

Enjoy the River Safely

- Wear your life jacket. Make sure your child wears a life jacket!
- Use alcohol responsibly. Many river accidents involve alcohol.
- Wear sunscreen, sunglasses, and a hat to prevent sunburn. Water reflects the rays of the sun giving you a double dose of ultraviolet light.
- Avoid trees that have fallen in the river. They can catch and overturn your vessel.
- Don't jump from cliffs, bridges, or trees.
- Protect your feet with river shoes, water sandals, or old shoes. Fish hooks, glass, and rocks can injure your feet.
- Bring your own drinking water. Treat river water before drinking to avoid giardiasis, a serious stomach irritant.
- Blastomycosis is a fungal infection that is commonly contracted by dogs and sometimes by humans. Avoid digging in moist soils.
- Check for ticks often and know the symptoms of Lyme disease. Deer ticks are common along the Riverway and some carry the bacteria that cause the disease.
- Know how to identify poison ivy and avoid contact.



deer tick



wood tick



poison ivy

National Park Service St. Croix National Scenic Riverway



St. Croix River Map 6: Sand Creek Landing to Highway 70



common merganser

Hundreds of baby mergansers are raised on the river every summer. Look for babysitter females with lots of babies following along.

In This Stretch

- Rapids begin downstream of **Nelsons Landing**.
- Stay to the left if you want to be in the deeper main channel at the place where the river splits around large islands.
- To paddle the **Kettle River Slough**, take the right channel at the split and then go right again near the first big island. Near the Kettle River confluence with the St. Croix there is a ledge and a series of fast and steep rapids that are regularly Class II. You will miss Fox Landing when taking this route.
- Wide, shallow and easy rapids characterize the St. Croix after the Kettle River joins it.
- The **Sandrock Cliffs** channel is two miles past **Soderbeck Landing** on the left. It can dry up in low water.

Top Riverway Regulations

- Approved life jackets for each person are required on your vessel. Children under 13 are required to wear a life jacket.
- Please do not bring glass containers to the Riverway. Broken glass cuts bare feet.
- Disposing human waste into the river is prohibited.
- Jumping from cliffs, bridges, or trees is illegal and dangerous.
- Open campfires are allowed only in metal fire rings. Campfires must be out and cold before you leave the area.
- The cutting of live vegetation is strictly prohibited. Dead and down wood may be collected for campfires from shoreline areas, but not from islands.
- To prevent the spread of emerald ash borer, possession of firewood that originates more than 25 miles from the location where it will be used is prohibited.
- Individual campsites accommodate a maximum of 8 people and 3 tents. Group sites accommodate a maximum of 16 people and 6 tents.
- Littering is not allowed. Carry out all trash.
- It is illegal to shoot or possess fireworks on lands and waters within the Riverway.
- Collecting freshwater mussels, mussel shells, wildflowers, and historical artifacts is prohibited.
- Quiet hours are 10:00 pm to 6:00 am.

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St. Croix River Map 6:

Sand Creek Landing to Highway 70 Landing

St. Croix River Visitor Center

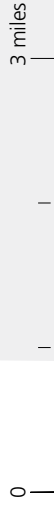
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FIND YOUR PARK



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| | Canoe access | | Picnic area |
| | Boat launch | | Hiking trailhead |
| | Unpaved boat launch | | Pets on leash |
| | Restrooms | | Campsite/landing |
| | Drinking water | | River mileage |
| | Primitive shoreline campsite | | Rapids |
| | Primitive shoreline group campsite | | St. Croix National Scenic Riverway |
| | Developed campground | | State lands |
| | | | Hiking trail |

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