Mackinac Heritage Village

Heritage Village recreates the period between 1880-1937. The 141-acre site features historic buildings including a one-room School House, a 1900 Porch House, Heritage Chapel, a restored log sawmill, a Native American plank house, hiking trails, and a Nature Center. Visit the village any day and take advantage of our Audio Tour. For tours conducted on our front porch, call 231-436-0033 and leaving in stps 201 - 313. mackinachistory.org

Jack Pine Lumberjack Shows

The Jack Pine Lumberjack Shows are a journey back into the late 1800’s when logging was king in the northwoods of Michigan. Watch as two rival camps compete for the title, “Bull of the Woods” in chopping, sawing, pole climbing and more. 2 miles south of Mackinaw City on U.S. 23. 231-436-5225. jackpinejackshows.com

Historic Mill Creek Discovery Park

The site of the first industrial settlement in the Straits area. Hear the rush of water powering a reconstructed sawmill as you experience a sawmill demonstration. Participate in the sawpit method of lumber production. Immerse yourself in nature trails and interactive exhibits. Climb a 50-foot tower. Examine the remains of the park naturalist-guided Adventure Tour, which includes the Eagles Flight Zip Line, Forest Canopy Bridge, and Nature Trail Climbing Wall. Less than 5 minutes from Mackinaw City on US 23 south. mackinarparks.com

The Inland Waterway

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Mackinaw City Municipal Marina

The Mackinaw City Municipal Marina, Straits State Harbor, the Cheboygan County History Center, Mackinaw Heritage Village, and Cheboygan Maritime Museum provide an expansive view of the Straits! All accepted reservations on-line at: mhrreservations.com.

Coast Guard Cutter Mackinaw

The WLB-30 is a 240-foot icebreaker and buoy tender equipped with state-of-the-art navigation and engineering systems. Its duties include icebreaking, search & rescue, navigation, homeland security, public relations and marine environmental protection.

The Headlands International Dark Sky Park

The Headlands, a 600-acre thickly forested gem situated along the clear blue expanse of Lake Michigan, is one of the few International Dark Sky Parks in the country. The Headlands possesses exceptional natural darkness, starry skies and natural nocturnal habitat. Dark Skies programs are available. The Park contains pristine woodlands, more than 2 miles of undeveloped Lake Michigan shoreline and many species of rare and endangered plants. Visitors to the Headlands may experience sightings of the many wild animals native to the area including: bald eagles, esprios, white-tailed deer, wild turkeys, coyotes and occasionally a black bear. Marked nature trails guide hikers, cross-country skiers, and nature photographers to experience the park throughout the seasons. The “Beach House” and the “Guest House” are available for rent. enightecountry.org/headlands

Mackinaw Bridge Bridge

The Mackinaw Bridge, built in 1957, is one of the longest suspension bridges in the world. The total length of the bridge is 2,637 ft. The height of the towers soar 553 ft above the water. The 3,000,500 ton structure features 42,000 miles of cable. Each year on Labor Day, the bridge is opened to walkers traveling from St. Ignace to Mackinaw City. mackinawbridge.com

Mackinaw Bridge Museum: (Mackinaw Bridge is spelled with a “J”, but the Museum is spelled with a “w” to denote that it is in Mackinaw City.) The FREE museum features a narrated video of the bridge construction and history of the artifacts used. Come and see the nation’s largest collection of bridge artifacts! Open daily 8 am -10 pm May 1 to October 30. Located at 231 E Central Avenue uptownmackinaw.com

Icebreaker Mackinaw Maritime Museum

Mackinaw City, now one of the longest ongoing archaeological projects of its kind, was founded in 1715 as a French fur-trading village and military outpost. It was here where fur traders and Indians rendezvoused, French and British officers organized war parties and explorers began their journeys into the vast western unknown. It was later occupied by the British who abandoned it in 1780 to establish a new fort on Mackinac Island. Open early May -mid October. 102 Straits Avenue. mackinarpmuseum.com

Cheboygan & Mackinaw Marinas

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Cheboygan Opera House

The Opera House, originally constructed in 1877, was restored in 1984. This acoustically superb theater has become a focal point for entertainment in the Straits Area. 463 N Huron Street. Call 231-627-5423 for concert schedules, tickets, and information. Box Office (231) 627-5861. theoperahouse.org

Cheboygan History Center

Located at Huron and Court Streets in Cheboygan, the complex consists of the buildings which house artifacts and historic exhibits of the past. The grounds also display the Memorial Rose Garden and beautiful perennial garden. 427 Court Street. Open Memorial Day through September. Tuesday-Saturday, 1-4 pm. cheboyganhistorycenter.org

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