

TRI-STATE TRAVEL

Apostle Islands of Lake Superior

6 Days June 16-21, 2024

The Apostle Islands are located off the northern tip of Wisconsin and are known for lighthouses, sandstone sea caves, old-growth remnant forests and natural animal habitats. It is said they were named by the Jesuits, who enjoyed giving Holy Names to new places. Come explore the North Shore Region of Lake Superior with island visits, unique area attractions and a scenic train ride.

Tour Highlights:

- Lake Superior Maritime Museum
- Lake Superior Train Museum
- North Shore Scenic Railroad Excursion
- Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center
- Guided Tour of Ashland, Wisconsin
- Ferry to Madeline Island
- Guided Tour of Madeline Island
- Madeline Island Historical Museum
- Pub Lunch on the Island
- Apostle Island Cruise Tour
- Victorian Luncheon at Old Rittenhouse Inn
- Guided Tour of Bayfield, Wisconsin
- Native American Dance Show
- Wisconsin Concrete Park
- Five Nights Lodging
- Five Hotel Breakfasts
- Two Lunches
- Two Dinners
- Taxes and Gratuities on Included Accommodations, Attractions, and Meals
- Luggage Handling
- Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation
- Full Time Tour Director

Per Person Prices:

\$2,329 DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

\$2,069 TRIPLE...\$1,939 QUAD...\$3,125 SINGLE

\$150 per person deposit due with reservation
Final Payment due April 15, 2024

**Travel Insurance is available
and strongly recommended.**

(see page 2 for details)

**For Additional Information
Or To Make A Reservation Contact:**

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Day 1 – Duluth, MN – Today, travel to Duluth, MN. Arriving in the Canal area, you will have time to explore the Canal Boardwalk area including the Waterfront Sculpture Walk that overlooks the beauty of Lake Superior. Enjoy dinner on your own at one of the many restaurants in the area. Then check into the Holiday Inn Express for a two-night stay.

Day 2 - Duluth Visitor Center - Lake Superior Maritime Museum - Lake Superior Railroad Museum – North Shore Scenic Railroad Excursion - This morning, enjoy the Duluth Visitor Center and Lake Superior Gift Shop. Check out the works and products by a rotating group of local makers in the Visitor Center gift shop.

Next, visit the Lake Superior Maritime Museum which offers a fantastic voyage into the history of the Great Lakes. Exhibits are updated frequently offering visitors a unique experience each time they attend.

Then tour the Lake Superior Train Museum featuring an impressive collection of historic railroad equipment that built Minnesota and our country. The museum is located on the platforms of the original Historic Union Depot, built in 1892. There are immaculately restored locomotives and rolling stock that bring the memories of railroads to life.

All aboard your First Class domed car for a train excursion on the North Shore Scenic Railroad. You depart the historic Duluth Union Depot for a trip through downtown Duluth, Canal Park, along the shore of Lake Superior and deep into the majestic north woods. A fully narrated tour tells the history of Duluth, the harbor, and the stories of the railroads that built northern Minnesota and Wisconsin. Tonight, enjoy a free evening in the Canal Area and dinner on your own before returning to the hotel. **(B)**

Day 3 - Northern Great Lakes Visitors Center – Guided Tour of Ashland, WI – Cobblestone Inn - Depart this morning and travel to Ashland, WI. Your first stop will be the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center featuring a five-story observation tower, wildlife viewing platform, 100-seat theater, interpretive and historic exhibits and regional visitor information. There is also an accessible looped 2/3-mile boardwalk trail system that winds through the cedar and tamarack wetlands.

Next, a step-on guide will join the group and share historic Ashland. Ashland is known as the Mural Capitol of Wisconsin. Also stop at an artesian well and mosaic tunnel.

End the day at the Cobblestone Inn & Suites, your home for the next three nights! The beautiful hotel is conveniently located near everything that Ashland has to offer. Dinner is included this evening at a local restaurant. **(B,D)**

Day 4 - Ferry to Madeline Island & Guided Tour – Pub Lunch on Island - Madeline Island Historical Museum – Free Time on Island - This morning after breakfast, board the ferry to Madeline Island, one of the Apostle Islands. The journey across Lake Superior provides spectacular views of the Lake itself and several of the 22 Apostle Islands. Once on the Island, an experienced guide takes your group on a narrated tour showcasing the Island's natural beauty, culture, and rich history. You'll find a grand display of wildflowers in June! Lunch is included today at one of the Island's pubs.

This afternoon, discover 300 years of colorful Island history at the Madeline Island Museum. Beginning with the first recorded visits by French voyageurs and early fur traders to the advent of summer cottagers who made the island their summer home, the Museum tells the whole story. Beautiful examples of Chippewa beadwork and other unique artifacts help you discover and appreciate the life styles of the first Island residents. Enjoy some free time this afternoon to explore the island on your own.

Browse through the historic Woods Hall Craft Shop and other unique gift shops or take a relaxing stroll down one of the sandy beaches. Return on the ferry to the mainland and your hotel. Enjoy a free evening and dinner on your own. **(B,L)**

Day 5 - Apostle Island Cruise Tour – Victorian Luncheon at Old Rittenhouse Inn – Guided Bayfield Tour – Native American Dance Show - This morning, take a cruise through the Apostle Islands viewing two lighthouses, a brownstone quarry site, a historic fishing camp, and around Devils Island to view the spectacular sea caves. On this narrated, scenic tour, you'll pass extraordinary natural scenery, beautiful historic Raspberry and Devils Island Lighthouses, standing rocks, extensive sea caves, and marine wildlife. Learn the rich history of centuries of human interaction with Wisconsin's "Crown Jewels" on majestic Lake Superior.

Next, you enjoy a 3-Course Victorian Luncheon at the Landmark Restaurant at Old Rittenhouse Inn. Following lunch, meet your local guide for a tour of the Bayfield area. This charming shoreline village has been named "Best Little Town in the Midwest". This tour will also include a stop at the area's local farms.

This evening, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant followed by a Native American Dance Show. A local dance troupe will showcase traditional dances native to the Great Lakes Region. **(B,L,D)**

Day 6 - Wisconsin Concrete Park – Depart for Home - After breakfast, stop at the Wisconsin Concrete Park, an outdoor museum with 237 embellished concrete and mixed media sculptures built between 1948 and 1964 by Fred Smith, a retired lumberjack and self-taught artist and musician. Installed throughout Smith's Northwoods property in Phillips, WI, the site is a historical panorama of life-size and larger-than-life sculptures depicting people, animals, and events from local, regional and national history, from local lore, and from Smith's expansive imagination. Depart for home following your visit. **(B)**

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