NATOW is an inter-tribal consortium that was launched as a state wide initiative in 1994 by GLITC (Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council). The mission of NATOW is to promote tourism featuring Native American heritage and culture. Tourism provides an excellent tactic for Tribes to diversify their economies, while telling the true story concerning their history and culture. Tourism is also one of the ways that Tribes can be self-sufficient and boost their economies. NATOW is comprised of representatives from each Tribe, who converge bi-monthly to discuss its strategic tourism plan. NATOW has grown significantly over the last few years, becoming a recognized force in Wisconsin at gatherings, festivals, and events. All efforts are coordinated by their own Director, Chairperson, and the executive board members who report directly to the GLITC Board of Directors.

Native American Tourism Of Wisconsin is made up of 11 sovereign Tribal nations:
Bad River Ojibwe, Forest County Potawatomi, Ho Chunk, Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Ojibwe, Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, Menominee Nation, Mole Lake Sokaogon Chippewa, Oneida Nation, Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, St. Croix Band of Ojibwe, Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans.

Each Tribe is a sovereign nation that abides by its own Constitution.
On behalf of the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, welcome to Miskwaabekong (Red Cliff) known for its red cliffs along the shores of Gitchigami (Lake Superior), the greatest lake in the world. This guide will help all visitors to understand the structure, services, heritage, culture and beauty of Red Cliff and we hope it helps you experience a full and meaningful visit!

There are over 7,300 enrolled tribal members of the Red Cliff Tribe; population in Red Cliff continues to grow at a faster pace than other surrounding communities. The tribe continues to experience a steady growth in employment opportunities and constantly looks to expand services that represent the culture and heritage. The annual Pow Wow is held the first weekend in July and is the ideal opportunity to experience culture, food and social drumming and dancing.

Red Cliff’s government programs are structured into five divisions: Health, Treaty Natural Resources, Human/Family Services, Public Works, and Protective Services. In addition, there are the Education, Early Childhood, Compliance, Planning and Administrative departments. These divisions and departments provide a wide array of services in the community and to visitors year-round.

Miskwaabekong is known as a fishing community. Commercial fishing is one of the largest economic drivers of the Red Cliff community. Fresh lake fish (including white fish, trout and walleye) is a substantial food staple for subsistence. There’s nothing fishy about our fish - it’s as fresh as you can get - yummy! We hope you try one of our delicious fresh fish dishes before heading back home!

We invite you to explore the stunning Frog Bay Tribal National Park located on the shores of Lake Superior with breathtaking views of the Apostle Islands. Frog Bay Park is the first ever Tribal National Park in the Nation! Enjoy a scenic nature hike in the primordial boreal forest before you reach the pristine sandy beach. Relax at the beach and soak up some sun while taking in views of five of the great Apostle Islands!

Stay and play at the Legendary Waters Resort and Casino, have a bite to eat in the Legends Sports Grill restaurant or the Legendary snack bar. Both the Buffalo Bay and Point Detour Campgrounds provide serene views of Lake Superior—enjoy a swim, campfire, fresh grilled fish and s’mores with the family!

There is something to do every season of the year in the Red Cliff area, from the very young to the elderly. Enjoy fishing, sailing, hiking, skiing, hunting, boating, camping—the list goes on and on. We hope you appreciate the natural beauty and serenity of our area as much as we do and that your visits to Red Cliff occur often - come back for another visit soon!

Red Cliff Tribal Council and Tourism Team
Enjoy

FOUR SEASONS

Ziigwan
(Spring)

- Sugar Bush (Maple Syrup Making Season)
- Fishing Opener
- Smelting
- Annual Chequamegon Bay Birding & Nature Festival
- Orchards Blooming
- Plant Sales

Niibin
(Summer)

- Farmer’s Markets
- Softball/Baseball Games
- Hiking
- Waterfalls
- Geocaching
- Boating/Sailing
- Canoeing
- Kayaking
- Biking
- Camping
- Northern Lights Viewing

- Fishing
- Boating/Sailing
- Apostle Island Boat Tours
- Canoeing
- Kayaking
- Frog Bay Tribal National Park
- Paddle Boarding
- Swimming
- Camping
- Hiking
- Geocaching
- Biking
- Berry and Fruit Picking

- Garden Tours
- Outdoor Concerts
- Birch Bark Harvest
- Golfing
- Scenic Motorcycle Rides
- Waterfalls
- Scuba Diving/Snorkeling
- Area Farmer’s Markets
- Yard Sales
- ATV Trails
- Northern Lights Viewing
OF ADVENTURE

Dagwaagin
(Fall)

- Apple Picking
- County Fairs/Rodeos
- Corn Mazes
- Hunting
- Fishing
- Bayfield County Fair
- Sports Tailgating
- Extraordinary Fall Colors
- ATV Trails
- Orchard Tours
- Biking

- Red Cliff Cultural Days
- Bayfield Applefest
- Hiking
- Waterfalls
- Wild Rice Harvesting
- Camping
- Northern Lights Viewing

Biboon
(Winter)

- Snowshoeing
- Snowmobiling
- Cross Country Skiing
- Down Hill Skiing
- Snowboarding
- Winter Birding
- Ice Caves

- Ice Fishing
- Ice Road or Wind Sled to Madeline Island
- Dogsledding
- Winter Camping
- Ice Sailing
- Sledding/Snow Tubing
- Trapping
- Ice Skating
- Hockey Games
- Northern Lights Viewing
The names of the Anishinaabe are many: Ojibwe, Chipewyan, Ojibwa, Chippewa; all united by a shared history of clans, language and culture, all identify the thousands of politically autonomous bands and tribes which make the Chippewa Nation the largest tribe in North America. Most significant among these shared political and cultural backgrounds are the spiritual practices and values of the Grand Medicine Society and its teachings, which continue today.

Situated along the shores of the legendary waters of Lake Superior, the Red Cliff Reservation is located at the extreme northern-most point of Wisconsin, on what’s now known as the Bayfield Peninsula and the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore. These lands and waters are renowned for their pristine environment, rugged waters, wilderness areas, and unique scenic beauty. The “People of the Big Water” or ‘gi-chi-b-waa-tig’ remain here today, at the hub or center of an historical, spiritual and cultural crossroads highly significant for the past 1,500 years but which extends back more than 4,000 years.

The inlet of Lake Superior known as Chequamegon Bay encompasses the spiritual center of Anishinaabe nations. The Anishinaabe were told by a prophet that a sacred shell would guide them on a generations-long journey moving West from the East Coast. The journey included seven stops and, ultimately, to the food that grows on the water, known as maa-no-min, or wild rice. The seventh and final stop was at the island called ‘Moo-ning-wana-kawn-ing’, which means the place of the yellow-flicker bird. Centuries later, this island was renamed “Madeline Island” in honor of an Anishinaabe woman Ikwesewe, wife of a French fur trader who established the first fort and settlement there in 1693.

Among the smallest of the Indian reservations in Wisconsin today, Red Cliff was originally part of the LaPointe Band, the primary village of the Great Buffalo, Head Chief of the Anishinaabe. The Great Buffalo is a historical tribal leader, most widely known for his role as peacemaker in the formation of the Treaty of 1854 which ceded the largest amount of land in the northern and western shores of Lake Superior. Prior to the Treaty of 1854 and despite several earlier treaties, the U.S. Government attempted to eliminate or remove all tribes to locations west of the Mississippi River with the passage of the Indian Removal Act, signed by President Jackson in 1830. The Indian Removal Act also preceded the Sandy Lake Tragedy of 1850 with the deaths of hundreds of tribal people in the deceptive ‘death march’ to northern Minnesota.

Chief Buffalo, Chief Oshogo, along with other Clan Chiefs of the Grand Council challenged the past treaty agreements and accused the U.S. Government of carrying out a great deception towards the Ojibwe in earlier treaties signed.

The Red Cliff mission is “To promote, plan and provide for the health, welfare, education, environmental protection, cultural preservation and economic well-being of tribal members and to protect Treaty Rights now and in the future.”
At age 93, Great Buffalo and several band chiefs were delegated to begin the several months long journey to Washington, D.C., to meet with President Millard Fillmore. When they finally met, along with the words of the Grand Councils, they carried a Pa-wa-gon, or great pipe, which was smoked with the President. Following the meeting, the chiefs returned home with that pipe, now known as the “Buffalo Peace Pipe” which became a symbol of our nation’s agreement, and today it is preserved and protected by the Red Cliff Tribe.

President Fillmore rescinded the Indian Removal orders and agreed that the Ojibwe would never be required to leave its homelands. The Treaty of 1854 would forever change the Anishinaabe as well as other tribes. With the establishment of homeland reservations, it marked the end of federal efforts to remove tribes onto lands west of the Mississippi River. The ‘gi-chi-b-waa-tig’ continues to follow these traditions and agreements, preserving our traditional knowledge, wisdom and sovereignty, and maintaining our cultural integrity for the benefit of future generations.

As the largest employer in Bayfield County, the Red Cliff Tribe is a significant partner for the economic prosperity of the region in sustainable economic and community development. Today, the tribe operates a full range of governmental, cultural and recreational opportunities, along with providing services and facilities for health, elders, tribal fisheries, family and human services, police, fire, conservation and EMS. The Legendary Waters Resort and Casino offers a lakeside resort/hotel, conference center, casino and marina facility providing a gateway to the Apostle Islands and waters of the Great Lakes.
Frog Bay Tribal National Park (FBTNP) is the first tribal national park in the United States! Red Cliff puts special emphasis on the sustainable management of natural resources both on the Reservation and in the Chippewa ceded territories, and for the overall protection of Lake Superior. FBTNP and the Frog Bay Conservation Management Area (CMA) celebrates the cultural importance of water and the spirituality that is associated with Lake Superior. The rare boreal forest ecotype, coastal wetlands and undeveloped sand beach is an unequaled wilderness experience on the Bayfield Peninsula. In total, FBTNP and CMA protects 300 acres, consisting of: a large tract of at-risk boreal forest, over a mile of riparian corridor, nearly 120 acres of wetlands and freshwater estuary habitat, and almost 4,000 feet of undeveloped Lake Superior shoreline.

This spectacular conservation parcel on Lake Superior, open for the peaceful enjoyment of all, was made possible through several efforts:

The original 89-acre parcel of former Red Cliff Reservation land was successfully reacquired in 2012 and a second, 86-acre private parcel was acquired in 2017. This 175 acre area comprises FBTNP and permanently protects a large tract of at-risk boreal forest, the lower estuary and mouth of Frog Creek, and restored former reservation lands back to tribal ownership.

To protect the headwaters of the Frog Creek watershed and preserve historical and cultural use of this place, in 2017, the Red Cliff Tribal Council formally adopted the Frog Creek Conservation Management Area (CMA), accessible only to tribal members. The 300-acre CMA consists of Frog Bay Tribal National Park, 40 acres of land that was already in tribal ownership, and 80 acres of repatriated Bayfield County forestry land.

The park is managed by Red Cliff’s Treaty Natural Resources Division, who has carefully planned and installed the current infrastructure with respect to the sensitive habitats within the park – the 1.7 mile rustic trail system, interpretive signs, bridges, and comfort station.

Visitors can learn more about the ecology and cultural importance of the forest at Frog Bay through a series of interpretive signs located along the trail network. Stop, relax and enjoy! Let the wilderness replenish, and please enjoy Frog Bay with respect to the Red Cliff community and for the environment, and remember to “leave no trace” as you experience FBTNP.

In 2019, Frog Bay Tribal National Park was awarded the Wisconsin Governor’s Tourism Award for Stewardship! This award recognizes the park’s impact on tourism and for its efforts to promote sustainability.
There are five Apostle Islands visible from Frog Bay Tribal National Park!

More Ways to Get Outside

Hiking

**All distances are round trip**
- Clayton Creek Hiking Trail... 2 mi trail in Red Cliff
- Iron Bridge Trail... .75 mi trail in Bayfield
- Brownstone Trail... 5 mi trail in Bayfield
- Houghton Falls... 1.5 mi trail in Washburn
- Big Rock... Dispersed trails in Washburn
- Washburn Lakefront Trail... 2.25 mi trail in Washburn
- Mainland Sea Caves Trail... 4.5 mi in Cornucopia
- Siskiwit Falls... Dispersed trails in Cornucopia
- Lost Creek Falls... 2.2 mi in Cornucopia
- Twin Falls... short trail in Port Wing
- Northern Great Lakes Visitor’s Center... 1 mi loop in Ashland
- Morgan Falls/ St Peter’s Dome... .75-2 mi trails near Sanborn
- Copper Falls State Park... various trails in Mellen
- North Country National Scenic Trail... 215 mi WI portion
- Potato River Falls... .6 mi trail near Gurney
- Superior Falls... short trail near Saxon Harbor
- Amnicon Falls & Pattison State Parks... falls and trails by Superior

Beaches

- Legendary Waters Resort & Casino (Red Cliff)
- Allen Road Beach (Red Cliff)
- Little Sand Bay Beach (Red Cliff)
- Meyer’s Beach (Cornucopia)
- Cornucopia Beach
- Herbster Beach
- Joni’s Beach (Madeline Island)
- Big Bay Town Park (Madeline Island)
- Bayview Town Park (between Bayfield & Washburn)
- Friendly Valley Beach (between Bayfield & Washburn)
- West End Park (Washburn)
- Maslowski Beach (west end Ashland)
- Kreher Park (central Ashland)
- Bayview Beach (east end Ashland)

Like Frog Bay on Facebook!
Facebook.com/FrogBay
The Red Cliff community offers visitors a variety of unique sights and experiences, including its anchor businesses, Legendary Waters Resort & Casino and Buffalo Bay Campground & Marina. Legendary Waters employs approximately 135 employees. The economic impact generated by Legendary Waters is significant. Increased year-round visitors to an all-season recreational area is also a great compliment to boost surrounding communities, especially local harbor towns.

Floor-to-ceiling windows in the newly-opened Legends Sports Grill’s dining room and outdoor balcony, The Lounge, and every hotel room feature a spectacular Lake Superior and Apostle Islands view. Who knew? Windows in a casino? There is nothing like it anywhere else!

A “boutique-style” 24/7 gaming floor offers state-of-the-art slot machines ranging from 1¢ to $5 in denomination, Blackjack, live no-limit Texas Hold’em poker, promotions, player events, and guest services. Cribbage tournaments and bingo are offered most months. Gaming opportunities are always considered with the player in mind promising an exciting gaming experience.

The hotel is designed with forty-seven tastefully-appointed deluxe rooms and premier suites on three floors. Ground level, balcony and whirlpool room options are available. Standard and seasonal hotel stay casino packages are available throughout the year. Ask the front desk about event room blocks and new amenities.

A versatile convention center is perfect for small to mid-sized business meetings or retreats, and a ballroom for special events and large groups. On-site catering is designed to the specific needs of the guests. Customized orders are always welcome. Group sales and events staff assist from start to finish. The outdoor patio is a great location for ceremonies, music, events or simply a place to relax and soak up the sun. Look forward to live entertainment from hometown favorites, Karaoke to nationally-recognized acts throughout the year. A wedding with a Lake Superior and Apostle Islands backdrop exceeds the imagination!
Adjacent to the resort and casino is Buffalo Bay Campground & Marina welcoming guests mid-May through mid-October. Sites along the shoreline and sites within walking distance accommodate tent, trailer and RV camping. The marina provides both seasonal and transient docking. A few miles north, experience our Point Detour “Wilderness” Campground for the more adventurous tent camper. Rustic camping on a bluff overlooking Lake Superior and the Apostle Islands is awe inspiring!

With the ability to greet guests year-round, nuances make the resort unique. The property provides secured locker storage for snowmobiler equipment in winter; a private entrance to indoor heated restrooms and shower facilities for campers in spring and summer; and a unique indoor/outdoor hot tub in the guest swimming pool area that is open year-round.

The Red Cliff community has built something very special. It’s all aimed at positioning Legendary Waters as a premier year-round destination spot in its own right, alongside regional attractions in Bayfield and Madeline Island—a place where you can sail the largest freshwater lake in the world to a lakeshore resort and casino—now that’s legendary!

Legendary Waters Resort and Casino
37600 Onigamiing Dr.
Red Cliff, WI 54814
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Email: General@legendarywaters.com
Website: www.legendarywaters.com
Red Cliff began providing primary health care in 1994. Prior, community members requiring medical care would be driven by volunteers to their medical and dental appointments, located over 100 miles away. Since that first visit by their first doctor, Red Cliff has continued to grow and expand its services to the beautiful new 32,000 square feet building we're located in today.

The new Red Cliff Community Health Center, located on the Red Cliff Reservation, on State Highway 13, just three miles North of Bayfield, Wisconsin, opened its doors to the public June 3, 2014. The warm welcoming interior includes high vaulted ceilings, streaming sunlight and showcases the Ojibwe culture. Upon entering the building, visitors are welcomed by the inlaid pattern of fish and turtles, representing the rich history of the Lake Superior Ojibwe. You can find your way through the facility by following the Woodland Indian floral designs to the lobby and patient care areas. Once in the patient care hallway, large color photographic murals made by community member photos, representing the Four Hills of Life are highlighted throughout. The Four Hills of Life philosophy and teachings were developed by an Ojibwe elder and educator. The Four Hills of Life is an indigenous model and continuum of care which focuses on providing a full spectrum of care from a child's birth to an elder's last years.

The Red Cliff Community Health Center utilizes a Patient-Centered Medical Home health care delivery model. The foundation of a medical home is that it is patient centered, evidence based, comprehensive, coordinated, accessible and committed to quality and safety. It is also based on the same philosophies as our culture embraces, by treating the whole person, physically, emotionally, mentally and spiritually. The Health Center staff works to pair traditional Ojibwe knowledge with contemporary health care. Features within the health center support this new care model. The health care providers, care managers and support staff work as a team in an open space area where all team members can communicate and work together on patient care. This system of care has received national recognition for improvements that were made in the health outcomes of those we serve.
Our services include:
- Primary Care
- Pediatric Care
- Women’s Health
- Laboratory
- Radiology
- Community Health
- Prevention Services
- Behavioral Health
- AODA
- WIC
- Adult and Pediatric Dentistry
- Pharmacy
- Physical Therapy
- Chiropractic

Red Cliff Community Health Center
36745 Aiken Road, Red Cliff, WI 54814
E-mail: RCHealthCenter@redcliffhealth.org
www.redcliffhealth.org
Hours: Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. excluding Holidays

For more information or to make an appointment: 715-779-3707
Pharmacy: 715-779-3157
Dental: 715-779-3096

The Red Cliff Community Health Center welcomes all in need of medical services and is equipped to provide exceptional care for everyone. When in Red Cliff, stop in for a tour of our modern facility and meet our friendly staff.
Red Cliff
Annual Pow Wow

First Weekend in July

- Open to the Public
- Admission Fee
- Grand Entry Session Daily
- Feast on Saturday
- Food and Crafts Vendors
- Cultural Experience for the Entire Family
- Arena Activities throughout the weekend
- Dance Specials
- Outdoor Event
- ADA Accessible

Visit: redcliff-nsn.gov/Tourism/powwow.htm for more information

Join Us!
RED CLIFF
ANNUAL CULTURAL DAYS
3rd Weekend in September

- Carnival & Games
- Educational Cultural Demo Booths/Areas
- Mini Pow Wow - Singing and Dancing
- Tour a Commercial Fishing Tug
- 3-on-3 Basketball Tournaments
- Food and Crafts Vendors
- Canoe Races & Dinghy Races
- Sailboat Charter Rides
- Live Music
- Fireworks and Eco-Sky Lantern Lighting
- Fun for the entire family
- Outdoor Venue
Cultural Expression at Red Cliff

Cultural expression in the arts has always been alive at Red Cliff and today it is experiencing a strong resurgence of interest as the next generation adds new ideas to the old. Whether in the traditional customs of hunting and fishing, gardening and wild food gathering, or in creative talents like manufacturing clothing and jewelry, or drawing and painting, writing, story-telling, poetry, and of course, song and dance—all these cultural talents provide a colorful window open to community life.

Historically the Ojibwe were known for their ability to defend themselves militarily, but they were also known as a fishing and ricing people, with villages located adjacent to large bodies of water. Today the seasons for harvesting these important foods still bracket the summer months as the people work to provide traditional year round sustenance. And as has been the case from the beginning, fishing and ricing are family-based activities carried out in networks of larger kin-groups. The classic fur-trading days are over, but winter’s hunting and trapping are still found, and they, too, involve a good degree of artistic skill.

Eye-catching Ojibwe bead work and the manufacturing of birch bark canoes are generally well known as important parts of culture at Red Cliff and today the community has numerous beading and birchbark artists. Perhaps lesser known are those who make drums and flutes, as well as other items like the ancient cedar knocking sticks for harvesting wild rice, the popular hand carved ice-fishing decoys, and even the artistic pieces of birch bark bitings.

Ojibwe culture is a woodland culture and this is reflected in the peoples’ artistic endeavors. They celebrate the world around them—their land, waters, forests, heavens, and the life within. The richness of this celebration comes out through their artistic expression. Feel free to take part, to move to the rhythm of the drum as you join the celebration.

~ By Howard Paap

Manoomin (Wild Rice)

Eagle Staffs

Hand Quilted Birch Bark Baskets by Pat Kruse
Moccasin Game

Moccasins

Beading

Hand Drumming

Sugar Maple Tree Tap

Maple Syrup Evaporator

Building a Wigwam

Handcrafted Birch Bark Canoe by Marvin Defoe
The Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa was one of the first tribal nations in the United States to develop a formal natural resource program. Court decisions which reaffirmed the Tribe’s rights to commercial fishing activities in Lake Superior created a necessity in the early 1980’s for Red Cliff to establish a program that oversaw fishing activities. Red Cliff also established a fish hatchery in 1987. Treaty harvest in the ceded territories and hatchery management was thus the impetus for the development of what is now known as the Treaty Natural Resources (TNR) Division and it remains the foundation of program activities to this day.

The TNR Division is dedicated to the preservation, protection, enhancement, and sustainable management of the Red Cliff Tribal Nation’s natural resources in maintaining balance between healthy environment, economic goals, and future subsistence of all tribal members; ensuring that our future generations continue to enjoy the benefits of those places that are of significant historical, cultural, and environmental importance.

The primary goals and work activities of the TNR Division include:

- Collect and analyze biological data on Lake Superior fish, specifically lake herring, lake trout and lake whitefish, through annual stock assessments and sampling of the commercial catch.
- Administer tribal commercial and home-use fishing licenses while maintaining all associated data, records, and reports.
- Collect biological data pertaining to fish and wildlife residing on the Red Cliff Nation while working to protect, maintain, or enhance native populations.
- Collect physical, chemical, and biological data on the Red Cliff Nation necessary to implement management actions, such as watershed protection and restoration projects, in order to protect and improve native species diversity.
Provide qualified conservation enforcement for the natural resources of the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa.

Provide an educational environment to promote and inform the public about tribal natural resources.

Work with state, federal, tribal, and private agencies to meet common goals in resource management by promoting the use and sharing of information collected by the TNRD.

The division is a fully formed natural resource entity with the following programs:

**Fisheries**
- Lake Superior Commercial & Subsistence Fishery Management
- Resident Fish Program

**Hatchery**
- Lake Superior Coaster Brook Trout Rehabilitation
- Inland Lake Stocking (walleye)

**Conservation Wardens**

**Natural Resources Department**
- Habitat Restoration
- Wildlife Management
- Forestry
- Noxious Weeds and Aquatic Invasive Species Program
- Tribal Youth Internship Program
- Land Recovery
- Frog Bay Tribal National Park / Outdoor Recreation

**Environmental Department**
- Indoor and Ambient Air Quality
- Water Resources
- Solid Waste Transfer Station
- Lake Superior Lakewide Action and Management (LAMP)

**Mino Bimaadiziwin Farm**
(Open to Visitors)
- Farm Stand
- Seasonal CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) shares

For more information:
- Fisheries/Hatchery: 715-779-3750
- Natural Resources: 715-779-3795
- Environmental: 715-779-3650
- Transfer Station: 715-779-0171
- Mino Bimaadiziwin Farm: 715-779-3782
- Conservation Wardens: 715-779-3732
  Contact for on-reservation fishing or small game hunting permits
Distance from...

Duluth..... 85 mi / 1.5 hrs
Eau Claire..... 185 mi / 3.5 hrs
Wausau..... 185 mi / 3.5 hrs
Minneapolis/St Paul..... 235 mi / 3.75 hrs
Thunder Bay..... 270 mi / 5.25 hrs
Green Bay..... 280 mi / 5 hrs
Rochester..... 300 mi / 5 hrs
Fargo..... 320 mi / 5.5 hrs
Madison..... 330 mi / 5.5 hrs
Milwaukee..... 375 mi / 6 hrs
Chicago..... 460 mi / 7.5 hrs
Sioux Falls..... 470 mi / 7.5 hrs
Des Moines..... 475 mi / 7.5 hrs
Community Services
- Red Cliff Tribal Administration (715) 779-3700
  www.redcliff-nsn.gov
- Noojimo’iwewin Center—AA/NA Meetings (715) 779-3508
- Red Cliff Fish Hatchery (715) 779-3750
- Red Cliff Waste & Recycling Transfer Station (715) 779-0171
- Red Cliff Commercial Fishery (715) 779-3750
- Dwayne Soulier VFW Post 8239 (715) 779-9711
- Boys and Girls Club of Gitchigami (715) 779-3722
- St. Francis Catholic Church - Red Cliff (715) 779-3722

Transportation
- Miskwaabekong Transit (715) 682-9664
- Bay Area Rural Transit (715) 682-9664
  www.barbus.com
- Madeline Island Ferry Line (715) 747-2051
  www.madeferry.com

Health/Pharmacy/Dental
- Red Cliff Community Health Center (715) 779-3707
  www.redcliffhealth.org
- Red Cliff Pharmacy (715) 779-3157
- Red Cliff Dental (715) 779-3096
- Memorial Medical Center Hospital & Emergency Services (715) 682-4563 - Ashland

Protective/Emergency Services
- Red Cliff Law Enforcement (715) 779-3733
- Red Cliff Conservation Wardens (715) 779-3732
- Bayfield County Law Enforcement (715) 373-6120
- La Pointe Police Department (715) 747-6913
- U.S. Coast Guard - Bayfield (715) 779-5100

Grocery/Fuel
- Peterson’s Foods (715) 779-5115
- Buffalo Bay Store (715) 779-5309
- Superior Petrol (715) 779-5412

Automotive
- Gordon Auto Repair (715) 209-5580
- Ron’s Welding and Auto Repair (715) 779-5260
- Ron’s Repair and Towing (715) 373-2030
- Tomlinson's Towing Services (715) 682-2717
- NAPA Auto Parts (715) 373-5669

Camping
- Buffalo Bay Campground and Marina (800) 226-8478
- Point Detour Campground (800) 226-8478

Banking/ATM
- Bremer Bank (715) 779-5894
- Chippewa Valley Bank (866) 282-3501
- Legendary Waters Resort and Casino (800) 226-8478

Dining/Lodging
- Legendary Waters Resort and Casino (800) 226-8478
  www.legendarywaters.com
- Maggie’s (715) 779-5641
  www.maggies-bayfield.com
- Manyenny Bistro (715) 913-0303
- The Bayfield Inn (800) 382-0995
  www.bayfieldinn.com
- DePerry’s On the Lake (715) 779-9771
  www.deperrysonthelake.com

Entertainment/Recreation
- Legendary Waters Resort and Casino (800) 226-8478
  www.legendarywaters.com
- Copper Crow Distillery (715) 779-0725
  www.coppercrowdistillery.com
- Bayfield Maritime Museum
  www.bayfieldmaritimemuseum.org
- Madeline Island Museum
  (715) 747-2415
  www.madelinesislandmuseum.wisconsinhistory.org
- Bayfield Rec Center (715) 779-5408
  www.recreationandfitnessresources.org
- Nourse Charters Water Taxi
  (715) 292-9115
  www.NourseCharters.com
- Rustic Makwa Den
  (715) 209-3319
  www.rusticmakwaden.com

Education
- Red Cliff Library (715) 779-3766
  www.ginandagikendaasomin.weebly.com
- LCO Community College - Red Cliff Campus (715) 634-4790
  www.lco.edu
- Bayfield Carnegie Library (715) 779-3953
  www.bayfieldlibrary.org
- Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center (715) 685-9983
  www.nationalparks.org

Local Artists/Galleries/Gift Shops
- Legendary Waters Resort and Casino Gift Shop (800) 226-8478
  www.legendarywaters.com/gift-shop
- Anastasia’s Beadwork (715) 329-0662
- Big Bay Creations, available at Bates Art Gallery (715) 779-5356
  www.BigBayCreations.com

Orchards/Farms
- Red Cliff Mino Bimaadiziwin Tribal Farm (715) 779-3782
- Bayfield Apple Company (715) 779-5700
- Blue Vista Farm (715) 779-5400
- Erickson’s Orchard (715) 913-0717
- Good Earth Gardens (715) 779-5564
- Hauser’s Superior View Farm (715) 779-5404
- Highland Valley Farm (715) 779-5446
- Northwind Organic Farm (715) 779-3254
- Weber’s Orchard (715) 779-5448
- Apple Hill Orchard (715) 779-0276
- Hillcrest Orchards (715) 779-5756
- Homestead Gardens (715) 373-2770
- Rabideaux’s Orchard (715) 779-5509
- Rocky Acres Berry Farm (715) 779-3332
- Sunset Valley Orchard (715) 779-5510

Realty
- Apostle Islands Realty (715) 779-5807
  www.ApostleIslands.com
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Visit: Bayfield.org

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Visit: MadelineIsland.com

* Cornucopia........ 16 mi / 20 min
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* Odanah........ 36 mi / 50 min
Bad River Lodge and Casino, Shopping,
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Visit: BadRiver-nsn.gov

* Bayfield County: BayfieldCounty.org
* Lake Superior Scenic Byway: LakeSuperiorByWay.org
* Apostle Islands National Lakeshore: nps.gov/apis
ANNUAL LOCAL EVENTS

RED CLIFF   BAYFIELD   WASHBURN   MADELINE ISLAND/LA POINTE

January:
- Annual Legendary Waters Resort & Casino Winter Pow Wow - (3rd Weekend in January) Red Cliff, WI
- Independence Day Celebrations - July 4th (Fireworks) - Madeline Island, Bayfield, WI
- Annual Mt. Ashwabay Spring Carnival - Mt. Ashwabay - Bayfield, WI
- Annual Northland College Spring Pow Wow - Ashland, WI

February:
- Annual Apostle Islands Sled Dog Race - Bayfield, WI
- Annual Book Across the Bay - Washburn and Ashland, WI

March:
- Bayfield Winter Fest - Bayfield, WI
- Fire Department Fundraiser - Legendary Waters Resort and Casino - Red Cliff, WI
- Annual Mt. Ashwabay Spring Carnival - Mt. Ashwabay - Bayfield, WI
- Annual Northland College Spring Pow Wow - Ashland, WI

April:
- Annual Red Cliff Sobriety Round Up - Red Cliff, WI
- Annual Bayfield School Pow Wow - Bayfield, WI

May:
- Legendary Waters Resort and Casino - Memorial Day Weekend Annual Summer Kick Off Party - Red Cliff, WI
- Bayfield in Bloom - May to June - Bayfield, WI
- Annual Chequamegon Bay Birding & Nature Festival at Northern Great Lakes Visitors Center - Ashland, WI
- Madeline Island Marathon & Half Marathon - Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI
- Apostle Island Cruise Service begins running - Bayfield, WI
- Memorial Day Veterans Honor Guard Ceremony - Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI

June:
- Madeline Island Visitor Appreciation Weekend - Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI
- Open House @ Big Bay State Park - (Free Admission) - Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI
- Madeline Island Museum Visitor Appreciation Weekend - Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI
- Chequamegon Chefs' Exhibition - Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI
- Free Concerts by the Lake - June through September - Bayfield, WI
- Red Cliff Wolf Camp - (3rd Week in June) - Raspberry Campground - Red Cliff, WI
- Big Top Chautauqua - (Various Shows and Events) - Bayfield, WI
- Strawberry Festival at Erickson's Orchard - Bayfield, WI

July:
- Red Cliff Annual Traditional Pow Wow - Red Cliff, WI
- Independence Day Celebrations - July 4th (Fireworks) - Madeline Island, Bayfield, WI
- 4th of July Parade - Ashland & Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI
- Red Cliff Language Camp - (2nd Week in July) - Raspberry Campground - Red Cliff, WI
- Fur Trade Event - Connecting Cultures - Madeline Island Museum - Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI
- Annual Brownstone Days - Washburn, WI
- Big Top Chautauqua - (Various Shows and Events) - Bayfield, WI
- Red Cliff Summer Gathering Event - Red Cliff, WI

August:
- Red Cliff Treaty Natural Resources Division, Open House Event - Red Cliff, WI
- Point to La Pointe Swimming Event - Starts in Bayfield, WI
- Annual Bayfield County Fair - Iron River, WI
- Anishinaabe Cultural Days - Madeline Island Museum - Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI
- Annual Bad River Traditional Pow Wow - Odanah/Bad River, WI
- Big Top Chautauqua - (Various Shows and Events) - Bayfield, WI

September:
- Legendary Waters Resort and Casino - End of Summer Annual Party - Labor Day Weekend - Red Cliff, WI
- Legendary Waters Resort and Casino Anniversary Celebration Party - (2nd Weekend) - Red Cliff, WI
- Red Cliff Treaty Natural Resource Division - EPA Wild Rice Seeding Event - Red Cliff, WI
- Red Cliff Community Health Center Annual Festival - Red Cliff, WI
- Red Cliff Annual Cultural Days Celebration - (3rd Weekend) - Red Cliff, WI
- Red Cliff Inter-Tribal Treaty Celebration - Red Cliff, WI
- Bayfield Apple Orchard's Pre-Apple Fest - (4th Weekend) - Bayfield, WI
- Commemorating the Treaty of 1854 - Madeline Island Museum - Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI
- Big Tap ChautauquaFest - Bayfield, WI
- Big Top Chautauqua - (Various Shows and Events) - Bayfield, WI

October:
- Annual Bayfield Apple Fest Celebration - (1st Weekend) - Bayfield, WI
- Madeline Island Family Fall Fest - Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI
- Zombie Days - Washburn, WI
- Legendary Waters Resort and Casino Halloween Party - Red Cliff, WI
- Fall Colors - (October to November)

November:
- Red Cliff Community Health Center, “Rock your Mocs” Health Fair - Red Cliff, WI
- Madeline Island Holiday Boutique - Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI
- Bayfield Holiday Shop Hop - November to December - Bayfield, WI
- Veteran Day Ceremonies/Services - Red Cliff, Bayfield, Madeline Island/La Pointe, WI - Various locations on Veteran’s Day

December:
- Shop Local for the Holidays Nights - Bayfield, WI
- Santa Arrives on the Madeline Island Ferry - Bayfield, WI
- St. Francis Church Bazaar - Red Cliff, WI

More information about these and other events, visit:
- Red Cliff Events www.redcliff-nsn.gov
- Legendary Waters Resort & Casino www.legendarywaters.com
- Bayfield Chamber of Commerce www.bayfield.org
- Madeline Island Chamber of Commerce www.madelinesiland.com
- Washburn Chamber of Commerce www.washburnchamber.com
- Ashland Chamber of Commerce www.visitasland.com
- Big Top Chautauqua www.bigtop.org
- Madeline Island Museum www.madelinesilandmuseum.wisconsinhistory.org

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Legendary Waters Resort and Casino
www.legendarywaters.com

Apostle Islands National Lakeshore Park Service
www.nps.gov/apis/index.htm

Bayfield Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Bureau
www.bayfield.com

Madeline Island Chamber of Commerce
www.madelineisland.com

Madeline Island Museum
www.madelineislandmuseum.wisconsinhistory.org

Washburn Chamber of Commerce
www.washburnchamber.com

Ashland Chamber of Commerce
www.visitashland.com

Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center
www.nglvc.org

Wisconsin Lake Superior Scenic Byway
www.lakesuperiorbyway.org

Bayfield County
www.bayfieldcounty.org/

Bayfield County Tourism
www.travelbayfieldcounty.com

Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission
www.glifwc.org

Publications
www.glifwc.org/publications/ (Treaty rights, fishing, etc.)

Native American Tourism of Wisconsin- (NATOW)
www.natow.org

American Indian Alaska Native Tourism- (AIANTA)
www.aianta.org

Native American Travel
www.nativeamerica.travel

St. Francis Catholic Church - Red Cliff
Phone (715) 779-3316

Big Top Chautauqua
www.bigtown.org (Various shows and events list on site)

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
www.dnr.wi.gov

Reading Materials:

Ojibwe Treaty Rights

Federal-Tribal Partnership
www.glifwc.org/publications/InterCommission/index.html?page=1

Treaty Rights/Intertribal Commission:

Wild Rice
www.glifwc.org/publications/pdf/Fall2008_Manoomin_Supplement.pdf

Lake Superior Fishery Management
www.glifwc.org/publications/pdf/LakeSuperior_Supplement.pdf

Aquatic Invasive Species Management

Books, Poetry and Articles:

A Northern Land (Life With The Ojibwa) - 2001, published by Badger Books, Middleton, WI.- Howard Paap


The View From The Creek (Notes From Lake Superior’s Ojibwa Country) - 2011, published by North Star Press, St. Cloud, MN.- Howard Paap


Published Poetry: Undocumented (Great Lakes Poets Laureate on Social Justice) - 2019, Edited By Ron Riekki And Andrea Scarpino, published by Michigan State University Press, East Lansing.- Howard Paap


“Walleye Warriors: The Chippewa Treaty Rights Story” by Walter Bresette & Rick Whaley

Living Our Language: Ojibwe Tales and Oral Histories (Native Voices) - by Dr. Anton Treuer (Translator)

Ojibway Heritage - by Basil Johnston

Ojibwe History - by Lee Sultzman

Ancestral Trails - Ojibwe Creation Story

The Ojibwe People’s Dictionary - www.ojibwe.lib.umn.edu

All Our Relations, Last Standing Woman, and more - by Winona LaDuke

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