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Celebrating over 50 Years.....

1968, marked the passage of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act and the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway was among the original rivers designated and the first to be named a National Park.

As one of America’s National treasures and a gift from past generations to be preserved for use by future generations visitors to the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway will have memories to cherish forever. The waters of the St. Croix River invite visitors to explore the backwaters in a canoe in search of bald eagles, river otters, whitetail deer and other wildlife.

Or, if you choose, see the River from one of the excursion paddle boats, take a ride along the river on a vintage train or enjoy a trolley ride through one of the quaint River communities.

Nestled in the Valley between Minnesota and Wisconsin you will find quaint historic towns to explore featuring one-of-a-kind shops, wineries, microbreweries, artist studios, galleries, and great dining. Visitors come throughout the year to experience these charming communities and take advantage of year-round events and local celebrations.

Enjoy browsing through this Visitors Guide or please visit our website www.saintcroixriver.com where you will find more information on the Wild and Scenic Saint Croix River Valley and its communities.

The Saint Croix Valley... A Place Like no Other.
Saint Croix Valley Visitors’ Centers

National Park Service
St. Croix River Visitor Center
401 North Hamilton St.
St. Croix Falls, WI • (715) 483-2274
Hours: mid-April - mid-October
daily 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Off season hours: daily 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Visitor Center closed: Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year’s Day.

Namekagon River Visitor Center
Hwy 63, one mile east of Hwy 53
in Trego, WI • (715) 635-8346 ex.429
Hours: Memorial Day Weekend - Labor Day:
daily 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Rest of the year Sat. & Sun. 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Both visitor centers have National Park Service Rangers available to help you plan a river trip, direct you to maps, educational materials, and answer questions about the St. Croix River and National parks.
Services Available:
• Trip Planning
• Ranger presentations
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Polk County Information Center
710 Hwy 35 South
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www.PolkCountyTourism.com
info@PolkCityTourism.com
Hours: May - October
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Sun. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. (when snowmobile trails are open, and closed when trails are closed)
Services Available:
• Exhibits & historic displays
• Brochures, maps
• Gift shop/bookstore
• Trailhead pass information for 50-mile
Gandy Dancer Bike/Snowmobile Trail
• Parking for buses, RV’s
• Clean restrooms

St. Croix Travel Information Center
Westbound rest area 3 miles from I-94 Bridge, PO Box 305 • Lakeland, MN 55043
(651) 296-0733 • Julie.Ramer@State.MN.us
www.ExploreMinnesota.com
Hours: Monday - Sunday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.,
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Services Available:
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Great River Road Visitor & Learning Center at Freedom Park
200 Monroe St. • Prescott, WI
(715) 262-0104
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grrvlc@gmail.com
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Tourism@MenomonieChamber.org • (800) 283-1862 or (715) 379-8689
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(651) 257-1177
www.ChisagoLakesChamber.com
info@PrescottWI.com • (715) 262-3284
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### Amazing Parks to Explore…

**Saint Croix Valley Parks**

If you are looking to escape city life, or just everyday life, look no further than the amazing Saint Croix Valley’s parks!

![Map of Saint Croix Valley Parks](image)

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Afton State Park - Afton, MN ~ Grand oaks and delicate prairie flowers grace the rugged, rolling landscape of this park. The trails are perfect for hikers, wind your way down deep ravines and rise up to the grassy ridgetops and bluffs overlooking the scenic St. Croix River. Birders will enjoy a variety of species—Eastern Bluebird, Eastern Meadowlark, Bobolink, Henslow’s Sparrows, twenty-nine species of Warblers have been spotted.

William O’Brien State Park - Marine on St. Croix, MN
A great “get away” park only one hour from the Twin Cities. Hiking trails offer quiet exploration of the Park’s rolling, wooded hills. For anglers, the channels of the St. Croix have northerns, walleye, bass and trout. Ideal for canoeing, the river is also a migratory pathway that offers visitors an exciting diversity of sights and sounds. Upland meadows and woods provide a great environment for wildlife spotting.

Wild River State Park - Center City, MN ~ Located along 18 miles of the beautiful St. Croix River. The park attracts people who enjoy camping, hiking, horseback riding, canoeing, interpretive programs, self-guided trails, and cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. Outstanding location for birding, over 200 species.

Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center - MN & WI
Located along the bluffs of the Wild & Scenic St. Croix River, 425 acres of tall grass prairie, oak savannah, flood plain, pine plantation, wetland and woodland. Birders will find perfect viewing of Fall raptor migration. The Center has documented 198 bird species on the Minnesota Campus.

Interstate Park - Taylors Falls, MN & St. Croix Falls, WI
Visitors can climb the cliffs of the St. Croix River Dalles, canoe the flat-water, or kayakers’ can rush through the rapids. Spring brings a great diversity of wildflowers; in Fall the St. Croix River Valley forest is ablaze in autumn colors of red, gold, and orange.

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Willow River State Park - Hudson, WI ~ Multiple Habitats, Multiple Seasons. At 2,891 acres, Willow River State Park has a variety of habitats to explore, prairie, forests and panoramic river scenery. Avid birders will glimpse Eastern and Western Meadowlarks, Bobolinks and Sedge Wrens in the prairies; fields and woodlands hold Eastern Bluebirds, Tree Swallows, Scarlet Tanagers and Rose-Breasted Grosbeaks. For wildlife viewing the park has 13 miles of hiking trails that vary in difficulty.

White Kinnickinnic Pathway - River Falls, WI ~ Located in downtown River Falls, this park runs along the west bank of the Kinnickinnic River and Lake George Park. A birders delight this area offers a surprising variety of Woodland Warblers and Vireos, Baltimore Orioles are abundant, and their nests can be found in the trees overhanging the lake.

Kinnickinnic State Park - River Falls, WI ~ Wildlife watchers in Kinnickinnic State Park can observe a wide variety of birds and animals in their natural environments. The gorge and delta are designated as a State Natural Area. The valley of the Kinnickinnic River, a cold water trout stream, is a rare sanctuary with majestic white pines and sheer limestone cliffs.
To learn more about “Important Bird Areas” (IBA) in the St. Croix Valley visit the St. Croix Valley Bird Club website www.SCVBirdClub.com or visit the club on Facebook.

Freedom Park Visitor & Learning Center - Prescott, WI
Located at the northern gateway to Wisconsin’s Great River Road, a National Scenic Byway, the Center overlooks the scenic upper Mississippi River Valley where the St. Croix River enters the mighty Mississippi. Enjoy the educational native plant gardens, and look for raptors, migrating birds and other wildlife at this Audubon Birding site and Watchable Wildlife site.

St. Croix Islands State Wildlife Area - Somerset, WI
The Apple River and St. Croix River come together in a delta called the St. Croix Islands. These scattered oak and maple tree-covered islands range in size and are easy to access by canoe or kayak from the St. Croix River. This important migratory route serves many species of raptors. Osprey nest here along with Bald Eagles and Great Blue Herons.

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If your idea of fun is where the rubber meets the road, bicycling is an awesome way to tour the Saint Croix Valley.

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St. Croix & Polk County, WI - Bike Trails
Gandy Dancer Trail - St. Croix Falls, WI ~ This 98-mile recreational crushed limestone trail heads north to Superior, Wisconsin and winds through numerous parks, lovely scenic countryside. State trail pass required. (www.PolkCountyTourism.com)

Wildwood Trail - Woodville/Spring Valley, WI ~ The Wildwood Trail follows a former railroad right-of-way. The trail runs between Woodville and Spring Valley and is open to snowmobilers in Winter. The trail passes among a mostly rural setting through a nicely wooded corridor.

Red Cedar State Trail - Menomonie, WI ~ The Red Cedar State Trail runs for 14.5 miles between the city of Menomonie and the Dunnville Wildlife Area. The trail travels among the scenic Red Cedar River valley and remnants of Midwestern prairie, wetlands, forests and farms. Bicyclists and cross-country skiers 16 years and older must purchase a state trail pass. Passes available at Menomonie depot trailhead. The limestone trail is open to hikers, cyclists, cross-country skiers and snowshoers.

Great River Road Trail - Prescott, WI ~ Wisconsin’s portion of the Great River Road (Hwy 35) can lay claim to the most beautiful views along the Mississippi River. The section between Prescott and Stockholm contains some of the most challenging hills in the state. (WIGRR.com/Activities/Bicycling/Bicycling-The-State-Trails)

Stower 7 Lakes Trail - Amery/Dresser, WI ~ The trail passes through maple and oak forests, wetland, prairies and farmlands, and past many picturesque lakes. A state trail pass is required for biking. (www.PolkCountyTourism.com)

St. Croix Valley Bike Tour ~ Connects three state parks. The trail begins at William O’Brien State Park, north of Stillwater and goes north on State Highway 95 to Interstate Park, then ride north to Taylors Falls on County Road 71 to Wild River State Park.

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Pedal MN is dedicated to helping everyone get out and enjoy The Bike State. Learn more at www.ExploreMinnesota.com/Pedal-MN.

Washington County, MN - Scenic Bicycle Loops:
Loop 1 ~ 30 miles of scenic terrain and long steep grades through William O’Brien State Park, Big Marine Park Reserve and Square Lake County Park.

Loop 2 ~ Square Lake Park and Pine Point Park, traverses through farmland and wooded areas and offers spectacular views of the St. Croix River.

Loop 3 ~ Starts at Pine Point Park and includes 17 miles of moderate terrain and ends in the historic and scenic city of Stillwater, MN.

Loop 4 ~ Lake Elmo Park Reserve, 10 miles of gently rolling hills and flat terrain along a paved shoulder with a portion hugging the beautiful Lake Elmo shoreline. The park reserve also offers five miles of paved bikeway around the developed portion of the park plus eight miles of mountain bike trails.

Brown’s Creek State Trail ~ Ride your bike from downtown Stillwater to downtown St. Paul (25 miles) on Brown’s Creek/Gateway State Trail. The trailhead is by the old Zephyr rail line on the north side of Main Street, in Stillwater, MN. The trail is great for all skill levels, it is paved and mostly level, winding through beautiful countryside. (www.gatewaybrownscreektrail.org)

Hastings Loop - Hastings, MN ~ The spectacular trail crosses Mississippi River bluffs and traverses the breathtaking Vermillion River gorges, Lake Isabel, Lake Rebecca and ambles along the Mississippi banks in the historic downtown of Hastings.

Rules of the Road:
Stop at red lights & stop signs
Ride on the right in a straight line
Signal your turns
Be visible
JUST RIDE...
The St. Croix Valley of Minnesota and Wisconsin is a motorcycling haven for those that are looking for winding roads, grand views, friendly communities and incredible hospitality.

A Favorite Ride: Pick your state and wind your way through beautifully sculptured landscape. A favorite motorcycle route is Minnesota Hwy. 95 following the St. Croix River from Taylors Falls, WI to Prescott, WI. In Prescott, head south on Hwy. 61 along the Mississippi River into Red Wing, MN. For a longer ride, continue on Hwy. 61 south to LaCrescent, MN. Cross the river into Wisconsin and ride Wisconsin Hwy 35 (Great River Road), as it hugs the river on the east side.

Riding through the Valley not only will you find great back roads to explore but you will have the opportunity to visit some of the most beautiful National and State Parks in the Midwest.

Wisconsin’s Rustic Roads
Wisconsin’s Rustic Roads program preserves scenic, lightly traveled country roads for leisurely enjoyment including motorcycle tours of the countryside. The routes are numbered and marked by brown and yellow signs. Rustic roads are bordered by outstanding natural features, such as rugged terrain, native vegetation and wildlife, or wide, open spaces with breathtaking views throughout the year.

Minnesota’s St. Croix Scenic Byway
The 124-mile St. Croix Scenic Byway runs from Point Douglas (near Hastings) to a point north of Sandstone, MN. Prepare to be impressed by the great beauty of the St. Croix “Wild and Scenic” River Valley. Long vistas and rolling landscape in the south changes to a more rugged environment of rock, cliffs and woods as you proceed north.

The St. Croix Valley Riders is a group of riders in the St. Croix Valley which welcomes all motorcyclists to their events and rides. The St. Croix Valley Riders sponsors charitable events and any event that will further motorcyclists’ rights. From their Round Barn Rally in June to the Annual Chili Feed in September, the St. Croix Valley Riders host a variety of events throughout the year. For a list of events and information on more great rides visit www.SCVR.org.

Need a break from the road? Try one of these motorcycle friendly eating establishments.
- Bayport, MN • Woody’s Bar & Grill
- Bay City, WI • Mike’s Bay Town Bar
- Diamond Bluff, WI • Nauti Hawg
- Hudson, WI • Dick’s Bar
- Marine on St. Croix, MN • Brookside Bar & Grill
- Osceola, WI • PY’s Saloon & Grill • Spirit Moon Bar
- Prescott, WI • No Name Saloon & Monkey Bar
- St. Croix Falls, WI • Howlin’ Wolf Creek Bar
- Stillwater, MN • The Oasis

Let the Good Times Roll!
Motorcycling in the Saint Croix Valley
The historic Village of Afton is nestled between wooded river bluffs on the scenic, nationally protected St. Croix River. Those that visit call Afton “nostalgic, friendly, charming, and quaint.” In the mid-1800s, visitors, were reminded of Robert Burns’ poem “Flow Gently, Sweet Afton,” and hence came its name.

Explore Main Street Treasures
Afton’s Historic Main Street (St. Croix Trail) features several unique shops offering clothing, repurposed antiques, works from local artists, spas/salons, jewelry, hand-made gift items and more. A visit to Afton would not be complete without a stop at the lovely 19th century Afton House Inn, offering upscale dining and gracious accommodations featuring rooms with fireplaces and Jacuzzi tubs—perfect for a romantic weekend get-away.

Explore the River
Afton is home to two of the largest marinas in the Valley. Enjoy a cruise on the beautiful St. Croix River with Afton-Hudson Cruise Lines. Pleasure boaters will find Windmill Marina, ready to cater to any of their needs. The Marina features a complete service department, ship’s store, launch ramp and gas dock with pump out facilities, ice, bait and more.

A Summertime Tradition
Selma’s Ice Cream Parlour is small-town, step-back-in-time, old-fashion ice cream shop. Minnesota’s oldest ice cream shop, Selma’s has been dishing out ice cream and other wonderful treats since the early 1900s. Ice cream is only the beginning, at Selma’s. Enjoy a fresh cup of coffee or espresso, or satisfy your sweet tooth by browsing through the large selection of fine candies.

Get in Touch with Nature
Afton’s location on the widest expanse of the St. Croix River, Lake St. Croix, and its proximity to Afton State Park, Belwin Nature Center and Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center offers visitors and nature lovers the opportunity to see a variety of wildlife, excellent birding, and great hiking.
Visit the Historic River Town of Afton, MN

Afton Strawberry Festival & Artesian Market
June 22 - 23 • AftonArtFair.com

4th of July Parade • 12 noon on July 4th

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Afton Trick or Treat Trail • October 26

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Welcome
Located on the St. Croix River, between the cities of Afton and Stillwater, Bayport is known for its scenic charm and warm, small town hospitality. Whether you are a nature lover, recreation enthusiast, or a foodie in search of a great new place to eat, Bayport provides visitors with a variety of ways to enjoy the river valley!

Natural Beauty
At the south end of the city, photographers and birders come to enjoy the St. Croix Savanna Scientific and Natural Area (SNA). This area is considered to be the best hill prairie and oak savanna along the Lower St. Croix National Scenic Riverway. In addition to stunning views of the river valley that span this 148 acres of open space, the SNA offers high bird diversity, with 115 bird species sighted and several varieties of native vegetation. Hiking trails can also be found throughout the SNA.

Waterfront Amenities
Visitors looking to explore the St. Croix River Valley by water will be pleased to know that Bayport offers multiple boat launches, boat rental, transient boat slips, waterside dining, and a full-service gas dock at the area marinas. Lakeside Park, located on the shores of the St. Croix River, is also a valued community asset and the perfect destination to take a swim, have a picnic, or take a leisurely stroll along the river’s shore.

Dining and Hospitality
Bayport offers a variety of unique, independent restaurant and dining options, which definitely enhance the character and charm of this historic town. Fresh fish and seafood, handmade baked goods, made from scratch American comfort food, and farm to table inspired wood-fired cuisine are just a few of the selections that aim to please. Visitors will find that the restaurants are easy to access off of the St. Croix Scenic Byway (Highway 95) and offer ample, free parking.

Visit Often
Full of interesting places and friendly faces, easy to get to and hard to forget, Bayport is a place where everyone feels welcome. Be sure to explore all that the St. Croix River Valley has to offer, including the unforgettable experiences you will discover in Bayport!
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2019 Calendar of Events

The Scenic Saint Croix Valley

CAR SHOWS
Hastings, MN • May-October
Historic Cruise-In Car Shows 5-9 pm - Every other Saturday. Special events are planned throughout the summer. www.DowntownHastingsMN.com/Cruise-In-Car-Shows.html (651) 437-4400

Stillwater, MN • June - September
Cruise-In on the Cr 13 • Hot Rod & Vintage Car Show - Stroll through rows of vintage and hot rod collectible cars, grab a bite to eat, and enjoy live outdoor music. www.DiscoverStillwater.com

River Falls, WI • July 14 & September
15 Car Cruise Classic • cars, rat rods, motorcycles and show vehicles on historic Main Street. www.RFChamber.com

TRAIN RIDES
Osceola, WI • Late September - Mid-October
Fall Colors Ride - Step back in time and enjoy the beauty of the St. Croix Valley during the beauty of the Fall color. www.osceolawisconsin.com/osceola-train/

FARMERS’ MARKETS
Chisago City, MN • May – October
Farmer’s Market at Moberg Park. A variety of fresh products from local growers, producers, and artisans www.ChisagoCityFarmersMarket.com (651) 257-4162

St. Croix Falls, WI • Mid-May – October, Saturdays 10am -1pm Library Plaza, 230 S. Washington Street

Afton, MN • June - September Farmer’s Market Every Thursday info@ExploreAfton.com

New Richmond, WI • June – October

Bayport, MN • Mid-June – October

Lindstrom, MN • July 11 - October 27
Farmers’ Market at St. Bridget’s of Sweden Catholic Church parking lot in downtown (12 miles East of I-35 North, exit 132) on Hwy 8. Open: Wed. 3-6pm & Saturday 8am-12pm. Fruit, Vegetables, baked goods, flowers, plants, honey and more. www.localharvest.org/lindstrom-farmers-market-M6331 (651) 257-4414

Osceola, WI • June – October. The Farmer’s Market will be held every Friday from 2pm until 6pm during early June to October. Enjoy locally produced goods from our area farmers. christine.elmquist@communityhomestead.org.

River Falls, WI • June - October
Farmers’ Market Features a variety of locally produced fresh vegetables, annual/ perennial bedding plants, fresh flowers, fruit, cheese, canned/baked goods, herbs, honey, maple syrup and more. Tuesday’s, 3 – 6pm and Saturday’s, 8am – 12pm at Dick’s Market, 1211 S. Main Street. Vendors are all within 35 miles of River Falls. Like us on: www.facebook.com/RiverFalls-FarmersMarket-104782026314.498592

Scandia, MN • June – September.

Stillwater, MN • June - October.
Farmers’ Market at 3rd & Pine. Start your day shopping, socializing, and enjoying a fresh cup of coffee and mouth-watering pastry. www.facebook.com/Stillwater-Minnesota-Farmers-Market-104646769583889

MUSEUM TOURS
Hudson, WI • May - Oct. & Dec.
Octagon House Museum & Gift Shop Open www.StCroixCountyHistory.org (715) 386-2654.

Scandia, MN • April - mid-Oct.
Gammelgården Museum Open for tours Fri., Sat., & Sun., 1 & 2:30 pm. www.Gammelgardemuseum.org (651) 433-5053

FLEA MARKET
New Richmond, WI • May – Oct.
Farmstead Flea Market - One of the finest flea markets around! You will enjoy searching through the 90+ year old dairy barn (part of the original farmstead) to hunt for treasures you only dreamed about. www.NRHeritageCenter.org

CONCERTS
Hastings, MN • Early Fall Rotary
Pavilion Outdoor Concert at Levee Park www.hastings rotary.com

Hudson, WI • June - August Free
Concerts in Lakefront Park at Band Shell. Thursdays -7 pm. www.DiscoverHudsonWI.com (715) 386-8411

Lindstrom, MN • June - August
Harmony in the Park at Lions Park Band Shell. Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. www.CityOfLindstrom.org/Parks-Harmony.htm (651) 257-0620

River Falls, WI • June - August Music in the Park - Beautiful Veteran’s Park band shell. Features a diverse range of wonderful live entertainment for all ages. Fridays & Saturday evenings. www.RiverFallsCAR.org/Music

River Falls, WI • June - August Chill on the Hill - UWRF Summer Concert Series at Melvin Wall Amphitheatre. Free outdoor concerts series at the Melvin Wall Amphitheater, Tuesday’s 7pm, features regional artists. Grilled food, beverages and ice cream available for purchase or bring your own picnic. No Alcohol. Rain sites: UWRF University Center or Abbott Concert Hall www.UWRF.edu

JANUARY
18 • Afton, MN • Afton House Inn, French Wine Dinner – 6:30-9pm www.aftonhouseinn.com 651-436-8883
19 • River Falls, WI – Community Barn Dance – River Falls Academy, 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm. Featuring: Greenwood Tree. Open to anyone, any age, or ability. Professional callers teach each dance class before group dances www.riverfallsca.org
19 • Stillwater, MN • Ice Cream Social and Bonfire at Lowell Park - celebrate Minnesota Winter Noon - 4pm www.discoverstillwater.com
24 • Lindstrom, MN • Downtown Diva Night – Stop and shop Chisago Lakes boutiques, art galleries, home decor and other great foods followed with Bingo for fantastic prizes at WineHaven Winery. Visit Lindstrom Downtown Divas on Facebook or www.chisagolakeschamber.com 651-257-9855, 651-257-1177.
24 - 27 • Chisago Lakes, MN – Celebrate Chisago Lakes - Winter Blast - Enjoy the sled dog races, shopping and food events, ice fishing, snowshoeing and more fun for the whole family. www.chisagolakeschamber.com (651) 257-1177
26 - Frederic, WI-Winter Fun Day www.polkcountytourism.com 800-222-POLK
26 • Balsam Lake, WI – Balsam Lake Fishing Contest – 8am – 3pm – www.polkcountytourism.com 800-222-POLK
26 • Scandia, MN • “Winterfest” 7am – Midnight, Fireworks at 7pm. www.ci.scandia.mn.us (651) 433-2274
30 • New Richmond, WI • Annual Chamber Meeting and Awards Gala https://www.newrichmonddcahub.com/events/calendar/2019-01-01

FEBRUARY
1 - 3 • Hudson, WI • Hot Air Affair Wonderful family friendly events. Evening parade, hot air balloon launches and moon glow, geocaching, shopping, smoosh boarding, arts and crafts, and great food www.HudsonHotAirAffair.com (715) 386-8411
3 • 4 • Balsam Lake, WI • Winterfest Fun winter activities, food, 4x4 ice drag races, ice bowling, minnow races, kids games, pond hockey, polar plunge, and much more! (800) 222-POLK www.PolkCountyTourism.com
6 – 10 • North Branch – Winter Fest A community event unique to North Branch. From snowmobiles to ice sculptures and hot cocoa, there is something for everyone. For more information call: (651)674-4077
7 - 9 • Luck, WI • Winter Carnival www.polkcountytourism.com 800-222-POLK
8 • Afton, MN • Afton House Inn Sweetheart Wine Dinner. 6:30- 9:00pm https://aftonhouseinn.com/ 651-436-8883
9 • St. Croix Falls, WI • Interstate Park – Candlelight Ski www.co.polk.wi.us/tourism 800-222-POLK
11-17 • Afton, MN • Afton House Inn Valentine’s Week Specials. www.aftonhouseinn.com 651-436-8883
14 • Stillwater, MN • Paint the Town Red for Valentine’s Day – Red hot shopping and dining deals, FREE horse-drawn carriage rides, 4pm-7pm. www.discoverstillwater.com/
15 - 17 • St. Croix Falls, WI • Franklin Square Black Box Theatre – Ole & Lena: Ole Runs for Office – Family friendly comedy with the Midwest’s favorite couple. http://www.festivaltheatre.org/
16 • New Richmond, WI • Cabin Fever Classic • 9-hole putt-putt course through 9 of the area’s favorite pubs. All participants will play the 9-hole course, enjoy some drinks, and meet new friends. www.NewRichmondChamber.com (715) 246-2900
16 • River Falls, WI • Community Barn Dance – 7-10 pm at River Falls Academy. Featuring Rush River Ramblers. Open to anyone, any age, or ability. Professional callers teach each dance class before group dances www.RiverFallsCAR.org
March
Hudson, WI - Spring Showcase Business Expo

River Falls, WI - Fly Fishing Festival - Hosted by River Falls Fly Fishing Festival and Lund’s Fly Shop. Proceeds benefit the Kinnickinnic River Land Trust to conserve and protect the Kinnickinnic River. Pre-event social gathering includes food and beverage, local artists, fly tying demos from some great local tiers. Raffle and silent auction. www.LundsFlyShop.com

2-3 & 9-10 • River Falls, WI - Vintage Charm Tour - New eclectic Spring shopping tour! Attendees receive FREE charm from each participating shop when present tour map. Like us on Facebook to learn more.

3-4 • Lindstrom, MN - Chisago Lakes Home & Business Expo. www.chisagolakeschamber.com

5 • River Falls, WI - Bowls of Hope - Fundraising event featuring glass/ceramic/pottery bowls created by area artists. Held in the Riverview Ballroom at UW-River Falls, 5-7pm. www.UWBE.edu/BowlsForHope

14 • Stillwater, MN - LADIES NIGHT OUT - Main Street Shopping specials, appetizers, fashion tips, Thurs. 5pm – 8:30pm www.mainstreetstillwateriba.com

16 • River Falls, WI - Community Barn Dance - River Falls Academy. 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm. Featuring Wooly Buggers. Open to anyone, any age, or ability. Professional callers teach each dance class before group dances www.riverfallsbca.org

16 • Amery, WI - Northern Center for the Arts Concert Series - ‘Something for the Green’ St. Patrick’s Concert www.co.polk.wi.us/tourism 800-222-POLK

17 • River Falls, WI - St. Patrick’s Day Celebration – The celebration kicks off with the Pot O’Gold Medallion Hunt. Indulge in the Potato Soup Cook-off with sampling at area businesses. Sponsored by the River Falls Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau www.RFChamber.com (715) 425-2533

April
Somerset, WI - Community Easter Egg Hunt - Great family event. www.somersetchamber.org

21 • Afton, MN - Ultimate Girls Night Out www.ExploreAfton.com

29 • St. Croix Falls, WI - Alliance Church of the Valley - Colleen Ray – A tribute to Patsy Cline – 7-30pm www.festivaltheatre.org

30-31 • Amery, WI - Maplefest at Glenna Farms www.PolkCountyTourism.com 800-222-POLK

April
Somerset, WI - Community Easter Egg Hunt - Great family event. www.somersetchamber.org

Afton, MN - Afton House Inn Easter Buffet 9am – 5pm www.aftonhouseinn.com 651-436-8883

5 • River Falls, WI - Relay for Life of Pierce County – River Falls High School, 818 Cemetery Rd. Begins at 5:00 PM. www.relayforlife.org/riverfalls

6 • St. Croix Falls, WI - Alliance Church of the Valley – Festival Theatre music event, Layne Yost – musical storytelling event tribute to John Denver. www.festivaltheatre.org

7-8 • Amery, WI - Annual Spring Show – Amery Ice Arena www.polkcountytourism.com 800-222-POLK

7 • Luck, WI - Smelt Feed www.co.polk.wi.us/tourism 800-222-POLK


14 • River Falls, WI - Community Barn Dance. 7-10 pm at River Falls Academy. Featuring Barn Cats. Open to anyone, any age, or ability. Professional callers teach each dance class before group dances www.RiverFallsBAC.org

18 • Afton, MN - Ultimate Girls Night Out www.ExploreAfton.com

20 • Bayport, MN - Easter Egg Hunt – Barker’s Alps Park www.ci.bayport.mn.us


27 • Hastings, MN - Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center Bird Festival www.CarpenterNatureCenter.org (651) 437-4359

May
1 - New Richmond, WI - Professional and Business Woman of the Year Luncheon www.newrichmondchamber.com (715) 246-2900


3-5 • Chisago Lakes, MN & Polk County, WI - Earth Arts Spring Tour - Open house style weekend hosted by local potters. Over 30 guest potters from around the county, selling their wares and sharing stories and hospitality. www.earthartswi.org www.mnmesopotter.com

3-5 • Stillwater, MN - St. Croix Valley Art Opener Studio Tour – See where art happens. 321 Main St. Sat.-Sun.10am – 5pm https://artopener.com/

4 • River Falls, WI - Wings of Spring Bird Festival – The St. Croix Valley Bird Club recognizes International Migratory Bird Day at the 8th Annual Wings of Spring Bird Festival. Activities include – an early bird hike at 8:30am, live bird banding demos by Carpenter Nature Center, family activities and a live raptor presentation. Music provided by Fendrick & Peck. FREE event at River Falls City Hall. 10:00am – 1:00pm. www.SCVBirdClub.com

5 • St. Croix Falls, WI - Wooly Mammoth Mountain Bike Race https://www.co.polk.wi.us/tourism www.woolybikeclub.com

13 • New Richmond, WI - Spring Sparkler Golf Outing - www.NewRichmondChamber.com (715) 246-2900


15-18 • Woodville, WI - Syttende Mai Celebration Woodville’s Norwegian ancestry is festively commemorated every spring around May 17th on Syttende Mai, Norway’s Independence Day. www.Baldwin-WoodvilleChamber.org


27 • Bayport, MN - Memorial Day Parade www.ci.Bayport.MN.us

31 • Bayport, MN - Citywide Garage Sale www.ci.bayport.mn.us (651) 275-4404

June
Somerset, WI - Pea Soup Days www.somersetchamber.org (715) 247-3366

1 • Hudson, WI - Octagon House Museum Master Gardener Plant Sale. 9:00am – 1:00pm www.StCroixCountyHistory.org

6 - 8 • Baldwin, WI - June Bug Days - Annual community celebration. Parade, live music, family activities, and great food. www.Baldwin-WoodvilleChamber.org

7 - 8 • Hudson, WI - Relay for Life www.DiscoverHudsonWI.com (715) 386-8411

7 - 8 • New Richmond, WI - Park Art Fair at Mary Park. FREE event. Festive weekend at scenic Mary Park. Artists and crafts people display and sell their wares. Food and entertainment are ongoing. www.newrichmondchamber.com (715) 246-2900.

7 - 8 • Osceola, WI - Rhubarb Days - FREE family event in Mill Pond Park. www.myosceolachamber.org 800-222-POLK

9 • Hudson, WI - Yellowstone Trail Heritage Day www.DiscoverHudsonWI.com (715) 386-8411

9 • River Falls, WI - Town ‘O Country Day – A community festival, celebrating the agricultural heritage of River Falls. Fun family event with a FREE pancake breakfast, live music, heritage tractor display, petting zoo, kiddie tractor pull and kids street dance. 11am-1pm. www.rfchamber.com (715) 425-2533.


15-30 • St. Croix Falls, WI - Franklin Square Black Box Theatre - The Marvelous Wonderettes – Charming musical following the 50’s & 60’s prom quartet. www.festivaltheatre.org

20 • Afton, MN - Ultimate Girls Night Out www.ExploreAfton.com

22 • Scania, MN - Midsommer Day Festival www.GammelgardenMuseum.org (651) 433-5053

22 - 23 • Afton, MN - Strawberry Festival & Marketplace - 60+ Artists, Vintage items, Business Expo & Food www.exploreAfton.com
4 - 7 • Hudson, WI - Booster Days – FREE family event. Parade, carnival rides, fireworks fishing contest, multiple bands nightly at Lake Front Park. www.hudsonboosters.org

4 • Afton, MN - 4th of July Celebration & Parade. www.ExplorerAfton.com

5 - 7 • Balsam Lake, WI - Freedom Fest – Arts & Crafts, Boat Parade, Great family event. www.balsamlakekee.com www.polkcountytourism.com


11 • Lindstrom, MN - Downtown Diva Night – Stop and shop Lindstrom boutiques, art galleries, home décor, and other great goodies followed with Bingo for fantastic prizes. www.chisagolakeschamber.com (651) 257-0620

11 - 14 • New Richmond, WI - Fun Fest Carnival - Entertainment, food stands, beer tent, kiddie and Grande parade. www.NewRichmondChamber.com (715) 246-2900

11-14 • Centuria, WI - Memory Days – www.centuria-wi.org 800-222-POLK.

12 • River Falls, WI - River Falls Days - Community event for the family. Friday evening parade, 10k/2mi/kids run, live music, outdoor dancing, beer tent, food & fireworks. Sponsored by the River Falls Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau. www.RFChamber.com (715) 425-2533

13-28 • St. Croix Falls, WI - Franklin Square Black Box Theatre – Foils by Neil Simon – A raucous comedy. www.festivaltheatre.org/

14 • River Falls, WI - Car Cruze - Classic cars, rat rods, motorcycles, & show vehicles cruise historic Main St. www.rfchamber.com (715) 425-2533

16 - 21 • Hudson, WI - St. Croix RiverFest - A party with a purpose. www.StCroixRiverFest.org

18 • Afton, MN - Ultimate Girls Night Out www.ExplorerAfton.com

19 - 21 • Luck, WI - Lucky Days Festival – www.luckwisconsin.com 800-222-POLK

19 - 21 • Hastings, MN - Rivertown Days - A city wide summer festival that’s fun for the whole family! Levee Park, set alongside the mighty Mississippi River, is jam packed with delicious food, carnival rides, a music stage, kid’s entertainment and Saturday night fireworks. www.hastingsem.org (651) 437-6775

19-21 • Stillwater, MN - Lumberjack Days - Lowell Park is the place to be for Stillwater’s Summer Festival and family fun! http://lumberjackdays.com/


20 • River Falls, WI - River Falls Cruisin for a Cause - Motorcycle enthusiasts cruise through Wisconsin’s scenic countryside and experience local venues. http://cruisingforcause@gmail.com

21 • Hudson, WI - Civil War Encampment & Ice Cream Social Fundraiser - Octagon House Museum, 11am – 4:00pm. Tours start on the hour. www.StCroixCountyHistory.org


25 - 28 • St. Croix Falls, WI - Polk County Fair www.polkcountyfair.com

26 - 28 • Center City, MN - Center City Days – Dance along to great music, enjoy Grandpa’s Triangle and other great family activities. www.centercitymn.us (651) 257-5284

26 - 28 • Hastings, MN - Antique Power Show at Little Log House – Re-live childhood memories or create new memories while you visit our restored Pioneer Village and Antique Show. www.LittleLogHouseShow.com (651) 437-2693

28 • Chisago City, MN - Chisago Lakes Triathlon - 16th Annual Chisago Lakes Triathlon at Paradise Park, 11031 Stinson Ave., Chisago City, MN. www.chisagolakeschamber.com (651) 257-0620

5 - 7 • Afton, MN - Ultimate Girls Night Out www.ExplorerAfton.com

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7 - 8 • Hastings, MN - Civil War Weekend at the LeDuc Estate www.dakotahistory.org/educ-historic-estate (651) 438-8480

7 • Scandia, MN - Gammelgården Museum - The Running of the Meatballs at Scandia TACO DAZE www.GammelgardenMuseum.org (651) 433-3053

13 - 14 • Shafter, MN - Shafter Days – Enjoy the Old Bank Robbery re-enactment, music, crafts and family activities. www.ShaferMN.com (651) 257-4726


15 • River Falls, WI - Car Cruze In - Classic cars, rat rods, motorcycles & other show vehicles cruise historic Main Street. www.RFChamber.com (715) 425-2533

15 • Almelund, MN - Apple Festival – Enjoy a wonderful day of all things Apple! Plus quilt displays, vintage log cabins, great food. www.AnnadorTownship.com (651) 583-2883

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19 • Afton, MN - Ultimate Girls Night Out www.ExplorerAfton.com

20 • Bayport, MN - Derby Day & Taste of Bayport www.ci.Bayport.MN.us

21 - 22 • Afton, MN - Afton Art in the Park - 100+ vendors, live music, great food, wine & beer garden and kids art pavilion www.exploreafton.com

22 • River Falls, WI - Autumn Trek Ride - Experience four scenic county routes from moderate to the ultimate challenge for biking enthusiasts of all ages. www.rivervalleytrails.org

22 • St. Croix Falls, WI - River Road Ramble – Enjoy the ride from St. Croix Falls to Cushing, WI www.polkcountytourism.com 800-222-POLK.


28-29 • Centuria, WI - Baker Orchard Fall Art Festival www.polkcountytourism.com 800-222-POLK.

28 • Hudson, WI - Spirit of the St. Croix Art Festival - Celebrate the beauty of the St. Croix River and the historic river town of Hudson, WI. Over 90 juried artists will gather in Hudson's Lakefront Park for this 2-day event. www.DiscoverHudsonWI.com (715) 386-8411

www.saintcroixriver.com
OCTOBER
5-6 • Stillwater, MN • Rivertown Fall Art Festival – Art Fair, live music festival Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 11am-4pm www.greateststillwaterfestival.com www.rivertownfallartfestival.com

12 • Milltown, WI • Pumpkin Festival www.polkcountytourism.com 800-222-POLK

12 • Luck, WI • Gandy Dancer Marathon – Pick from a half or full marathon. www.gandydancer.com, www.polkcountytourism.com

13 • Turtle Lake, WI • Toy & Tractor Show & Crafts – www.turtlakewi.com

13-14 • Hastings, MN • CNC Apple Festival – Celebrate the apple harvest, hayrides, and children’s activities www.CarpenterNatureCenter.org (651) 437-4359

17 • Afton, MN • Ultimate Girls Night Out www.ExploreAfton.com

17-19, 24-26 • Stillwater, MN • Haunted Trolley Tours – True-to-life actors wander the trolley unearthing ghosts of the past. Each creepy character brought back to life to tell true horror stories of Stillwater long ago! www.mywoodoadventures.com/ haunted-history-trolley-touch.html

19 • River Falls, WI • Main Street Art Crawl – Stroll downtown River Falls for an engaging artistic experience. Over 20 Main Street businesses open their doors to local artists www.riverfallsca.org

19 • Hudson, WI • Hilltop Pumpkin Party – Great Family event www.discoverhudsonwi.com (715) 386-8411

19 • Afton, MN • Afton Cruise Lines Oktoberfest Cruise, 6-9:30 www.stcroixrivercruises.com 651-436-8883

25 • Chisago Lakes Area • Trick or Treat on Main Street. www.chisagolakeschamber.com

25 • 27 • River Falls, WI • Fall Finds & Barn Tour – Experience a diverse mix of shopping in rustic barns and local shops. Find eclectic and handmade items, fine art, unique gifts, antiques, functional wares, furniture, festive holiday gifts, decorations, garden art and more. “like” us on Facebook to learn more.

26 • Afton, MN • Afton Trick or Treat Trail www.exploreafton.com

31 • Hudson, WI • Rotary Halloween Parade – Fun family event. www.discoverhudsonwi.com (715) 386-8411

31 • Somerset, WI • Community Trick or Treat www.somersetchamber.org (715) 247-3366

NOVEMBER
1 • 3, 8, 10, 11-17 • River Falls, WI Fall Finds & Barn Tour – Experience a diverse mix of shopping in rustic barns and local shops. Find eclectic and handmade items, fine art, unique gifts, antiques, functional wares, furniture, festive holiday gifts, decorations, garden art and more. “like” us on Facebook to learn more.

2 • Balsam Lake, WI • Polk county Homemaker’s Fair – Unity High School www.PolkCountyTourism.com 800-222-POLK

10 • River Falls, WI • Community Barn Dance – River Falls Academy 7:00 pm –10:00 pm. Featuring: The Barn Cats. Open to anyone, any age, or ability. Professional calllers teach each dance class before group dances www.RiverFallsCA.org

14 • Scandia, MN • Gammelgarden Museum – Lutfisk & Swedish Meatballs www.gammelgardenmuseum.org (651)433-5053

16 • 18 • Hudson, WI • Hudson Christmas Tour of Homes & Craft Sale www.DiscoverHudsonWI.com (715) 386-8411

17 • Dec. 31 • Stillwater, MN • Home Town for the Holidays www.DiscoverStillwater.com

21 • Afton, MN • Ultimate Girls Night Out www.ExploreAfton.com

22 • River Falls, WI • River Dazzle – Kick off the Holiday seasons with a lighted parade, holiday sing-along with carolers, holiday chili crawl, horse drawn carriage rides, photos with Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus www.RFCChamber.com (715) 425-2533

22 • 24 • Hudson, WI • Hudson Christmas Tour of Homes & Craft Sale www.DiscoverHudsonWI.com (715) 386-8411

23-25 • Taylors Falls, MN • Lighting of the Village Green www.ci.bayport.mn.us/

4 • Bayport, MN • Lighting of the Village Green www.newrichmondchamber.com (715)246-2900

6 • Clear Lake, WI • Light up the Park www.amerywisconsin.org

6 • Hudson, WI • Candlelight Stroll www.discoverhudsonwi.com (715)386-8411

6 • Hudson, WI • Octagon House Museum & Phipps Inn B&B Victorian Christmas Tour www.StCroixCountyHistory.org (715) 386-2654

6, 7 • Afton, MN • Afton Village Holiday Free horse and wagon rides, caroling, ice

7 • Luck, WI • Luck Holiday Experience www.polkcountytourism.com 800-222-POLK

DECEMBER
28 • Hastings, MN • Thanksgiving Day GobbleGait Run • Downtown Hastings www.GobbleGait.com

29 • Hudson, WI • Light Up Night Kick off the Holidays www.DiscoverHudsonWI.com (715) 386-8411

30 • Taylor Falls, MN • Lighting Festival http://lightingfestival.com/

30 • Hastings, MN • Downtown Holiday Hoopla www.downtownhastingsmn.com

St. Croix Falls, WI • Franklin Black Box Theatre – A Christmas Carol – An adaptation of Dickens’s classic holiday tale seen through the eyes of radio performers. www.festivaltheatre.org/

1-31 • Stillwater, MN • Hometown for the Holidays – Experience Christmas like you remember all along Main Street – shopping specials, free carriage rides, live reindeer Victorian teas and more. www.discoverstillwater.com/

4 • Bayport, MN • Lighting of the Village Green www.ci.bayport.mn.us/

5 • New Richmond, WI • Hometown Holiday Celebration www.newrichmondchamber.com (715)246-2900

6 • Clear Lake, WI • Light Up the Park www.amerywisconsin.org

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6 • Hudson, WI • Octagon House Museum & Phipps Inn B&B Victorian Christmas Tour www.StCroixCountyHistory.org (715) 386-2654

6, 7 • Afton, MN • Afton Village Holiday Free horse and wagon rides, caroling, ice

7 • Luck, WI • Luck Holiday Experience www.polkcountytourism.com 800-222-POLK

7 • Hudson, WI • Santa and His Critters www.discoverhudsonwi.com (715) 386-8411

7-22 • Hudson, WI • Octagon House Museum tours – Open weekends before Christmas. Tours, 11:00am – 4:00pm. Tours start on the hour. www.StCroixCountyHistory.org (715) 386-2654

8 • Scandia, MN • Lucia Dagen www.GammelgardenMuseum.org (651) 433-5053

8 • St. Croix Falls, WI • Festival Theatre Holiday Special – Franklin Square Black Box Theatre 7:30pm.

19 • Afton, MN • Ultimate Girls Night Out www.ExploreAfton.com
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- Art’s House • 108 E. Maple St., River Falls, WI (715)268-8600 www.riverfallscab.org/
- ArtReach St. Croix • 224 N 4th St • Stillwater, MN (651) 439-1465 • www.ArtReachStCroix.org
- Artspace • Hastings River Lofts • 121 Tyler Street, Hastings, MN www.Artspace.org/Hastings
- artZ Gallery • 208 Keller Ave N • Amery, WI (715) 268-8600 www.artZGallery.org
- Gallery 101, UW-River Falls • Kleinpell Fine Arts 410 S 3rd St • River Falls, WI • UWRF.edu/Art/Gallery101.cfm
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- Healing Arts Hospital Programs • 405 Stageline Rd • Hudson, WI (715) 531-6059 • www.ThePhipps.org/ecategory/Healing-Arts
- Kinnickinnic Clayworks Gallery • 109 W. Cedar St., River Falls, WI (715) 821-3982 • www.KinniClay.com
- River Falls Public Library Gallery 140 Union St • River Falls, WI • (715) 425-3496 www.RiverFallsPublicLibrary.org/In-The-Gallery.html
- SEASONS on St. Croix Gallery • 401 2nd Street • Hudson, WI (715) 381-2906 • www.SeasonsOnStCroix.com
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- Tamarack Gallery • 112 Main St S • Stillwater, MN (651) 439-9393 • www.TamarackGallery.com
- The Phipps Center for the Arts • 109 Locust St • Hudson, WI (715) 386-2305 • www.ThePhipps.org

Musical Groups
- Music St. Croix • www.MusicSaintCroix.com
- St. Croix Falls Music on the Overlook • MusicOnTheOverlook.com
- St. Croix Valley Symphony Orchestra • www.SCVSymphony.org

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Borner Farm Project • 1266 Walnut St • Prescott, WI
www.BornerFarmProject.com

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Hastings, MN • (651) 437-4359 CarpenterNatureCenter.org

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Prescott, WI • (715) 262-0104 • www.FreedomParkWI.org

Kinnickinnic River Land Trust • (715) 483-3300 • KinniRiver.org

National Park Service St. Croix Scenic Riverway
401 N Hamilton • St. Croix Falls, WI • (715) 483-2274 • NPS.gov/SACRN

St. Croix River Association
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www.StCroixRiverAssociation.org

Willow River State Park • 1034 County Hwy. A, Hudson, WI (715) 386-5931 www.willowkinnifriends.org/

Arts Organizations & Venues

Arcola Mills • 12905 Arcola Trail N • Stillwater, MN
(651) 439-1652 • ArcolaMills.org

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Gammelgården Museum • 20880 Olinda Trl • Scandia, MN
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Hastings-Prescott Area Arts Council
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Marine Mills Folk School • 14189 Ostlund Trail N., Marine on
St. Croix, MN marinemillsfolkschool.org

The Phipps Center for the Arts • 109 Locust St
Hudson, WI • (715) 386-8409 • www.ThePhipps.org

River Falls Community Arts Base • 108 E Maple St
River Falls, WI • (715) 425-3114 • UWRF.edu/SASA/UniversityTheatre

St. Croix Valley Folk School • 110 N. Washington Street, St. Croix
Falls, WI www.stcroixvalleyfolkschool.org

Theater

Black Dirt Theater • 213 Sibley Street • Hastings, MN
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Old Gem Theater • 116 S Knowles Ave • New Richmond, WI
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St. Croix Art Barn • 1040 Oak Ridge Dr • Osceola, WI
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Hudson, WI • 715-386-8409 • www.ThePhipps.org

University Theatre, UW-River Falls • Kleinpell Fine Arts
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Zephyr Theatre • 601 Main St., Stillwater, MN (651) 373-7026
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Events & Tours

Art Bench Trail (year round) • www.ArtBenchTrail.org
artOPENer (May) • artOPENer.com
Earth Arts (May) • www.EarthArtsWI.org
St. Croix Valley Pottery Tour (Mother's Day weekend)
www.MinnesotaPotters.com

Art on the Kinni (Sept.) • RiverFallsCAB.org/artonthekinni.php
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Set Your Own Pace
Flowers and windmills offer a sign of welcome and a nod to the communities Dutch Heritage to all who visit Baldwin. Stroll Main Street, shop at quaint shops, or search for antiques and unique treasures. Baldwin also offers a variety of dining options, and coffee shops. Be sure to visit one of the lovely parks for a summer picnic.

Unforgettable Events
June Bug Days, the first week in June is an annual community celebration complete with a parade, live music, family activities and great food! Chili Fest, held the last Saturday of September, has become a crowd pleasing area event where along with a beverage tent, live music and food, local businesses provide chili samples to participants while giving them an opportunity to showcase their business. Trick or Treat Main Street, held the end of October on Main Street in Baldwin is a safe alternative for kids to enjoy Halloween festivities. Finally, the first Saturday in December brings Santa and Mrs. Clause to town with the much anticipated Horse Parade & Festival of Lights, getting all attendees in the Holiday spirit!
Where beauty abounds, there are stories to tell, families come together and businesses are proud to call it home.

WOODVILLE, WI
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Nestled in scenic western Wisconsin, 4 miles east of Baldwin, Woodville invites young and old with an enthusiastic welcome!

The popular Syttende Mai Celebration is the celebration of Norway’s independence. This year will mark the 68th year that Woodville will welcome everyone to come and celebrate on the weekend closest to May 17th and enjoy food, a carnival, music, the Grand Parade and tent dances.

Trails & Parks to Explore…
Steven Park is the trailhead for the popular Wildwood Trail, a 7 mile off-road hiking, biking, and snowmobile trail on a former railroad right-of-way. The trail runs from Woodville south to the St. Croix/Pierce County line through the picturesque Town of Eau Galle.

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Set along the rugged and colorful scenery of the Mississippi, St. Croix and Vermillion rivers, Hastings is a scenic river town steeped in tradition. Just 25 miles (40km) south of the Twin Cities, Hastings welcomes visitors to share in its history and traditions. The City is renowned for Victorian architecture with over 60 buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places. A must see is the LeDuc Historic Estate—a beautiful Gothic Revival mansion, open for tours mid-May through October and special events throughout the year.

The Great Outdoors
If you’re a fan of the great outdoors, you can enjoy more than 28 miles of paved bike and walking trails along the Mississippi River and other scenic byways; picnic by Vermillion Falls or explore beautiful nearby Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center. Spend the day fishing on the Mississippi or St. Croix Rivers, play golf at one of several local courses, take in a free outdoor Sunday concert, visit the Mississippi Lock & Dam #2 or just relax by the banks of the river.

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For winter adventure, ski, snowboard, or tube the slopes at Welch Village or Afton Alps ski areas. Check out Spring Lake Park and Afton State Park for beautiful groomed cross country ski trails.

Year-Round Festivals
Spring and summer bring fun-filled events for visitors to enjoy. May 30th through early October take in the historic Saturday Night “Cruise In” featuring classic cars. In July, thousands of people come to enjoy Rivertown Days, a community wide festival featuring a music stage, parade, arts and crafts fair, carnival and tournaments of all kinds. Also, in July, step back in time with the Little Log House Antique Power Show and Pioneer Village. October brings the St. Croix Valley Apple Fest with a variety of fun events for all ages at area apple orchards.

Shopping and Dining
Visitors delight in the selection of retail and dining establishments, including antique stores, gift shops, boutiques and more. Take time to meander up and down Main Street and be welcomed by friendly shop owners and locals. And be sure to bring your appetite, Hastings offers a variety of cuisine and dining options to satisfy even the most discerning tastes. If you’re feeling lucky or want to take in a great show, Treasure Island Resort and Casino is just minutes away.
Located on the banks of the scenic St. Croix River, the Hudson area has long been considered the western gateway to Wisconsin—and for good reason!

Among the fastest growing communities in the state, Hudson has maintained its historic charm and panoramic beauty; take in one of the finest views of the St. Croix River Valley from historic Birkmose Park.

**Experience Variety**
Historic downtown Hudson provides visitors with blocks of eclectic shops, galleries and exceptional dining. If you are looking for a night out at the theatre The Phipps Center for the Arts, across from beautiful Lakefront Park, offers a year-round calendar of theater, concerts and art exhibitions.

**Natural Beauty, Year-Round Destination**
Festive year-round celebrations abound and visitors enjoy taking advantage of Hudson’s Hot Air Affair, Fourth of July Booster Days, North Hudson Pepper Festival, Spirit of the St. Croix Art Festival, Christmas Tour of Homes & Craft Sale, and Celebrate the Holidays in Hudson.

Enjoy natural beauty and outdoor recreation at Willow River and Kinnickinnic State Parks. Biking and hiking trails lead visitors through rolling hills and flowering prairies.

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Prescott is a small, picturesque river town, located where the blue waters of the Scenic St. Croix River meet the Mighty Mississippi River. Most downtown businesses occupy buildings erected in the 19th century, giving the community a historic flavor. On the bluff above Prescott is the Great River Road Visitor & Learning Center at Freedom Park offering visitors a chance to learn about the Mississippi and St. Croix rivers, see majestic bald eagles soaring and experience the expansive views of the river valley.

At the Heart of Prescott
For visitors with a passion for architecture, a self-guided walking tour of Prescott will take you to 41 locations, including the original town square with three of its church buildings still standing. The tour also takes in several 1850s and 1860s Greek revival homes in the bluff top residential area of Prescott.

Shoppers will be drawn to Prescott’s historic Broad Street. Unique restaurants and eateries are enjoyed by day trippers, discriminating diners and local residents. An antique mall, gift shops, and one-of-a-kind murals add to the welcoming charm of one of Wisconsin’s earliest river towns.

The Welcome and Heritage Center, located in downtown Prescott is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Built in 1855 as a bank, it now serves as the office for the Prescott Chamber of Commerce and Area Historical Society.

Riverfront Recreation & Leisure
A four-block River Walkway extends along Prescott’s Riverfront area, and includes Mercord Mill Park, overlooking the confluence of the St. Croix and Mississippi Rivers. Stroll the River Walkway along the levee and watch the barges, boats, kayaks and canoes moving up and downstream. Rent a boat or pontoon and experience the two great rivers yourself. Enjoy fishing, pleasure cruising or watching the nearby lift bridge rise to accommodate sailboat masts, and see freight trains rumble across the distinctive iron bridge between Minnesota and Wisconsin.

A Well-Rounded City
In winter, Prescott is an entrance point for 200 miles of well maintained Pierce County snowmobile trails. Cross-country and downhill skiing is available at nearby ski resorts and parks. The winter “village” of ice houses is a popular fishing tradition on the St. Croix River, at Prescott. Bald eagles can frequently be seen as they soar over open water areas along the Mississippi waterfront.

Whatever your interests, you’ll discover enchanting experiences in Prescott.

ATTACKIONS
Welcome & Heritage Center
Great River Road Visitor & Learning Center at Freedom Park
Mercord Mill Park
Daniel Smith House
Copper Water Tower
Gearhouse Museum

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River Falls exemplifies the best Wisconsin has to offer with its perfect combination of outdoor activities, arts & culture events, and hometown charm. Ranked in the “Top 100 Best Small Towns” by Livability magazine, River Falls is nestled on the banks of the Kinnickinnic River and is conveniently located 30 minutes east of the Twin Cities. The historic Main Street offers a variety of quaint shops, antique stores, art galleries/studios, family-friendly restaurants, a brewery, and more!

Enjoy Live Music
Live music is performed at a mix of venues around town Friday and Saturday evenings. Take in a relaxing summer outdoor concert at Veteran’s Park or UW-River Falls.

Embrace the Great Outdoors
The Kinnickinnic River, a Class I designated trout stream, offers the finest trout fishing in Western Wisconsin. Anglers from across the country come to wet a line in the “Kinni.” Kayaking through the towering canyons or serene landscapes along the river is also a favorite pastime for many visitors.

Gear Up for a Great Ride
As a designated bronze-level biking community by The League of American Bicyclists, River Falls offers miles of scenic trails. The Whitetail Ridge is a favorite for mountain bikers looking to explore acres of rugged terrain.

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July: River Falls Days, Car Cruze-in
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November: River Dazzle

ATTRACTIONS
Crystal Cave (Spring Valley)
First National Bank of River Falls Field
Glen Park
Hoffman Park
 Suspension Bridge
White Pathway
Whitetail Ridge
Fly fishing & kayak rentals
Golf courses

Tri Angels Playground
Wineries & Breweries

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An inspiring feeling starts to grow as you drive into Stillwater which is considered the Birthplace of Minnesota. Located along the banks of the St. Croix River with its much photographed historic lift bridge, Stillwater has wonderfully preserved architecture, impressive homes and a bustling Main Street, listed on the National Historic Register. Stillwater's quaint retail district makes you feel like you have traveled back in time.

Stillwater, just minutes from the Twin Cities, has a wonderful romantic quality and is considered a premier wedding destination. Stillwater features a variety of retail boutiques, bookstores, antique/vintage shops and art galleries. Dinning choices are endless with outdoor cafes, restaurants with river view dining, historic pubs, and wine bars.

Enjoy year-round activities including golf, historic sites, segway tours, shopping, dining, breweries, wineries, DIY workshops and Stillwater’s proximity to nearby downhill ski hills and cross-country trails. Cruise the St. Croix river on an authentic paddle wheel riverboat or private Venetian gondola for two. Don’t miss taking a trolley tour for a narrated look at old Stillwater with its incredible architecture and hillside mansions. Bring your bikes to pedal the new Brown’s Creek State Bike Trail that connects downtown Stillwater to downtown St. Paul—and now also to Wisconsin via the Loop Trail.

Plan to linger or stay overnight, your choices are endless. Choose from two historic downtown hotels, eight romantic B&B’s, five contemporary hotels, and over twelve new vacation rental homes and lofts. Snuggle in front of a fireplace, soak in your in-room whirlpool tub, take a dip in a pool—relax!


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Oak Park Heights is a growing community, just up the hill from Stillwater and offers visitors a number of leisure opportunities including dining, lodging and outdoor activities.

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**Events and Entertainment Await**

For the first time ever, the Green Bay Packers Tailgate Tour is coming to New Richmond April 11, 2019. The team president, current and former greats will be arriving for a reception, parade and rally at the New Richmond Airport Hangar. It promises to be one of the largest gatherings ever in the city. That event will usher in a busy summer of events and fun for the whole family. The popular Park Art Fair, June 7-8, brings artists from all over all the Midwest to showcase their work at scenic Mary Park amid family entertainment and food trucks with every kind of cuisine imaginable. Thousands converge on New Richmond for Fun Fest, July 11-14, which is one of the areas longest running festivals in western Wisconsin. **Four days of events** and activities include: a carnival, the region’s top music acts, entertainment, food stands, beer tent, and a Sunday Grande Parade. The chamber’s newest and fastest growing event occurs the first Thursday evening after Thanksgiving - Hometown Holidays Celebration, featuring an illuminated parade, sleigh rides, live music, s'more stations and fireworks over the historic downtown Mill Pond. Those who attend (last year's attendance topped 3,500) say it’s one of the best in western Wisconsin.

**Experience Unique Shops and Restaurants**

Stroll Main Street and browse through one-of-a-kind shops. Stop for lunch or dinner at one of the areas cafes', Breweries or pubs.

**If you Love the Outdoors…**

A paradise for golfers, New Richmond has several premier courses, including Pine Meadows, Pheasant Hills and the New Richmond Golf Course. Sports anglers rave about the Willow River and Star Prairie Trout Farm for the fishing.

For more information about New Richmond and its many offerings, you can contact the New Richmond Chamber of Commerce at 715-246-2900. We hope to see you soon.
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**Unplug & Play in Somerset**

**One of a Kind**
Only 30 minutes from the Twin Cities and with the Apple River meandering in the background Somerset is a perfect place to visit for a day-trip or week-end get-away. Somerset’s main street offers whimsical shops, award winning breweries, local cheese shops and family eateries. A lively history is evident in Somerset, from lumbering, agriculture, and the long-ago speakeasy’s which boast of visits from the famous Al Capone in the 1940’s. Historic community festivals like **Pea Soup Days**, in June, celebrate the strong French Canadian heritage of the Village of Somerset.

**Go Outside and Play**
Few communities reflect Wisconsin’s love of the outdoors like Somerset. Summer days, bring visitors to Somerset to enjoy a cooling, leisurely float down the Apple River. Somerset is ready with dozens of outdoor recreation possibilities - play live airsoft and paintball at the Midwest’s best live combat field, take advantage of boating, swimming and beaches at Somerset Landing or enjoy mini golf, waterslides and camping at River’s Edge.

If golf is your passion, Somerset’s scenery and rolling terrain is highlighted at the Bristol Ridge Golf Course and St. Croix National Golf Course. Summer, Spring or Fall, campers can “stake out” at several parks – Apple River Family Campground, Somerset Amphitheater, Float Rite Park, River’s Edge, or Apple River Hideaway. Winter enthusiasts will find no shortage of skiing, snowmobiling, icefishing or fat tire biking events to enjoy.

**Events Not to Miss**
The Apple Splash Festival will kick off the 3rd Saturday in September. The Festival will feature an art festival with artists, vendors, a vintage car show, Apple Splash ½ Marathon, 5K and 1 mile kids run, Vendor Village, chalk art exhibit, live music, family activities and great food. Be sure to take in a concert at the Somerset Amphitheater, offering 200 acres of entertainment, camping and accommodations.

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**EVENTS**
- April: Community Easter Egg Hunt
- June: Pea Soup Days
- September: Apple Splash
- December: Light the Night

**ATTRACTIONS:**
- Apple River Family Campground
- Apple River Hideaway
- Bass Lake Cheese Factory
- Cedar Lake Speedway
- Float Rite Park
- Rivers Edge
- Somerset Amphitheater
- The Great Outdoors
- Apple River
- Arcola High Bridge
- Bristol Ridge Golf Course
- St. Croix National Golf Course
- St. Croix Islands
- LaGrandeur Natural
- Parnell Prairie Preserve

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Nestled among rolling hills and many beautiful lakes, Scandia is the site of the first Swedish settlement in Minnesota. Visitors to Scandia can stop and view the Swedish Monument marking the location of the first log cabin built in 1850 and tour the Hay Lake School Museum before heading up the road to the Gammelgården Museum.

Gammelgården (means Old Small Farm) is the only open air museum devoted to Swedish immigration in the United States. Regular tours are available May-October. The museum is also home to the Scandia Farmers’ Market June-September. Community celebrations include Vinterfest in January, Midsommar Dag in June,

Fiddling Fest (Spelmanstamma) in August, Taco Daze in September, Lutefisk Dinner in November, and Lucia Dagen in December.

In addition to its rich heritage, Scandia is blessed with many natural resources. Scandia boasts a number of lakes including Big Marine, Goose, Bone, Sand and Hay Lake. The St. Croix River marks the eastern edge of the community and was designated as a Scenic Riverway by Congress in 1968. Log House Landing provides access to the river for visitors. Scandia also offers a variety of recreational opportunities including William O’Brien State Park, Wayne Erickson Memorial Ball Park, Wind in the Pines Preserve and the Leonard Wojtowicz Skating Park. Tennis courts, ball fields, playgrounds, bike routes and walking trails are available throughout the community.

After you’ve toured the museums, paddled the river, or hiked the trails, be sure to visit the historic village area where businesses offer a variety of goods and services. Keep your eyes open for the many Dala horses scattered throughout town!
Charming & Historic Downtown…
Osceola Main Street enjoys a charm of its own. Quaint shops in a walkable historic downtown offering unique handmade items including local artist’s work, antique, vintage and reclaimed shops plus spas/salons.

Take in the Natural Beauty
Osceola is nestled into the bluffs of the St. Croix River and just steps away from downtown are trails that will lead you to some of the Valley’s best natural treasures including Cascade Falls. Enjoy the sparkling water rushing through the glen or hike down to the river and then to the top of Eagle Bluff for the most spectacular views of the River Valley.

Outdoor Adventures
Rent a canoe or kayak, right in town, and enjoy a full day of discovery on the Scenic St. Croix River. Osceola Landing offers boat launch, swimming and beach area. World class hiking and biking trails are within minutes of downtown and provide plenty of options for all abilities. Photographers and birders will discover the treasured Standing Cedars Land Conservancy, 1800 protected acres along the river with a large diversity of oak savannah, prairie, woodland, and wetland habitat.

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EVENTS
April: Ladies Night Out
June: Rhubarb Days
September:
  Wheels & Wings Weekend
  Community Fair
  Osceola Bazaar
October: Pumpkin Express
November: Doe on the Go,
  Seasonal: Farmers’ Market

ATTRACTIONS
Historic Downtown
Osceola & St. Croix Valley Railway
Cascade Falls
St. Croix Art Barn
Glider Rides - L.O. Simenstad Airport
Wisconsin Interstate Park
Trollhaugen
Dancing Dragonfly Winery
Krooked Kreek Golf Course
Osceola Braves Amateur Baseball

THE GREAT OUTDOORS
Eagle Bluff Trail
Standing Cedars Land Conservancy
Stower Seven Lakes Trails
Ridge View Trails
Cascade Falls Trail
Riverwood Canoe Rental
Osceola Landing—swimming,
  beach, boat launch
Vintage Train Ride
Board a vintage train in Osceola to take a trip back in time where the St. Croix Valley Railway offers scenic excursions along the River and through the valley. First class dining, Champagne Brunch, Pizza Train and Pumpkin Express are delights for all ages.

A Variety of Dining and Lodging Experiences
Osceola restaurants, taverns and new outdoor patios connect you to views of our natural areas while you will enjoy a great selection of food and fun- fresh breakfast pastries, juicy burgers or gourmet meals. Don’t forget to treat yourself to a visit to one of the nearby local wineries for wine tasting or a vineyard tour. For places to stay overnight, try one of Osceola’s Bed & Breakfast Inns or enjoy a weekend in a local hotel.
Whether you are looking for a fun road trip with the family, a romantic getaway or some extended time away from it all… Taylors Falls is the perfect place.

The Historic Angel Hill District—Rich with History
This quaint section of Taylors Falls is reminiscent of a New England village. Make time to see the 1855 Folsom House, the 1861 Methodist church and the Schoolhouse built in 1852 the oldest in the State.

Treasures on Main
Stroll Main Street to find treasures in the antique shops, try the local restaurants, coffee shops, and ice cream parlors—a culinary treat. If you are planning an overnight stay make reservations at the “old Jail Bed and Breakfast”, a former jail house converted to a B&B.

Climb Aboard
Don’t miss the opportunity to board an authentic paddle wheeler, the Taylors Falls Princess or Taylors Falls Queen to have a scenic boat trip on the River; or rent a canoe or kayak, to see the river up close.

Interstate Park & Wild River State Park
Visitors to Interstate park enjoy climbing the cliffs of the River Dalles, canoeing the flat-water, shooting the rapids in a kayak, or relaxing on an excursion boat. Quiet and removed from signs of civilization, Wild River Park is on the upper “wild and scenic” portion of the river. The park offers camping, trails for hiking and biking, good fishing and in the winter cross country skiing and snowshoeing.
In today’s crazy, complex, gigabyte-per-second world, thank goodness we have our trails. Nothing virtual about this – it’s all real. Fill your lungs with fresh air. Immerse your senses in the natural beauty as you run, walk, or ride your favorite trail in the St. Croix Falls, network of trails. The Ice Age Trail with its western terminus in St. Croix Falls highlights the effects of melting glaciers on the landscape. The 98 mile Gandy Dancer Trail, popular with hikers, cyclists, ATV enthusiasts, cross-country skiers and snowmobilers, runs through the north woods from St. Croix Falls north to Superior, WI.

In the Spring, Summer, and Fall the St. Croix Falls area provides opportunities for kayaking canoeing, fishing, birding, hiking, rock climbing and more. In the Winter months enjoy downhill and cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, fat tire biking, snowmobiling and more.

Gateway to the Upper St. Croix
Overlooking a unique and beautiful stretch of the St. Croix River, St. Croix Falls, is a quaint, community with breath taking views of the River; a bustling Main Street where visitors are sure to enjoy browsing through unique shops.

Surrounded by Nature
Interstate Park is Wisconsin’s oldest State Park, established in 1900. Located along the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway, the Park provides breathtaking views of the river valley and a steep-sided gorge – The Dalles of the St.
Some places make you feel like a local. Others turn you into one.

Polk County is filled with charming towns and villages surrounded by picturesque farms, lakes, streams and a National Wild and Scenic Riverway. Whether you are looking to relax on shore or take advantage of a wide variety of water activities Balsam Lake, Clear Lake and Turtle Lake are rare and beautiful places to visit. Balsam Lake – one of the most popular tourist destinations in northwest Wisconsin rests on the southwest shore of Balsam Lake. Enjoy a refreshing relaxed change of pace in Clear Lake. Feed by living springs the lake is excellent for both swimming and fishing. Turtle Lake is home to Turtle Lake Casino and the St. Croix Band of the Chippewa Indians. Don’t miss the annual Pow-Wow held in late June. St. Croix Falls, with its charming Main Street, grew up with the lumbering era that relied on the St. Croix River to move logs downstream. Amery is nestled on an isthmus between the Apple River and the three lakes of – Pike, North Twin and South Twin. The Apple River, in Amery, with its gentle rapids makes it very popular for canoeing, kayaking, tubing and fishing.

Come Play in our Backyard

Experience community celebrations like Milltown’s Fisherman’s Party, be amazed at Osceola’s community festival “Wheels & Wings” offering airshows, car and motorcycle shows, crafts and food. Board a Vintage Train in Osceola and take a trip back in time with a scenic excursion along the River. Cushing Fun Days features a soapbox derby for adults!

The Place Where People go to Pay Tribute to Nature

Spend time exploring Interstate Park, the oldest state park in Wisconsin, Straight Lake State Park and Wildlife Area, just 12 miles northeast of St. Croix Falls, or the 14 mile Stower or Seven Lakes Trail. The Ice Age Trail is one of only 11 National Scenic Trails located entirely within Wisconsin. It is a premier hiking trail and conservation resource for silent sport and outdoor enthusiasts. The 98 mile Gandy Dancer State Recreation Trail follows the old Minneapolis-St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie railroad grade, from St. Croix Falls to Superior, WI. In Polk County, the trail passes through Centuria, Milltown, Luck, Frederic and Lewis, WI. The short distances between these quaint towns makes the Gandy Dancer the most user friendly trail in the Midwest with easy access to local restaurants, lodging, parking and other local scenic trails and parks.
Fish of Wisconsin

- Muskellunge
- Walleye
- Yellow Perch
- Black Crappie
- Bluegill
- Pumpkinseed
- Brook Trout
- Brown Trout
- Rainbow Trout
- Black Bullhead
- Northern Pike
- Smallmouth Bass
- White Bass
- Largemouth Bass
- Rock Bass
- Lake Trout
- Coho Salmon
- Channel Catfish

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