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Itasca County has long been a favorite destination for year-round recreation. With over 1,000 lakes and nearly limitless public lands, there is certainly no shortage of opportunities for those who love the outdoors. But with more people now able to work from home and live where they want, Grand Rapids is changing from its tourism identity to one of the main hub cities of Northern Minnesota – and a desirable destination for those who would like to escape a bit from the constant rat-race.

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- Anna Eastman, Certified Mushroom Hunter

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On the day I went to request an interview from Leah Yellowbird, I climbed the three flights of stairs to the top floor of Grand Rapids’ historic Old Central School, where various artists participate in the Grand Rapids Arts ‘Artist in Residence’ Program. Tucked back in the corner was an entire canvas piece stretched from one end of a massive table to the next, with yet another piece lying on the floor, covering nearly all the walkway. Seated at the end of the table was Leah, meticulously painting her dot by dot pointillism with the patience only a woman who had spent many years beading would be able to muster.

The piece Leah was working on was her most recent addition to the vibrant Grand Rapids Public Arts Scene, having already contributed a piece to the downtown business district. This piece, however, is nearly triple the size. Large enough to cover the side of the Blandin Foundation, a downtown non-profit with an office cornered by both the Mississippi and the busy Highway 169. I asked Leah about her inspiration for the piece.

“Because it’s right on the river, I wanted to incorporate a Native story. I used an Ojibwe story about water, how precious water is, and how rocks are the oldest beings on earth, having been here long before us, and remaining long after we are gone. Therefore, they hold all the knowledge. So, for the River’s part, as the water washes over the rocks, it carries the knowledge.”

Leah herself is an indigenous artist, being Metis, Algonquin and Ojibwe. When I ask her to describe her artistic process she shared, “I think most of the ideas for anything I paint are usually dreams. A circumstance, a situation. My mind will look at it in native form.” She went on to say, “When I see something, maybe I’ll see a tree, in my head, it is painted my style. It’s not like I am seeing it literally. I don’t know why I see it things like that. It hasn’t always been that way.”

Leah told me she painted a bit in high school, but she never took any classes, never quite feeling her art was good enough. Just about 6 years ago, while on a trip to Arizona for the winter, Leah found herself without her beading kit. So, after a quick trip to the craft store, she sat with a $20 kit of paint and a blank piece of Canvas.

“My idea was to paint it as if I was beading because I missed beading since I didn’t bring any of it with me. I painted on it for the whole winter, and when I came back, I finished.” That first piece was shown at the MacRostie art gallery and sold. “And I thought, well I guess maybe somebody is interested in my point of view.”

Finally, I asked Leah what she thought was the importance of public art. “So many people will walk by a museum, or a gallery and not stop in because they will think ‘that’s not my thing’. They don’t think they know enough about it to go in there, but you want the opposite, right? You want everybody to look at art, and you want everybody to know that they can do art too.” She also emphasized, “Even if you don’t know what Indigenous Art looks like, you will look at my piece and have a small reflection of what came before you.”

I was so grateful to have spent the time with Leah, a truly creative and generous spirit, and I am even more grateful to have her art as a part of our ever-expanding Grand Rapids public arts.
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– Peter Gustafson, Ardent Bikes

**FISHING:**
“Whether floating the Mississippi River for giant smallmouth bass or fishing the numerous lakes surrounding Grand Rapids, it’s an angling jewel like no where else.”

– Tom Neustrom, Professional Fishing Guide

**FAMILY TIME:**
“My girls and I live for lake time in the summer. I always have the swim bag ready to go so we can hit the water at a moment’s notice. A self-proclaimed “fish,” I learned to swim on Pokegama Lake and I delight in seeing my kids grow in comfort and love of the same water.”

– Katie Benes, Mother & Fish

**SUMMER EVENTS:**
“The summers in the Grand Rapids Area are filled with a myriad of local events, so much so that it would be hard to visit here between June and September without something really fun and interesting taking place not the least of which is the “Weekend of Wheels” which takes place on the last full weekend of July. If you are into Swap Meets and/or Car Shows, this is a “CAN’T MISS IT” weekend in the Grand Rapids Area.”

– Bud Stone, President of the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce

**PADDLING:**
“The ability to be able to hear, smell and see nature up close and personal adds that magical touch to a paddling outing.”

– Holli Busching, Paddle Hoppers

**ATTRACTIONS:**
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I've always been fascinated with the flooded mine pits of our area. There is something truly beautiful and haunting about these deep pools of water. It's not difficult to let your mind wander to a time when these seemingly bottomless pits held miners removing the precious metals from the land. Growing up in the area, I have fond memories of swimming with friends in the Tioga Pit of Cohasset. The cerulean color of the water gave a tropical vibe, and the knowledge that the depths stretched well over 200' sparked imaginative thoughts of what could still lurk below. I carried these memories with me on the day I brought my friends to Nashwauk and I shared with them some of my favorite rumors of what had been tossed to the bottom of the area pits—everything from old snowmobiles, leftover mining equipment, and junked cars. There are those that say there is an entire train engine in the bottom of Tioga, and a common theory during the Infamous Ruby Red Slippers Heist was that the shoes had been tossed to the bottom of a pit by prankster teens. Of course, some of these things are nothing more than rumors, but divers who come to explore the pits still find many treasures.

On our way into Nashwauk, I pointed out another flooded pit with a beautiful outlook right in the heart of town, The Hawkins Mine Pit. From there we continued our journey along Hawkins Ave through the small mining town toward the Larue pit. As you make your way along the dirt road behind all the store fronts, it's obvious why this gem remains hidden. There is no signage guiding your path and you may even think you've wandered onto someone's private land. However, the view once you arrive makes your destination unmistakable.

We spent the entire day exploring the pit. We paddled every corner, pulling our vessels up to rocky shorelines to climb across the boulders, then jumping back onto the water to move onto yet another section. As we examined the crystalline water, we could see old trees reach their way upwards nestled next to iron structures that served as ghostly reminders of the pit's origins. We even watched as fish, including trout, darted just below the surface.

As our day concluded, we reminisced on the beauty of this pit. Truly, this was a powerful example of nature reclaiming the lands that once held such titans of industry.
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SHOPPING:

If you are looking for a unique gift to give that special someone, or an ideal item to remember your trip up north, the Downtown offers a wide variety of stores to find that perfect something. Vintage treasures, handmade crafts, and local art are just a few of the great shopping opportunities. Pamper yourself with a massage, fresh haircut, or that distinctive addition to your wardrobe. Don’t miss Crazy Dayz in July, when shops offer up special sidewalk sales and fun events, or join the Downtown Businesses on Small Business Saturday in November to show support for local entrepreneurs.
EVENTS:

The Downtown plays host to amazing events year-round! Most nights you can find live music at the coffee shops, breweries and other nightlife establishments. How about a quick round of trivia and a glass of wine? Maybe a girl’s night with the Traveling Art Pub or a pottery class? If you are looking for a thrill, head over to this Itasca County Historical Society for their Haunted Pines & Mines Ghost Tour, or bring the kiddos to the MacRostie Art Gallery on the 2nd Saturday of every month for a free family art project. Looking for something a bit bigger? In the winter you can kick off the holidays with the WinterGlo Festival, or brave the great northern winters with a February Ice Golf Tournament called the Frozen Fairways Golf Classic. Summertime brings the KAXE Mississippi River Festival, a two-day outdoor music festival on the river, and Tall Timber Days, a weekend celebrating our logging heritage, complete with lumberjack expos! Downtown Grand Rapids will certainly keep you busy.

CULTURE:

What truly makes Downtown Grand Rapids unique is the focus on Public Art, History and Culture. Take an art walk around downtown and you will find a plethora of diverse and engaging public art pieces and historic buildings, such as the one of a kind Old Central School. Stop into the MacRostie Art Gallery to check out their latest rotating exhibits, or step back in time at the Itasca County Historical Society. You can meet artists every month during the Frist Friday Art Walk, and in the summertime take in the MacRostie’s Downtown Art Fair, which brings a wide range of artists to the streets of Downtown. In Grand Rapids, we seek to preserve our history, celebrate our diversity, and embrace our artists, and there is no better place to see these values come alive than the Downtown.
In the fall, the crowds are smaller, the pace slower, and the warmth of a glowing fire lures you into Minnesota’s nature.

**HISTORY:**
“History records the times not the trends, it illuminates the journey of how we got to where we are!”

– Lilah Crowe, Itasca County Historical Society

**FALL COLORS:**
“The hardwoods are set ablaze, and the Chippewa colors are intensified as they mirror a reflection of perfection onto clear blue lakes.”

– John Schroeder, Nature Enthusiast

**HUNTING:**
“Hunting is kind of my happy place. I am completely disconnected from the digital world and stresses of day to day life.”

– Meadow Kouffeld, Natural Resource Instructor

**MOTORCYCLE:**
“Motorcycling in Itasca County incorporates lakes, national forests, great topography, small towns and well maintained county roads.”

– Wayne Roskos, Avid Rider

**BREWERIES/NIGHTLIFE:**
“It’s never hard to catch a good show and grab a craft beer in Grand Rapids these days!”

– Jeremy Anderson, Craft Beer Enthusiast and Local Performer

**FALL EVENTS:**
“I always seem to fill up my dance card in the fall. From Klocktoberfest for me, the Highway 38 sales to hit with my girlfriends, and heading out to the pumpkin patches and orchards with the kids!”

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Minnesotan author Sigurd F Olson wrote, “Wilderness to the people of America is a spiritual necessity, an antidote to the high pressure of modern life, a means of regaining serenity and equilibrium.” What a blessing it is to have that means of antidote in our own backyard. Growing up north on Highway 38, the Chippewa National Forest was my backyard almost literally.

The Forest calls me to explore and restore every chance I can get, and no matter how many chances I may find to get into the woods, it’s never enough. The stresses of modern life are ever pressing, and so it begs regular doses to cure. The scenery and experiences are ever changing with the seasons, and so it begs for regular attendance to observe: fresh snow on spruce boughs, delicate vernal blooms, the calling loons of equinox, and fiery leaves of fall.

While some may shudder and shiver as winter approaches the north woods, I am excited for the coming tranquility of cold. Whether it’s snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, or birding, I take joy in the quiet sports that don’t shatter the solitude of the woods. Though it may sound crazy to some, even like camping in the frozen forest can be fun. A tent and stove take off some of the chill, but a cup of coffee and hot food cooked over the fire are never more warming than when the temperatures drop to double-digits below zero. Last year I boasted with insanity my survival, as some friends and I camped through a couple of nights that dropped to -30F. If you want to find adventure, you will certainly find it in the Chippewa National Forest!

As winter thaws and the greens emerge, it’s exciting to get lost in the woods and see the forest come back to life. Early blooms, like abundant hepatica and hard-to-find orchids, call me to find them. Starflower, goldthread, false Solomon’s seal, and other ephemeral treasures tickle every step. Meanwhile, I look overhead into the treetops for the warbling tropical jewels that pass through the spring and linger to spend their summers with us.

Come summer and the symphonies and soloists sing through the trees—the ovenbird’s “teacher-teacher” call echoes through the canopy until the hauntingly beautiful tune of the hermit thrush cools down the summer evening. The hike through swarms of mosquitoes is worth the fight to find the reward of juicy rubies sparkling over shrubs and underfoot.

Then autumn falls, a favorite season for nearly every Minnesotan. The hardwoods are set ablaze, and the Chippewa colors are intensified as they mirror a reflection of perfection onto clear blue lakes. I am called back into the woods to camp, to hike, to hunt. My favorite hunt is for upland birds; a crisp, calming hike is suddenly startled by the flushing of a grouse. I hunt without a dog and I’m slow on the draw, so hunting grouse is really an excuse to be in the forest but not the ultimate goal. Light purple bursts of asters line the trails, red rose hips dress up fading, thorny bushes.

No doubt, there is a times and a season for everything – but for me every season is time to be in the Chippewa National Forest, or the precious wilderness of any jurisdiction awaiting me merely minutes up the road. Nature, like laughter, is a good medicine of which everyone needs a regular dosage.
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– Les Ollila, Snowmobile Enthusiast

**FAT TIRE:**
“My family loves mountain biking and we carry that enjoyment into winter. Fat biking is a great way to get out and exercise. The experience is different, as winter biking is generally slower, so you get to see things in nature differently. Plus, if you bike with lots of snow, all the crashes are a lot softer!”

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When we moved to Grand Rapids in 1979 I had almost no experience with cross country skiing. Two years before, we purchased some end of the year ski equipment on sale and the following winter we classic skied with some friends on a portgage trail into the Boundary Waters. It was 3 miles (5km) of mostly torture—many falls, overheating because we worked so hard and so not much fun. A few years later I went skiing with a friend I played pick up basketball with. We went on a very nice and fairly gentle trail—Cowhorn. I could not keep up with him even though we were pretty equal on the court. I told my friend Bill that I was ready to quit. “No,” he said, “you need better equipment—get some light touring skis at the local ski shop”. The difference was amazing! The skis were 1/2 the weight with much better glide. I learned to apply grip wax and glide wax.

Skate skiing was becoming more popular in the mid 80s and looked really fun. No grip wax needed, the motion was much different—more like ice skating and not so much stride and glide. As luck would have it my neighbor was an excellent skier and a cross-country ski coach. Robin taught me how to skate ski. Of course, new equipment was needed for the different technique but I rationalized it by saying that other winter sports like snowmobiling required even more expenditure. Robin and I did a lot of skiing together and and became great friends. I skied the many great trails in our area and made more friends in the process.

In 1987 I skied the 30km Vinterloppet from Sugar Hills to Quadna. I was so exhausted at the end! But Bill said, “Great job, you should ski the Birkebeiner. Bill had skied the famous 50km Birkebeiner and also the 30km Korteloppet in Hayward, WI. Together with several friends I went to Hayward to ski my first Birkebeiner. 7 hours later I finished just exhausted but really happy! Jim and Gary had finished 3 hours earlier and were there to meet me. Gary quickly helped me get out of my skis and together we went out on the town swapping tales of the race. That hooked me! I skied as much as I could around Grand Rapids and also stayed active in the “off” season. Soon I was in the best shape of my life! I did 27 consecutive Birkebeiners with my best just under 3 hours.

In 1991 I joined a group of skiers in forming the Northern Lights Nordic Ski Club and have met a great bunch of people through that organization. Robin had always preached the concept of ‘giving back’ to the sport or the community and this was my opportunity to do both. Our Club tries to live up to our mission to promote cross-country skiing as a healthful family activity. One of our Board members, Catherine, headed up the Youth Ski League at Mt. Itasca. What a sight to see 150 kids learning how to cross-country ski by having fun—playing ski soccer, relays and screaming down hills! We identified that adding lights to Legion Trails would allow more people to ski. The community responded enthusiastically to our fundraising to make that project a reality. Skiing after work or school was now possible. Our Club volunteers now groom 8 local ski trails. Now more folks can experience the winter rush that a good ski on a bright winter’s day can give! I no longer ski the Birkebeiner but do lots of skiing at our local trails. So far I don’t think I can come close to giving back as much as cross-country skiing has given to me.
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Les Ollila was inducted into the International Snowmobile Hall of Fame, located in Eagle River, WI, in 2019. When I asked if he wanted to say anything about that honor, he laughed, and in a true, humble, northerner fashion simply said, “No”.

Les may be modest, but his impact on the snowmobiling community of Northeastern Minnesota is no small achievement. His first job out of college was working for the DNR on a little project called the Taconite Trail. The Taconite trail would become the Longest State Snowmobile trail in Minnesota, and now serves as a 165-mile trail connecting Grand Rapids to Ely, winding through forests and mining lands. The first year Les began working on the trail he didn’t even own a Snowmobile, instead surveying the woods on snowshoes and by foot. However, by the winter of 1975, he got his first sled, and spurred a lifelong love of riding the trails.

Les recalled sharing his love of snowmobiling with his children, connecting on the trails, and stopping to roast hot dogs along the way. He reminisced on taking his daughter riding around a gravel pit not far from their house when she was younger. “There were little hills that we called ‘Yeehaws’, because when we would ride over them, we would say ‘Yeehaw!’”

During his time with the DNR Les worked as Regional Trails and Waterways Manager, working closely with area snowmobile clubs, managing grant money, and overseeing the construction and maintenance of many Northern Minnesota Snowmobile trails. Les shared, “Grooming is the most expensive part of trails. The groomers used today can be around $250,000.” It wasn’t always so high-tech. In the beginning trails were groomed with nothing more than a bed spring being pulled behind a snowmobile. Les fondly recalled a story about his friend Elmer Cone, founder of the International Snowmobile Hall of Fame and a long-time member of the Lawron Trail Riders Snowmobile Club. In the 1970s Elmer purchased a military surplus armored personnel carrier used in Alaska, called a “Weasel” in order to groom area trails. The machine was heavy, with steel tracks. “Elmer had to carry a toolbox, and eventually even mounted a welder onto the machine, because there was never a time when he was out grooming the trails that something on the thing didn’t need to be fixed.” While machinery has certainly grown more sophisticated over the years, the cost and time investment to maintain the trails is extensive, and much of that work falls to area Snowmobile Clubs. That’s why Les insists that, “The Clubs are the backbone of our trails system.”

Now in retirement, Les is a member of the Drift Skippers, who celebrated their 50th anniversary in 2019. He appreciates the time he gets to spend just enjoying the trails. “They used to call us folks who worked for the DNR ‘Rough Riders’ because we only rode the trails to look for rough spots and problems.” Now he can enjoy the freedom and solitude the trails bring him, taking advantage of the sprawling and interconnected trail system of Itasca County that he helped to build.
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## HOTELS and B&Bs

### AmericInn
- **Property Type:** HOTEL
- **Phone:** 800-664-3444 | 218-326-9890
- **Address:** 1197 Pokegama Ave S, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- **Website:** americinn.com

### Country Inn & Suites
- **Property Type:** HOTEL
- **Phone:** 800-456-4050 | 218-327-4168
- **Address:** 2801 E Hwy 2, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- **Website:** countryinns.com

### Forest Lake Motel
- **Property Type:** HOTEL
- **Phone:** 218-320-6488
- **Address:** Highway 3 West, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- **Website:** forestlakemotel.biz

### Green Heron Bed & Breakfast
- **Property Type:** B&B
- **Phone:** 218-999-5795
- **Address:** 2810 Meyers Bay Rd, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- **Website:** greenheronbandb.com

### Hotel Rapids
- **Property Type:** HOTEL
- **Phone:** 218-326-3498
- **Address:** 410 E Hwy 2, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- **Website:** hotelraptids.com

### Itascan Motel
- **Property Type:** HOTEL
- **Phone:** 800-842-7133 | 218-326-3498
- **Address:** 601 S Pokegama Ave, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- **Website:** itascamotel.com

### Pine Grove Motel
- **Property Type:** HOTEL
- **Phone:** 800-215-8405 | 218-326-3498
- **Address:** 1439 NW 41st Street, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- **Website:** pinегrovemotel.com

### Super 8 Hotel
- **Property Type:** HOTEL
- **Phone:** 218-327-1108
- **Address:** 1702 S Pokegama Ave, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- **Website:** supers8hotels.com

### Timberlake Lodge
- **Property Type:** HOTEL
- **Phone:** 866-800-2200 | 218-326-2600
- **Address:** 144 SE 17th Street, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- **Website:** timberlakelodge.com
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### Bowstring Shores

Experience the thrill of water sports living combined with family vacation activities and comfortable accommodations at Bowstring Shores Resort. Great family memories start here.

**Property Type:** RESORT & CAMPGROUND

- **Phone:** 218-332-3709
- **Address:** 4071 Country Rd 176 | Deer River, MN 56636
- bowstringshores.com

### Buckhorn on Caribou Lake

Buckhorn on Caribou is nestled among the tall pines along the shore of crystal clear Caribou Lake. We have become a colossal haven for vacationers seeking privacy, relaxation and a few family getaways.

**Property Type:** RESORT

- **Phone:** 218-326-0000
- **Address:** 450 Buckhorn Resort Rd | Excel MN 56637
- buckhornresort.com

### Jessie View

Jessie View Resort is nestled on the shores of Jessie Lake providing you with breathtaking scenery year-round and easy access to the lake. Enjoy peaceful sunrises and star-studded starry nights with family and friends.

**Property Type:** RESORT & CAMPGROUND

- **Phone:** 218-279-2794
- **Address:** 4574A County Road 351 Deer River, MN 56636
- jessielakeviewing.com | jessielakeviewing@gmail.com

### Loon’s Landing on Big Jessie Lake

Loon’s Landing offers beautiful lakeside cabins allowing Jessie Lake. Find yourself in a relaxed and rejuvenated. Offering year-round relaxation, our vision is that you have your vacation with us for the year to come.

**Property Type:** RESORT & CAMPGROUND

- **Phone:** 218-382-3890 | 367-363-6369
- **Address:** 49988 County Road 104 | Taconico mn 56637
- loonslanding.com

### Loon Point Resort

A top-notch resort located North of Grand Rapids on a secluded, quiet lake providing a place to relax and unwind. All the water toys, connections to all the trails. Open year-round.

**Property Type:** RESORT

- **Phone:** 800-542-1470 | 218-340-1470
- **Address:** 10674 County Road 530 | Blackduck, MN 56628
- loonpointresort.com

### Marcell Lodge

The picturesque, elegant, and spacious Marcell Lodge is located on beautiful Norten Lake in the heart of the wilderness area and Chipperwa Nature Forest, a perfect setting and location for relaxation or adventure. Stay with us and start making memories that can be shared for years to come. Open year-round.

**Property Type:** RESORT

- **Phone:** 218-355-330
- **Address:** 49481 State Hwy 38 | Marcell, MN 56657
- marcelllodge.com

### Moose Lake Resort

Moose Lake Resort is a family-owned and operated Mn & Pq northern Minnesota resort that offers rest and relaxation for the entire family. Our goal is to make your Minnesota vacation with us pleasurable, enjoyable and relaxing.

**Property Type:** RESORT

- **Phone:** 218-356-4675
- **Address:** 3670 County Rd 248 | Deer River, MN 56636
- mooselakeresort.com

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**Open Year Round:** Y

**# of Rooms (R) or Cabins (C):** C14

**ADA Accessible:** Y

**Lake (L) or Beach (B):** L

**Cable TV:** Y

**Onsite Food (F) or Cocktails (C):** F

**Bk: Continental (C) or Full (F):** C

**Meeting Space:** Y

**POOL, WHIRLPOOL, & KITCHEN:** Y

**FIREWOOD AVAILABLE:** Y

**BOAT RENTAL (R), TOYS (W), GAS (G):** R

**ICE HOUSE RENTALS:** B

**CAMPING: SHOWERS & TOILETS:** Y

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### Pine Acres Resort

Imagine listening to the sounds of the Minnesota Loon, the croaking frogs, and the wind blowing the pine needles as you fall asleep to the northern Minnesota sunset... ending each day with a relaxing camping trip. This is what you will love when vacationing with us.

**Property Type:** RESORT & CAMPGROUND

- **No. of Rooms/Cabins:** 5
- **ADA Accessible:** Y
- **Cable TV:** Y
- **Free Internet:** Y
- **Laundry Available:** Y
- **Fridge/Microwave/Kitchen:** Y
- **Fitness Center:** OS
- **Golf:** C
- **Heated Pool:** Y
- **Wireless Internet:** Y
- **Camping Sites:** Y
- **Pet Friendly:** Y
- **Boat Rental:** Y
- **Ice House Rentals:** Y
- **Tent Sites:** Y
- **RV Sites:** Y
- **Pet Policy:** Y
- **Boat Slips Available:** Y
- **Cable TV:** Y
- **Fridge/Microwave/Kitchen:** Y
- **Fitness Center:** OS
- **Golf:** C
- **Heated Pool:** Y
- **Wireless Internet:** Y
- **Camping Sites:** Y
- **Pet Friendly:** Y
- **Boat Rental:** Y
- **Ice House Rentals:** Y
- **Tent Sites:** Y
- **RV Sites:** Y
- **Pet Policy:** Y
- **Boat Slips Available:** Y

**Contact:**
- **Phone:** 218-327-1462
- **Address:** 57584 Otis Lane, Cohasset, MN 55721
- **Website:** sugarlakelodge.com

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### Pokegama Lake Resort

Pokegama Lake Resort is located in a quiet residential neighborhood. It is a beautiful place used for relaxation or recreation, attracting visitors for vacations, tourism, and as a weekend getaway.

**Property Type:** RESORT & CAMPGROUND

- **No. of Rooms/Cabins:** 3
- **ADA Accessible:** Y
- **Cable TV:** Y
- **Free Internet:** Y
- **Laundry Available:** Y
- **Fridge/Microwave/Kitchen:** Y
- **Fitness Center:** OS
- **Golf:** C
- **Heated Pool:** Y
- **Wireless Internet:** Y
- **Camping Sites:** Y
- **Pet Friendly:** Y
- **Boat Rental:** Y
- **Ice House Rentals:** Y
- **Tent Sites:** Y
- **RV Sites:** Y
- **Pet Policy:** Y
- **Boat Slips Available:** Y

**Contact:**
- **Phone:** 218-327-1462
- **Address:** 57584 Otis Lane, Cohasset, MN 55721
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### Rising Eagle Resort

Rise, Play, Fish, Hunt at Rising Eagle Resort on Jessie Lake, a premier walleye lake in the heart of the Chippewa National Forest. Stay in one of our lakefront cabins just steps from the water’s edge. Let our family help make your families last a lifetime.

**Property Type:** RESORT

- **No. of Rooms/Cabins:** 6
- **ADA Accessible:** Y
- **Cable TV:** Y
- **Free Internet:** Y
- **Laundry Available:** Y
- **Fridge/Microwave/Kitchen:** Y
- **Fitness Center:** OS
- **Golf:** C
- **Heated Pool:** Y
- **Wireless Internet:** Y
- **Camping Sites:** Y
- **Pet Friendly:** Y
- **Boat Rental:** Y
- **Ice House Rentals:** Y
- **Tent Sites:** Y
- **RV Sites:** Y
- **Pet Policy:** Y
- **Boat Slips Available:** Y

**Contact:**
- **Phone:** 218-327-1462
- **Address:** 57584 Otis Lane, Cohasset, MN 55721
- **Website:** sugarlakelodge.com

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### Southwood Resort

Awake to crisp summer mornings amidst towering pines and white birds to the sound of the splashing loon and the cry of the loons overhead. If you’re looking for a special retreat, we invite you to become members of our family and share in our little piece of heaven.

**Property Type:** RESORT

- **No. of Rooms/Cabins:** 5
- **ADA Accessible:** Y
- **Cable TV:** Y
- **Free Internet:** Y
- **Laundry Available:** Y
- **Fridge/Microwave/Kitchen:** Y
- **Fitness Center:** OS
- **Golf:** C
- **Heated Pool:** Y
- **Wireless Internet:** Y
- **Camping Sites:** Y
- **Pet Friendly:** Y
- **Boat Rental:** Y
- **Ice House Rentals:** Y
- **Tent Sites:** Y
- **RV Sites:** Y
- **Pet Policy:** Y
- **Boat Slips Available:** Y

**Contact:**
- **Phone:** 888-815-1645 | 218-259-8806
- **Address:** 3240 Southwood Rd, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- **Website:** southwoodresort.com

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### Sugar Lake Lodge

Sugar Lake Lodge is the ideal place to escape the rush of daily life. A great place to reconnect with family, friends, or business associates. Whatever the reason for your visit you’ll find success for your social engagement as well as extra touch for private. Come enjoy what we have to offer.

**Property Type:** RESORT

- **No. of Rooms/Cabins:** 92
- **ADA Accessible:** Y
- **Cable TV:** Y
- **Free Internet:** Y
- **Laundry Available:** Y
- **Fridge/Microwave/Kitchen:** Y
- **Fitness Center:** OS
- **Golf:** C
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- **Pet Friendly:** Y
- **Boat Rental:** Y
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- **Tent Sites:** Y
- **RV Sites:** Y
- **Pet Policy:** Y
- **Boat Slips Available:** Y

**Contact:**
- **Phone:** 218-327-1462
- **Address:** 3240 Southwood Rd, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- **Website:** sugarlakelodge.com

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### Wildwood Resort

At Wildwood, we strive to carry on the traditions of unparalleled customer service and exceptional value that have made our resort a trusted family vacation resort since the 1970s. Our tradition is unmatched in Normandin. We invite you to make your next reservation here at Wildwood.

**Property Type:** RESORT

- **No. of Rooms/Cabins:** 50
- **ADA Accessible:** Y
- **Cable TV:** Y
- **Free Internet:** Y
- **Laundry Available:** Y
- **Fridge/Microwave/Kitchen:** Y
- **Fitness Center:** OS
- **Golf:** C
- **Heated Pool:** Y
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- **Boat Rental:** Y
- **Ice House Rentals:** Y
- **Tent Sites:** Y
- **RV Sites:** Y
- **Pet Policy:** Y
- **Boat Slips Available:** Y

**Contact:**
- **Phone:** 888-519-5060 | 218-329-9508
- **Address:** 35140 Wildwood Road, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- **Website:** wildwoodresort.net
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Sam Miltich
GRSB customer
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