

ONE NIGHT
STAY ON
MACKINAC
ISLAND

LILACS & LIGHTHOUSES

Explore the best the Great Lakes has to offer, including a one-night stay on Mackinac Island. Visit charming lighthouses, enjoy the summer blossoms, visit Upper Tahquamenon Falls State Park, and more on this 9-day getaway!

1 // St. Louis, MO Our journey north begins today. Travel across the Show Me State, eagerly anticipating our grand adventure. The Great Lakes are dotted with charming lighthouses and rolling waves, and our itinerary is filled with fun activities.

2 // Holland, MI Tour the magnificent and ornate **Illinois State Capitol Building**. See the refined renaissance style and learn the history of this 19th century government building. Grab **lunch** as a group, then board the **Holland Princess** for a relaxing **boat tour on Lake Michigan** with included **dinner**.

3 // Traverse City, MI Travel to the shores of Lake Michigan, where the picturesque community of Whitehall plays host to a number of historical gems including the unforgettable **White River Light Station**. Built in 1875, the

lighthouse contains artifacts of the Great Lakes origin and stories of the family that was responsible for the lighthouse. Take a thrilling **dune ride** among the unlikely and scenic Michigan dunes.

4 // St. Ignace, MI This morning begins with a drive past some of Charlevoix's iconic **Mushroom Houses**. These whimsical structures were built by native and legend Earl Young and look like something straight out of a fairytale. We'll also visit **Castle Farms**, where we will be treated to a special **lunch** and explore acres of gardens, discover dragons, and experience Michigan's largest outdoor model railroad. Another lighthouse begging to be explored awaits us at the **Old Mackinac Point Lighthouse**. This lighthouse serves as a monument to the area's shipping industry in the often fog-choked straits of Mackinac. Enjoy a delicious **dinner** as we eagerly await our visit to Mackinac Island tomorrow.

5 // Mackinac Island, MI The breathtaking beauty of **Mackinac Island** awaits us a short **ferry ride** away. The island's old fashioned atmosphere makes our visit peacefully quiet without the roar of motorized vehicles. Our time here begins with a **carriage tour** through luscious lilacs, and the colossal limestone formation, Arch Rock. Enjoy a delicious **lunch** at the beautiful and historic **Grand Hotel** and an afternoon of free time for shopping and exploring. Perhaps grab yourself some of the island's famous fudge for the ride back home. Then we will actually be lucky enough to enjoy a **one-night stay on Mackinac Island** tonight!

6 // Escanaba, MI This morning, return to the mainland and visit the **Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum**. Learn how closely connected the history of this region is to the seafaring way of life. After **lunch**, enter the **Upper Tahquamenon Falls State Park**, where the second largest waterfall east of the Mississippi roars in all its glory.

JUNE 2 - 10, 2024

Departs: OKC, Tulsa

JUNE 9 - 17, 2024

Departs: Wichita

Included Meals:

- 8 Breakfasts
- 5 Lunches
- 2 Dinners

Activity Level

\$2299 Double **\$2099 Triple**
\$1959 Quad **\$2999 Single**

\$100 Non-Refundable Deposit Per Person
Optional Travel Protection Available
Final Payment Due 60 days before departure

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7 // New Berlin, WI Today we'll tour **Lambeau Field**, home of the Greenbay Packers! Explore the stadium, see behind-the-scenes, and stop at the Hall of Fame to learn about Cheesehead history. Lunch at the stadium is included. Over 130 years ago, **North Pointe Lighthouse** was constructed on the bluffs of the Great Lakes. Today, the beacon of light stands 74 feet from the ground (154 feet above Lake Michigan). This afternoon, we will stop and marvel at its beauty. Learn about its unique history while we tour the lighthouse and museum.

8 // Des Moines, IA We wouldn't dare leave Wisconsin without first stopping for some of their famous cheese! **Alp & Dell Cheese** has the largest variety of Wisconsin Cheese Curds in an array of flavors. With your snacks in tow, we'll cross state lines and arrive in Iowa for the evening.

9 // Home Picturesque scenery and the sweet scent of lilacs linger in our memory as we journey home today.

