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FLAT & FRIENDLY HIKING TRAILS LOWER PENINSULA



PROTECTING THE NORTH COUNTRY WE ALL LOVE

The mission of the Little Traverse
Conservancy is to protect the natural
diversity and beauty of northern Michigan
by preserving significant land and scenic
areas, and fostering appreciation and
understanding of the environment.

Our service area includes Chippewa, Mackinac, Emmet, Cheboygan, and Charlevoix counties.

Visit www.landtrust.org or call 231.347.0991 for more detailed information and maps.

Sally & Art Hailand Jr./ **Helstrom Family Preserve**

A flat wide .75 mile trail system loops through the property (markers 1-4). There are a few slopes as you cross a bridge and the trail has some roots at the beginning. On the Helstrom property you will be led through woods mostly on boardwalks.

Headlands International

Headlands Waterfront Event Center is equipped with ADAaccessible lit sidewalks that run from the parking area to the building, amphitheater, shoreline, and throughout the designated night sky viewing area.

Joan and John Hutto Nature Preserve

A .26-acre popular river access point to the Maple River frequently used by anglers and kayakers was donated by John and Joan Hutto in 2021. In late 2024, a wheelchair-accessible fishing platform was added to the preserve.

Jones Landing Bear Creek Township

This ADA-accessible park features a covered pavilion, restrooms, picnic area, playground, boat launch, restroom facilities, and a sandy beach. There is an ADA-accessible sidewalk that leads to the water.

1193 W Gruler Road, Petoskey

Seberon "Boo" **Litzenburger Nature Preserve**

The first half mile of this trail includes crushed aggregate leading to a viewing platform overlooking Five Mile Creek. The lower trail is only accessible by hiking down a steep incline.

Alan and Virginia **McCune Nature Preserve**

Entering via the Berger Road trailhead, trail markers 1-5 will bring you through .75 mile of trails with a view of the Minnehaha Creek. Once you go deeper into the property, you will find steep grades and rooty uneven trails. The trail markers leading from 4 to 6 have a gentle, but long grade down to the creek and bridge.



1565 Berger Road, Petoskey

995 Hideaway Valley Dr, Harbor Springs

Offield Family Viewlands

Pond and Labyrinth Trail

From the lower parking area,

low slope crushed aggregate

trail and reflection labyrinth

created in partnership with

you will find over a half mile of

Bluestem Meadow. A flat paved

trail also leads to an accessible

labyrinth are paved, but are very

viewing and fishing platform

at the pond. Trails past the

steep.



4855 West Conway Rd, Harbor Springs

Round Lake Nature

Preserve

3264 Powell Road, Harbor Springs

Don & Eileen Klein Trail/

Rogers Family Homestead

In partnership with the City

accessible half mile trail

connects the City of East

Homestead Preserve. An

varied terrain.

of East Jordan, this fully ADA-

Jordan to LTC's Rogers Family

additional mile can be found

at the Rogers Preserve which

is natural ground and flat, but

Spring Lake Park

Traverse Wheelway and the

1590 Harbor-Petoskey Rd, Petoskey

Camp Sea-Gull

Hayes Township

Camp Sea-Gull is managed by

Hayes Township, with access

to Lake Charlevoix for fishing,

view. Recent updates have been

ADA-accessible dock for fishing.

There are no trails at this park.

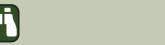
made at this park to create an

boating or just taking in the

North Western State Trail.

Bear Creek Township

This one mile flat trail loops Spring Lake Park includes over through a mixed hardwood and a half mile of ADA-accessible conifer forest. The trail leads trail and boardwalk overlooking out to an overlook platform Spring Lake. Restrooms, a and bench at Round Lake. pavilion, and enclosed fishing platform are also available. This trail also connects to the Little



Thorne Swift Nature Preserve

This beloved preserve includes the Elizabeth Kennedy Nature Center. The Cedar and Pond Trail is a one mile loop, somewhat rooty, but flat and wide, leading on and off boardwalks through multiple habitats, and eventually stairs to Lake Michigan. Balsam Trail has steep slopes and a lake overlook platform.

lake.





6696 Lower Shore Dr, Harbor Springs

Charles M. Taylor III /

Olstrom Family Nature Preserves

A wonderful half mile hike out

to Lake Charlevoix is offered at

this preserve. Note that the trail

gets somewhat rooty when you

the cedar forest just before the

get out to markers 6 and 7 in

Waldron Fen **Nature Preserve**

5285 Five Mile Creek Rd, Harbor Springs

The trail leading south into the pine trees is flat and will take you around the fen for an almost two mile hike. If you follow the trail to the east. between trail markers 1 and 2, you will find steeper sections and more roots than the rest of the preserve. Dogs are not allowed at this preserve due to nesting birds.



9417 Banwell Road, Alanson

Duncan Bay Nature Preserve

This preserve offers a one mile flat path to the shores of Lake Huron, just west of Cheboygan State Park, where an overlook platform is found. Gentle ramps lead on and off of the boardwalks and bridges.

Watson **Nature Preserve**

The inner loop of this preserve is almost a half mile trail and will take you on a single narrow trail that has some gentle slopes and roots. The outer loop includes more slopes.





9005 Mink Road, Harbor Springs

Hildner-Bearce/Waubun/ **Davis Family Nature Preserves**

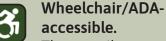
Nearly two miles of trails at this complex offers a classic Up North hardwood forest hike in close proximity to Burt Lake. These trails are mostly flat and wide, but are somewhat rooty in places. Please note the trail from markers 17 to 19 is steep.

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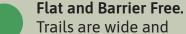
Emmet County

Charlevoix County

Cheboygan County



These trails are paved, flat and smooth.



smooth dirt paths with little to no roots or hills.

Easy.

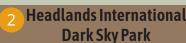
Trails will have some gentle slopes, roots, or may be a narrow or single track.



Hunting Allowed



Designated **Birding Trail**



15675 Headlands Rd, Mackinaw City

2546 Pine Trail Road, Brutus

O St. Ignatius Church Beach Friendship/Readmond Township

A very short trail leads to an ADA-accessible overlook of Lake Michigan. There is also access to the beach by stairs. NOTE: North of Church Beach on Lamkin Drive is Readmond Township Park. Here you will find additional access features, including beach access via a beach mat.



101 N Lamkin Rd, Harbor Springs

St. Clair Lake -Six Mile Lake Nature Preserve

Visitors can enjoy a universal access trail (the Mary Behrens Sorrell Trail) for people of all ages and abilities. The preserve includes one mile of undeveloped shoreline and is excellent for canoeing and kayaking. The natural area has a small parking area and a universally accessible canoe/ kayak launch.

11800 Ellsworth Road, Ellsworth

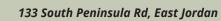






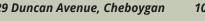








829 Duncan Avenue, Cheboygan







85 Bridge Sreet, East Jordan



