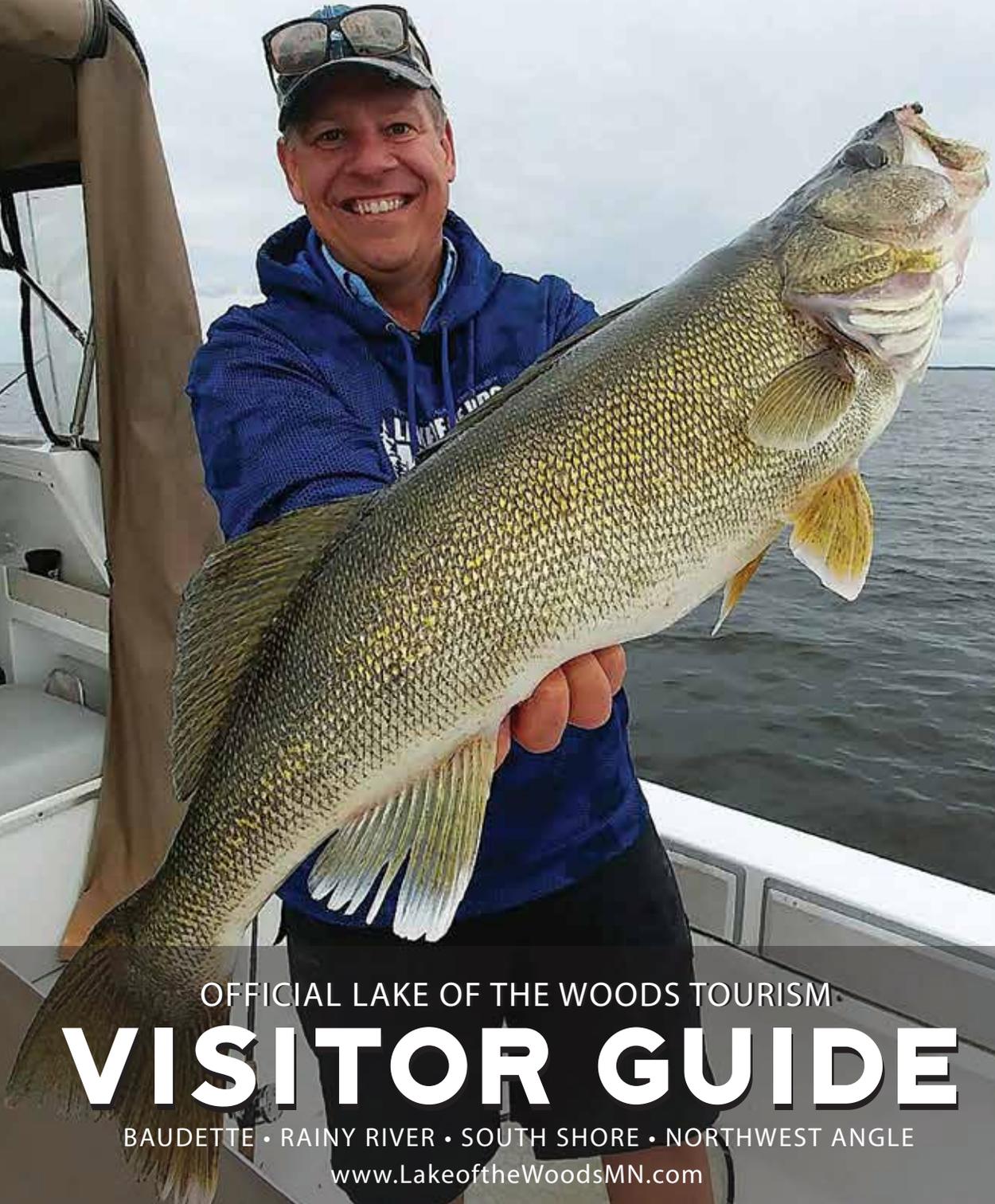


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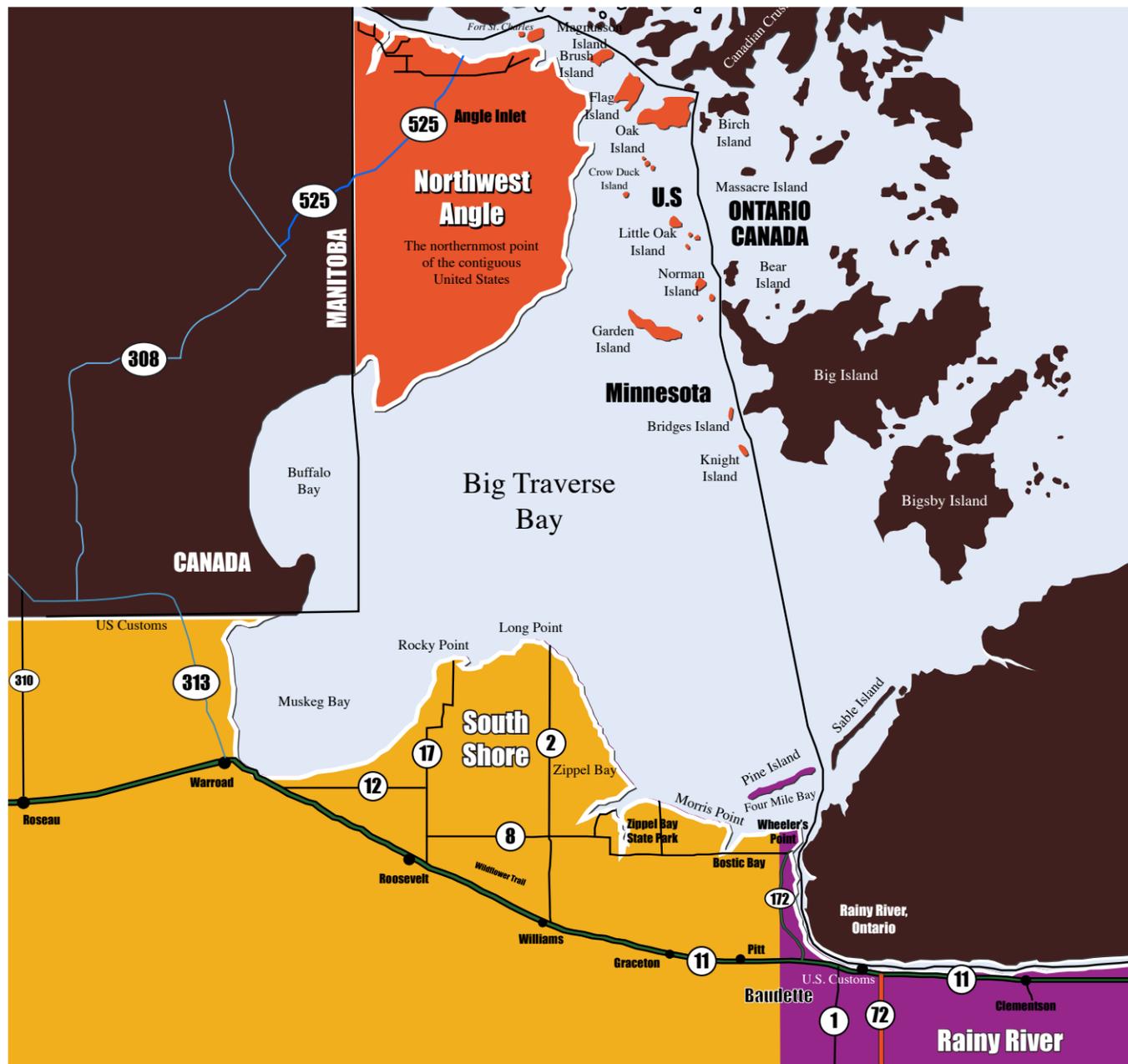
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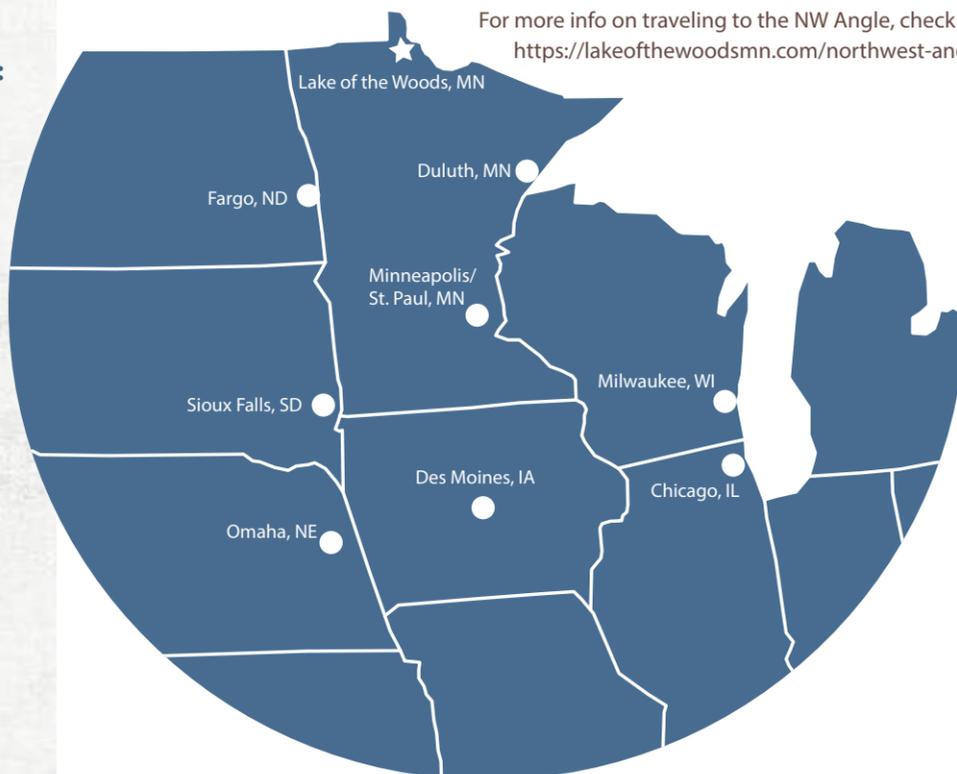
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The Rainy River is a world class fishery. Walleyes, sturgeon and smallmouth bass are what bring most anglers, but you'll find other species including northern pike, sauger, perch, and more. Enjoy a beautiful 12-mile boat ride from the resorts near the mouth of the river at Wheeler's Point to the City of Baudette and the new public docks at Willie Walleye Park. Throughout the open water months, there are 42 miles of navigable Rainy River full of fish with a variety of boat accesses up and down the river.

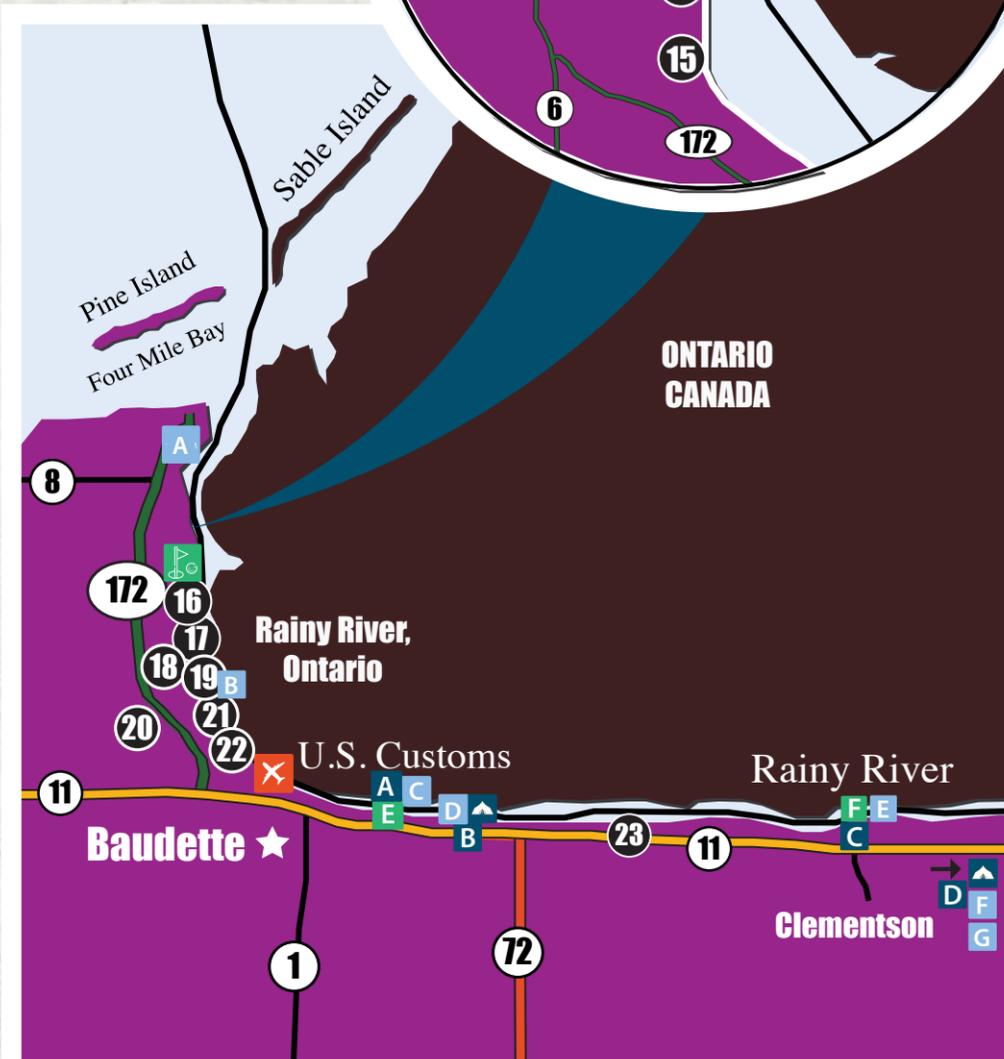
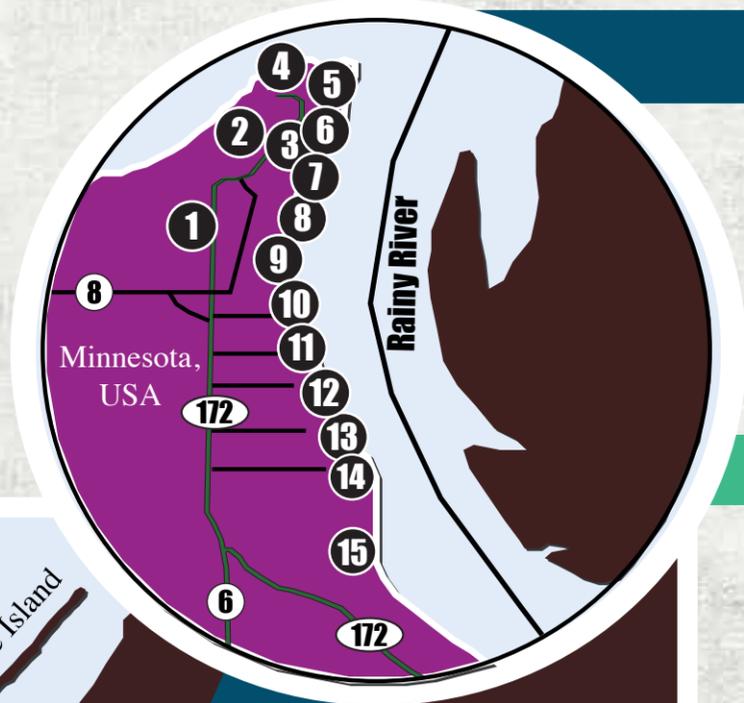
Check out Peace Park in Baudette, located right next to the U.S./Canadian border crossing. The park offers a fabulous view of the international bridge and Canada right from the park. Enjoy fishing, walking trails and a picnic lunch while reading the informational plaques about Massacre Island and the forest fire of 1910.

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# RAINY RIVER



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- B** Timbermill Park  
East on MN-11, Baudette, MN
- C** Clementson  
East on MN-11
- D** Franz Jevne State Park  
MN-11, Birchdale, MN

## ATTRACTIONS

- E** Willie Walleye  
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- F** Oak Harbor Golf Course  
North on Hwy 172
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## BOAT LANDINGS

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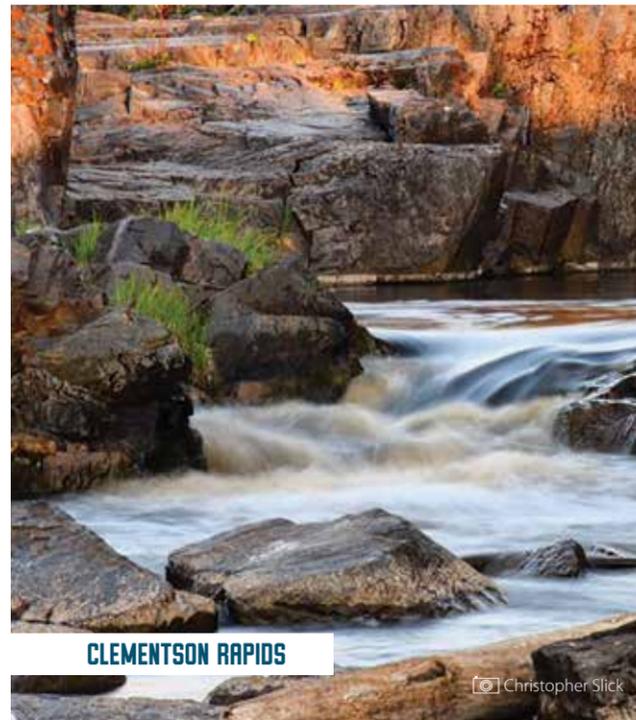
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The Rainy River is home to a number of resorts and is famous for its good fishing. In the early spring, walleye anglers flock to the river as the area has an extended walleye season through April 14th and a good number of big walleyes. Also this time of year, anglers enjoy some of the best sturgeon fishing, reeling in this prehistoric species at weights between 50 - 100 lbs. Summer brings more fishing as the Rainy is home to strong numbers of small mouth bass as well as walleyes, sauger, sturgeon, pike, crappies, perch and suckers. Take a relaxing boat cruise and enjoy the beautiful northwoods scenery and custom-made, luxury homes scattered along shore. Fall brings brilliant colors, the traditional walleye run and the migration of waterfowl and birds of all sorts. Winter on the Rainy provides ice fishing as well as groomed and staked snowmobile trails that go for hundreds of miles.



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# FISH OF LAKE OF THE WOODS

Lake of the Woods, which includes the Rainy River and NW Angle, is an incredible natural resource full of a variety of fish. Some fish have more than one species living in these waters. There are six species of suckers with the White, Silver and Shorthead Redhorse the most common. There are two species of bullheads (Brown and Black) and two varieties of lampreys (Silver and Northern Brooks). On occasion, anglers might catch a Mooneye or Goldeye and mistake it as a Cisco or Whitefish. Here is a list of some of the more common fish of Lake of the Woods.

## WALLEYE

A medium-sized fish with big, marble-like eyes and a white spot on the lower tip of its tail. Color varies from olive to dark gray, with gold flecked sides. Average length 15 inches; trophy walleye are considered 28-32 inches.



## SAUGER

Commonly mistaken for walleye, saugers are long and thin with dark gray or brown on their backs, dark spots and orange metallic sheen on their sides, a pale underbelly and a forked tail with a pale streak on the bottom edge. Average length 12 inches; 16-18 inches is considered large.



## SMALLMOUTH BASS

A medium-sized fish with a dark to golden appearance; olive green to blackish gold in color. Adults average between 10-12 inches in length.



## LAKE TROUT

This fish has a moderately elongated shape and a deep forked tail with light colored markings on both halves. The head is large with well-developed teeth on the jaw, tongue, and roof of the mouth. Average length 24-36 inches; known to exceed 4 feet.



## BROWN BULLHEAD

Identified by the presence of strong barbs or serrations on the back edge of its pectoral spines, and pigmentation in the chin barbels. Average size is 8-12 inches.



## NORTHERN PIKE

A long, toothy fish, its head is shaped like a large duck bill. Often mistaken for a muskellunge, pikes tend to have lighter spots on a darker body, rounded tail fins and 5 or less pores at the base of the mouth. Mostly light yellow or silver markings on a dark olive body. Average length 26 inches; up to 45 inches.



## LAKE STURGEON

This torpedo-shaped fish has scutes instead of scales. Its nose is flat and slightly upturned with four barbells underneath. Its tube-like mouth is set back away from the snout. The top of the tail fin is longer than the bottom. Coloring varies from green-yellow to blue-grey to black. The young are reddish brown. Average length 20-55 inches; up to 8 feet and 100 lbs.



## MUSKELLUNGE

Similar to the northern pike, this fish more commonly has darker bars or markings on a lighter body and are silver, light green or light brown in color. Average length 32 inches; up to 50 inches and 50 lbs.



## YELLOW PERCH

A small fish that is usually yellow with wide dark bands running down the sides. Average length 6 inches, reaching 12-13 inches.



## BLACK CRAPPIE

Small, flat-bodied, darker-colored with light markings. Black, white, and grey/silver colors. Seven or eight spines in its dorsal fin. Average length 6-8 inches, capable of growing up to 12 inches.



## BURBOT (EELPOUT)

Looking like a cross between an eel and a catfish, this fish has a long body, smooth skin and a single whisker beneath the chin. Has brownish black sides with black and dark brown splotches. Average length 16 inches; up to 30 inches.



## TULLIBEE

This smaller fish has a shape similar to the whitefish. The lower jaw curves up toward the snout instead of overhanging and isn't rounded. A solid white color with grayish fins. Average length 13-20 inches.



## LAKE WHITEFISH

A small head in relation to the body, common to the cisco family, this fish's rounded snout overhangs the short lower jaw. Tail is severely forked with a dark posterior edge. Average length 20 inches; up to 31 inches.



## SILVER LAMPREY

The Silver Lamprey is eel-like in shape, with a long dorsal fin that is not divided. The mouth is jawless with a large disk that when expanded is wider than the head. The disk, or mouth, of adult Silver Lamprey is full of sharp teeth. This native lamprey species should not be confused with the exotic and destructive Sea Lamprey. The native lamprey have evolved with, and live in balance with, their host populations. The average size of an adult is 9-14 inches.



## WHITE SUCKER

This medium-sized sucker has big lips located at the bottom of the head, no teeth, and soft fins. Its long, rounded body is greenish on top and light-colored beneath; scales increasing in size from front to back. Average length 12-20 inches when fully grown.



To learn more about fishing the fish of Lake of the Woods, check out our website at [www.lakeofthewoodsmn.com/fishing](http://www.lakeofthewoodsmn.com/fishing)



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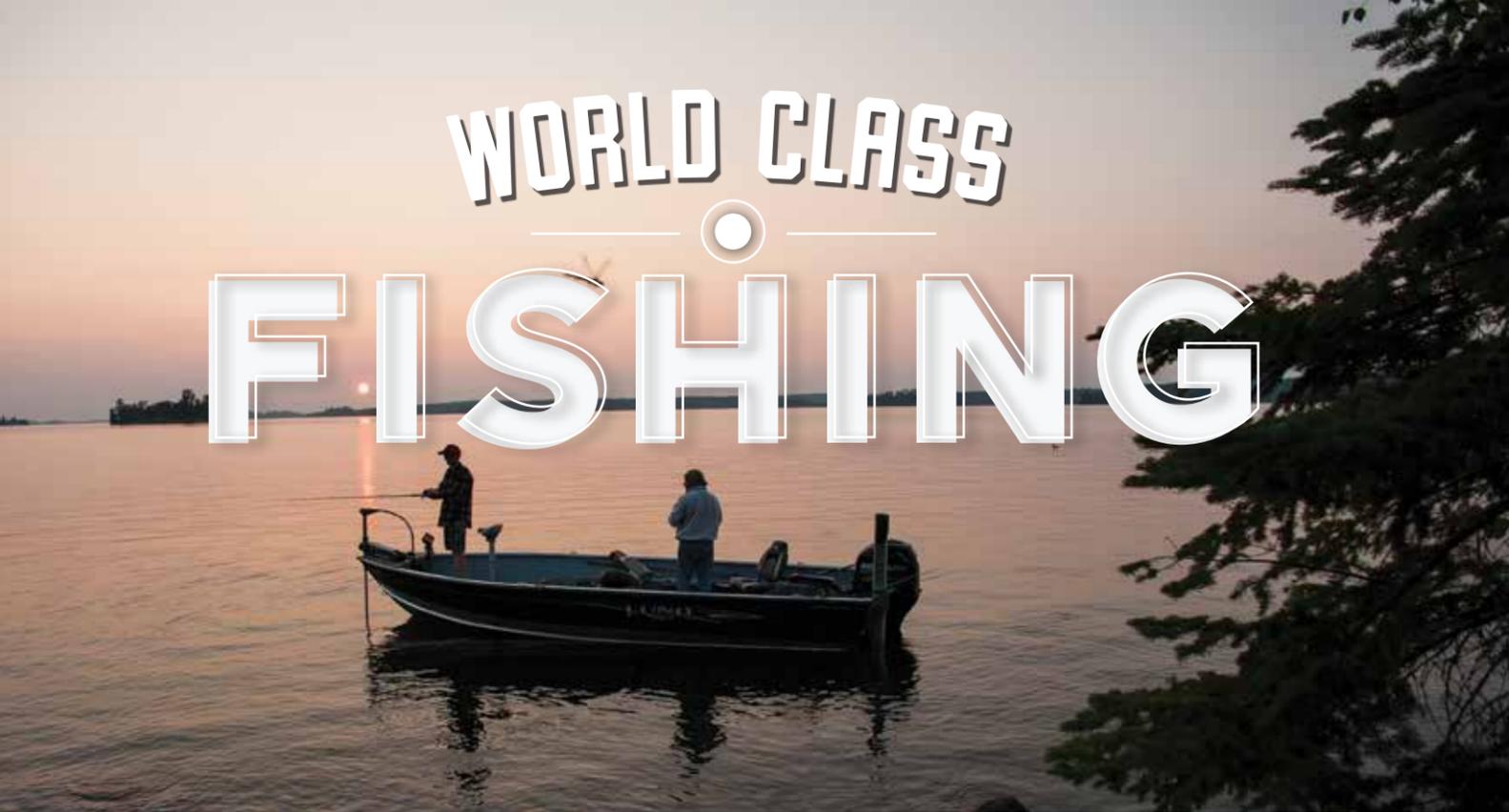


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### 2. RESORTS

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Lake of the Woods resorts and outfitters offer a variety of sleeper fish houses. Anglers can sleep out on the ice during their stay. Resorts will either transport you out to the fish house with all of your gear, or will give you directions so you can drive the ice roads out to your sleeper house.



### 5. ICE FISH IN COMFORT

Ice fish in comfort without being exposed to the cold winter conditions. Visitors are escorted from a heated resort, to heated ice transportation, to a heated fish house. The ice holes are drilled and cleaned out upon your arrival. Guides check on you throughout the day and at around 4:30 or 5pm, pick you up and bring you back to your resort just in time for happy hour. Guides can clean your daily catch for you and many of the resorts will even cook it up. A full-service ice fishing experience.



### 6. ICE ROADS

Some resorts plow ice roads allowing visitors to drive right out to the fish houses. Resorts take great care in checking ice thickness, plowing snow and making sure the roads are well-marked and in good shape.

### 3. SHORE LUNCH

While visiting Lake of the Woods, enjoy a north woods traditional shore lunch. Your guide will prepare your morning catch. Fresh walleye breaded with a secret batter unique to each guide or resort and fried to a golden brown. Teamed up with all of the fixings such as fried potatoes and baked beans, all enjoyed on the waters edge.



### 7. FISH ON YOUR OWN

Some ice anglers bring their own fish houses. Whether it's a pull-behind fish house that anglers can sleep in overnight or collapsible fish houses meant to set up and take down daily, opportunities abound. Anglers can access the lake by plowed ice roads provided at a small daily use fee from resorts or access the snowmobile trails that are groomed and staked across the lake.



### 8. THE IGLOO BAR

Head over to the South Shore and check out the famous Igloo Bar. Located on the ice - when the ice is thick enough, usually January - March - it's outfitted with electric lights, a big screen TV and a full bar with mixed drinks, beer, and a limited hot food menu. For a small fee, guests can actually ice fish in the bar. The Igloo Bar is located at Zippel Bay Resort and can be accessed via their plowed road or by snowmobile.

### 9. SNOWMOBILES

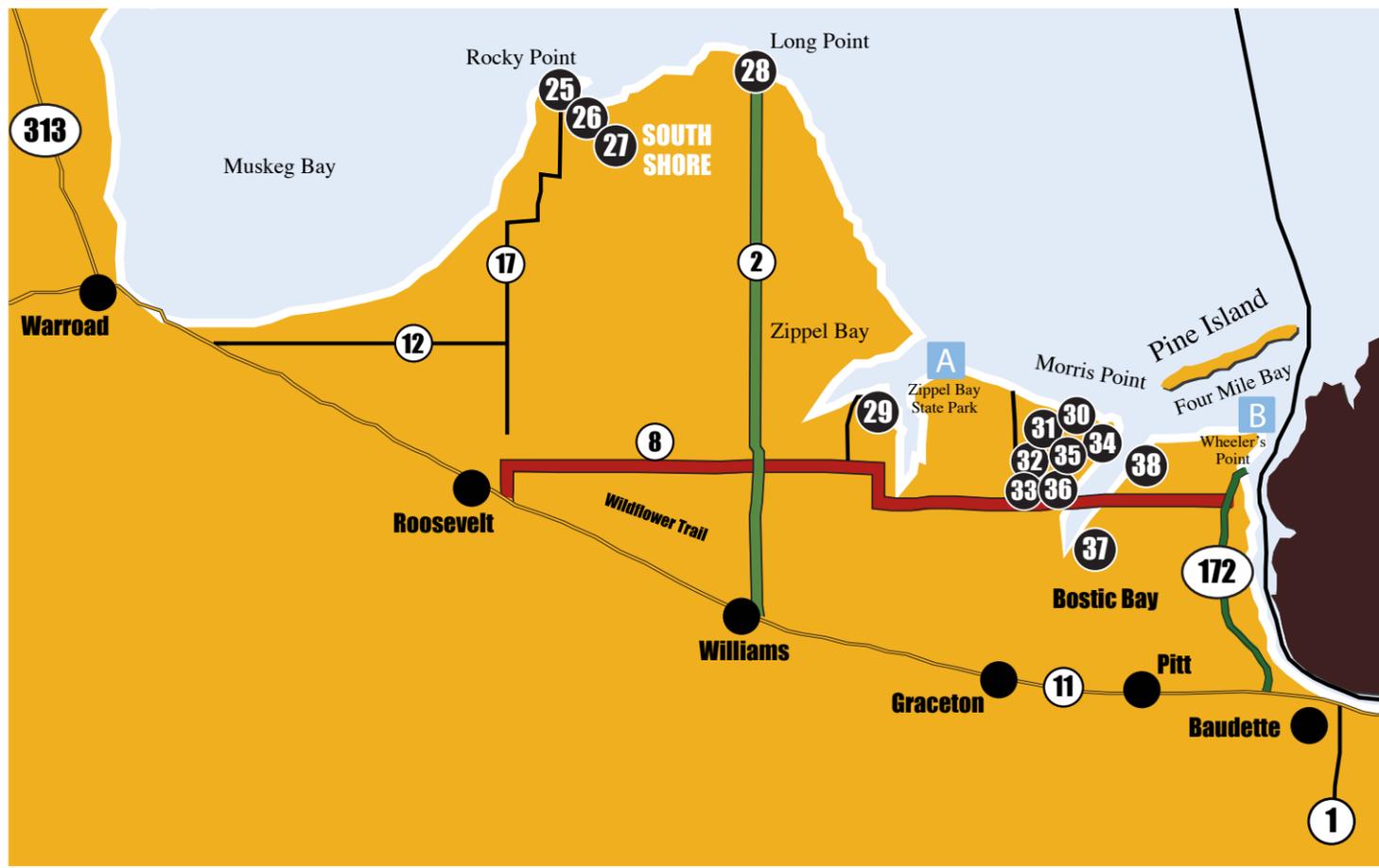
The area offers hundreds of miles of groomed and staked trails. Many of these trails are on the lake and offer ice anglers great access to most parts of this great fishery. Snowmobile maps are available on our website at [www.LakeoftheWoodsMN.com](http://www.LakeoftheWoodsMN.com).

# SOUTH SHORE



## SNOWMOBILING

www.LakeoftheWoodsMN.com has a full map of snowmobile trails for Lake of the Woods County. Or visit Lake of the Woods Drifters website [www.lakeofthewoodsdrifters.org](http://www.lakeofthewoodsdrifters.org)



## BOAT ACCESS

- Zippel Bay State Park Public Landing **A**
- Wheeler's Point Access Public Landing **B**

## SOUTH SHORE Lodging

25. Arnesen's Rocky Point  
(218) 442-7215 (800) 535-7585  
[www.arnesens.com](http://www.arnesens.com)
26. Dale's on Lake of the Woods  
(320) 630-6734  
[www.dalesonlakeofthewoods.com](http://www.dalesonlakeofthewoods.com)
27. Harry's House  
(218) 230-8943  
[www.vrbo.com/1161951?nodates=true](http://www.vrbo.com/1161951?nodates=true)
28. Long Point Resort  
(218) 783-3365  
[www.longpointresort.com](http://www.longpointresort.com)
29. Zippel Bay Resort  
(218) 783-6235 (800) 222-2537  
[www.zippelbay.com](http://www.zippelbay.com)
30. Morris Point Lake View Lodge  
(218) 634-2570 (888) 303-5085  
[www.morrispointlodge.com](http://www.morrispointlodge.com)
31. Fred's Beds  
(218) 230-5590  
[www.fredsbedslow.com](http://www.fredsbedslow.com)
32. Lake of the Woods Camping Cabins  
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[www.walleyeretreat.com](http://www.walleyeretreat.com)
37. Ken-Mar-Ke Resort  
(218) 634-2072 (800) 535-8155  
[www.kenmarke.com](http://www.kenmarke.com)
38. Buggy's on Bostic  
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[www.bugsysonbostic.com](http://www.bugsysonbostic.com)



## SOUTH SHORE

Lake of the Woods boasts some of the best walleye fishing in the world. It is estimated that literally millions of walleyes, not to mention saugers, live in these waters. Choose from a variety of resorts from small family run resorts to full service resorts offering everything you need for an enjoyable vacation. Full service charter boats in the open water allow anglers of all abilities to have a nice day of fishing. Everything is provided including fully licensed captain, all rods, reels, tackle and bait. Guides will get you on fish for a fun day of fishing and will even clean your fish when you come off the water.

During the winter months, resorts provide everything you need for a warm and enjoyable day on the ice including ice transportation or well plowed ice roads to heated fish houses. Imagine waking up at a nice resort, enjoying a hot breakfast and heading out ice fishing to a fish house with the holes drilled and thermostat set to 70 degrees. Catch fish all day long and at around sunset, the ice guides will transport you and your bucket of fish back to the resort just in time for happy hour. Relax while the guides clean your fish. Many resorts will even fry up your fresh catch. The Lake of the Woods area is known for its delicious food and wide variety of resorts, restaurants and taverns.

At the end of the day, take a drive through Zippel Bay State Park and walk the beach along Lake of the Woods. This state park is one of the most beautiful in the state, but receives little attention as it is so far north. The state park has a full boat landing, marina, and camping facilities. In the winter, enjoy the cross country skiing trails and snowmobile trails through the park. A park permit at a nominal fee is required.

On the south side of Highway 11, Beltrami Island State Forest is the perfect backyard complement to Lake of the Woods. As the second largest of Minnesota's 58 state forests, you'll find over 1,400 miles of ATV-accessible roads and trails, 44 walking trails totaling approximately 72 miles and hundreds of miles of groomed snowmobiles trails. Hunting for deer, ruffed grouse and bear is most popular. Campgrounds are at Bemis Hill, Clear River and Blueberry Hill.



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## AMENITIES + ACCOMMODATIONS

### SOUTH SHORE RESORTS

	CABINS/HOTEL	GUIDED FISHING CHARTER BOATS	FISH HOUSE RENTALS	SLEEPER FISH HOUSE RENTALS	DINING	BAR/LOUNGE	CABLE/SATELLITE	AIR CONDITIONING	POOL	CAMPING/RV	BOAT SLIPS	WIFI
<b>ARNESEN'S ROCKY POINT</b> 800.535.7585   WWW.ARNESENS.COM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
<b>BUGSY'S ON BOSTIC</b> 218.634.1987   WWW.BUGSYSONBOSTIC.COM	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		X	X	X
<b>CYRUS RESORT</b> 800.932.2924   WWW.CYRUSRESORT.COM	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	OUTDOOR		X	X
<b>DALE'S ON LAKE OF THE WOODS</b> 320.630.7897   WWW.DALEFISHINGLAKEOFthewOODS.NET			X	X						X	X	X
<b>FRED'S BEDS</b> 218.230.5590   WWW.FREDSBEDSLOW.COM	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		X		X
<b>HARRY'S HOUSE</b> 218.230.8943   WWW.VRBO.COM/1161951?NODATES=TRUE	X											X
<b>JOHNSON'S WALLEYE RETREAT</b> 218.634.3126   WWW.WALLEYERETREAT.COM	X	X	X	X			X	X			X	
<b>KEN-MAR-KE RESORT</b> 800.535.8155   WWW.KENMARKE.COM	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		X	X	X
<b>LAKE OF THE WOODS CAMPING CABINS</b> 612.390.5996   TOM@WIKTEL.COM	X	X					X					X
<b>LINDER'S HIDEAWAY CABINS</b> 218.634.1570   WWW.LINDERSHIDEAWAY.COM	X						X	X				X
<b>LONG POINT RESORT</b> 218.783.3365   WWW.LONGPOINTRESORT.COM	X	X	X	X			X			X	X	X
<b>MORRIS POINT LAKE VIEW LODGE</b> 218.634.2570   WWW.MORRISPOINTLODGE.COM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
<b>SWEET'S FISHING</b> 218.368.7323   WWW.SWEETSFISHING.COM	X	X	X	X			X	X			X	
<b>ZIPPEL BAY RESORT</b> 800.222.2537   WWW.ZIPPELBAY.COM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	OUTDOOR	X	X	X

### SLEEPER FISH HOUSE OUTFITTERS

<b>BOSTIC BAY ICE CABINS</b> 701.371.4370   WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/BOSTICBAYICECABINS			X	X								
<b>COME FISH WITH Z</b> 763.442.2973   WWW.COMEFISHWITHZ.COM			X	X								
<b>JASON GROLL FISHING GUIDE SERVICE</b> 507.720.8152   WWW.GROLLFISHING.COM/INDEX.HTML		X	X	X								
<b>JEFF'S ICE-O-MINIUMS</b> 218.783.2022   WWW.ICEOMINIUMS.COM			X	X								
<b>LAKE OF THE WOODS OUTDOORSMAN</b> 218.280.1674   WWW.LAKEOFthewOODSOUTDOORSMAN.COM		X	X	X								
<b>LYON SLEEPERS</b> 800.664.3735   WWW.LYONSLEEPERS.COM				X								
<b>PK SLEEPERS</b> 763.202.5512   WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/PK-SLEEPERS			X	X								
<b>SPORTSMAN'S SLEEPERS</b> 800.862.8602   WWW.SPORTSMANSLODGES.COM				X								
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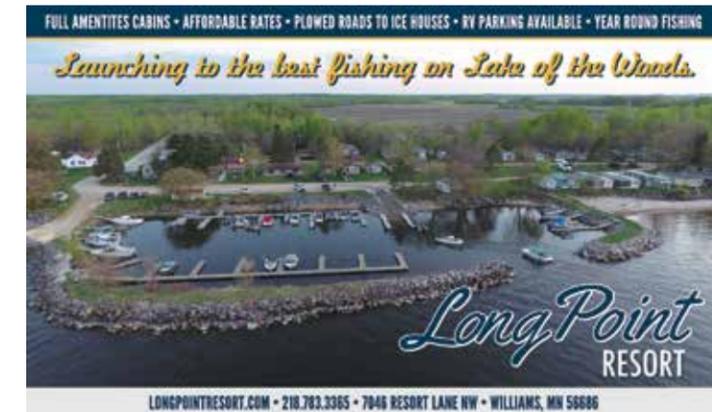


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# OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

## EXPLORE THE NORTHLAND



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### 1. SNOWMOBILING

Enjoy hundreds of miles of beautifully groomed and staked trails. Trails extend south, east and west across the South Shore, across Lake of the Woods and up throughout the NW Angle. Resorts, good food, taverns and gasoline are scattered along the trails. Two local snowmobile clubs work hard to make sure trails are maintained nicely.



### 2. CROSS COUNTRY SKIING & SNOWSHOEING

Zippel Bay State Park, on the South Shore, maintains over 12 miles of groomed ski and snowshoeing trails. Local clubs organize free moonlight ski events. In town, trek across the Rainy River or snowshoe in the school forest across from the school. At the Northwest Angle, get off trail and explore to your heart's content.

### 3. KAYAKING & CANOEING

The Rapid River Canoe and Kayak Route covers 33 miles with many small riffles and Class 1 rapids. If a peaceful paddle is all you desire, check out the Rainy River, Silver Creek, Baudette Bay, Winter Road River, Wabanica Bay, Four Mile Bay, Bostic Creek, Zippel Bay, or among the islands at the Northwest Angle.



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### 4. BLUEBERRY & MUSHROOM PICKING

On the South Shore, Zippel Bay State Park and Blueberry Hill are popular spots for blueberry picking. Or explore on your own at the Northwest Angle or in Beltrami Island State Forest. For a quick trip, try the Lake of the Woods School Forest. A couple of farms are also available for berry pickers. Morel mushroom season is short, but worth it. Forested areas are the best places to look and they come up after the last frost in the spring.



### 5. MOUNTAIN BIKING

Bike through some of the most beautiful scenery the north country has to offer. Explore forest roads surrounding the Faunce State Forest Camp-ground, offering several loop routes up to about 30 miles in length. In Beltrami Island State Forest, there are several hunter walking trails in the area that are open to non-motorized vehicle use.



### 7. GEOCACHING

Geocaching is a new spin on an ageless passion – treasure hunting! Bring your own GPS or use your smartphone. This fun activity gets the family exploring off the beaten path. Once you find the cache, sign the logbook. If there's treasure you can take it, as long as you replace it with something else.



### 8. BIRDING

Lake of the Woods County is recognized statewide as a bird watchers paradise. Almost 300 species of birds nest here and can be seen and heard in various times of the year. The area sits on one of the four major migratory flyways. Piping Plovers, raptors, pelicans, eagles, owls, hawks, shore birds, geese, puddle ducks, diver ducks, loons, woodpeckers warblers and many other species make this home. Visit acres of public land along the lake, Rainy River and thousands of islands or hire a resort guide for a unique boat tour.

### 6. OFF ROAD TRAILS

Experience the vast wilderness trails via ATV all year round. Beltrami State Forest and the Bankton roads south of Williams have 238 miles of trails. Off-highway vehicles can be driven on all state forest trails that are not designated as off limits for environmental or safety reasons.



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# A HUNTER'S HAVEN



**LAKE OF THE WOODS** offers thousands of acres of public hunting lands in addition to the waters of the Rainy River, Big Traverse Bay on the South Shore and the Northwest Angle. Ample hunting opportunities of all kinds exist including field hunting, jump shooting, and hunting over decoys, river, sloughs, big water, islands, and more. Just like the fishing, bring your own equipment or use our resorts and guides to get you on birds. Most hunting opportunities begin in September.

## GROUSE

> Lake of the Woods offers thousands of acres of hunting land with three species of grouse, the ruffed, spruce and sharptailed. Dirt roads, walking trails and ATV trails cross thousands of acres full of grouse. Beltrami Island State Forest, Lake of the Woods Forest and Pine Island are just a few spots to begin. Many of our resorts and hotels are dog friendly.

## WATERFOWL

> A variety of water combined with 40,000 acres of adjacent agricultural land around Lake of the Woods attracts a variety of waterfowl. Hunt fields, back bays, the river, reeds, cattails, or off of a point among the island areas. Puddle ducks, a wide variety of divers and Canadian Geese either live or migrate through the area.

## DEER

> With so much public land, deer hunting opportunities abound. Both archery and rifle

seasons are permitted in this part of Minnesota. Locals joke that there are probably more deer in Lake of the Woods County than people. Trophy bucks are shot each and every year in the area.

## BLACK BEARS

> Bears are abundant in these parts. The area has a number of very experienced bear guides who do all of the baiting and setting up of tree stands. Check the Minnesota DNR website for information on regulations, seasons, and how to apply for permits.

## TIMBER WOLVES

> At the printing of this visitor guide, Minnesota does not currently have a season on timber wolves. Ontario, however does. Some of our Northwest Angle resorts work with wolf guides in Ontario if you are looking to hunt this predator that has healthy numbers in these parts. Contact Lake of the Woods Tourism for more info.

# HISTORY

## YOUR QUICK GUIDE TO LAKE OF THE WOODS HISTORICAL SITES



### 1. LAKE OF THE WOODS COUNTY MUSEUM, BAUDETTE

A bridge to the past, Lake of the Woods County Museum has exhibits on geology, natural history, native cultures, the Great Forest Fire of 1910, commercial fishing, logging, agriculture and pharmaceutical industries. The museum has a large display area, audio-visual programs and a comprehensive library, which includes microfilm of the county newspapers from 1907-1960.

### 2. BAUDETTE DEPOT

Abandoned in the 1980s and completely renovated as of 2011, the Baudette Depot (1923) is one of Baudette's favorite connections to the Canadian Railway and start to the City of Baudette. It once served as an integral part of the entire transportation system of the area, when all of the traffic into or out of the county came by river or rail. It was a place of constant movement, a place of joyous reunions and sad goodbyes and a place alive with stories. Head in for a private tour or attend one of the many festivities and art shows this beautiful location holds. The depot sits on land leased from CN (Canadian National Railways) at the very end of Main Ave.



### 3. FORT ST. CHARLES

Fort St. Charles is the site of the original fortress and fur-trading post erected in 1732, by the French-Canadian voyageurs. The reconstructed fort is on Magnusson's Island and is open to the public. Accessible by boat during open water months and snowmobile during the winter months. Local guide services are available through resorts for history and fishing adventures.

### 4. MASSACRE ISLAND

Massacre Island commemorates the place where Jesuit Father Jean Pierre Aulneau and twenty men were murdered in the summer of 1736 while visiting the island of Sioux Indians in hopes of making peace. Now a cross marks the spot of the massacre on the highest hill in respect for those lost. Accessible by boat or snowmobile, the island has been a historical destination for many throughout the years.

### 5. FAUNCE TOWER LOOKOUT

Faunce is a 100-foot stairway tower erected by the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1935. It replaced an older tower (Faunce Fire Tower) located 3 miles to the south of the original along Faunce Forest Road. One of four towers in Beltrami Island State Forest, it also marks the lost village of Faunce. Faunce campground is located at this site, which stands roughly 12 miles south of Williams on Co Rd 2.



### 6. NORRIS CAMP

Today's headquarters of the Red Lake Wildlife Management Area, the history of Norris Camp began in 1933 with President Roosevelt's New Deal programs. The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) was one of these programs and it became the impetus for creating Norris Camp. The CCC was created to help spur the United States' economy out of the Great Depression by hiring unemployed young men for public conservation work. Close to 200 men and officers were stationed at Norris Camp performing a variety of tasks.

### 7. PAINTED ROCK ISLAND

Some of Lake of the Woods' earliest settlers and those passing through have left their mark on the north side of what is now Painted Rock Island. These pictographs are estimated to be over 900 years old. Located on an overhanging cliff on Painted Rock Island, this is one of many sites of the rock paintings that are known to exist on Lake of the Woods. They can be viewed from a boat in the channel between Painted Rock Island and Split Rock Island adjacent to the NW Angle just into Ontario. Local resort guide services are available for history and fishing tours complete with shore lunch.

# NW ANGLE

## ATTRACTIONS

**NW Angle Country Club**  
Northernmost golf course in the lower 48! **I.C.**

**Angle Inlet School**  
The only active one room schoolhouse in Minnesota. **A**



**Angle Inlet Post Office** **B**

**Explore Fort St. Charles** **C**  
Located on Magnusson Island and open to the public, walk around the old fur trading fort from the 1700's.

**Northernmost Point of the Contiguous United States marker** **D**

**Paddle Board, Canoe and Paddle Boat Rentals** available at select resorts.

**Oak Island Post Office** **E**

**Garden Island State Park** **F**  
Offers a sandy beach for swimming and boat docking for a shore lunch.

## SNOWMOBILING

Enjoy over 500 miles of groomed trails through some of the most scenic areas in North America. For maps and info visit [www.LakeoftheWoodsMN.com](http://www.LakeoftheWoodsMN.com) or the NW Angle Edge Riders website at [www.nwaedgeriders.org](http://www.nwaedgeriders.org)

# NW ANGLE Lodging

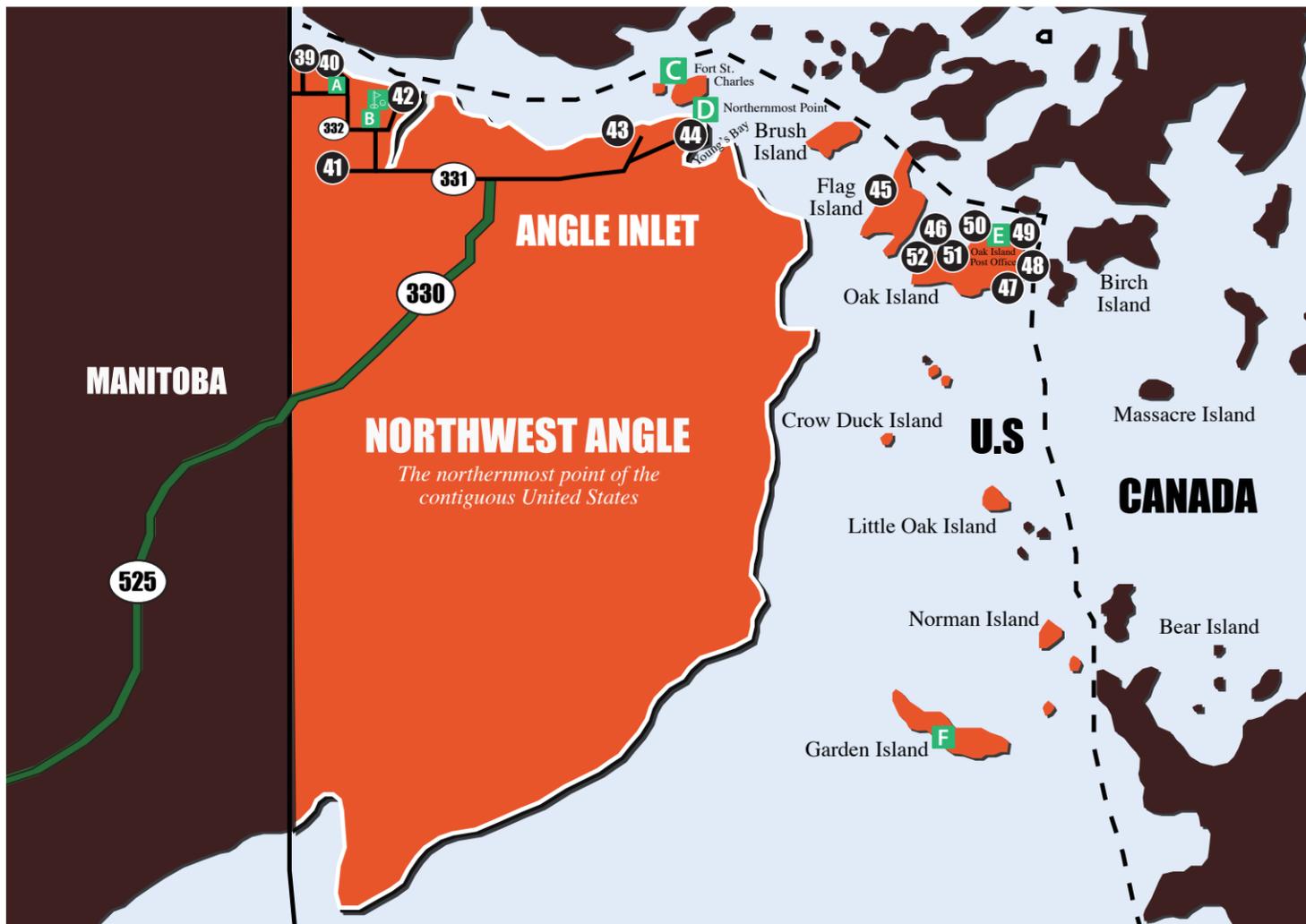
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[www.sportsmanslodges.com](http://www.sportsmanslodges.com)
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- 50. Sunset Lodge Resort**  
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[www.sunsetlodgeresort.com](http://www.sunsetlodgeresort.com)
- 51. Oak Island Resort**  
(800) 669-4543  
[www.oakislandresort.com](http://www.oakislandresort.com)
- 52. Walsh's Bay Store Camp**  
(800) 214-2533  
[www.baystorecamp.com](http://www.baystorecamp.com)



into Minnesota up at the Angle. With scenic roads made up of both tar and gravel, this journey is filled with wildlife. The Angle is accessible by boat or charter during the summer and by bombardier or snowmobile in the winter months, a journey of 40 miles across the lake. Some resorts offer boat and ice transport services that operate within Minnesota. Resorts will arrange to transport you during both seasons if desired. Snowmobile trails are groomed

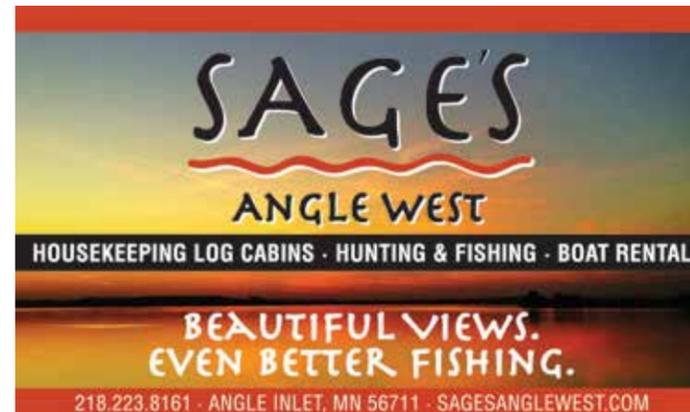
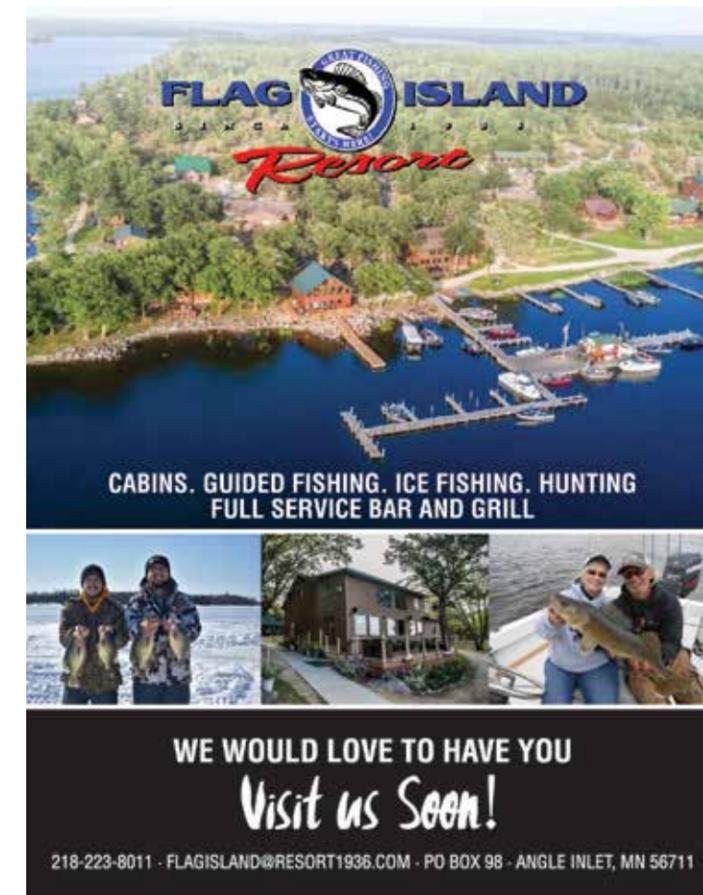
The Northwest Angle, a.k.a. "the Angle," is located on the northern side of Lake of the Woods. When viewing a map, it looks like the "chimney" of Minnesota and claims bragging rights as the northernmost point of the contiguous 48 states. The northernmost point marker is located in the community of Angle Inlet, MN at Young's Bay. The NW Angle is surrounded by Canada on three sides. This is the part of the lake where the 14,552 islands begin and is home to some of the best fishing in the world.

There are many ways to travel to the Northwest Angle. When traveling by vehicle, this beautiful journey is about 60 miles from the U.S. / Canadian border, traveling through Canada and then back



and marked during the winter months from the South Shore. A shelter is located on Garden Island if you need a break or want to warm up. If your sled is not registered in Minnesota, you will need a trail sticker when traveling. Seaplanes or ski planes also fly over the lake to the Northwest Angle.

After you've caught your limit, go explore the many Angle adventures. Miles of sandy beaches, geocaching and a picnic area await you at Garden Island State Park. Massacre Island, Eagle's Rock, Penasse Island, Painted Rock Island and Fort St. Charles are all great spots to learn a little history. Birding and wildlife viewing opportunities are abundant in the area as are wild flowers, wild rice, blueberries, and raspberries. Play a round of golf on the northernmost 9-hole golf course in the U.S. Check out the Angle Inlet School, the only one room public school in the state of MN with grades K - 6. Explore one of the NW Angle resorts for a nice meal or a beverage at the bar, each with their northern MN touch.



AMENITIES + ACCOMMODATIONS

NORTHWEST ANGLE

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<b>ANGLE OUTPOST RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER</b> 800.441.5014   WWW.ANGLEOUTPOST.COM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X
<b>BLACKBIRD ISLAND</b> 218.223.4719   WWW.BLACKBIRDISLAND.COM	X	X					X				X	X
<b>FLAG ISLAND RESORT</b> 218.223.8011   WWW.FLAGISLANDRESORT.COM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X
<b>JAKE'S NORTHWEST ANGLE</b> 800.729.0864   WWW.JAKESNORTHWESTANGLE.COM	X	X	X				X				X	X
<b>NORTHWEST ANGLE RENTALS</b> 612.219.6109   WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/NORTHWESTANGLERENTALS	X						X					
<b>OAK ISLAND RESORT</b> 800.669.4543   WWW.OAKISLANDRESORT.COM	X	X					X				X	X
<b>PROTHERO'S POST RESORT</b> 218.223.8081   WWW.PROTHEROSPOSTRESORT.COM	X										X	X
<b>SAGE'S ANGLE WEST</b> 218.223.8161   WWW.SAGESANGLEWEST.COM	X	X								X	X	X
<b>SPORTSMAN'S EAGLE RIDGE</b> 800.772.8411   WWW.SPORTSMANSLODGES.COM/EAGLERIDGE	X	X	X		X	X	X				X	X
<b>SPORTSMAN'S OAK ISLAND</b> 800.772.8411   SPORTSMANSLODGES.COM/OAKISLAND	X	X	X		X	X	X				X	X
<b>SUNSET LODGE</b> 855.634.1863   WWW.SUNSETLODGERESORT.COM	X	X	X		X	X	X	X			X	X
<b>WALSH'S BAY STORE CAMP</b> 800.214.2533   WWW.BAYSTORECAMP.COM	X	X	X				X				X	X
<b>YOUNG'S BAY RESORT</b> 218.223.8031   WWW.YOUNGSBAYRESORT.COM	X									X	X	X



# BAUDETTE

## ATTRACTIONS

- A Farmers' Market**  
Hometown Hardware Parking Lot, Saturdays May through September.
- B Baudette Depot**  
Main Street, Baudette, MN
- C Baudette Grand Theater**  
Main Street, Baudette, MN
- D Peace Park**  
International Drive just before the border crossing. Walking trails, benches, boat ramp.
- E Willie Walleye**  
Take your picture with the iconic figure marking The Walleye Capital of the World. International Drive and MN-11.
- F Timbermill Park**  
East side of town on Hwy 11. Beautiful park, walking trails, large boat ramp on Rainy River.
- G Veteran's Memorial**  
Mail Call. Check out the brand new memorial signifying an important part of serving overseas, mail call. East side of Baudette on Hwy 11.
- H Lake of the Woods County Historical Society**  
East side of Baudette near County Offices. Cairn of Peace, historic displays, old farm equipment, antique fishing equipment.
- I Baudette Library**  
110 1st Street SW, Baudette MN
- J LakeWood Health Center**  
600 Main Ave, Baudette MN

## EVENTS

- Willie Walleye Weekend**  
Enjoy the Rodeo, 5K, live music and entertainment the first weekend in June!
- 4th of July**  
5K, parade, live music and entertainment, games on Willie Walleye hill, vendors and a spectacular fireworks show on the Baudette Bay!
- Lake of the Woods County Fair**  
Mid July come to the fair grounds for rides for all ages, car race/demolition derby, mud volleyball, games, fair food and more!
- Bluegrass Festival**  
Enjoy live music and home cooking located at the historic Baudette Depot in August.
- Frost Fest**  
End of November help us kick of the winter season with our ice House Parade, 5k, Christmas tree lighting and fireworks over the Baudette Bay.



## 10 THINGS TO DO IN DOWNTOWN BAUDETTE

**WHEN YOU'RE READY TO TAKE A BREAK FROM FISHING, TIE YOUR BOAT UP AT THE PUBLIC DOCKS IN BAUDETTE BAY AND CHECK OUT DOWNTOWN BAUDETTE.**

- 1. Boutique Shopping** - Get your favorite northern apparel and a variety of items specific to Lake of the Woods.
- 2. Gear Up** - Whether it's supplies from the hardware or general store, fishing and hunting gear or groceries and

supplies, there are a variety of options in Baudette.

- 3. Family Dining** - Cozy in with family and friends at any of our family-owned restaurants and cafes. Get a hearty small town welcome while enjoying good home-cooked style meals. For

food on the go, Baudette offers a variety of fresh and warm fast food options that will get you back on the lake or trail in minutes.

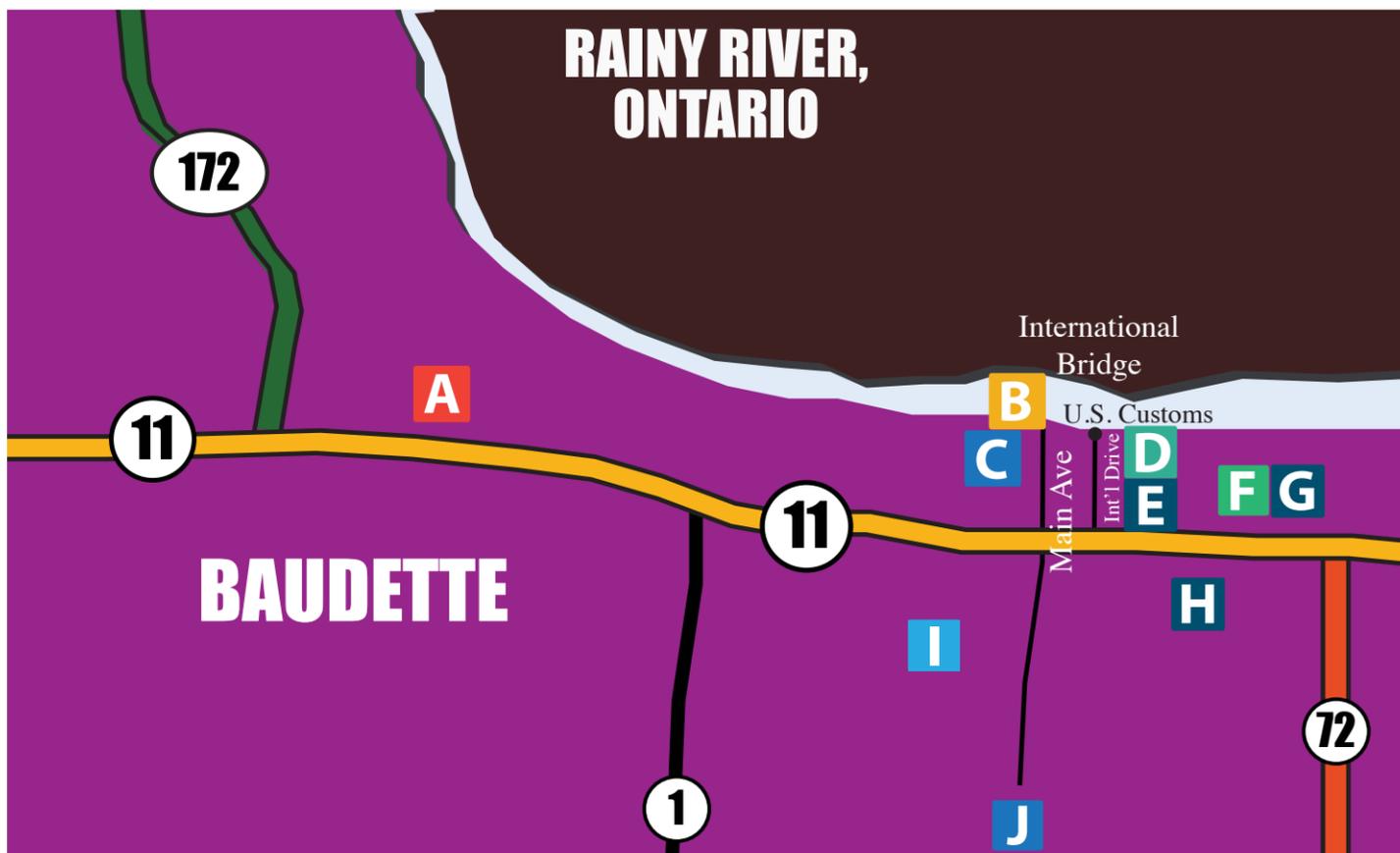
- 4. Willie Walleye** - Willie Walleye Park is the home to Willie Walleye. At over 40 feet, Willie is the mascot for the Walleye Capital of the World and just might be the most photographed walleye in the world.

- 5. Timber Mill Park** - One mile east of Baudette, Timber Mill Park offers something for everyone. Public access to the Rainy River, two ball diamonds, skateboard park, walking trails, picnic tables, and shelters, are just a few of the amenities available for your enjoyment.



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**6. The Grand Theatre** - Affordable family entertainment and the latest movies along with refreshments, popcorn and other snacks located in downtown Baudette.

**7. A Day At The Library** - Jump on a computer, enjoy a good book, catch up on today's news. A weekly summer program is scheduled in addition to other educational and family fun events such as musicians, special guests, plays,

book readings and more all year round. Open to the public.

**8. Lake of the Woods County Museum & Historical Society** - A bridge to the past, the museum has exhibits on geology, history, native cultures, commercial fishing, logging, and agriculture. Enjoy a large display area, audio-visual programs and a comprehensive library.

**9. The Baudette Depot** - One of Baudette's favorite connections to the

## FISHING TOURNAMENTS

- MTT. Minnesota Tournament Trail
- MWC. Master's Walleye Circuit
- NWT. National Walleye Tour
- AIM. Angler's Insight Marketing
- NABC. North American Bass Circuit
- Chili Bowl, Border View Lodge
- Arnesen's, Summer Tournament
- River Bend's Resorts, Ladies tournament
- Zippel Bay Resort, Northern Pike Tournament
- Sportsman's Lodge, Sturgeon Tournament
- Birchdale, Sturgeon Tournament
- Baudette, VFW Ice Fishing Tournament

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**10. Walking & Bike Paths** - Grab a Park & Trail map and enjoy the several miles of paved paths that will take you all around downtown Baudette.

## CROSS THE BORDER IN BAUDETTE

For travelers spending some of their vacation time on the northern side of the border in Canada, Baudette has become a very popular spot to cross. As a very efficient crossing point, it is typically very quick to pass through customs and continue your journey vs other larger border crossings which you could literally wait hours.



Some visitors make their first night destination Baudette to break up the trip. Get settled in to a nice hotel or resort, go out for a nice dinner and continue your journey when you are fresh first thing in the morning.

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