



Wildlife and Wilderness

Newberry, Grand Marais, & Seney

Manistique River, Oswald's Bear Ranch, Seney National Wildlife Refuge, Au Sable Light Station

- Day 1 –10am Grab a lunch or a cooler and head to the **Manistique River** for a day of river kayaking or canoeing. Rent your canoes or kayaks from Northland Outfitters and choose between the 2.5 hour, "10 Curves Trip" – 10 miles long, or if you are feeling more adventurous take the 4 hour "Seney Refuge Trip" – 15 miles long. Be sure to call Northland Outfitters ahead of time to reserve your kayaks or canoes.
- 3pm After a day of river adventures, head 1 hour north east to Newberry and visit **Oswald's Bear Ranch**. Where you can touch, hold and get your picture taken with a baby bear cub and experience the great black bear up close and personal.
- 5pm Enjoy dinner at any of these amazing restaurant options located in Newberry, Timber Charlie's Food and Spirits, Pickleman's Pantry, Zellars Village Inn.
- 6:15pm Retreat for the evening to the secluded **Halfway Lake Resort** where eight modern housekeeping cabins surrounded by 200 acres of hardwood and pine forest are nestled on the shores of Halfway Lake.
- 8pm Once you are settled in for the evening head out to the backyard and sit around the bonfire as the sun dips down into Big Manistique Lake. Take pleasure in participating in a wilderness past time of marshmallow or hot dog roasting and telling campfire stories.

Day 2 – 10am Pack a lunch and enjoy a day of wildlife and wilderness by venturing to the **Seney National Wildlife Refuge**. Go to the Visitors Center and ask about the “Pine Ridge” hiking trail...the trail starts right at the Visitors Center and is a 1.2 mile long trail. The trail takes you through a wide range of habitats. Have a camera ready to snap photos of all sorts of different creatures. Ask at the Visitors Center about family friendly areas that are welcome to stopping and having a picnic.

Or ask about the “Marshland Wildlife Drive” a 1 hour drive/ 7 miles long. Observation decks are scattered throughout the route and offer stopping points to take photos and explore the natural habitat surrounding the area.

1pm After spending the early afternoon at the Seney National Wildlife Refuge retreat to **Grand Marais** and to lay on the beach of Lake Superior; explore the small gift shops of downtown Grand Marais, visit the **Pickle Barrel House Museum**, or drive into Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore to see the **Au Sable Light Station**.

5pm Have dinner at the **West Bay Diner**. If you are looking for something more casual visit **The Lickity Split**, they serve sandwiches and ice cream treats. If you are looking for a “sports bar atmosphere” and want a good burger, pizza or prime rib, try the **Grand Marais Brewing Company**.



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