

Visitor Trips, Tours, and Expedition Services



NPS Concession Operated Passenger Service between Leland Harbor and North and South Manitou Island

Manitou Island Transit (Authorized NPS Concessioner)

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Manitou Island Transit (MIT) is authorized by the National Park Service and U.S. Department of the Interior as a park concessioner to serve the public within Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore.

MIT offers boat transportation for passengers between Leland Harbor and North and South Manitou Islands, and auto tours of South Manitou Island from their open air vehicles. Evening shoreline cruises along the mainland coast are also available. A variety of narrated sightseeing cruises, island shuttles, and charter trips to the islands and offshore locations throughout the National Lakeshore is available.

Daily trips provide visitors with boat transportation services to the islands, where you can visit a lighthouse, hike, picnic, bird-watch, or explore natural and cultural areas on your own.

Other cruises are available in the afternoon and evening with the opportunity to see sunsets, lighthouses and miles of sandy shoreline and dunes. For a complete schedule of this year's cruise offerings, visit their website at www.leelanau.com/manitou

Authorized NPS Business Partners

Business partners of the National Park Service provide a variety of ways to see and enjoy Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore. They offer opportunities to learn, explore, and experience the park through unique and specialized trips, tours, adventures and expeditions. These operators are insured and provide a high quality experience. The following commercial, public, and private companies and organizations are authorized to operate within the park under terms of a Commercial Use Authorization or Special Use Permit:

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BRASS SHUTTER PHOTOGRAPHY 830 W GILFORD RD CARO, MI 48723 989-673-3991 www.BrassShutter.com	Commercial portrait photography.
BRONEAH KITEBOARDING 207 GRANDVIEW PKWY, SUITE 105, TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49684 231-392-2212 www.broneah.com	Recreational kiteboarding instruction.
CAMP LEELANAU KOHAHNA 1653 PORT ONEIDA RD. MAPLE CITY, MI 49664 231-334-3808 www.leelanau-kohahna.com	Educational and recreational tours and Programs, including camping, hiking, swimming and canoeing.
CAMP TANUGA 6874 TANUGA RD. N.E. KALKASKA, MI 49646 231-258-9182	Camping programs and group tours for children and youth.
CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN RESORT 12500 CRYSTAL MT. DR. THOMPSONVILLE, MI 49683 231-378-2000 www.crystalmountain.com	Float trips on the Platte River.
CRYSTAL RIVER OUTFITTERS P.O. BOX 220 GLEN ARBOR, MI 49636 231-334-3808 www.crystalriveroutfitters.com	Float trips on the Crystal River.
CRYSTAL LAIRE CAMP P.O. BOX 1129 FRANKFORT, MI 49635 231-352-7589 www.crystalaireadventures.com	Outdoor recreational programs for children and youth.

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DISCOVERY WORLD AT PIER WISCONSIN 500 N. HARBOR DR. MILWAUKEE, WI 53202 414-765-8641 www.discoveryworld.org	Educational programs on fresh water issues, including visits to the Manitou Islands.
EXPLORE OUTDOORS 10582 CEDAR RUN RD. TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49684 231-944-9946 www.exploreoutdoors.com	Guided outdoor activities including kayaking, hiking, mountain biking and snowshoeing.
HONOR CANOE RENTAL 2215 VALLEY RD. HONOR, MI 49640 231-325-0112 www.honorcanoerentals.com	Float trips on the Platte River.
KALAMAZOO NATURE CENTER 7000 NORTH WESTNEDGE KALAMAZOO, MI 49009 269-382-1574 X 24 www.naturecenter.org	Summer camp use of recreational features, including the Manitou Islands for outdoor recreational activities.
LEELANAU DAY TRIPS 11271 S. BRIGHT RD. MAPLE CITY, MI 49664-9728 231-944-2944 www.leelanaudaytrips.com	Guided auto tours throughout the county and Lakeshore by fifth generation local family.
MG FIREWOOD 250 S. PINE TREE LANE BEULAH, MI 49617 231-882-0075 (No website)	Firewood sales in Platte River and D.H. Day Campgrounds.
PRICELESS PHOTOGRAPHY 230-B EAST 14 TH ST TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49684 231-883-9384 www.pricelessphotography.com	Commercial portrait and landscape Photography.

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SLEEPING BEAR DUNES BOAT CRUISES 827 MAIN ST. FRANKFORT, MI 49635 231-352-8102 or 888-469-4696 www.sleepingbeardunescruise.com	Off-shore boat cruises viewing Sleeping Bear Dunes from the Lake Michigan shoreline.
THE HOMESTEAD RESORT WOOD RIDGE RD. GLEN ARBOR, MI 49636 231-334-5106 www.thehomesteadresort.com	Crystal River float trips, nature hikes, guided cross-country skiing, and snowshoe hikes, photo and lighthouse tours.
THE HONOR TRADING POST 8925 DEADSTREAM RD. HONOR, MI 49640 231-325-2202 www.canoelatterriver.com	Float trips on the Platte River.
THE RIVER 6051 W. CRYSTAL BEND DR. GLEN ARBOR, MI 49636 231-883-7890 www.theriverglenarbor.com	Float trips and eco-tours on Crystal River and the Glen Arbor area.
TRAVERSE TALL SHIP CO. 13390 S.W. BAY SHORE DR. TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49684 231-941-2000 www.tallshipsailing.com	Multi-day cruises on Lake Michigan and the Manitou Islands.