



# A GRAND ESCAPE TO MACKINAC ISLAND

June 7-12, 2027



Grand Hotel

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Iron Mountain Iron Mine
- Kitch-iti-kiپی
- Mackinac Island Carriage Tour
- Fort Mackinac
- Benjamin Blacksmith Shop
- Grand Luncheon Buffet
- Castle Farms
- Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park

A \$500 deposit per person is required with your registration form in order to reserve your spot.

FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE:  
**FEBRUARY 25, 2027**

## TOUR PRICING\*

**\$2,995** per person, double occupancy  
with insurance: **\$3,301**

**\$3,955** per person, single occupancy  
with insurance: **\$4,261**

\*A credit card convenience fee of 3% will be applied to all transactions. This fee is charged to cover the processing costs associated with credit card payments. Please note that this fee is non-refundable if a credit card refund is processed.

# DAILY ITINERARY

## DAY 1 MONDAY, JUNE 7

## IRON MOUNTAIN (D)

Set off for Michigan's scenic Upper Peninsula, where rugged landscapes, rich mining history, sparkling springs, and cascading waterfalls create the perfect beginning to our journey. Soon we'll make our way to Mackinac Island — a charming destination reached only by ferry, where horse-drawn carriages replace cars and historic forts, waterfront views, and sweet-smelling fudge shops line the streets. Upon arrival in **Iron Mountain**, we'll settle into our hotel and unwind before gathering for a delightful welcome dinner to kick off our adventure.



## DAY 2 TUESDAY, JUNE 8

## ST. IGNACE (B, L)

Today, we embark on a fascinating journey beneath the surface as we explore Michigan's rich mining heritage at the **Iron Mountain Iron Mine**. Climb aboard a small mine train and venture deep into the tunnels of this once-working mine, where towering walls of iron ore, glittering mineral veins, and preserved equipment tell the story of the region's industrious past. Later, we travel on to the breathtaking **Kitch-iti-kipi**, Michigan's largest freshwater spring. After a boxed lunch en route, glide across crystal-clear waters on an observation raft, peering down at bubbling sand and trout drifting below, surrounded by lush forest and moss-covered stones. By evening, we arrive in **St. Ignace**, where sweeping views of the Straits of Mackinac, charming waterfront strolls, and a relaxed Great Lakes atmosphere invite you to unwind and enjoy the night at your leisure.



## DAY 3 WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

## MACKINAC ISLAND (B, D)

This morning, we cruise across the sparkling Straits of Mackinac by ferry to one of Michigan's most beloved treasures — **Mackinac Island**. With motorized vehicles left behind, the island greets us with the gentle rhythm of waves and the familiar clip-clop of horse-drawn carriages. Upon arrival, we'll **step aboard our awaiting carriage for a guided tour** around this charming three-by-two-mile island, where historic forts, sweeping shoreline vistas, and beautifully preserved Victorian homes share stories from the earliest days of America. Along the way, we'll quickly see why this timeless destination has captivated visitors for generations. Our ride concludes at the legendary **Grand Hotel**, a National Historic Landmark renowned for its gracious hospitality, manicured gardens, and sweeping views from its iconic porch. Settle into this magnificent hotel for a two-night stay and prepare for an elegant evening dining at The Grand, where refined attire and classic traditions make the experience feel truly unforgettable.



## ACCOMMODATIONS

- 1 Night - Iron Mountain, MI - Holiday Inn Express & Suites Iron Mountain by IHG
- 1 Night - St. Ignace, MI - Centrally Located
- 2 Nights - Mackinac Island, MI - Grand Hotel
- 1 Night - Grand Rapids, MI - Embassy Suites by Hilton Grand Rapids Downtown

## DAY 4 THURSDAY, JUNE 10

## MACKINAC ISLAND (B, L)

Ease into the morning with coffee on the Grand Hotel's iconic 660-foot porch, where vibrant red geraniums frame sweeping views of the Mackinac Bridge and the sparkling Straits below. From a gently rocking chair, it's easy to savor the peaceful rhythm of island life before stepping back into America's past at **Fort Mackinac**. Perched high above the harbor and originally built by the British during the Revolutionary War, the fort brings history to life with its preserved buildings, period furnishings, and captivating stories of soldiers and settlers. We'll then visit the **Benjamin Blacksmith Shop**, where time-honored techniques continue as skilled artisans shape glowing iron into handcrafted tools and household pieces just as they did more than a century ago. Returning to the hotel, indulge in the legendary **Grand Luncheon Buffet** — a beloved island tradition featuring garden-fresh salads, savory cheeses, slow-roasted meats, fresh seafood, and an irresistible display of house-made pastries. The afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure: browse the charming boutiques along Main Street, stroll the tranquil shoreline, or rent a bicycle and circle the island's scenic perimeter for a refreshing and unforgettable perspective of Mackinac's timeless beauty.

## DAY 5 FRIDAY, JUNE 11

## GRAND RAPIDS (B, L, D)

After a memorable stay on Mackinac Island, we board the ferry back to the mainland and journey south to the enchanting **Castle Farms**. Once we arrive, enjoy a boxed lunch before stepping into a storybook setting of stone towers, manicured gardens, and beautifully restored buildings. During our **guided tour**, discover the castle's fascinating past — from its early 20th-century beginnings to its service during World War II and its transformation into one of Michigan's most unique event venues. Historic photographs and engaging stories bring each space vividly to life. Later, we continue to **Grand Rapids** to check into our hotel before gathering for a delightful farewell dinner.

## DAY 6 SATURDAY, JUNE 12

## HOME (B)

A beautiful blend of art and nature awaits at **Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park** as we begin our final day together. After checking out of our hotel, we travel to this extraordinary oasis, where stunning themed gardens, peaceful woodland paths, and an internationally renowned sculpture collection create an inspiring setting. A **guided tram tour** carries us through the outdoor gardens and park grounds while engaging commentary highlights the impressive artwork, thoughtful landscape design, and seasonal displays. Following time to explore and enjoy lunch on your own nearby, we depart for home.

# INCLUSIONS

- Private Motorcoach Transportation
- 5 Nights' Accommodations
- 11 Meals (5 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 3 Dinners)
- Admission to Attractions as Stated on Itinerary
- Porter Service of One Bag Per Person at Hotels When Available
- Taxes & Gratuities for Included Services



# WHERE TO?



Mackinac Island Tourism



Mackinac Island

## Activity Level: Moderate

Balanced blend of activity and relaxation with walks or stands of 60-90 minutes, occasional stairs, and daily walks of two to three miles.

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