trails



Nestled along the meandering Apple River, the community of Amery is small in size but big in spirit. Stay and play year-round in the City of Lakes & Trails. Amery is a hot spot for outdoor recreation located just an hour east of Minneapolis, small-town Amery is home to 2 State trailheads, 13 public parks, and miles of trails and shoreline.

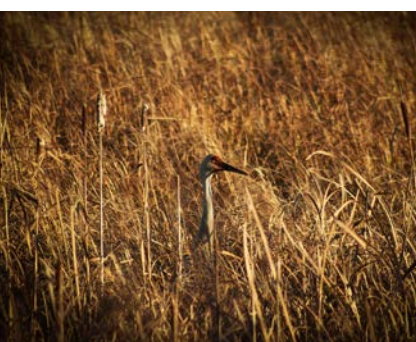


Recreational Trails

Stower Seven Lakes State Trail

A 14-mile crushed stone path is popular for hiking, biking, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. The trail will take you from woodlands to wetlands and prairies, skirting many scenic lakes. **Cattail State Trail** This 18-mile trail traverses through some of Wisconsin's most picturesque forests, small

streams, and farmlands. This popular trailhead in downtown Amery is open year-round for ATVing, hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding, and snowmobiling.



For the Birds

Amery has been awarded both the Wisconsin Bird City designation and the Tree City USA designation. Bring your binoculars for spectacular sightings. Surrounded by three lakes, the Apple River, open farmland, forests and pothole

marshes Amery is the perfect habitat for migrating and nesting birds.

Drop a Line

From the banks of the Apple River to the shores of three in-town lakes, take your pick of public fishing piers to drop a line in for northern pike, muskie, bass and pan fish.



Amery, Wisconsin City of Lakes & Trails

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Community Events

February 5 – Candlelight Ski
April 23 – Work Play Earth Day
June 17, July 15, August 19 – Music on the River
September 15-18 – Amery Fall Festival
November 22 – Light Up the Town
December 3 – Holiday Stroll

Attractions

Historic Downtown
Lake Wapogasset Bible Camp
YMCA Camp Icaghawan
Amery Ale Works
Z-Orchard

Ellie's Ice Cream
Vintage and Boutique Shops
Agricultural Experiences

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Stower Seven Lakes State Trailhead
Cattail State Trailhead
North Twin Lake
South Twin Lake
Pike Lake
Apple River
D.D. Kennedy Environmental Area
York Park
Lake Wapogasset and Bear Trap

Amery Art Scene

Highlighted in the travel book, "The 100 Best Small Arts Towns In America", Amery is home to many artists including, potters, sculptors, woodworkers, multi-media visual artists, graphic artists, musicians, dancers writers, quilters, weavers and more. Besides providing gallery events at artZ Gallery, Farm Table and The Northern Lakes Center for the Arts; local churches, restaurants, the medical center and the school system hold art tours and events throughout the year.



The Tastes of Amery

Amery is home to a number of unique dining experiences. Offerings range from "farm-to-table", homemade from scratch, ethnic cuisine, favorite chains and a local brewery- Amery Ale Works. You could also take a trip out to one of the many farms in the area, and directly purchase product or catch them

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Welcome

Located on the St. Croix River, between the cities of Afton and Stillwater, Bayport is known for its scenic charm and warm, small town hospitality. Whether you are a nature lover, recreation enthusiast, or a foodie in search of a great new place to eat, Bayport provides visitors with a variety of ways to enjoy the river valley!

Natural Beauty

At the south end of the city, photographers and birders come to enjoy the St. Croix Savanna Scientific and Natural Area (SNA). This area is considered to be the best hill prairie and oak savanna along the Lower St. Croix National Scenic Riverway. In addition to stunning views of the river valley that span this 148 acres of open space, the SNA offers high bird diversity, with 115 bird species sighted and several varieties of native vegetation. Hiking trails can also be found throughout the SNA.

Waterfront Amenities

Visitors looking to explore the St. Croix River Valley by water will be pleased to know that Bayport offers multiple boat launches, boat rental, transient boat slips, and a full-service gas dock at the area

marinas. Lakeside Park, located on the shores of the St. Croix River, is also a valued community asset and the perfect destination to take a swim, have a picnic, or take a leisurely stroll along the river's shore.

Dining and Hospitality

Bayport offers a variety of unique, independent restaurant and dining options, which definitely enhance the character and charm of this historic town. Handmade baked goods, made from scratch American comfort food, farm to table inspired wood-fired cuisine, and old fashioned ice cream treats are just a few of the selections that aim to please. Visitors will find that the restaurants are easy access off of the St. Croix Scenic Byway (Highway 95) and offer ample, free parking.

Visit Often

Full of interesting places and friendly faces, easy to get to and hard to forget, Bayport is a place where everyone feels welcome. Be sure to explore all that the St. Croix River Valley has to offer, including the unforgettable experiences you will discover in Bayport!



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EVENTS

May 30 - Memorial Day Parade
June 3-4 - Citywide Garage Sale
June-October - Monday Farmer's Market
September 16-17 - Derby Days

ATTRACTIONS

Outdoor ice skating rinks at Perro Park
Swimming beach at Lakeside Park
Hiking trails at Barker's Alps Park
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What truly makes the Saint Croix Valley special are the smaller communities, villages and towns that you will find “off the beaten path”. Each one offers a different perspective and experience of The Saint Croix Valley. Check out a few of these charming communities listed below and be inspired to visit your favorite – or discover completely new-to-you communities.



Balsam Lake, WI

Balsam Lake, is a progressive community where friendliness is only surpassed by the stunning scenery. The Village is nestled on the largest lake in the area (2,054 acres), which is teeming with fish to satisfy the most avid anglers. The unique shoreline stretches

65 miles and the lake is dotted with picturesque islands and bays. Shops, restaurant, cafes are nestled in the beautiful community.

Visit Lake Pepin

Nestled in the bluffs of the Mississippi River, just south of the Saint Croix River Valley, you'll find Lake Pepin. In this region explore a wealth of outdoor activities and quaint, idyllic villages and towns. Follow the nationally acclaimed All American Great River Road through Minnesota and Wisconsin to experience the unparalleled beauty of the Lake Pepin area! Visit www.visitlakepepin.org to find out more.



Franconia, MN

A side trip to Franconia Sculpture Park, on Minnesota State Highway 95, will delight and amaze! Franconia Sculpture Park is a 43-acre outdoor sculpture park, founded in 1996 by a small group of professional artists

who envisioned a supportive artist residency community and outdoor museum. Today, this vision has been achieved. Franconia provides an intriguing and exciting place to discover an ever-changing exhibition of contemporary sculpture and opportunity to meet artists-in-residence who invite you to engage in their creations.



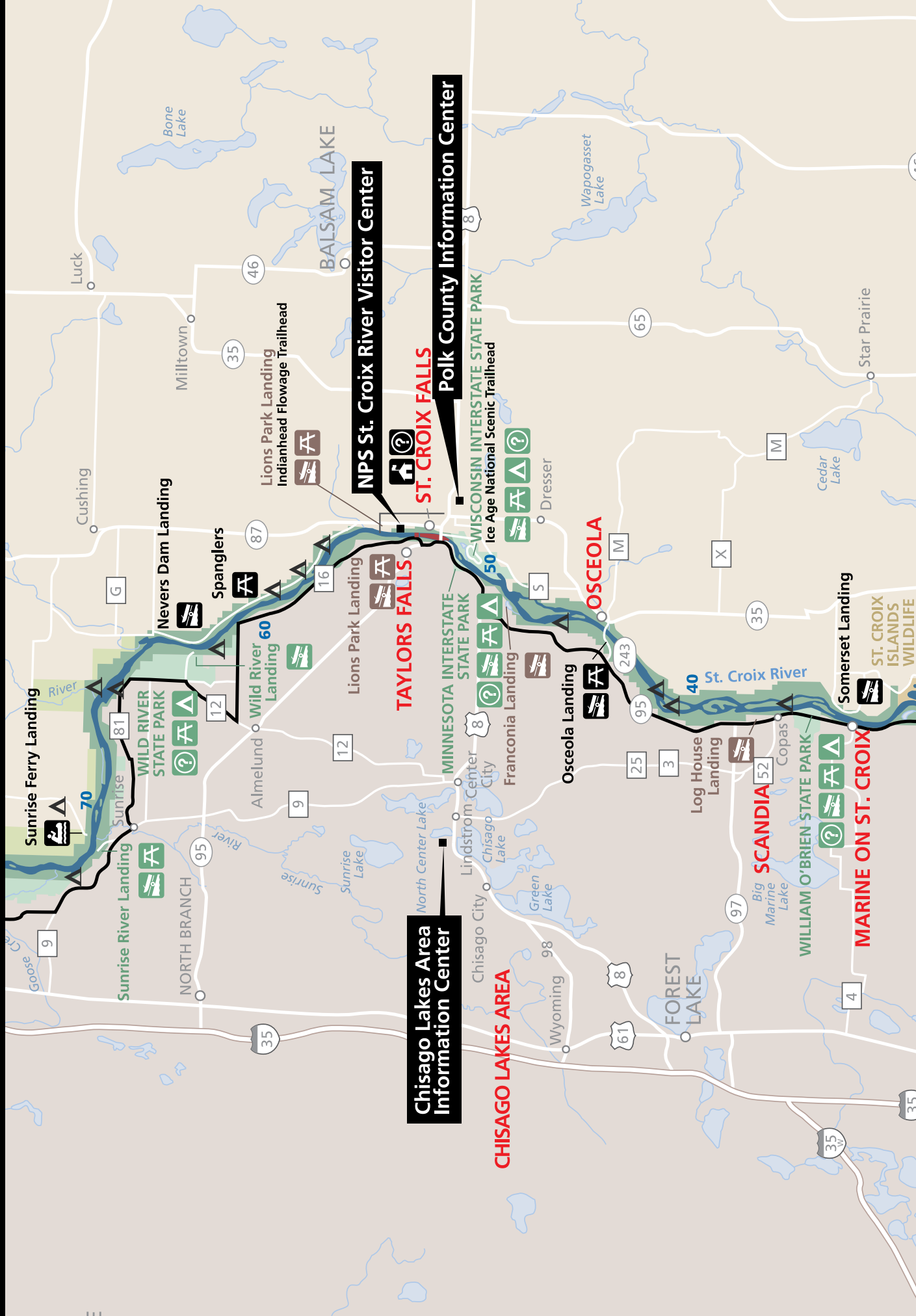
Marine on St. Croix, MN

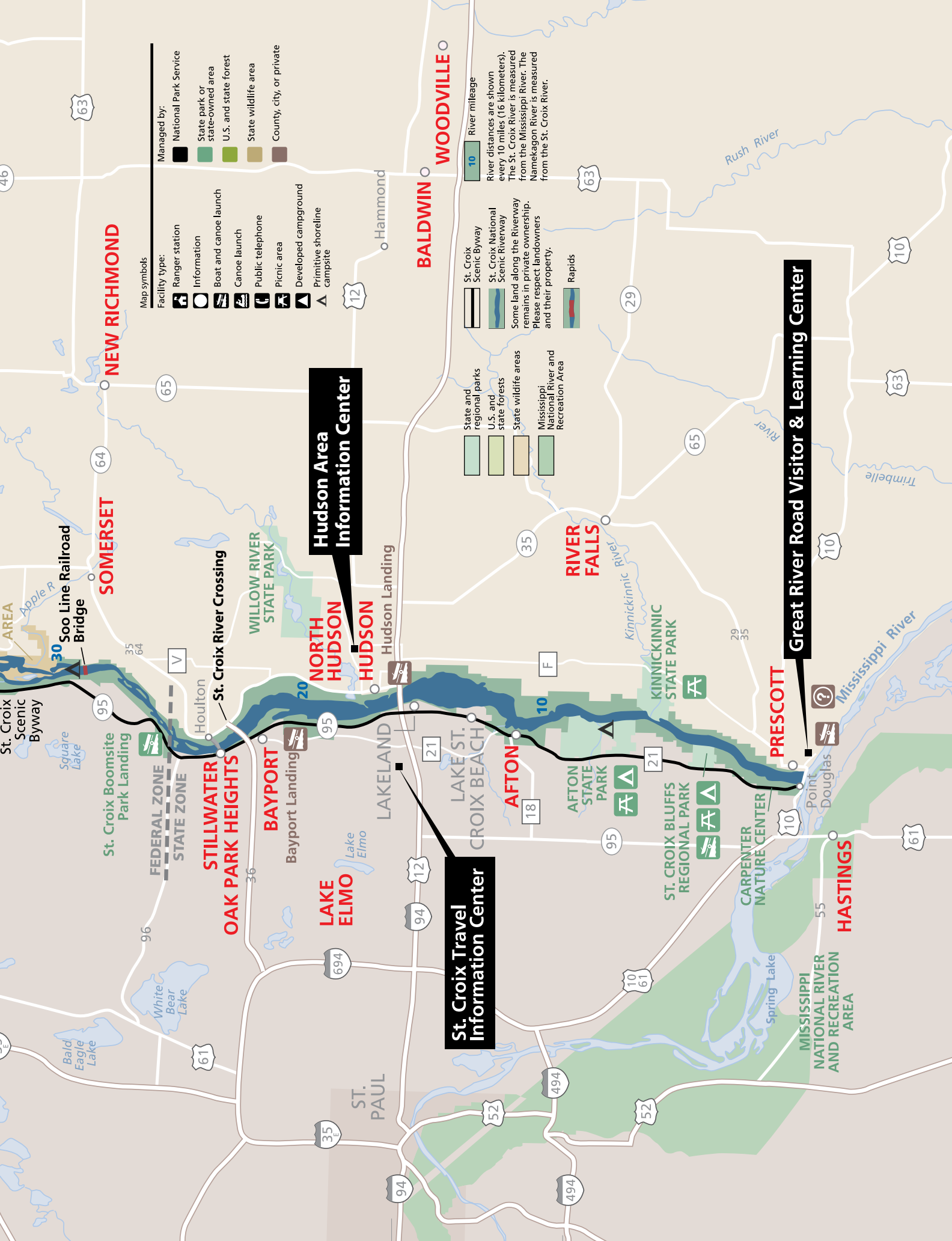
Marine on St. Croix is home to around 650 residents who treasure the charm of their community. The town square, with its general store, town hall, library, ice cream shop, bank, and café, give the downtown area the look of a New England village. Foodies interested in shopping for food-related items are in luck. The Marine General Store is

brimming with culinary favorites. Make sure to spoil yourself with a visit to the award winning St. Croix Chocolate Company.

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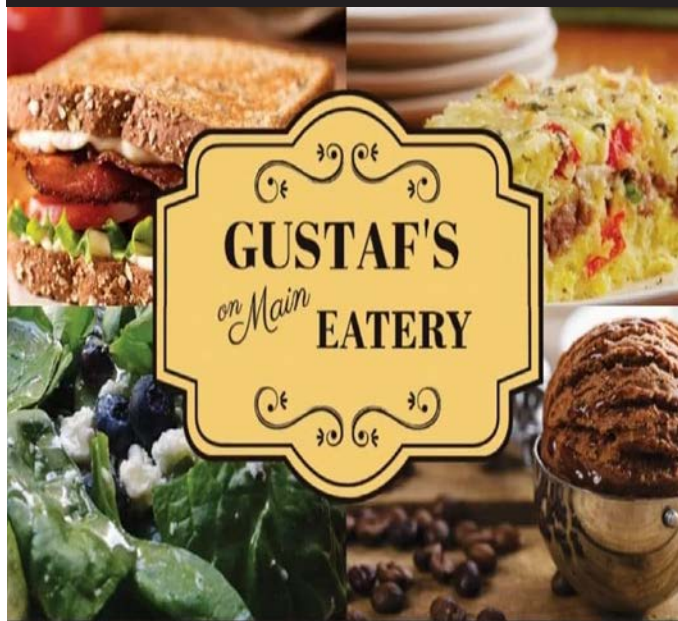
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The Great Outdoors

If you're a fan of the great outdoors, you can enjoy more than **30 miles** of paved bike and walking trails along the Mississippi River and other scenic byways; picnic by Vermillion Falls or explore beautiful nearby **Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center**. Spend the day fishing on the Mississippi or St. Croix Rivers, play golf at one of several local courses, take in a free outdoor Sunday concert, visit the Mississippi Lock & Dam #2 or just relax by the banks of the river.

In the lush Hiawatha Valley of the Upper Mississippi the **Alexis Bailly Vineyard** was the first to make all its wine from Minnesota-grown grapes. Visitors are invited to walk through the vineyards, enjoy a picnic lunch, play bocce ball, sample and purchase the wines.

Tours are available Friday - Sunday, May through mid-November.

For winter adventure, ski, snowboard, or tube the slopes at **Welch Village or Afton Alps** ski areas. Check out **Spring Lake Park** and **Afton State Park** for beautiful groomed cross country ski trails.

Year-Round Festivals

Spring and summer bring fun-filled events for visitors to enjoy. From May through September take in the **Historic Hastings Car Shows**. In July, thousands of people come to enjoy **Rivertown Days**, a community wide festival featuring music stages, arts and craft fair, carnival and a car show. Also in July, step back in time with the **Little Log House Antique Power Show & Pioneer Village**. October brings the **Saint Croix Valley Apple Fest** with a variety of fun events for all ages at area apple orchards.

Shopping and Dining

Visitors delight in the selection of retail and dining establishments, including antique stores, gift shops, boutiques and more. Take time to meander up and down Main Street and be welcomed by friendly shop owners and locals. And be sure to bring your appetite, Hastings offers a variety of cuisine and dining options to satisfy even the most discerning tastes. If you're feeling lucky or want to take in a great show, **Treasure Island Resort and Casino** is just minutes away.

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ATTRACTIONS

LeDuc Historic Estate
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Afton Alps Ski Area
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THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Afton State Park
Spring Lake Park, Schaar's Bluff
Cannon Valley Trail
Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center
St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park

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Discover Hudson



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Located along the beautiful banks of the scenic St. Croix River, Hudson is a true gem rich with natural beauty, outdoor adventure, arts and culture, and a unique array of lovely boutiques and shops, restaurants and cafes, wineries, breweries and cocktail lounges. One of the fastest growing communities in Wisconsin, Hudson maintains its historic charm and panoramic beauty throughout the city. Experience a bird's-eye view of the St. Croix River Valley from atop Birkmose Park.

Enjoy Authentic Charm

The historic downtown district in Hudson invites visitors to meander through a variety of eclectic shops, art galleries, exceptional dining venues and cultured cocktail spots. If you are looking for a night out at the theatre The Phipps Center for the Arts, across from beautiful Lakefront Park, offers a

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EVENTS

Year Round: Yellowstone Auto Route
February: Hudson Hot Air Affair
May-Hudson Community Expo
June-August: Free Concerts in the Park
July: Fourth of July Hudson Booster Days
August: Yellowstone Trail Heritage Days
August: North Hudson Pepper Fest
September: Spirit of the St. Croix Art Festival
October: Hilltop Pumpkin Party
November: Hudson Christmas Tour of Homes
December: Have a Hudson Holiday featuring *Buena Vista-A Stroll in the Park*

ATTRACTIONS:

Belle Vinez Vineyard & Winery
Cracked Barrel Winery
Farmers Market

Great River Road & Yellowstone Trail
Historic Auto Routes
Historic Octagon House Museum
Historic Walking Tour
Hop & Barrel Brewing
Hudson Food Walk
Hudson Trolley Tours
St. Croix River Boat Cruises
Summer Concerts in the Park
The Phipps Center for the Arts

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Badlands Sno-Park
Birkmose Park & Indian Burial Grounds
Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center
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year-round calendar of entertainment, including theater, concerts and art exhibitions.

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Take in all of nature's beauty while you seek adventure at Willow River and Kinnickinnic State Parks, where outdoor recreation is endless. Biking and hiking or snowshoeing and skiing trails lead visitors through

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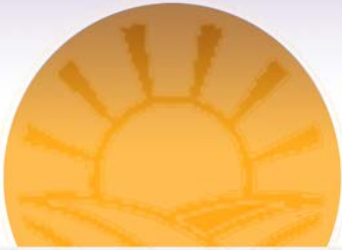
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Enjoy Live Music

Live music is performed at a mix of venues around town Friday and Saturday evenings. Take in a relaxing summer outdoor concert at Veteran's Park or UW-River Falls.

Embrace the Great Outdoors

The Kinnickinnic River, a Class I designated trout stream, offers the finest trout fishing in Western Wisconsin. Anglers from across the country come to wet a line in the "Kinni." Kayaking through the towering canyons or serene landscapes along the river is also a favorite pastime for many visitors.

Gear Up for a Great Ride

As a designated bronze-level biking community by *The League of American Bicyclists*, River Falls offers miles of scenic trails. The Whitetail Ridge is a favorite for mountain bikers looking to explore acres of rugged terrain.

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EVENTS

April: Bluegrass, Bourbon & Brews
July: River Falls Days, Car Cruise-In
September: Art on the Kinni,
Bacon Bash, Car Cruise-In
November: River Dazzle

Tri Angels Playground
Wineries & Breweries

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Glen Park
Hoffman Park
Kinnickinnic State Park
Suspension Bridge
White Pathway
Whitetail Ridge
Fly fishing & kayak rentals
Golf courses

ATTRACTIONS

Crystal Cave (Spring Valley)
Field of Dreams
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New Richmond offers the best of both worlds – that small town feel while being conveniently located near the Twin Cities of Minneapolis/St. Paul

Unique Heritage

New Richmond has a noteworthy 150 year history. The city's unique story is chronicled at the **New Richmond Heritage Center**, which showcases an 1884 farmhouse as well as other historic buildings. Open all year for tours, the Center sponsors summer flea markets and farmer's markets. Visit the last weekend in September for its **Heritage Days Celebration**.

Events and Entertainment Await

If Art, Music, Food Trucks, and Fun Runs are your cup of tea, don't miss the popular **Park Art Fair** at scenic Mary Park, every **June**. The event brings artists from all over the Midwest. **Fun Fest** brings thousands of visitors to New Richmond in, **July**. Running for 4 days take in events and activities including: A huge carnival, the region's top music acts, food stands, the area's largest beer tent and a parade!

The **first Thursday evening** after Thanksgiving don't miss the always popular **Hometown Holiday Celebration**. Featuring an illuminated parade, sleigh rides, live music, s'more stations and fireworks over historic downtown Mill Pond. Last year over 4000 attended one of Wisconsin's best Holiday celebrations!

Experience Unique Shops and Restaurants

Stroll New Richmond's Main Street and browse through one-of-a-kind shops. Stop for lunch or dinner at one of the quaint cafes or enjoy one of the cities Breweries or pubs. Champs roof-top bar and the Wild Badger Backyard patio are great places to relax.

If you Love the Outdoors...

A paradise for golfers, New Richmond has several premier courses, including Pheasant hills and the New Richmond Golf Course. Sports anglers rave about the Willow River. Get on the water of the Willow in a canoe or kayak or hike along its banks on one of the beautiful trails.

For more information about New Richmond and the many things it has to offer, please contact the New Richmond Chamber of Commerce at 715-246-2900. We hope to see you soon.

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ATTRACTIONS

45th Parallel
Cedar Lake Speedway
Champs Rooftop Bar
Gibby's Lanes
Lift Bridge Brewing Tap Room
New Richmond Area Centre
New Richmond Golf Course
New Richmond Heritage Center
Pheasant Hills Golf Course
Ready Randy's Sports Bar
Wild Badger Saloon
Willow River Saloon (Burkhardt)

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Cyclone Memorial Park
Cylon Marsh Wildlife Area
John Doar History Trail
Mary Park
Mill Pond Park
New Richmond Nature Center
New Richmond Skate Park
New Richmond Disc Golf Course
Paperjack Creek

Somerset *Unplug & Play!*

Only 30 minutes from the Twin Cities and with the Apple River meandering in the background Somerset is a perfect place to visit for a day-trip or week-end get-away. Somerset's main street offers whimsical shops, award winning breweries, local cheese shops and family eateries.

A lively history is evident in Somerset, from lumbering, agriculture, and the long-ago speakeasy's. Historic community festivals celebrate the strong French Canadian heritage of the Village of Somerset.

Go Outside and Play

Somerset reflects Wisconsin's love of the outdoors and is ready with dozens of outdoor recreation possibilities on summer days. Enjoy a cooling, leisurely float down the beautiful Apple River. Or for those seeking more excitement pick up the pace and nurture your wild side shooting the rapids. Play live airsoft and paintball at the Midwest's best live combat field, take advantage of boating, swimming and beaches at Somerset Landing or enjoy mini golf, waterslides and camping at River's Edge. If golf is your passion, Somerset's scenery and rolling terrain is highlighted at the Bristol Ridge Golf Course and St. Croix National Golf Course.

Summer, Spring or Fall, campers can "stake out" at several parks – Apple River Family Campground, Somerset Amphitheater, River's Edge, or Apple River Hideaway. **Winter** enthusiasts will find no shortage of skiing, snowmobiling, ice-fishing or fat tire biking events to enjoy.

Village of Somerset

110 Spring Street Somerset, WI 54025

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EVENTS

April: Community Easter Egg Hunt
June: Pea Soup Days
September: Apple Splash
December: Light the Night

Oliphant Brewery
Rivers Edge
Somerset Amphitheater
Sam's Christmas Village

The Great Outdoors

Apple River
Arcola High Bridge
Bristol Ridge Golf Course
St. Croix National Golf Course
St. Croix Islands
LaGrandeur Natural Park
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ATTRACTIONS:

Apple River Family Campground
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Prescott is a small, picturesque river town, located where the blue waters of the Scenic St. Croix River meet the Mighty Mississippi River. Most downtown businesses occupy buildings erected in the 19th century, giving the community a historic flavor. On the bluff above Prescott is the Great River Road Visitor & Learning Center at Freedom Park offering visitors a chance to learn about the Mississippi and St. Croix rivers, see majestic bald eagles soaring and experience the expansive views of the river valley.

At the Heart of Prescott

Shoppers, boaters, bikers and cyclists will be drawn to Prescott's historic Broad Street. Unique bars and restaurants with award winning patios and scenic deck views are enjoyed by day-trippers, discriminating diners and local residents. Antiques, home décor, the Orange Dragon Art Gallery and gift shop, and one-of-a-kind murals add to the welcoming charm of one of Wisconsin's earliest river towns.

For visitors with a passion for architecture, a self-guided tour of Prescott will take you to 41 locations, including the original town square with three of its church buildings still standing. The tour also takes in several 1850's and 1860's Greek revival homes in the bluff top residential area of Prescott.

The Welcome and Heritage Center, located in downtown Prescott is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Built in 1855 as a bank, it now serves as the office for the Prescott Area Chamber of Commerce and Area Historical Society.

Riverfront Recreation & Leisure

A four- block River Walkway extends along Prescott's Riverfront area, and includes Mercord Mill Park, overlooking the confluence of the St. Croix and Mississippi Rivers. Stroll the River Walkway along the levee and watch the barges, boats, kayaks and canoes moving up and downstream. Rent a boat or pontoon and experience the two great rivers yourself. Enjoy fishing, pleasure cruising or watching the nearby lift bridge rise to accommodate sailboat masts, and see freight trains rumble across the distinctive iron bridge between Minnesota and Wisconsin.

A Well-Rounded City

In the summer you can find live music, art gallery exhibits, and amateur baseball from the Prescott Pirates, Flood Runs and space at the beach to spend your weekends. In the winter, Prescott is an entrance point for 200 miles of well-maintained Pierce County snowmobile trails. Cross-country and downhill skiing are available at nearby area ski resorts and parks. The winter "village" of ice houses is a popular fishing tradition on the St. Croix River at Prescott. Not to mention the ice sculpture garden or giant Christmas trees on display at local restaurants.

Whatever your interests, you'll discover unique and enchanting experiences in Prescott.

PRESCOTT AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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ATTRACTIONS

Welcome & Heritage Center
Great River Road Visitor & Learning Center at Freedom Park
Mercord Mill Park
Daniel Smith House
Copper Water Tower
Gearhouse Museum

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Afton State Park
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Set Your Own Pace

Flowers and windmills offer a sign of welcome and a nod to the communities Dutch Heritage to all who visit Baldwin. Stroll Main Street, shop at quaint shops, or search for antiques and unique treasures. Baldwin also offers a variety of dining options, and coffee shops. Be sure to visit one of the lovely parks for a summer picnic.

Unforgettable Events

Windmill Days, the second week in June is an annual community celebration complete with a parade, live music, family activities and great food! **Chili Fest**, held the last Saturday of September, has become a crowd pleasing area event where along with a beverage tent, live music and food, local businesses provide chili samples to participants while giving them an opportunity to showcase their business. **Trick or Treat Main Street**, held the end of October on Main Street in Baldwin is a safe alternative for kids to enjoy Halloween festivities. Finally, the first Saturday in December brings Santa and Mrs. Clause to town with the much anticipated **Horse Parade & Festival of Lights**, getting all attendees in the Holiday spirit!

BALDWIN-WOODVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & VISITOR BUREAU

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Trails & Parks to Explore...

Steven Park is the trailhead for the popular Wildwood Trail, a 7 mile off-road hiking, biking, and snowmobile trail on a former railroad right-of-way. The trail runs from Woodville south to the St. Croix/Pierce County line through the picturesque Town of Eau Galle.

BALDWIN-WOODVILLE EVENTS

May: Syttende Mai
June: Windmill Days
September: Chili Fest
October: Trick or Treat Main St.
December: Horse Parade & Festival

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THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Windmill Park (Baldwin)
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Gammelgården of Scandia was established in 1972 to preserve, present and promote Swedish immigrant heritage. Gammelgården, meaning "old small farm" in Swedish, is an open-air museum that features historic buildings dating back to the 1850s. Join us on a guided tour of these buildings to catch a glimpse into the daily lives of early immigrants to Minnesota through a Swedish lens. Signature events throughout the year include Midsommar Dag, Spelmansstämman (Swedish Fiddle Festival) and Lucia Dagen. Gammelgården of Scandia is celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year!

In addition to its rich heritage, Scandia is blessed with many natural resources. Scandia boasts a number of lakes including Big Marine, Goose, Bone, Sand and Hay Lake. The St. Croix River marks the eastern edge of the community and was designated as a Scenic

Riverway by Congress in 1968. Log House Landing provides access to the river for visitors. Scandia also offers a variety of recreational opportunities including William O'Brien State Park, Wayne Erickson Memorial Ball Park and Wind in the Pines Preserve. Along with the many natural resources and recreational opportunities Scandia is host to the annual Taco Daze, Vinterfest celebrations and

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ATTRACTIONS

Gammelgården of Scandia,
May - October
Hay Lake School Museum,
May - October

September: Taco Daze
December: Lucia Dagen

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Eko Backen
William O'Brien State Park
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EVENTS

January: Vinterfest
June: Midsommar Dag
June-September: Farmers Market
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Main Street Stairs

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Stillwater, just minutes from the Twin Cities, has a wonderful romantic quality and is considered a premier wedding destination. Stillwater features a variety of retail boutiques, bookstores, antique/vintage shops and art galleries. Dinning choices are endless with outdoor cafes, restaurants with river view dining, historic pubs, and distilleries.

Enjoy year-round activities including bike trails, golf, historic sites, axe throwing, shopping, nightlife, breweries, wineries, DIY, Amish workshops, and trails. Cruise the St. Croix river on an authentic paddle wheel riverboat or private Venetian gondola for two. Don't miss taking a trolley tour for a narrated look at old Stillwater with its incredible architecture and hillside mansions. Bring your bikes to pedal the new trails – connect to St. Paul or Wisconsin

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Oak Park Heights

Oak Park Heights is a growing community, just up the hill from Stillwater and offers visitors a number of leisure opportunities including dining, lodging and outdoor activities.

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EVENTS

January: World Snow Sculpting Championship
February: Winterfest
March: St. Patrick's Day
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July: Lumberjack Days
August: Summer Tuesdays
Outdoor Movies
September: Aamodt's Apple Farm
October: Rivertown Art Festival
November/December: Hometown or the Holidays Events

ATTRACTIONS

Warden's House & Museum
Historic Washington County Courthouse
Historic Main Street Shops & Restaurants
Cycle Tours
Stillwater Historic Trolley Tour
Stillwater River Boats
Wineries & Breweries plus Distilleries

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

St. Croix River Loop Trail
Brown's Creek Bike Trail
Lowell Park, riverfront downtown
Pioneer Park
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Village on the St. Croix River



Whether you are looking for a fun road trip with the family, a romantic getaway or some extended time away from it all... Taylors Falls is the perfect place.

The Historic Angel Hill District—Rich with History

This quaint section of Taylors Falls is reminiscent of a New England village. Make time to see the 1855 Folsom House, the 1861 Methodist church and the Schoolhouse built in 1852 (the oldest in the State).

Treasures on Main

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Interstate Park & Wild River State Park

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ATTRACTIONS

Minnesota Interstate State Park
Wild River State Park
William O'Brien State Park
Taylors Falls Scenic Boat Tours
Taylors Falls Walking Tour
Historic Folsom House Museum
Angel Hill Historic District
Franconia Sculpture Park
Wild Mountain Recreation Area

Taylors Falls Canoe & Kayak Rental
Wildwood RV Park & Campground
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EVENTS

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The City of Trails

In today's crazy, complex, gigabyte-per-second world, thank goodness we have our trails. Nothing virtual about this – it's all real. Fill your lungs with fresh air. Immerse your senses in the natural beauty as you run, walk, ski or ride your favorite trail in the St. Croix Falls network of trails. The **Ice Age Trail** with its western terminus in St. Croix Falls highlights the effects of melting glaciers on the landscape. The 98 mile **Gandy Dancer Trail**, popular with hikers, cyclists, ATV enthusiasts, cross-country skiers and snowmobilers, runs through the north woods from St. Croix Falls north to Superior, WI.

In the **Spring, Summer, and Fall** the St. Croix Falls area provides opportunities for kayaking, canoeing, fishing, birding, hiking, rock climbing and more. In the **Winter** months enjoy downhill and cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, fat tire biking, snowmobiling and more.

Gateway to the Upper St. Croix

Interstate Park is Wisconsin's oldest State Park and offers hiking, a swimming beach, boat launch, interpretive building, picnic area and camp sites. The park entrance is located just south of Highway 8, off of Highway 35, in St. Croix Falls. Located along the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway, the Park offers spectacular views of walled bluffs, deep valleys, serene forests, lush meadows, and teeming wetlands. Abundant trails allow hikers of all abilities to explore fauna and flora, geological potholes, and logging and mining history. You're bound to catch a glimpse of the incredible bird population that calls Interstate Park home. In addition to Interstate Park, explore the quaint downtown for unique shopping, ice cream and dining, a fish hatchery, Severson Memorial Overlook Park, and the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway Visitor Center.

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ATTRACTIONS

Wisconsin Interstate State Park
Historic Downtown St. Croix Falls
St. Croix National Scenic Riverway
Polk County Visitor and Information Center
City of Trails Biking & Hiking
The Dalles of the St. Croix River
Gandy Dancer State Bike Trail
Ice Age Trail
Lions Park and Boat Landing
River Spirit Sculpture at Severson Memorial Overlook Park
Fawn-Doe-Rosa Wildlife Education Park

Chateau St. Croix and Dancing Dragonfly Wineries

Events

Falls Sampler
Spring Awakenings Celebration
Music on the Overlook
Wannigan Days
Polk County Fair
Trap Rock Brewing Company and St. Croix Festival Theatre
Bike and Foot Race Events
AutumnFest & Craft Fair
Rivertown Holiday



Wisconsin's Cool Little Rivertown

Sitting on the bluffs of the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway you'll feel welcome the moment you step foot in Osceola's historic downtown. There is no shortage of things to do in this charming community - canoe or kayak along the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway, explore 4 nearby state parks, go zip lining, catch a ride on a vintage excursion train, check out the nearby wineries or do some power shopping—great for an easy daytrip or a weekend get away—you'll find it in and around Osceola.

Shop & Stroll

Osceola's historic main street is packed with delightful shops filled with local handcrafted treasures. Historic buildings showcase clothing, jewelry, leather apparel, (at **Leatherworks**) home accessories (at **Coming Home**), handmade chocolates (at **The Chocolate Gnome**), and a variety of vintage, collectables and retro shops.

Many Osceola merchants and artisans personally create or source the handcrafted items they sell and often have an interesting story to share or tale to tell about the history of Osceola.

If you love chocolate you must visit the Chocolate Gnome in the lower level, 201 3rd Ave. All of their delicious candy is made from scratch including caramels, creams and toffee.

The Taste of Osceola!

Perched above the rocky bluffs of the St. Croix River, The Watershed Café was built on the vision of a sustainably sourced restaurant that honors the surrounding natural resources and the vibrant community of the St. Croix River Valley. Inspired by fresh and seasonal ingredients produced by local farmers and suppliers committed to land stewardship, The Watershed Café features intentionally-prepared dishes with flavor unique to this rustic restaurant. Come in and enjoy the simple pleasures of delicious, mindfully-crafted meals!



The Chocolate Gnome
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The River Valley Inn is one of Osceola's favorite hotels, offering an affordable, cozy place for guests to call their home away from home. Located at the north end of town but within easy walking distance to downtown Osceola; free breakfast, a swimming pool and hot tub are just a few of the amenities that await you.

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Natural Beauty in the Heart of Downtown



Cascade Falls

In the center of downtown Osceola, wind your way down the stairs to a 25 foot roaring waterfall and follow the woodland trail to the St. Croix River. If you love hiking the Osceola area offers something for all skill fitness levels -from a leisurely walk among the wildflowers to a back country climb up rocky outcroppings



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Take a Vintage Train Ride on the St. Croix Valley Railway

Hear the train whistle and feel the gentle swaying as you ride the rails along your choice of a 10 or 20 mile excursion. Special Fireworks and the popular Pumpkin trains create a family memory on vintage cars through the beautiful St. Croix River Valley. **Osceola & St. Croix Valley Railway Excursions are located at 114 Depot Road, Mid-May through late October.**

EVENTS

Seasonal – Farmer's Market
February: Cocoa Crawl
March: Ladies Night
May: Earth Arts Tour
June: Rhubarb Days
July: Fireworks Express Train Ride
September: Wheels & Wings, Community Fair, Harvest Bazaar
October: Pumpkin Express & Fall Color Train Rides, Valley Brew Fest
November: Doe on the Go

ATTRACTIONS

Historic Downtown
Osceola & St. Croix Valley Railway
Cascade Falls
St. Croix Art Barn

Glider Rides - L.O. Simenstad Airport
Wisconsin Interstate Park
Trollhaugen Ski & Aerial Adventure Park
Dancing Dragonfly Winery
Krooked Kreek Golf Course
Osceola Braves Amateur Baseball

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Eagle Bluff Trail
Standing Cedars Land Conservancy
Stower Seven Lakes Trails
Ridge View Trails
Cascade Falls Trail
Riverwood Canoe Rental
Osceola Landing-swimming, beach, boat launch

*Some places make you
feel like a local.
Others turn you into one.*



Polk County is filled with charming towns and villages surrounded by picturesque farms, lakes, streams and a National Wild and Scenic Riverway.

Whether you are looking to relax on shore or take advantage of a wide variety of water

activities **Balsam Lake**, **Clear Lake** and **Turtle Lake** are rare and beautiful places to visit. **Balsam Lake** – one of the most popular tourist destinations in northwest Wisconsin rests on the southwest shore of Balsam Lake. Enjoy a refreshing relaxed change of pace in **Clear Lake**. Feed by living springs the lake is excellent for both swimming and fishing. **Turtle Lake** is home to Turtle Lake Casino and the St. Croix Band of the Chippewa Indians. Don't miss the annual **Pow-Wow** held in late June. **St. Croix Falls**, with its charming Main Street, grew up with the lumbering era that relied on the St. Croix River to move logs downstream. **Amery** is nestled on an isthmus between the Apple River and the three lakes of – Pike, North Twin and South Twin. The Apple River, in Amery, with its gentle rapids makes it very popular for canoeing, kayaking, tubing and fishing.



Vintage Train in Osceola and take a trip back in time with a scenic excursion along the River. **Cushing Fun Days** features a soapbox derby for adults!

Come Play in our Backyard

Experience community celebrations like **Milltown's Fisherman's Party**, be amazed at Osceola's community festival "**Wheels & Wings**" offering airshows, car and motorcycle shows, crafts and food. Board a

The Place Where People go to Pay Tribute to Nature

Spend time exploring **Interstate Park**, the oldest state park in Wisconsin, **Straight Lake State Park and Wildlife Area**, just 12 miles northeast of St. Croix Falls, or the 14 mile **Stower Seven Lakes Trail**. The **Ice Age Trail** is one of only 11 National Scenic Trails located entirely within Wisconsin. It is a premier hiking trail and conservation resource for silent sport and outdoor enthusiasts. The 98 mile **Gandy Dancer State Recreation Trail** follows the old Minneapolis-St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie railroad grade, from St. Croix Falls to Superior, WI. In Polk County, the trail passes through Centuria, Milltown, Luck, Frederic and Lewis, WI. The short distances between these quaint towns makes the Gandy Dancer the most user friendly trail in the Midwest with easy access to local restaurants, lodging, parking and other local scenic trails and parks.



Ice Age National Scenic Trail

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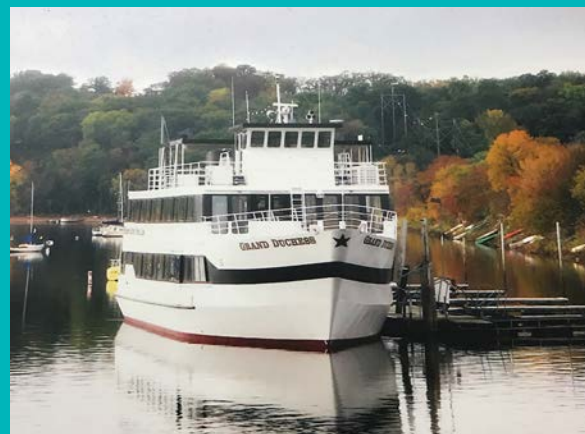


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