

Just the Facts

Wild Beauty on the Lake SUPERIOR Shore

Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore
National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior



Legislation

Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore was authorized by Public Law 89-668 passed by Congress on October 15, 1966. The Lakeshore was formally dedicated on October 5, 1972. The Lakeshore is located in Alger County, within Michigan's First Congressional District.

Park Base Budget

FY 2006 \$1.89 million

Park Staff

29 full time equivalencies

Park Area

The Lakeshore is managed in two zones for a total of 73,325 acres. The Shoreline Zone is owned by the National Park Service and includes 33,929 acres. The Inland Buffer Zone is a mixture of State of Michigan, Forestland Group, and other private lands encompassing 39,306 acres.

Watersheds

The park includes lands which drain to two major watersheds - Lake Superior and Lake Michigan. Within the Lake Superior watershed are Munising Falls Creek, Miners River, Bridalveil Creek, Beaver Creek, Sevenmile Creek, Chapel River, Spray Creek, Sullivan's Creek, and Sable Creek, watersheds.

Park Length

42.8 miles

Park Depth

At its widest point 5.75 miles

Miles of Hiking Trail

Approximately 111 miles

Number of Major Lakes

Five - Miners, Little Beaver, Beaver, Chapel, Grand Sable

Jurisdiction

The park is primarily proprietary jurisdiction though some concurrent and exclusive jurisdiction exists in specific areas.

Park Visitation

2006	419,298	2005	478,735
2004	383,705 (approx. 50% occurs July and August)		
	10,996 registered backcountry		

Origin of Visitation by State - Ranked

Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Ohio, Minnesota, Indiana

National Register Sites

Schoolcraft Blast Furnace, Au Sable Light Station

List of Classified Historic Structures

33

Museum Collection Objects

Park Total: 51,276

Midwest Archeological Center Total: 36,100

Drive In Campgrounds

Three - Little Beaver (8 sites), Hurricane River (22 sites), and Twelvemile Beach (36 sites)

Hike In Campgrounds

Thirteen - Cliffs (3 sites,) Cliffs Group, Potato Patch (3), Mosquito River (5), Chapel Beach (6), Coves Group, Coves (5), Beaver Lake (4), Beaver Creek (6), Trappers Lake (5), Trappers Group, Pine Bluff (5), Sevenmile Creek (5), Sevenmile Group, Benchmark (6), Au Sable Point East (6), Masse Homestead (3).

Vascular Plant Taxa

Expected here...907 - Found here...755 (14% of present are exotic)

Herpetofauna Taxa

Expected to be found here...22 - Found here...17

Fish Taxa

Expected to be found here...73 - Found here...57

Bird Taxa

Expected to be found here...212 - Found here...179

Mammal Taxa

Expected to be found here...49 - Found here...42

Threatened and Endangered Taxa

	Federal	State
Vascular plants	1	12
Herptofauna	0	0
Fish	0	1
Birds	2	10
Mammals	0	1

Research Natural Area

Grand Sable Dunes Research Natural Area

