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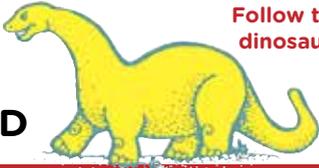
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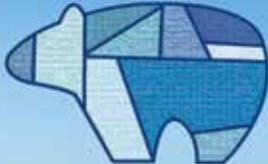
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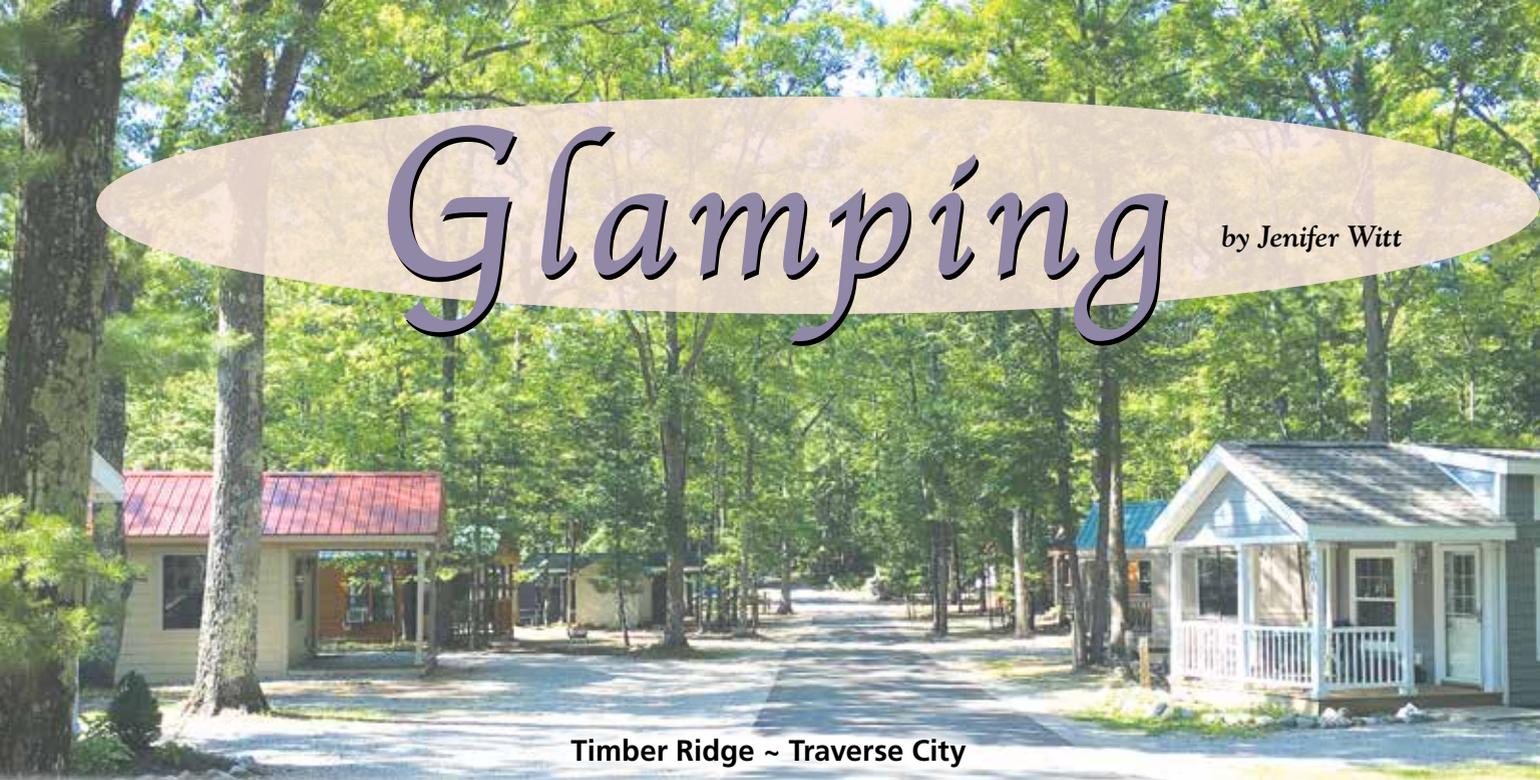


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Glamping

by Jenifer Witt



Timber Ridge ~ Traverse City

I will be honest here; I'm a reluctant tent camper.

I used to joke that my idea of camping was a hotel without room service or wifi. Okay, that's really not much of a joke; it's the truth. Although I love hiking, kayaking, sitting around a roaring campfire, and just being outdoors, I can't fall in love with tent camping. I recall very clearly a school camping trip when I was in the 6th grade. I remember waking up and seeing spiders crawling on the tent, having a big stick under my sleeping bag, and lying awake all night needing to go to the bathroom, but being too wimpy to wander around in the dark by myself. Many years later, I still have no desire to go rustic camping. If I'm still being honest, I love the comforts of a shower, a stove, and no bugs crawling on me when I'm asleep.

Those of us who still want to experience nature in glorious northern Michigan have an attractive alternative. Glamping, or glamorous camping, is a way for campers to have a camping experience without sacrificing the luxury or comfort that they desire.

Glamping came to us by way of Great Britain in 2005, where glamping meant luxurious tent

camping. Actually, this isn't a new concept; aristocrats, the wealthy, and military leaders have been doing this for centuries, bringing luxuries such as carpets, furniture, food and drinks when they traveled. Wealthy Brits and Americans on African safaris glamped when they set up tents with champagne, 4 poster beds, servants, and other comforts of home.

Glamping, though, is relatively new for the rest of us. Those who want the perfect glampsite are searching for hotel-quality amenities, but with a camping experience. Also called boutique camping, glampers often stay in cabins, yurts, safari tents, tent cabins—even tree houses.

In northern Michigan, we have several options for luxury camping. **Indigo Bluffs**, nestled in Leelanau County, near Empire and the beautiful Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, offers a luxury camping experience that will “combine the comforts of home with an authentic camping setting.” In addition to RV camping, Indigo Bluffs offers luxury cabins with a bevy of amenities: queen sized beds, private indoor bathrooms with showers, heat and air condition-



Indigo Bluffs ~ Empire

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ing, wifi, a covered porch. A complete kitchen with custom cabinets and counters is stocked with everything you need to prepare your meals. A beautiful custom-made fire ring with outdoor seating gives you that full camping experience.

Kristin Rylands from Indigo Bluffs says that the cottages are in their own area, and each cottage's setting was carefully chosen to give campers a peaceful and relaxing experience. Indigo Bluffs offers guests scenic vistas such as towering beech and maple trees, forests, and a beautiful horse ranch. Wildflowers that have been planted over the years have multiplied and provide a colorful landscape.

Indigo Bluffs is special because it combines glamour with camping, so you have the amenities and comforts of home, while enjoying a family camping trip. Some folks want to join their families that camp in RVs, however, they are not RVers. So, the luxury cottages at Indigo Bluffs offers those folks an ideal vacation. Kristin says that glamping at Indigo Bluffs is popular because "people like the social aspect of camping you can't get with a hotel experience."

Timber Ridge, near Traverse City, have several types of cabins: basic, deluxe, cottage, bunkhouse, and a park home. These cottages have various levels of comfort, but they all include electricity, heat, and beds. Once you get up into the deluxe cabins and above, they have private bathrooms with showers and toilets. The bunkhouse, cottages, and parkhomes have a kitchenette and air conditioning, in addition to the amenities offered in the others. These are high-end mini-homes measuring approximately 400 square feet.

While I was walking around the resort, gl camper Sue Ricksgers invited me into her luxurious cabin. She and Stan Waggoner call it their "itsy bitsy cottage." They live there most of the year, and winter away. They fell in love with tiny homes by watching home and garden shows. This cabin has a lot of storage, full size appliances, a covered porch, a back

patio, a loft with a queen bed and study. They've made a comfortable home for themselves close to friends and happenings in Traverse City.

Brian, who works the front desk at Timber Ridge says that it's all about glamping now. Interestingly, it's not the kids who say they need wifi; it's the parents. Brian told me that the kids have a blast with the bike terrain park, pool, and other activities.

The resort also has a linen service, delivery services for firewood and even for food. There is also a store onsite with sundries, ice cream, and anything you may need for a great experience. Ashley, who works in the store, says she's a fan of glamping. "If I'm not comfortable, it's not enjoyable. If I don't sleep well, camping is not fun."

Glamping at Timber Ridge is a bargain, too. On average, a hotel room in the Traverse City area costs approximately \$200 on a summer weekend. The most luxurious cabin at Timber Ridge costs \$189 per night. A family staying in one of the cabins isn't cooped up in one room, and has access to all of the amenities that Timber Ridge has to offer.

Another unique glamping opportunity is at **Chandler Hill** Campground in Boyne Falls. They offer a yurt to campers. A yurt is a round, portable tent that was used by nomadic people on the grassy plains of central Asia. These structures are self-supporting with a ribbed roof and lattice work side construction, and are usually built on a wooden platform. They are sometimes covered in hides or pelts, but at Chandler Hill the yurt is covered in canvas. This circular tent boasts wood floors, a kitchenette, bunk beds, and a front porch. The yurt is perfect for a unique and comfortable camping experience.

Glamping may not be traditional, but it opens up camping to a new group of folks who may not usually head out to the woods. I can't wait to book a glamping weekend. This will be the perfect way for me to enjoy the outdoors and still have a warm shower to wash my hair! No matter how we choose to camp, spending time with friends and family, and enjoying beautiful northern Michigan is what it's all about. ✦



Geocaching in Northern Michigan

by James Fewlass



Hi everyone! In the first edition we learned that to start Geocaching all you need is your cell phone and a will to adventure. In the second edition we learned that Geocaching is a great time with friends and that sometimes we need special tools to achieve victory. In this edition we will meet up with Eric and learn about other types of geocaches. I met up with him at the Natural Spring well in Honor.

Eric is a science teacher in the Flint School District and spends his summers in Northern Michigan. He has two boys that he takes geocaching, and has placed a few of his own geocaches in his home area. He is a strong advocate for geocaching and discovering nature in fun and exciting ways.

My first question for Eric, "What is the 5-gallon bucket for?"

"So not all geocaches are 'Traditional', or are a hidden container with a log for you to sign. Some geocaches are 'Earth' caches. Earth caches give you information and ask you for information in return. Let's take this Natural Spring Well for instance. The owner of the cache has asked that you test the flow of the spring by measuring how much time it takes to fill a set container." Eric indicates to the 5-gallon bucket. "That is what the bucket is for."

We wait our turn to use the well, then we start timing when the bucket is full. We then divide the time by five to get the gallons per minute. The gallons per minute is what we then send in an e-mail to the earth cache owner. (Being a science teacher, Eric requires us to measure multiple times to check for consistency. After determining an average, that is what we use.)

So I have to ask, what other types of geocaches are there?

"There are a lot. You've traditional and earth caches that we've already talked about. Then you have multi-caches, mystery, event, virtual, and a few others. The most popular are the traditional and the multi-caches. When you are ready to take on some of the other types, you can always find more information on the website. Let's do a multi-cache."

We made our way over to **Rail-Road Park** between Benzonia and Frankfort on beautiful Crystal Lake. When we arrived I asked Eric if there were any special tools we would need for this cache.

"So Crystal Lake is beautiful, but the land around it is very hilly. This causes problems with cell phone reception. You do not have to have a GPS unit to geocache, but there are times when the GPS location provided by your phone just won't be accurate enough because of the loss of cell phone signal. You can either skip the geocaches where you don't have reception, or you can pick up a GPS unit."

Eric retrieves a small hand held GPS from his car and shows me that it is much more accurate because it is not using just triangulation from cell phone towers to determine locations. Instead it is using satellite signals. His GPS is not fancy; it is a very simple, hand held unit that he was able to purchase from a sporting goods store for under \$100.

"Multi-caches are geocaches that give you an initial GPS location to go to, but then you must use clues to jump from location to location until you find the final spot." Eric keys in the first location into his GPS and we are off. I try to use my phone while we are climbing through the hills in the park, but I quickly find that my phone begins to jump all over the place. Eric's GPS keeps a steady read on us.

After jumping through the clues we are able to sign the final log to receive our smile. That is two new geocache types for my log book. The earth cache was full of great information about the Natural Spring Well in Honor, and we were able to help log the flow speed of the well with the owner. The other made me realize that my cell phone might not be the only tool I'll need to become a professional geocacher. Don't let that discourage you though, there are thousands of geocaches in your area that are more than accessible with the simple tools.

We only talked briefly about earth caches and multi caches, but remember that there is more information on the website, **geocaching.com**. Each cache in the phone app will also give you details on how to perform the cache. So if you see a non-traditional cache, don't be afraid to open it; see what it will require to complete! +

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by Dawn Paulin

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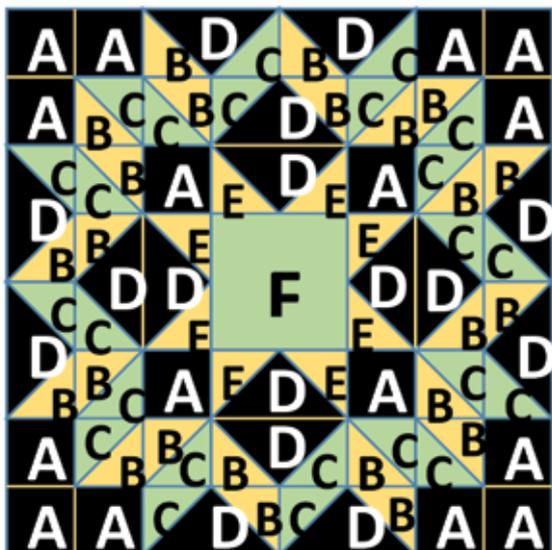
It has been very quiet this month. I did see a couple of you, and when I asked how it was going, I got something similar to “mmpph” (which I am guessing has something to do with 3” blocks)! One person asked if I liked small blocks—I do, actually. Keep in mind that the 3 inchers were all done last month so if you’re on track, they are done!

I do admit that this month’s blocks are a bit involved. They may not come out the best in this restricted space so feel free to contact me and I will send you larger patterns (dawn@northerncamper.com). I promise that the blocks in Part 4 are much simpler—and those are the last! Part 5 is all layout.

Dutch Rose

I’m using background for pieces A and D. Also note that B and E could be the same fabric and C and F could be the same fabric.

	Number pieces needed for block	12” need 2	6” need 5
A	16	2”	1¼”
B	12	2½”	1¾”
C	12	2½”	1¾”
D	4	4½”	3”
E	4	2½”	1¾”
F	1	3½”	2”



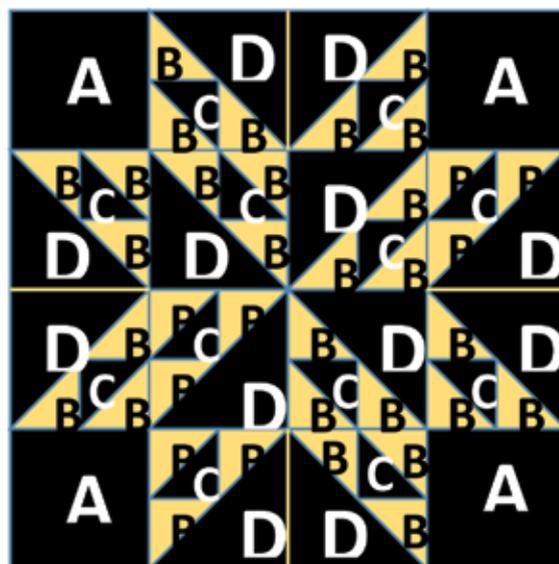
The two blocks below are only made in the 6” and 12” size. Remember I make assumptions about your knowledge with quilting and that I allow for trimming to size. If you are at all unsure about any of this, I’m happy to help or stop in to one of our quilt shop advertisers. I have never met quilt shop staff unwilling to give you advice and assistance.

One last reminder—mark **September 17** on your calendar for the **North Star Quilt Guild Show** (*see add page 20*). We have over 100 quilted products and at least 12 vendors. And if you are in the Cadillac area on the first or third Thursday of the month, please join us at our meetings. More information is available at northstarquiltguild.org. †

Sparkling Star

I’m using background fabrics for A, C, and D although they’re different backgrounds (I have two or three fabrics that I can use as background).

	Number pieces needed for block	12” need 2	6” need 5
A	4	3½”	2”
B	18	2½”	1¾”
C	6	2½”	1¾”
D	6	4”	2½”



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- 1 package chicken sausage links, cooked & chopped (or other sausage, bacon or ham)
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 red bell pepper, chopped
- 1 cup fresh mushrooms, chopped
- Seasoning salt & pepper to taste
- 1 cup shredded cheese

Heat grill to 350 degrees (ish). Spray bottom of disposable aluminum foil lasagna pan with cooking spray. Press hashbrowns or tater tots into bottom (helps if they are thawed). Whisk eggs and milk in a medium bowl. Layer sausage, onion, bell pepper and mushrooms onto potatoes. Pour egg mixture over everything. Season with salt & pepper. Sprinkle top with cheese. Cover pan with aluminum foil and place on grill. Cook for 30 minutes or until eggs are set. Remove foil for last 5-10 minutes so cheese will brown.

~ Merry Kuchle, Merryabouttown.com

FRENCH CANADIAN BEANS

- 2 lbs dry navy beans
- 1 lb salt pork
- 1 medium onion
- 4 tbs molasses
- salt & pepper
- 1-1/2 cups vegetable shortening

Sort through beans for bad ones and stones. Soak beans for 3 hours in warm water to cover beans in a pan. Chop onion in med. pieces. Cut rind off of salt pork and cut into small pieces. Make 3 layers of beans, salt and pepper, onion, salt pork, and molasses in a small roaster pan. Put small clumps of vegetable shortening all over top. Just barley cover with water and bake at 350 for about 4 or 5 hours until soft. Check to see if water needs to be added not to dry out. Take lid off the last hour to let beans brown and get a little crisp on top.

~ Pat Arbour, Grand Rapids

CUCUMBER AND ONIONS

- 3 to 4 cucumbers
- 1 small onion
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- salt and pepper to taste

Peel and slice thin round circles of cucumber in bowl. Thin slice onion and add. Mix mayonnaise and sour cream, salt and pepper add to cucumber and onion. cover and refrigerate for 2 hours.

~ Pat Arbour, Grand Rapids

REFRIGERATOR PICKLES

- 6 cups cucumbers, sliced
 - 1 cup green pepper, sliced
 - 1 cup onion, sliced
- LIQUID
- 1 cup cider vinegar
 - 2 cups white sugar
 - 1 tsp celery seed
 - 2 lbs salt

Slice veggies into 2 quart jars. I like to make layers. Mix other ingredients in large measuring cup, stir well. The sugar will not be dissolved yet. Pour over sliced vegetables evenly in each jar. Finish filling jars with cold tap water. Shake jar a few times during 24 hrs to mix. No need to cook it; ready to eat in 24 hours. Try pickled hot peppers using a batch of this same liquid—delicious!

~ Iris Wadkins, Garden City

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LAKE TROUT

- **Lake trout**
- **Salt & pepper to taste**
- **Solid shortening**

Lake trout, must not be adulterated in anyway—salt and pepper only! The trout family do not have scales so need only be filleted and cut into serving size pieces. Whether over open campfire, at a shore lunch or in the kitchen, the method is the same.

In a suitable size fry pan, place a large amount of solid shortening (Crisco is best) when melted there is about 1" in frypan. When it is melted and started to heat, check temperature by throwing wooden match in liquid. When the match ignites, start frying fish by placing fillets in grease, flesh side down. Lift edge of fillets to check for golden brown, then turn to skin side for another minute. Remove and place on paper towel to drain. Serve right away with lemon slices or tartar sauce. Note: Igniting match will not start grease fire!

~ Betty Middleton, Elliot Lake, Ontario

SOUTHWEST TURKEY BURGERS

- **1 clove garlic, minced**
- **1 green onion, finely chopped**
- **1 small jalapeño pepper, seeded and minced**
- **1 tbs chopped fresh cilantro leaves**
- **1 tbs fresh lime juice**
- **1 tbs olive oil**
- **1/2 tsp salt**
- **1/4 red bell pepper, finely chopped**
- **1-1/4 pounds 94% lean ground turkey**
- **4 whole wheat hamburger buns**

Prepare outdoor grill for direct grilling over medium heat. In large bowl, gently mix turkey, garlic, green onion, jalapeño, bell pepper, cilantro, lime juice, oil and salt until well blended but not overmixed. Form mixture into four 1/2-inch-thick patties.

Place burgers on hot grill rack; cover and cook 8 to 10 minutes or until internal temperature reaches 165°, turning once. About 2 minutes before burgers are done, place buns, cut side down, on grill. Cook 1 to 2 minutes or until lightly toasted. Serve burgers in buns with desired toppings.

~ Ebels General Store, Falmouth

CAMPING CAVIAR RECIPE

- **1/2 cup olive oil**
- **1/3 cup sugar (see notes)**
- **1/3 cup white wine vinegar**
- **1 teaspoon chili powder**
- **1 teaspoon salt**
- **1 pound Roma tomatoes, seeded and diced**
- **1 (15 oz) can black beans, rinsed and drained**
- **1 (11 oz) can super sweet corn, drained (see notes)**
- **1 red onion, diced**
- **1/2 cup diced green bell pepper**
- **1/2 cup diced red bell pepper**
- **1 cup chopped cilantro (1 bunch)**
- **juice of 1 lime**

In a large bowl, whisk together oil, sugar, vinegar, chili powder, lime juice and salt. Add tomatoes, beans, corn, red onion, and bell peppers. Stir in cilantro. Cover and chill at least 1 hour or overnight to blend flavors. Serve chilled or at room temperature.

NOTES – My favorite is fresh corn off the cobb. The closest measurement is 3/4 cup.

1 sweet onion or a bunch of green onions may be substituted for the red onion.

A single bell pepper may be substituted for the 1/2 cup each of chopped red and green bell peppers.

In the Midwest, we like the sugar in this recipe. I personally think it tastes great. BUT, if you think 1/3 cup sugar sounds like too much, feel free to use less. Perhaps add 1 tablespoon at a time. You can always add more vinegar and salt if you want to try to save your batch. But this is how we eat it in Michigan's Best Camping Land. And we love it.

In addition I love to add fresh, salted, diced avocado to each individual serving - feel free to change it up to suit your tastes! Eat as a salsa, dip, or salad at your next party or barbecue! Naturally vegan and gluten free.

~ Lori Neighbors, Milford

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SUMMERTIME CORN CHOWDER

- 8 ears sweet yellow corn, kernels cut from cob
- 3 Tbsp butter
- 5 slices bacon, cut into 1/4" to 1/2" pieces
- 1 medium yellow onion chopped (1-1/2 cups)
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 5 cups water
- 1 lb Yukon Gold potatoes, cut into 1/2" pieces
- 1/2 tsp dried thyme
- 1 bay leaf
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1 cup half and half
- 1 Tbsp honey
- 2 - 3 Tbsp chopped fresh chives
- Shredded cheddar cheese for serving (optional)

Melt butter in a large pot over medium heat. Add the onion and bacon and cook, stirring frequently, until onion has softened and just starting to brown around edges, about 8-10 minutes. Add in flour and garlic and cook 1-1/2 minutes. While whisking, slowly pour in 5 cups water. Bring mixture to a boil, stirring constantly, then stir in fresh Michigan corn kernels and potatoes. Add in thyme and bay leaf and season with salt and pepper to taste. Bring to a light boil, then reduce heat to medium-low and allow to simmer, stirring occasionally, until potatoes are tender, about 20 minutes.

Remove bay leave then transfer 2-1/2 cups chowder to blender and blend until smooth. Stir mixture back into pot then stir in half and half and honey. Sprinkle each serving with chives and optional cheddar. (Adapted with slight changes from *Cooking Classy with a Sprinkle of Fancy*)

~ Lori Neighbors, Milford

CAMPFIRE TWISTS

- 4 cups (500g) Self raising flour
- 3 tbs of sugar
- 16 oz (300-500 ml) of water
- Jam (Optional)

Twists can be made under a hot grill, but best over a proper 'cooking' fire which consists of embers. They could work over a nice hot BBQ, but don't rest on the grill grid; they'll stick. Cook direct over heat on a stick.

~ Tim N, *Instructables.com*

CHERRY CHEESE PIE

- 9 inch graham cracker crust
- 1 8 oz package cream cheese, softened
- 1 can (14 oz) sweetened condensed milk
- 1/3 cup lemon juice concentrate
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 can (21 oz) cherry pie filling, chilled (Make your own; still fresh at Cadillac Farm Market!)

In large mixer bowl, beat cheese until fluffy. Beat in milk until smooth. Stir in lemon juice and vanilla. Pour into crust and chill until set (about 3 hours). Top with desired amount of pie filling before serving.

~ Dawn Paulin, Cadillac

LEMON ZUCCHINI BREAD

BREAD

- 1 cup canola or vegetable oil
- 6 oz Greek Yogurt (lemon or vanilla)
- 1 Tbsp lemon juice
- 3 eggs
- 2 cups sugar
- 3 cups all purpose flour
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1/4 tsp baking powder
- 2 tsp lemon zest
- 1 tsp salt
- 2 cups grated zucchini (about 1 large zucchini)
- 1 tsp vanilla extract

LEMON GLAZE

- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 1-2 Tbsp lemon

TOPPING (Optional)

- 2 Tbsp lemon zest

Preheat oven to 350. Coat two 8 1/2" x 4 1/2" bread pans with baking spray. In large bowl, cream oil, Greek yogurt, lemon juice and sugar. Once combined, add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition.

In a separat bowl, sift together flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt. Add in lemon zest, and stir together.

Add dry ingredients into wet ingredients; mix just until combined. Add in zucchini and vanilla extract. Once combined, divide batter evenly between bread pans.

Bake 55-60 minutes. Cool at least 10-20 minutes before removing from the pan and placing on a cooling rack.

GLAZE – Mix lemon juice and powdered sugar. With the bread on cooling rack, pour glaze over the bread.

TOPPING – Sprinkle zest over the top of the glaze.

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PUZZLED?

ACROSS

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- 10) Wee dogs
- 14) Main competitor
- 15) Like a lemon
- 16) "There's _ day dawning"
- 17) Wasn't born yesterday
- 20) Over fast?
- 21) More eccentric
- 22) Cranberry product
- 25) Became white with fright
- 26) Feels poorly
- 30) Like a runt
- 32) One of two writers
- 35) Ideal place to live
- 41) What some planes make
- 43) Is disrespectful verbally
- 44) Court handout
- 45) Hearty soup
- 47) Seven big wet things
- 48) Genie holders
- 53) Many-headed mythical monster
- 56) USA part
- 58) Overrun
- 63) Comment
- 66) Functions
- 67) "Buona _" (Italian welcome)
- 68) Car window sticker
- 69) Salon option
- 70) Touchy and sensitive
- 71) Alcohol type

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| 2) Dryer accumulation | 24) Respectful bow | 48) Enjoy immensely |
| 3) Colored eyeball part | 26) Is directed? | 49) Entertain, in a way |
| 4) Bryn College | 27) A Corn Belt state | 50) Parking regulator |
| 5) Serbs or Croats, e.g. | 28) Golden Triangle country | 51) Light reflector |
| 6) Fire residue | 29) Has the evening meal | 52) Greed, envy or pride |
| 7) Luau dip | 31) China's dollar | 54) Get _ of (throw away) |
| 8) Like some living rooms | 33) First thing into the pool, often | 55) Battery pole |
| 9) "Cogito_____ Sum" | 34) Snake sound | 57) Something to solve |
| 10) Coat for severe cold | 36) Dynamite stuff | 59) Thing on a guitar neck |
| 11) "Wait_Dark" | 37) Poems of praise | 60) Make impressions? |
| 12) Fly-catching bird | 38) Maine tree | 61) Dance romantically |
| 13) Fencing weapon | 39) Andean civilization | 62) Turnpike tariff |
| 18) Caddy contents, sometimes | 40) Improves, as wine | 64) Assn. relative |
| 19) Alley-_ (NBA pass-shot combo) | 42) Lecherlike | 65) Sci-fi gun type |



Campground Critter

by Don R. Harris ~ Photo by Christopher Dick, mediad.publicbroadcasting.net

Blanding's Turtle

My favorite place for a bike ride is the **White Pine Trail**, a rails-to-trails conversion that runs from Cadillac to Grand Rapids. I've never ridden farther south than Tustin, but in that stretch of about twelve miles, the trail goes through some interesting country: up and down hills, through woods, past fields, and alongside a couple of ponds. My favorite spot is the pond just south of the point where the trail passes under US-131. That's where the turtles are.

Typically, I see the turtles basking in the sun on logs. Their shells are a dark, greenish gray—almost black—and they look a little like old style military helmets. When several are lined up on the same log, it looks as if a small group of World War I soldiers decided to go for a swim, and left their helmets on a log to keep them from getting wet.

Since the logs with the turtles are some distance from the trail, it's hard to get a close look in order to identify them. Someday, I'd like to take a pair of binoculars along with me, but for now, I'm trying to make an identification based on (a) their general appearance, and (b) a list of turtles found in Michigan, from the DNR's website.

I ruled out snapping turtles right away. For one thing, snapping turtles have huge heads, and these turtles don't. For another thing, snapping turtles seldom bask, and these turtles are sun-worshippers along the lines of George Hamilton. The turtles I see in the ponds have the same general shape as box turtles, but box turtles are adapted to life on land, and typically don't live in the water. Painted turtles are a bit smaller, and don't have the helmet shaped shells. So by a process of elimination, I've decided that these are Blanding's turtles.

Blanding's turtles are largish turtles, at least for this part of the world. Typically, they grow to a length of seven to nine inches. The upper shell, or carapace, is dark, speckled with light flecks or streaks. The lower shell, or plastron, is yellow, with symmetrical dark blotches. The chin and throat are also yellow, although the head and legs are dark.

As with the box turtle, the plastron of the Blanding's turtle is hinged. Because of this, when the turtle pulls in its head and legs, it can tighten the lower shell against the upper shell, although not as tightly as the box turtle does.

The scientific name is *Emys blandingii* or *Emydoidea blandingii*—apparently, there is some disagreement as to the correct genus. The family is Emydidae, a group which includes pond turtles and marsh turtles. The Blanding's turtle is named in honor of Dr. William Blanding, a nineteenth century physician and naturalist who first observed and described the turtle that bears his name.

Sources describe the Blanding's turtle as semi-aquatic, meaning that it spends some, although not all, of its time in the water. Its toes are webbed, making this species an excellent swimmer. Its diet consists of insects, worms, crayfish, and various plants. It is also capable of catching live fish.

The Blanding's turtle reaches sexual maturity at 14 to 20 years, and mates in April or early May. The female builds a

nest (digs a hole and lays eggs) in June. The Blanding's turtle can live as long as 80 years, and once it reaches maturity, doesn't change much over the years. Like all reptiles, turtles are cold blooded—that is, their body temperature is the same as the temperature of their surroundings. That's why they bask in the sun—to get warm. Blanding's turtles survive the winter under water, or by burying themselves in the mud.

Their habitat is limited to area around the Great Lakes. Unfortunately, this turtle is listed as endangered throughout much of its range due to loss of habitat, and due to predation of nests. Raccoons, especially, like to eat turtle eggs. In Michigan, the Blanding's turtle is protected as a special concern species.

The Blanding's turtle is described as shy, and I can vouch for this. When cyclists approach, the turtles slide off their logs and swim away. But according to my reptile book, they make good pets “if kept in a large, shallow pan of water.” Another source says that they are gentle and seldom bite.

In spite of this, I don't think I'll try and catch one of these turtles to take home for a reptilian bathtub companion. But I will try to remember to bring a pair of binoculars with me the next time I ride on the White Pine Trail. I'd like to get a better look at the turtles, and I'll be checking for light speckles on the shells, as well as yellow chins and throats. ✦



An 83-year-old Blanding's turtle recaptured at U of M's E.S. George Reserve near Pinckney. Researchers say it's the oldest well-documented Blanding's turtle and one of the oldest known freshwater turtles in North America.

Vegetation Station

by Don R. Harris ~ photo from wikimedia.org

Spatterdock

Another attractive feature of the turtle pond is the waterlilies. Even if the turtles aren't out (or if they've all disappeared into the water), there is still a panorama of reflected sky and lily pads (and, from late spring on, flowers). Some of the flowers are white, with many petals. These look like the kind of waterlilies that Monet painted in his gardens at Giverny.

But along with the many-petaled white flowers are some others. From the bike trail, these others appear to be almost spherical, a little bigger than a golf ball, and bright yellow. These are a type of yellow pond-lily known as cow lilies, or spatterdock.

The Monet-type waterlilies are part of the genus *Nymphaea*. Spatterdock is a close relative, with the scientific name *Nuphar advena*. Both the white waterlilies and spatterdock belong to the family Nymphaeaceae, a group of aquatic plants commonly known as waterlilies, but which are not lilies at all (this is one reason for the use of the hard-to-spell, impossible-to-pronounce scientific names). As with all members of the family Nymphaeaceae, the plants grow from rhizomes that are rooted in soil under the water, with leaves and flowers floating on (or sometimes emerging above) the surface.

Spatterdock leaves are elongated and elliptical or heart-shaped, with a notch where the stem attaches to the leaf. The leaves are leathery, often with ruffled or upturned edges. The flowers are a shade of yellow that almost matches school buses and traffic signs (although perhaps a tad less orange). They are 1 – 2" in diameter, with four to six overlapping, rounded lobes. In the center of the flower is a fringed, greenish-yellow disk. The petals are smaller than the sepals (unlike true waterlilies, whose petals are larger and more numerous). It is the sepals that form the bright yellow globes I see from the bike trail.

The flowers appear at the end of thick stems, one flower per stem, and unlike many waterlilies, are not particularly fragrant. The flowers contain both male and female parts, and pollination is accomplished by insects. As the seeds de-

velop, the fruit remains above the surface of the water, eventually becoming a greenish, urn-shaped structure. Because of this, a European species, *Nuphar lutea*, is sometimes given the common name "brandy bottle."

Spatterdock is found in northeastern North America from Canada south to Maryland and Pennsylvania, and west to Illinois, Iowa, and Kansas. The plants grow in sunny, fresh water ponds and slow-moving streams up to ten feet deep. Spatterdock is a perennial, meaning that while the leaves and stems die back in the fall, new growth will appear from the same rhizomes (underground stems) in the spring.

Spatterdock provides cover and food for a variety of aquatic animals. The plants provide habitat for largemouth bass and sunfish. Beavers and muskrats eat the rhizomes, ducks and other waterfowl eat the seeds, and deer graze on the leaves. The rhizomes can be eaten by humans, but are sometimes incredibly bitter (boiling can help remove the bitterness). The seeds taste good, and can be popped like corn, but are difficult to separate from the seed pods.



Spatterdock has also been used for medicinal purposes. At one time, the rhizomes were boiled, and the liquid was used as a treatment for sore throats. The rhizomes have also been applied directly to skin ailments, and to wounds to stop the bleeding.

Spatterdock is a native plant, but it can be a nuisance. The plants reproduce both by seed and from the spreading of the rhizomes, and the leaves can cover the surface of the water to such an extent that they shade out many other species. Likewise, the plants can clog bodies of water, making movement in boats difficult or impossible. I found several websites that talked about ways to get rid of spatterdock, primarily through the application of aquatic herbicides.

So apparently, it's not just non-native species that get out of control and crowd out other plants and animals. But I'm pretty sure that without the waterlilies and spatterdock, the turtle pond would be a less interesting place than it is today. And less attractive to wildlife, as well. ✦

got rocks?

by Kevin Gauthier

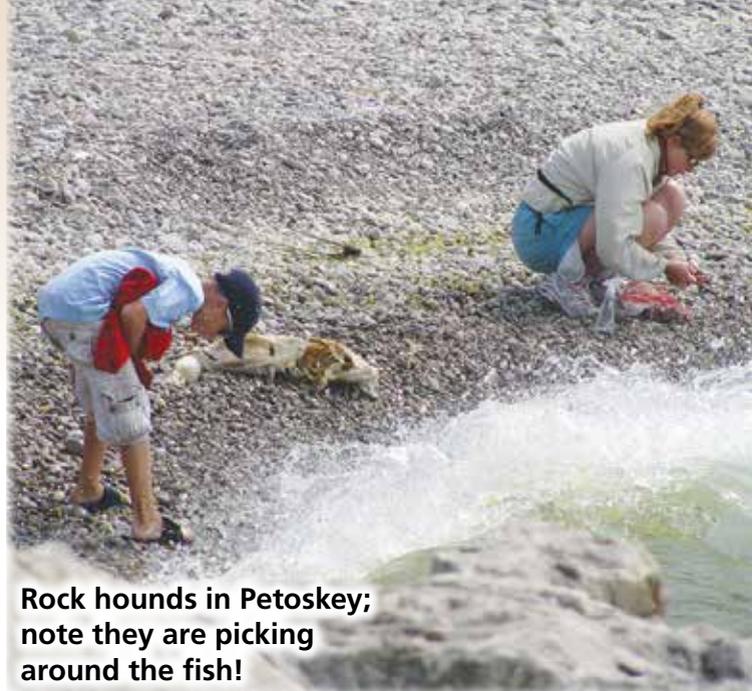
Note: 'got rocks?' is from the *Lake Michigan Rock Picker's Guide*, a must-have for all rock hounds. Be sure to get your copy today!

Rock Stops from Grand Traverse Bay to Petoskey

The east side of Grand Traverse Bay, north of Traverse City, is heavily populated, making it difficult to reach shoreline. The west side is protected from strong wave action by the Leelanau Peninsula and is also heavily populated. The beach can be reached at the tip of the peninsula at **Leelanau State Park** and **Grand Traverse Lighthouse**.

North of Traverse City the beach can be reached at **Barnes Park** near Eastport. In the Village of Torch Lake (center of town), a road labeled Nature Preserve leads to **Grandma's Beach**.

If you travel on U.S. 31 to Richardson Road near Atwood and follow it to Old Dixie Highway and go south, a road toward the lake will lead to **Banks Township Park**. From this beach you can walk north to Norwood. The bedrock here is shale, and you will see it torn up all over the beach. About a



Rock hounds in Petoskey; note they are picking around the fish!

half mile north there is a large group of concretions. These stones grew within the shale as the shale was being compressed, and it is easy to see how the shale was deformed by their growth. Concretions are composed of a variety of oil-rich calcite called anthraconite, also known as cone-in-cone. They give this stretch of beach an other-worldly appearance. Fragments of these concretions scattered elsewhere along the lake are often mistaken for petrified wood. These geodes are worthless, but they do dress up this stretch of beach. Please do not disturb them; these are there for picture taking only.

The shale in this area, especially north of Norwood, infrequently contains rare armor-plated Devonian fossil fish and fish fragments. In the outcrops of Antrim Shale, it is also possible to find marcasite nodules. They form in the layers of the shale. If you go in early spring, the ice will break up the shale and do the work for you. I have seen some perfectly well-preserved snail fossils found in this area. There is beach access also at the **city park in Norwood** and **Fisherman's Island State Park near Charlevoix**.

Further north is Petoskey. Because the city of Petoskey is a hot spot for these corals, they are commonly called Petoskey stones. However, the real name came from Chief Petosgay. Translated from Ottawa (or Odawa), it's "rays of the rising sun" or "sunbeams of promise."

Just south of Petoskey is **Sunset Park**. Here, I have picked up a variety of fossils and colorful granites. Just behind the hospital in is a park where the beach is also accessible.

Be sure to pick up the September *Northern Camper*. Now that you have picked up all these really cool rocks, how do you know what the rocks really are? We'll have photos and descriptions so you can identify your treasures. And if you're in the Traverse area, be sure to stop in and say "Hi" to Kevin and crew. You will be amazed to see what they can do with rocks; just look left! ✦

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Michigan Back Roads

Michigan Road Trips & Day Trips

by Ron Rademacher

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Trails & Treasures: EMPIRE BLUFFS

Trails – The Sleeping Bear National Lakeshore is a favorite destination for vacationers from all over the world. Most visitors make a point to hike the Sleeping Bear Dunes but miss an easy walking trail that has some of the best views anywhere on the shoreline, and one the best sunsets in the region. **The Empire Bluffs Trail** is only about a mile and half round-trip. There is some elevation change, but the climb is fairly moderate. (The gentleman who told me about this trail is 5 feet nine inches tall and weighs in at a cool 350 pounds. He said he has no problems at all!)

What bit of climbing there is, it's well worth it. In addition to wildflowers, hardwood trees and wildlife, there are unique scenic vistas. At the far end, you are more than 400 feet above Lake Michigan. At this point, you are actually above the highest dunes. The view from here would be difficult to find anywhere else. To the south is Platte Bay where Coho Salmon were first introduced into the Great Lakes. To the north, all of South Manitou Island is visible and also part of North Manitou.

Another feature that makes this trail special, is the nearly total absence of light pollution. Just a short time after those spectacular sunsets are over, the stars come out in a brilliance and profusion that you can rarely find on Lake Michigan. The pure darkness here makes this a favorite destination when we have meteor showers.

Local Treasures

Sleeping Bear Dunes – Many travelers come specifically to hike the dunes. There are several access points and some trails lead to the shore of Lake Michigan.

Pierce Stocking Scenic Drive – The drive is about 7 miles and is open in the summer months only. Those 7 miles offer up some of the most beautiful over-looks in Michigan. The covered bridge is one of the first features encountered. There are several scenic turn offs and picnic areas. It's located off state highway M-109 between Empire and Glen Arbor.

Port Oneida Historic District – Port Oneida is one of the most unique historic districts in all of Michigan. It doesn't appear on many maps, so it is one of the least visited attractions. Port Oneida grew into a sizable community in the late 1800s as a result of the lumber industry and the work of Thomas Kelderhouse. Eventually the area included a dock on Lake Michigan, blacksmith shop, post office, general store and a boarding house. Historic farmsteads and buildings have been preserved and can be visited via a scenic drive.



One of the most photographed barns in Michigan on the **D. H. Day farmstead** is nearby. It has twin silos and an ogee (bell-shaped) roof with octagonal cupolas. You really can't miss it. It doesn't lie in the district but is within the boundaries of the park.

Art's Tavern – Located in downtown Empire, this is a favorite spot for lunch or dinner. The place is a bit retro as it should be; it has been there since 1934. **Tim Barr** is one of the proprietors. On the rare occasion when he isn't busy, he can tell you all about the history of this region.

Directions – Empire is in Northwest Michigan north of Frankfort and west of Traverse City at the junction of M-22 and M-72. M-72 going west from M-22 becomes the main street into downtown Empire. Follow that street west a few blocks and you will come to a junction where you must turn; go left. This will become Wilco Road and in just a short drive you will come to the parking area for the Empire Bluff Trail.

Important Notes – The Empire Bluffs Trail is within the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore. A pass is required and available at the Park Headquarters. The trail is open year-round and is a popular snowshoe trek. Mountain biking is not allowed.

Many roads through the Port Oneida Historic District are gravel. Stop at the ranger station to pick up the Port Oneida booklet that has descriptions of the buildings and a map. You'll need the map to find your way around the district. ✦

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Battle of the Bands

FRIDAY ~ 7 PM
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SATURDAY ~ 7 PM
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Sat., Aug. 20 • 9 am - 1 pm

Missaukee County Recycling Center
6420 W. Sanborn Rd., Lake City

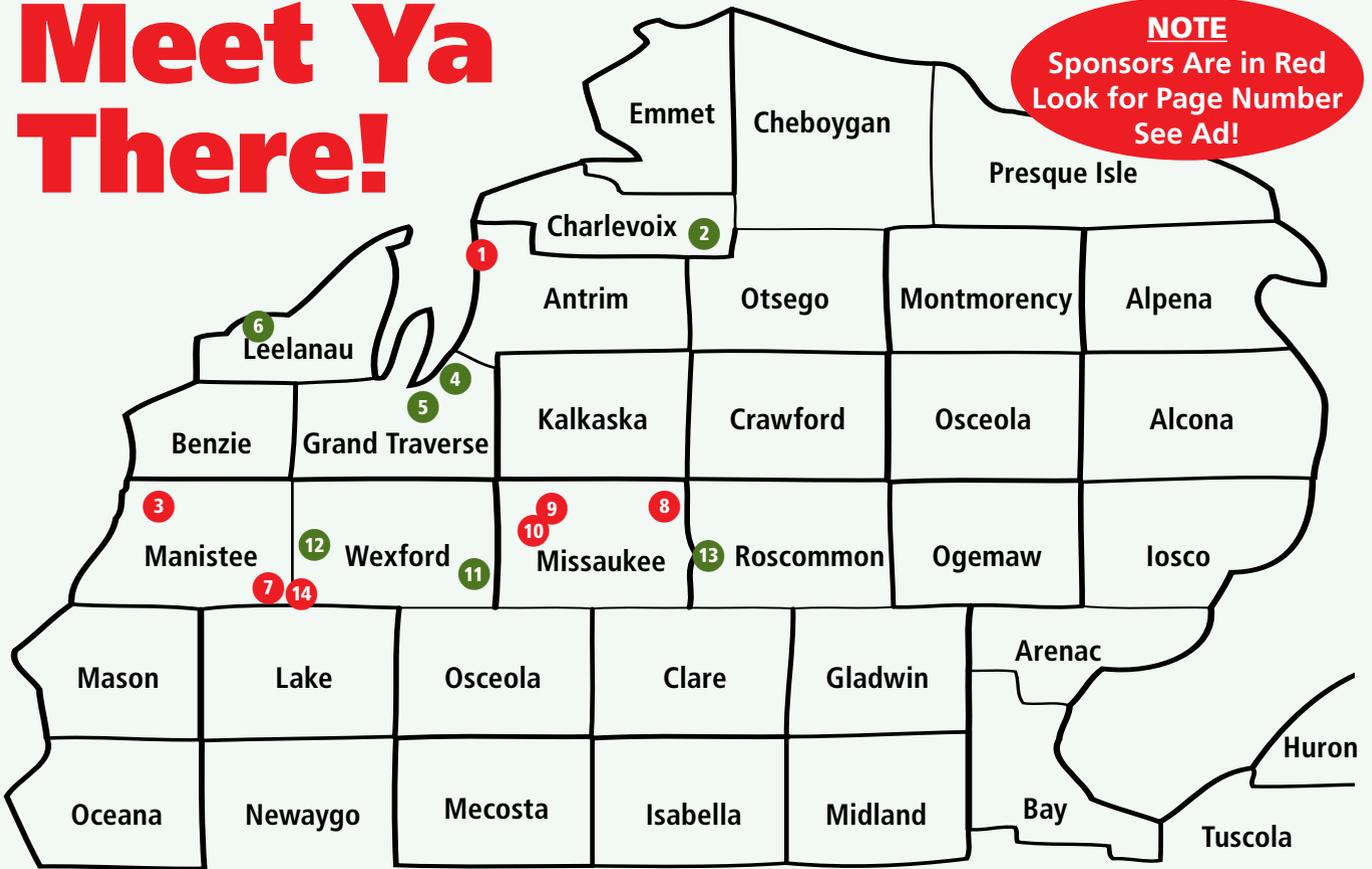
- Missaukee County Residents
- 7 Small Tires - FREE
- \$2 Additional Small Tires
- \$8-\$20 Additional Large Tires

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UNPUZZLERS

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ANTRIM COUNTY

MISSAUKEE COUNTY

**1 BARNES PARK
CAMPGROUND (pg. 2)**

231-599-2712 • antrimcounty.org
12298 Barnes Park Rd., East Port, MI 49627



Total Sites 76
Seasonal NA
Hook-Up NA
Rustic 14
Season May-Oct
Reservation Yes

**8 BEN D. JEFFS
RIVER PARK (pg. 2)**

231-839-4945 • missaukee.org/departments/parks
M-55 at Muskegon River, Lake City, MI 49651



Open to
Hiking &
River Access
Season May-Oct

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

**2 CHANDLER HILL
CAMPGROUND**

231-549-7878 • chandlerhillcampground.com
2930 Magee Rd. N., Boyne Falls, MI 49713



Total Sites 76
Full Hook-Up... Yes
Rustic Yes
Cabins 2
Pull Through ... Yes
Season May-Oct
Reservation Yes

**9 CROOKED LAKE
CAMPGROUND/PARK (pg. 2)**

231-839-4945 • missaukee.org/departments/parks
M-55 at Muskegon River, Lake City, MI 49651



Total Sites 53
Seasonal Yes
Electric 35
Rustic 17
Cabin 1
Season May-Oct
Reservation No

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY

**4 EVERFLOWING WATERS
CAMPGROUND**

231-938-0933 • everflowingwaterscampground.com
5481 Brackett Rd., Williamsburg, MI 49690



Total Sites 52
Seasonal 5
Elec. Hook-Up... 22
Rustic 15
Pull Through 5
Season Apr-Oct
Reservation Yes

**10 MISSAUKEE LAKE
CAMPGROUND/PARK (pg. 2)**

231-839-4945 • missaukee.org/departments/parks
M-55 at Muskegon River, Lake City, MI 49651



Total Sites 121
Seasonal Yes
Full Hook-Up 96
Electric 21
Cabin 4
Season May-Oct
Reservation Yes

ROSCOMMON COUNTY

**5 TIMBER RIDGE RV &
RECREATION RESORT**

231-947-2770 • timberridgeresort.net
4050 Hammond Rd., Traverse City, MI 49696



Total Sites 249
Seasonal Yes
Full Hook Up... Yes
Pull Through ... Yes
Season All Year
Reservation Yes

**13 HOUGHTON LAKE
TRAVEL PARK**

989-422-3931 • houghtonlaketravelparkcampground.com
370 Cloverleaf Ln., Houghton Lake, MI 48629



Total Sites 83
Seasonal 33
Full Hook-Up 27
Rustic (3 Cabins) ... 12
Pull Through 71
Season Apr-Oct
Reservation Yes

LEELANAU COUNTY

**6 INDIGO BLUFFS
RV PARK & RESORT**

231-326-5050 • indigobluffs.com
6760 W. Empire Hwy., Empire, MI 49630



Total Sites 147
Seasonal 42
Full Hook-Up 43
Pull Through 8
Cabin 2
Season May-Oct
Reservation Yes

WEXFORD COUNTY

**11 CAMP CADILLAC
CAMPGROUND & RV PARK**

231-775-9724 • campcadillac.com
10621 E. 34 Rd., Cadillac, MI 49601



Total Sites 115
Seasonal 24
Full Hook-Up 60
Rustic 8
Cabins 3
Pull Through 9
Season Apr-Oct
Reservation Yes

MANISTEE COUNTY

**3 KAMPVILLA RV PARK &
FAMILY CAMPGROUND (pg. 2)**

231-864-3757 • kampvilla.com
16632 Pleasanton Hwy., Bear Lake, MI 49614



Total Sites 92
Seasonal 45
Full Hook-Up 22
Rustic 25
Pull Through 22
Season Apr-Oct
Reservation Yes

**14 COOLWATER ON THE PINE
CAMPGROUND (pg. 2)**

231-862-3841 • coolwatercamp.com
9424 W. 48-1/2 Rd., Wellston, MI 49689



Total Sites 65
Seasonal 6
Full Hook-Up NA
Rustic 25
Season Apr-Oct
Reservation Yes

**7 TWIN OAKS CAMPGROUND
& CABINS (pg. 2)**

877-442-3102 • twinoakscamping.com
233 Moss Rd., Wellston, MI 49689



Total Sites 78
Seasonal 21
Full Hook-Up 18
Rustic 26
Pull Through 4
Season Apr-Dec
Reservation Yes

**12 NORTHERN EXPOSURE
CAMPGROUND**

231-885-1199 • northernexposurecampground.net
285 Manistee River Rd., Mesick, MI 49668



Total Sites 240
Seasonal Yes
Full Hook-Up NA
Rustic 42
Pull Through 21
Season May-Oct
Reservation Yes

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Baldwin – TNC16011633 – \$22,900
2 large lots w/ 5" well, septic w/ 3 hook-ups, electric, and 2 sheds. Ready for camp to enjoy trails, fishing & state land. Deeded access to Mench Lake.



Baldwin – TNC15010821 – \$23,000
Wooded 10 acre parcel with trail access across the street and power at the street.



Baldwin – TNC16025224 – \$27,500
2 lakes for the price of 1! Great building spot on waterfront lot off Townsend lake with access to Hamlin lake. Both stocked with fish ready for you to catch dinner.



Ewart – TNC16026104 – \$57,500
2 Manufactured homes with great rental history for the price of one between Reed City and Ewart.



Hersey – TNC16030599 – \$62,500
Well maintained 3 bdrm, 2 bth ranch on on .7 acres with 2 stall detached garage with access to the Muskegon River down the road.



Irons – TNC15021166 – \$17,900
Great camping spot on Heart Lake with access to other lakes. Electric, well, septic and runners for mobile home in place. Enjoy all the trails and state land near by.



Reed City – TNC16029447 – \$59,900
34 Acres of land with two road frontages, Kissinger creek running through the middle and lots of wildlife.



Reed City – TNC16024818 – \$15,900
Wooded 9.65 acre parcel just north of 9 Mile Rd. on Mackinaw Trail off on a unnamed street.

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