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There is no place on earth quite like the Great Waters of Michigan’s Upper Peninsula. A stretch of land two hundred miles across surrounded, protected, and nurtured by the three greatest of the Great Lakes, Huron, Michigan, and Superior.

The Hiawatha National Forest flourishes throughout the region offering countless opportunities in all seasons for biking, hiking, camping, kayaking, snowmobiling, fishing, 4-wheeling, and more.

Discover the many waterfalls and explore the lighthouse sentinels of the Great Waters. Hike the North Country Trail, a footpath linking New York to North Dakota across some 4,600 miles, a portion of which meanders through the Great Waters region and is managed by local volunteers.

From the Anishinaabe who first walked these shores to the immigrants who worked the land and the water, to the artists and artisans of today, for those who understand the lasting value of an endless sky, deep forests, and clear blue water, it’s time to discover a place of great wonders, the Great Waters.
With sandstone cliffs reaching 200', beautiful pristine beaches, and hundreds of miles of hiking trails, visitors can spend their days in every season taking in the natural beauty of Alger County.

Home to Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore and gateway communities of Grand Marais to the east and Munising to the west, Alger County is the epitome of the Great Waters. Grand Island in all of its rustic glory is perfect for the adventurous visitor.

While Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore stretches 42 miles along Lake Superior’s shore, whether by boat or by car along paved H58 with stops at many scenic turnouts, you will be inspired by the natural wonders of this region.

Encompassing top of the line hotels and rustic camping, boat tours, attractions, restaurants and shopping, Alger County has everything you need to create your perfect vacation.
Sault Ste. Marie, the largest city in the Great Waters region, serves as the perfect hub for exploring the Eastern Upper Peninsula. Michigan’s first city, Sault Ste. Marie is home to the Soo Locks – a national landmark that aids massive freighters and boats of all varieties as they move between Lake Superior and the lower Great Lakes. Situated on the St. Marys River, the city is home to a multitude of outdoorsy venues, including hiking trails, boat launches, beaches, golf courses and parks, while also playing host to numerous museums, restaurants, pubs, outfitters, and plenty of nighttime entertainment.

The coming year brings two very important milestones to Sault Ste. Marie, when the city celebrates its 350th anniversary and the I-500 Snowmobile Race marks its 50th running around the one-mile oval. Whether your goal is to make history or make memories, find your opportunity in Sault Ste. Marie.

Those who wish to visit Paradise need to go no further than the northwestern part of Chippewa County, where this quaint community is found among spectacular natural surroundings. Situated on the western end of Whitefish Bay, Paradise is the perfect setting for those who want to dip their toes into Lake Superior, explore the Hiawatha National Forest and visit nearby Tahquamenon Falls State Park.

Home to the Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum, the Whitefish Point Light Station, and the Whitefish Point Bird Observatory, outdoor enthusiasts can always find something to experience in the Paradise area.

Chippewa County is a true four-season playground, providing enticing locales for snowshoeing, snowmobiling, and cross-country skiing, as well as spring bird watching and autumn color tours.
In the heart of the Great Waters region, Luce County is home to majestic natural wonders. Along the northern border is Lake Superior; where visitors can explore the quiet beaches of Muskellonge Lake State Park or climb the stairs at the Crisp Point Lighthouse for a spectacular view of the world’s largest fresh water lake.

To the east lies Tahquamenon Falls, the second largest waterfall east of the Mississippi River. Magical in both the summer and winter, Tahquamenon Falls State Park offers visitors an opportunity to visit this pristine natural area.

Further east is Seney National Wildlife Refuge, a 95,000 acre home to multitudes of wildlife and migratory birds.

To the south is the quaint community, Newberry, centrally located within the Great Waters region for lodging, dining and shopping year round.

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Watching the water cascade from high elevations to the basin below is therapeutic, awe inspiring.

In the spring, the volume of water and sound increases, buds along the shoreline offer promise of a new year filled with new possibilities. In summer, there is a coolness in the air from the mist and surrounding shade trees that offers relief from the summer heat. While in fall, the colors of the trees abound, framing the falls as if in a celebration of the season. In winter, ice stalactites and stalagmites build walls as the remaining water cascades to the frozen pool below.

Be engaged listen to the sounds and watch the waters dance.

- Alger Falls
- Au Train Falls
- Chapel Falls
- Laughing Whitefish Falls
- Miners Falls
- Mosquito Falls
- Munising Falls
- Sable Falls
- Tahquamenon Lower Falls
- Tahquamenon Upper Falls
- Wagner Falls
- Whitefish Falls

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Serving as sentinels since their inception more than 100 years ago, these towers capture the imaginations of photo journalists, maritime enthusiasts, and the child within all of us. Stationed along the shores of the greatest of the great lakes; Huron, Michigan, and Superior, these structures salute the sacrifices of light keepers and their families. Imposing in winter, gentle in summer, and amid vibrant colors in autumn, these giants invite us to return again, and again from season to season to explore the stories yet to be discovered.

Canoeing and kayaking as means of transportation have been in use in this region since the 17th century. The Hiawatha Water Trail spans 120 miles from Big Bay to Grand Marais along Lake Superior’s south shore, a shoreline paddled by Native Americans, Voyageurs and early European explorers. Whether you are planning a major journey or simply a couple of hours, check in with an area outfitter for rivers, inland lakes or streams suitable to your paddling skills. The Great Waters region is a mecca for paddling enthusiasts in spring, summer or fall.

**Great Lighthouses & Paddling!**

- Hiawatha Water Trail
- Lake Superior East Water Trail
- St. Marys River Island Explorer Water Trail
- Lake Huron North Shore Water Trail
- Lake Michigan Water Trail Upper Peninsula
- Les Cheneaux Water Trail

**Web Links:**

- [www.upwatertrails.org](http://www.upwatertrails.org)
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Anishinaabe lore claims that in winter the earth rests, preparing for the awakening of spring. Reconnect with nature like never before then re-join your friends at a local pub to swap stories of intrigue and adventure. Break away from the mundane for the weekend and experience winter in the Eastern Upper Peninsula of Michigan; the purest of Pure Michigan.

- Tahquamenon Country Sled Dog Race, Newberry, January
- I-500 Snowmobile Race, Sault Ste Marie, January
- Michigan Ice Festival, Munising, Mid February
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The Eastern Upper Peninsula terrain is ideal for trails, many originally forged by the Anishinaabe as they moved from their spring camps, ideally suited to capture fish from the river mouths, to their summer camps near the cranberry or wild blueberry bushes. These scenic trails meander among sugar maple, red maple, American Beech, white pine, red pine, northern white cedar, eastern larch/tamarack, and balsam fir. Trails* share a portion of their trail/loop with the NCT/IBT.

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The days grow shorter, children return to school, and the temperature is cooler. The crazy days of summer give way to autumn. Ranked as one of the top ten Best Fall Foliage Trips in the U.S. by Fodor’s Travel, the Upper Peninsula image selected here is Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore. As the fall bird migrations begin and the trees change colors, the landscape is magic. Go for a drive; we’ve listed the top ten Eastern Upper Peninsula fall color tour routes. Go ahead, drink in the beauty and reconnect with the earth.

- Alger County Road H58
- Curley Lewis Scenic Byway
- Luce County Road H500
- Michigan State Road 77
- Michigan State Route M-129
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Making plans? The Great Waters region has activities year round. We recommend though that you confirm dates and details on community websites. Go ahead and take advantage of some these activities!

### JUNE
10 - 16 Seaplane Splash-In Grand Marais
17 - 21 Annual Bass Tournament Curtis
24 - 25 Two Hearted Trail Run, Newberry
24 - 25 International Bridge Walk Sault Ste. Marie
24 – 25 Grand Marais Trout and Salmon Fishing Trny., Grand Marais
25 - 29 Pictures Rocks Road Race Munising
30 - 7/1 Soo Locks Engineers Weekend Sault Ste. Marie
30 Sault Arts, Crafts, and Family Fun Fair Sault Ste. Marie
30 Cleverland Electric Cooperative Hydroelectric Plant Open House Sault Ste. Marie

### JULY
2 Independence Day Parade and Fireworks Curtis
4 Independence Day activities! All Communities
7 - 9 Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indiana Pow Wow & Summer Gathering Sault Ste. Marie
14 - 15 Tahquamenon Valley Cruisers Cruise & Car Show Newberry
14 - 16 Gus Macker 3 on 3 Basketball Trny. Sault Ste. Marie
15 Crisp Point Lighthouse Conference Paradise
19 - 23 Great Lakes Sea Kayak Symposium “Welcome Paddlers!” Grand Marais
22 Grand Island Marathon Munising
22 - 23 Tahquamenon Logging Museum Country/Polka Music Festival Newberry
29 Connor Gorsuch Kid’s Fishing Day Sault Ste. Marie
29 & 30 Rendezvous in the Sault, Sault Ste. Marie

### AUGUST
1 Sault Summer Arts Festival Sault Ste. Marie
2 Sidewalk Sales Curtis
4 – 6 Alger County Fair Chatham
5 Tahquamenon Trail Run Newberry/Paradise
11-13 Music and Arts Festival Grand Marais
17 – 20 Ladies of the Lake Sea Kayak Symposium Municing
18 - 20 Wild Blueberry Festival Paradise
19 – 27 In the Heart of the Beast Puppet & Mask Theater Workshop Curtis
26 - 28 Tahquamenon Logging Museum Country/Polka Music Festival Newberry

### SEPTEMBER
2 – 3 14th Annual Grand Marais Triathlon Grand Marais
4 Labor Day celebration activities All Communities
9 – 10 ROCK ON! Lake Superior Agates Show Newberry
16 Munising Bay Cruisers Car Show Munising
16 Tahquamenon Wilderness Canoe Race Paradise
23 Hike Between Da Falls Paradise
23 Sault International Festival of Races Sault Ste. Marie
23 Oktoberfest Begins at 11:00 AM Sault Ste. Marie
30 Oktoberfest Begins at Noon Curtis

### OCTOBER
13-14 Haunted Trail Paradise
13-14 Harvest Festival Newberry/Paradise
14 7th Annual Run for the Light Whitefish Point, Paradise

### NOVEMBER
10 Annual Edmund Fitzgerald Memorial Service Paradise
23 Thanksgiving celebration activities All Communities
25 Christmas Bazaar & Holiday Gala Curtis
25 Christmas Bazaar Paradise
30 Rekindle the Spirit Munising

### DECEMBER
16 -31 Light Up the Soo Sault Ste. Marie
17 Manistique Lakes Lions Brunch with Santa Claus Curtis
25 Christmas, celebration activities All Communities

### 2018

#### JANUARY
1 NewYear celebration activities All Communities
6 Tahquamenon Country Sled Dog Race Newberry
26 – 27 Downtown Winter Ice Festival Sault Ste. Marie
27 Annual Frostbite Pike Contest Curtis

#### FEBRUARY
3 50th I-500 Snowmobile Race Sault Ste. Marie
“NASCAR on Ice” Munising
14 – 18 Michigan Ice Fest Grand Marais
16 – 18 UP 200 Sled Dog Race Newberry/Paradise
17 Tahquamenon Snowshoe Race Trenary
24 Tenary Outhouse Classic Paradise
24 – 25 Annual Ice Festival; Snow Bake-Off, Snow Sculptures Sault Ste. Marie

#### MARCH
3 Taste & Glide at Valley Spur Munising

#### APRIL
28-29 30th Annual WPBO Spring Fling; “Welcome Birders” Paradise

#### MAY
3 9th Annual North of 45 Retreat for Writers Curtis
11 This Old Quilt Newberry
19 – 20 Munising Trout & Salmon Classic Fishing Tournament Munising
20 Portage Anglers Walleye Jambooree Curtis
28 Memorial Day observance activities All Communities
28 – 29 Lumberjack Breakfast, Lumberjack Logging Museum Newberry

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