



Moostash Joe  
TOURS

9

day tour



# Great Lakes of North America

August 24 - September 1, 2024

Discover the wonder



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**Only \$3,199**

per person double occupancy, round trip deluxe motorcoach transportation

Featuring two nights at the world-renowned Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island! Join us as we traverse North America's Great Lakes, the largest group of freshwater lakes on Earth, to discover its unique scenery, charming communities and wealth of fun activities. Highlights include Lake Superior's North Shore, Apostle Islands Cruise, Michigan's Upper Peninsula, Castle Farms and Charlevoix, Michigan and of course, Mackinac Island!

## ITINERARY

### Day 1 – Welcome / Duluth, MN

Welcome to your Moostash Joe Tour! Meet us at one of our many convenient pick-up points as we head north to Duluth, Minnesota! Upon arrival, comfortably check-in for your two-night stay in downtown and enjoy an evening to spend at your leisure in Canal Park – Duluth’s vibrant entertainment district!

### Day 2 – North Shore Scenic Railroad / Vista Fleet Dinner Cruise

After a leisurely morning we board the North Shore Scenic Railroad for our trip to Two Harbors! The train ride, including a boxed lunch on board, travels along the north shore of Lake Superior and is completely narrated. After, we’ll continue along the north shore to Split Rock Lighthouse to learn about and tour this iconic light station that has seen its share of bad weather! Back in Duluth this evening, we enjoy a perfect night on the water aboard the Vista Star during our Harbor Dinner Cruise. Be sure to take in the views of Duluth’s skyline and the late summer sunset from the outdoor observation deck! **(B, L, D)**

### Day 3 – Apostle Islands Cruise / Bayfield, WI

This morning finds us in the quaint Wisconsin town of Bayfield for our Apostle Islands Cruise. Our Grand Tour through the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore is completely narrated and views two lighthouses, a brownstone quarry site, a historic fishing camp and around Devils Island to see the spectacular sea caves! After the cruise enjoy free time on your own to shop and dine in Bayfield before continuing on. This afternoon we drive through Michigan’s Upper Peninsula towards Marquette, MI where we’ll be overnight and enjoy an evening meal together. **(B, D)**

### Day 4 – Upper Peninsula / Pictured Rocks Boat Tour

Today we meet our local step-on guide for a full day in the “U.P.!” We’ll enjoy free time in downtown Munising, located on the south shore of Lake Superior as well as take the Pictured Rocks Boat Tour! The narrated boat tour travels into and alongside the most visually stunning 40 miles of shoreline on the Great Lakes and what many consider the most beautiful place in Michigan! Our day ends with an evening meal at a local restaurant before heading back to Marquette. **(B, D)**

### Day 5 – Mackinac Island / Grand Hotel

Continue through the Upper Peninsula and make a stop at Big Spring, featuring an incredible emerald green pool that’s 200 feet across and over 40 feet deep! In nearby Manistique, lunch will be at the popular, riverside Upper Crust Deli before continuing to St. Ignace, MI. Here, we’ll board our ferry to Mackinac Island! Get your first glimpse of the Mackinac Bridge, the Grand Hotel and the island landscape on this 20 minute ride on Lake Huron. Upon stepping foot on Mackinac Island, you’ll think you’ve been transported to a different time! With a ban on motor vehicles, the island retains much of its historic and nostalgic past and continues to be one of the most popular destinations in the United States. We’re met by our “taxi” to take us to grandest of them all, the Grand Hotel and our two-night stay! Experience its elegance during our dinner in the dining room this evening. **(B, L, D)**

*Dress Guide at the Grand Hotel: During the day, casual resort clothing is appropriate. Since every evening at the Grand Hotel after 6:30 p.m. is a special occasion, dresses, skirts, blouses, dress sweaters and dress slacks for ladies are preferred, while gentlemen are required to wear a suit coat, necktie and dress pants – no denim or shorts.*

### Day 6 – Mackinac Island / Grand Hotel

Today is free for you to enjoy Mackinac Island on your own! Choose to take a guided horse and carriage tour of the island, spend some time along Main Street, rent a bike for a day for a leisurely ride or simply sit back, relax and enjoy the spectacular views from its many rocking chairs on the world’s longest porch! We come back to talk about our day over another delicious dinner at the Grand Hotel. **(B, D)**

### Day 7 – Castle Farms / Charlevoix, MI

We ferry back to the mainland this morning and head south along Lake Michigan to Charlevoix, MI where we visit historic Castle Farms and enjoy a guided tour of the grounds, gardens and Castle along with a lunch on-site. This afternoon we meet our local step-on guide for a guided tour of the beautiful resort town of Charlevoix, located on the shores of Lake Michigan, as well as tour its unique Mushroom Houses! This evening finds us in Traverse City, with free time this evening to enjoy at your leisure. **(B, L)**

### Day 8 – Frederik Meijer Gardens

After a leisurely morning at the resort, continue south, making a stop in Grand Rapids, MI at the masterpiece Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park – a 158-acre botanical garden sure to delight the senses! Tonight finds us on the west side of Chicago, where we’ll be overnight and enjoy a farewell dinner together. **(B, D)**

### Day 9 – Return Home

Spend the day reminiscing with your fellow travelers and newly made friends about your tour to the Great Lakes of North America! Say goodbye as you arrive back at your initial pick-up points later today. **(B)**

### MEALS INCLUDED:

- (B)** – Breakfast
- (L)** – Lunch
- (D)** – Dinner

### ACCOMMODATIONS

- Nights One & Two** – Hampton Inn Superior Duluth, Superior, WI
- Nights Three & Four** – Holiday Inn, Marquette, MI
- Nights Five & Six** – Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, MI
- Night Seven** – Country Inn & Suites, Traverse City, MI
- Night Eight** – Hilton Garden Inn, Oakbrook, IL

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