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# LOCAL AREA EVENTS

## JANUARY

Arctic Fever | Excelsior & Tonka Bay  
Art Shanty Festival (January-February) | Medicine Lake  
Minnetonka Fire Department's Family Fun Day  
Nordic Roots Festival | Minneapolis  
Twins Fest | Minneapolis  
Winter Fete | Bloomington

## FEBRUARY

Carnaval Brasileiro | Minneapolis  
Chilly Open | Wayzata  
City of the Lakes Loppet | Minneapolis  
Fire & Ice Festival | Plymouth  
Healthy Life Expo | Minneapolis  
Home Improvement & Design Expo | Minneapolis  
Kids' Fest | Minnetonka  
Lions Club Snowball Open | Orono

## MARCH

HCA Members' Spring Show (March 26 - May 7) | Hopkins  
Mars Con | Bloomington

## APRIL

Arbor Day Festival | Maple Grove  
Arbor Day | Deephaven  
Easter Egg Hunt at the Parks | Minneapolis  
HCA Members' Spring Show (April-May) | Hopkins  
Minicon | Minneapolis  
MN Craft Beer Festival | Minneapolis  
Spring Time Art Celebration | Plymouth  
Twin Cities International Film Festival | Minneapolis

## MAY

Bike Rodeo | Crystal  
Main Street Days | Hopkins  
May Day Festival & Parade | Minneapolis  
Memorial Day Parade | Excelsior  
Summer Beach Series | Plymouth  
Trista Day | Minnetrista  
Twin Cities Polish Festival | Minneapolis

## JUNE

Art on the Lake | Excelsior  
Arts in the Park (June-August) | Bloomington  
Chicago Avenue Project | Minneapolis  
Earle Brown Days Festival | Brooklyn Center  
Edina Art Fair  
Father Hennepin Festival | Champlin

Heart Beat 5000 5K Run & Walk | Minneapolis

## JUNE (continued)

Hennepin County Fair | Corcoran  
HFA Run for Blood 1/4 Marathon & 5K | Minneapolis  
Maple Grove Days & Art Fair  
Minnetonka Summer Fest  
Nordic Mid-Summer Fest | Minneapolis  
Pride Rainbow Run | Minneapolis  
Stone Arch Bridge Festival | Minneapolis  
SummerFest | Long Lake & Minnetonka  
Tater Daze | Brooklyn Park  
Twin Cities Improv Festival | Minneapolis  
Twin Cities Pride Festival | Minneapolis  
Water Ski Show | Plymouth  
Wayzata Art Experience

## JULY

4th of July Celebration | throughout Hennepin County  
Air Expo | Eden Prairie  
Celebration of Agates | Minnetonka  
Crazy Days Fair & Festival | Excelsior  
Duk Duk Daze | New Hope  
Hopkins Raspberry Festival  
Lake Minnetonka Celebration  
Life Time Minneapolis Triathlon  
Loring Park Art Festival | Minneapolis  
Maple Grove Days & Art Fair  
Minneapolis Aquatennial Festival  
Red, White & Boom | Minneapolis  
Roots, Rock & Deep-Blues Festival | Minneapolis  
Sommerfest | Minneapolis  
Spirit of the Lakes Festival | Mound  
Twin Cities Carifest | Minneapolis  
Urban Wildlife 1/2 Marathon & 5K | Richfield

## AUGUST

Bloomington Fall Craft & Gift Show  
Corn Days | Long Lake  
Heritage Days | Independence  
Kramarczuk's Kielbasa Festival | Minneapolis  
Lake Hiawatha Neighborhood Festival | Minneapolis  
Lion's Corn Feed Antique & Car Run | Crystal  
Minnesota Fringe Festival | Minneapolis  
Powderhorn Art Fair | Minneapolis  
Tour de Tonka Miles of Smiles | Excelsior & Minnetonka  
Twin Cities Lung Run & Walk | Minneapolis  
Twin City Polo Classic | Independence  
Uptown Art Fair | Minneapolis

## SEPTEMBER

American Pottery Festival | Minneapolis  
Apple Days | Excelsior  
Classic Boat Rendezvous | Excelsior  
Dash for Dads 5K for Prostate Cancer | Minneapolis  
Fall Into the Arts Festival | Edina  
Fire Department 5K Run & Walk | Plymouth  
Golden Valley Days Art & Music Festival  
Incredible Festival | Mound  
James J. Hill Days | Wayzata  
Loretto Fun Fest  
Plymouth on Parade  
River Rendezvous | Bloomington  
St. Vincent de Paul Harvest Festival | Minneapolis  
Taste of Two Towns | Excelsior & Minnetonka  
Twin Cities Pagan Pride | Minneapolis  
Women Run the Cities 5K & 10 Mile | Minneapolis

## OCTOBER

ACS Strides Against Breast Cancer | Minneapolis  
Anime Fusion | Bloomington  
Boo Blast | Wayzata  
ConFABulous | Minneapolis  
Fall Craft & Gift Show | Maple Grove  
Fall on the Farm | Brooklyn Park  
Harvest Festival & Maze | Brooklyn Park  
Mall-O-Ween | Bloomington  
Spooktacular | Brooklyn Park  
Zombie Pub Crawl | Minneapolis

## NOVEMBER

Arts of the Holiday Show & Sale | Wayzata  
Christmas Gift Show | Minneapolis  
Harvest Jam Acoustic Music Experience | Minneapolis  
Healthy Life Expo | Minneapolis  
Holiday Gift Show | Minneapolis  
Holidazzle Parade | Minneapolis (November-December)  
Home Improvement & Design Expo | Maple Grove  
Old Fashioned Christmas | Plymouth  
Spring Park Tree Lighting  
Taste & Tour of Golden Valley  
Twin Cities Marathon | Minneapolis

## DECEMBER

Candlelight & Ice | Richfield  
Christmas Events & Community Show | Excelsior  
Eden Prairie Lioness Art & Craft Show | Eden Prairie  
Holiday Celebration | Wayzata  
Holiday Lights Tour | Bloomington  
Maple Grove Christmas & Craft Show  
New Year's Eve Celebration | Plymouth  
Oak View Elementary Craft Show | Osseo



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 Fire Department (Excelsior) (952) 401-8801  
 Police Department (952) 258-5321

## EXCELSIOR

General Information (952) 474-5233  
 Parks & Recreation (952) 653-3679  
 Fire Department (952) 401-8801  
 Police Department (952) 258-5321

## GREENWOOD

General Information (952) 474-6633  
 Parks & Recreation (Deephaven) (952) 474-0527  
 Fire Department (952) 960-1650  
 Police Department (952) 474-3261

## HOPKINS

General Information (952) 935-8474  
 Parks & Recreation (952) 939-8203  
 Fire Department (952) 938-8885  
 Police Department (952) 938-8885

## INDEPENDENCE

General Information (763) 479-0527  
 Parks & Recreation (763) 479-2473  
 Fire Department (Maple Plain) (763) 479-0520  
 Police Dept. (West Hennepin) (763) 479-0500

## LONG LAKE

General Information (952) 473-6961  
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 Fire Department (952) 473-9701  
 Police Department (952) 404-5340

## MAPLE PLAIN

General Information (763) 479-0515  
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 Fire Department (763) 479-0520  
 Police Department (763) 479-0500

## MINNETONKA

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## MINNETONKA BEACH

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 Fire Department (Long Lake) (952) 473-9701  
 Police Department (Orono) (952) 249-4700

## MINNETRISTA

General Information (952) 446-1660  
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 Fire Department (Mound) (952) 472-3555  
 Police Department (952) 446-1131

## MOUND

General Information (952) 472-0600  
 Parks & Recreation (952) 472-0603  
 Fire Department (952) 472-3555  
 Police Department (Orono) (952) 249-4700

## ORONO

General Information (952) 249-4600  
 Parks & Recreation (952) 249-4600  
 Fire Department (Navarre) (952) 471-9777  
 Police Department (952) 249-4700

## PLYMOUTH

General Information (763) 509-5000  
 Parks & Recreation (763) 509-5941  
 Fire Department (763) 509-5120  
 Police Department (763) 509-5160

## SHOREWOOD

General Information (952) 960-7900  
 Parks & Recreation/Public Works (952) 960-7913  
 Fire Department (Excelsior) (952) 401-8801  
 Police Department (952) 474-3261

## SPRING PARK

General Information (952) 471-9051  
 Parks & Recreation (952) 471-9051  
 Fire Department (Mound) (952) 472-3555  
 Police Department (Mound) (952) 472-0621

## TONKA BAY

General Information (952) 474-7994  
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 Fire Department (Excelsior) (952) 401-8801  
 Police Department (952) 474-3261

## VICTORIA

General Information (952) 443-4210  
 Parks & Recreation (952) 443-4215  
 Fire Department (952) 443-2771  
 Police Department (Carver Cty. Sheriff) (952) 361-1231

## WAYZATA

General Information (952) 404-5300  
 Parks & Recreation (952) 404-5300  
 Fire Department (952) 404-5337  
 Police Department (952) 258-5321

## WOODLAND

General Information (952) 358-9936  
 Parks & Recreation (952) 358-9936  
 Fire Department (952) 404-5337  
 Police Department (952) 474-7555

# COMPOSTING in Your Backyard

Yard trimmings and food scraps make up nearly 15% to 30% of waste produced by the average household in USA. Composting leaves, grass clippings, and kitchen scraps, creates a nice black dirt to use around your yard. It also can reduce what goes to landfills and your use of fertilizer and water around your yard.

## How to get started composting

1. Make a compost bin or you can buy one
2. Place yard waste in and mix in kitchen scraps
3. Water as needed, to keep moist
4. Mix it with a shovel or pitchfork once in a while

### What to compost

Food scraps such as banana peels and coffee grounds are good to compost. The best results come from mixing the right materials like, nitrogen-rich (greens), carbon-rich (browns), water, and air. Get the mixture correct and you will have good quality compost.

### What not to compost

Although a lot of stuff is compostable, you should stay away from composting things that will attract scavengers or create bad odors. Some things you should not add to your compost are pet feces, diseased plants, weeds gone to seed, ashes, dairy, oils and food with meat or bones.

### How long will it take?

Most likely you will produce compost in six months to a year depending on your management methods. To make compost faster keep the correct moisture levels and turn the pile every once in awhile.

### Using the finished compost

Compost is not a fertilizer but it can contain nutrients which improves plant growth. By using compost, you can improve the soil around your plants, flowers and throughout your yard, it also reduces your use of fertilizer and water. Another good use for your compost is to use it for your potted plants.





The Minnetonka Lakes area was originally home to Dakota and Ojibwe Indians who considered the land as sacred. The region provided the tribes with excellent hunting grounds and ample fishing opportunities. After land treaties were signed in 1851, the Minnetonka Lakes area opened for settlement. Lake Minnetonka was named by Governor Alexander Ramsey, who combined the Indian words of “minne” and “tonka,” meaning big waters. Settlements were established along the shores and by 1853 a hotel was built. The area quickly became one of the most sought after vacation destinations and tourism dominated early industry. Steamboats were introduced in 1861 and streetcar lines were constructed in 1905, allowing for rapid growth. President William Howard Taft and Frank Lloyd Wright each had summer cottages near Lake Minnetonka in the early 1900s. The area housed the Big Island Amusement Park and later the Excelsior Amusement Park until 1973. In 1990 the Steamboat Minnehaha was brought from the depths of Lake Minnetonka and restored, offering visitors a glimpse of the ferry service that was once popular. Today the Minnetonka Lakes area is home to approximately 181,419 residents.

**DEEPHAVEN** – pop. 3,775  
**EXCELSIOR** – pop. 2,291  
**GREENWOOD** – pop. 812  
**HOPKINS** – pop. 17,591  
**INDEPENDENCE** – pop. 3,546  
**LONG LAKE** – pop. 1,795  
**MAPLE PLAIN** – pop. 1,983  
**MINNETONKA** – pop. 50,081  
**MINNETONKA BEACH** – pop. 593  
**MINNETRISTA** – pop. 5,960

**MOUND** – pop. 9,546  
**ORONO** – pop. 7,732  
**PLYMOUTH** – pop. 71,486  
**SHOREWOOD** – pop. 7,426  
**SPRING PARK** – pop. 1,852  
**TONKA BAY** – pop. 1,545  
**VICTORIA** – pop. 6,643  
**WAYZATA** – pop. 3,884  
**WOODLAND** – pop. 469  
*\*Populations are approximate.*

## DEEPHAVEN

Located near Lake Minnetonka, Deephaven was founded in the 1880s and named in honor of the excellent harbor. In 1882 the Minnetonka Yacht Club was established, which now boasts over 500 members. In 1895 the historic Cottagewood General Store was founded, which has since become a local landmark. Today Deephaven is home to approximately 3,775 residents.

## EXCELSIOR

Founded by colonists from New York in 1853, the name Excelsior was derived from the short poem, “Excelsior,” written by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. A streetcar line brought travelers from Lake Harriet in Minneapolis to the shores of Lake Minnetonka as the area was popular for day trips. The community originated as a vacation haven for Twin Cities residents and was home to the Excelsior Amusement Park from 1925 to 1973. Today Excelsior is home to approximately 2,291 residents.

## GREENWOOD

Greenwood was settled in 1855 and officially organized in 1858. It was platted by Thomas A. Holmes and named after the lush woodlands found in the area. The historic Old Log Theater, Minnesota’s oldest professional theater established in 1940, is located here where audiences can still enjoy performances year-round. Today Greenwood is home to approximately 812 residents.

## HOPKINS

Hopkins was settled in the late 1800’s as a quaint railway village and was first recognized as West Minneapolis. In 1893 the community was incorporated and the area began to develop. In 1928 West Minneapolis was renamed after Harley Hopkins, the community’s original postmaster. His son Chester Hopkins served as its first mayor. Today Hopkins is home to approximately 17,591 residents.

## **INDEPENDENCE**

Independence was settled in 1845 and organized in 1858. Its name is derived from nearby Lake Independence, which was named in honor of its discovery on July 4th, 1854. Independence was incorporated in 1974 and currently houses the Twin Cities Polo Grounds. Today Independence is home to approximately 3,546 residents.

## **LONG LAKE**

First recognized as Cumberland, Long Lake was settled in 1855 and renamed after the local lake. A post office was established in 1856 and by 1875, a hotel, flour mill, general store and social hall were constructed. In 1898 the Minnesota Fruit Growers Association was founded, which promoted local raspberry and strawberry growth. Today Long Lake is home to approximately 1,795 residents.

## **MAPLE PLAIN**

Settled in 1854 near Lake Independence, Maple Plain was named after the numerous sugar maple trees found throughout the area. In 1868 the railroad arrived and a post office was built in 1871. As early local farmers experienced crop failures, many harvested ginseng and shipped it to markets in China as it was plentiful throughout the Maple Plain area. Today Maple Plain is home to approximately 1,983 residents.

## **MINNETONKA**

Minnetonka was first settled by Simon Stephens and Calvin Tuttle along Minnehaha Creek in 1852. Pioneers were attracted to the lush forests and ample water power, and a mill was established. Factories were then built and the area was one of the largest commercial centers in Hennepin County at the time. The community was named after the nearby lake and soon was a popular summer vacation spot. In 1960 the population of Minnetonka reached 25,000 and in 1968 the city was incorporated. Today Minnetonka is home to approximately 50,081 residents.

## **MINNETONKA BEACH**

Minnetonka Beach was settled in 1872 and in 1883, streets were platted and the community was named. It was the site of the Old Hotel Lafayette in 1882 which made the area a popular summer resort destination. As roads were constructed in 1887, Minnetonka Beach continued to develop and was incorporated by 1894. Today Minnetonka Beach is home to approximately 593 residents.

## **MINNETRISTA**

First recognized as German Home, Minnetrista was first settled in 1854 and organized in 1859. The community was renamed Minnetrista, a Dakota word meaning crooked waters. The Yellowstone Trail, one of the first transcontinental auto routes in America, passed through the community in the early 1900s, which attracted many new residents. In 1959 Minnetrista was incorporated as a village, and as a city in 1974. Today Minnetrista is home to approximately 5,960 residents.

## **MOUND**

Named after Indian mounds found throughout the area, Mound began as a resort community with summer homes located along the shores. As rail lines were constructed, the area began to grow and permanent residences replaced vacation homes. In 1946 Mound Metalcraft was established, which produced the famous Tonka toy trucks. Today Mound is home to approximately 9,546 residents.

## **ORONO**

The Orono area was first settled by Henry A. Brackett, who named the area Orono Point, in honor of an Indian chief. The community was established in 1889 from the southern half of Medina and had a population of 600 by 1900. In 1955 Orono was incorporated and has continued to grow. Today Orono is home to approximately 7,732 residents.

## **PLYMOUTH**

Plymouth was first settled by Antoine LeCounte in 1852 and the community was organized and named in 1858. By 1863 Plymouth was home to schools, churches, hotels and a post office. Its population reached 1,074 by 1880 and as roads were built, Plymouth grew dramatically as transportation improved. Today Plymouth is home to approximately 71,486 residents.

## **SHOREWOOD**

Once part of Excelsior Township, Shorewood was settled in 1853. Named after the ample woodland along the shores of Lake Minnetonka, Shorewood originated as a logging community. It was incorporated in 1956 by local residents to avoid annexation from nearby communities. Today Shorewood is home to approximately 7,426 residents.

## SPRING PARK

Settled in 1850, Spring Park was named after the medicinal springs found in the area. Streets were platted in 1880 and the community was a popular resort area for residents of the Twin Cities, which housed a top of the line baseball park, dance pavilion and playground. It was the site of the historic Hotel Del Otero, built in 1887, and was also home to Native American ceremonial mounds. Today Spring Park is home to approximately 1,852 residents.

## TONKA BAY

Tonka Bay was first settled in 1853 by Peter Gideon and Stephen Hull. The Lake Park Hotel was built in 1879 and the area attracted many summer visitors. Tonka Bay was incorporated in 1901 and as permanent homes were built, schools and churches were established. Today Tonka Bay is home to approximately 1,545 residents.

## VICTORIA

Victoria was first settled in 1852 and in 1856 the name Victoria was chosen to settle disagreements between families on Lake Bavaria. Families on the north side of the lake donated 30 acres for a church and the families on the south side named the church St. Victoria. The fertile soil attracted settlers from Germany, Holland and Switzerland. Farmers grew a variety of crops from wheat, berries, potatoes, carrots, corn to cabbage. The arrival of the railroad in 1882 drew even more settlers. Today Victoria is home to approximately 6,643 residents.

## WAYZATA

Settled in 1852, Wayzata was platted in 1854 and incorporated in 1884. The name Wayzata is derived from the Dakota word, "Waziyata," meaning at the pines, the north. The area began as a summer retreat, as tourists were attracted to the pristine landscape of Lake Minnetonka. The historic Lady of the Lake steamer carried passengers across Lake Minnetonka and the Wayzata dock once boasted over 90 various steamboats. Today Wayzata is home to approximately 3,884 residents.

## WOODLAND

Originally home to the Native American landmark Spirit Knob, Woodland was settled in 1855 and organized in 1858. The area first consisted of the village of Maplewoods and the Groveland Homeowners Association, which sought to improve the land. The area remained a summer community until 1882 when permanent residences replaced summer cottages. In 1948 Maplewoods residents united with the Groveland Homeowners Association to incorporate the city of Woodland, its name a combination of both areas. Today Woodland is home to approximately 469 residents.

## BASS LAKE

Location: Plymouth  
Size: 182 acres  
Access: East shore off Bass Lake Rd.  
Maximum Depth: 31 ft.

## CHRISTMAS LAKE

Location: Excelsior  
Size: 265 acres  
Access: Northwest shore off State Hwy. 7  
Maximum Depth: 87 ft.

## LAKE INDEPENDENCE

Location: Maple Plain  
Size: 832 acres  
Access: East shore off Co. Rd. 19  
Maximum Depth: 58 ft.

## LAKE MINNETONKA

Location: Wayzata  
Size: 14,005 acres  
Access: Multiple access points around lake including Northeast corner off Co. Rd. 101 at Wayzata Bay, North shore off N Shore Dr. at Crystal Bay, West shore off Co. Rd. 110 at Cooks Bay  
Maximum Depth: 133 ft.

## LONG LAKE

Location: Long Lake  
Size: 284 acres  
Access: West shore off US Hwy. 12  
Maximum Depth: 32 ft.

## MEDICINE LAKE

Location: Plymouth  
Size: 902 acres  
Access: Northwest shore off Co. Rd. 4  
Maximum Depth: 49 ft.

## SAUNDERS LAKE

Location: Mound  
Size: 71 acres  
Access: NA  
Maximum Depth: 32 ft.

## WHALETAIL LAKE

Location: Minnetrista  
Size: 558 acres  
Access: South shore off of Highland Rd.  
Maximum Depth: 22 ft.

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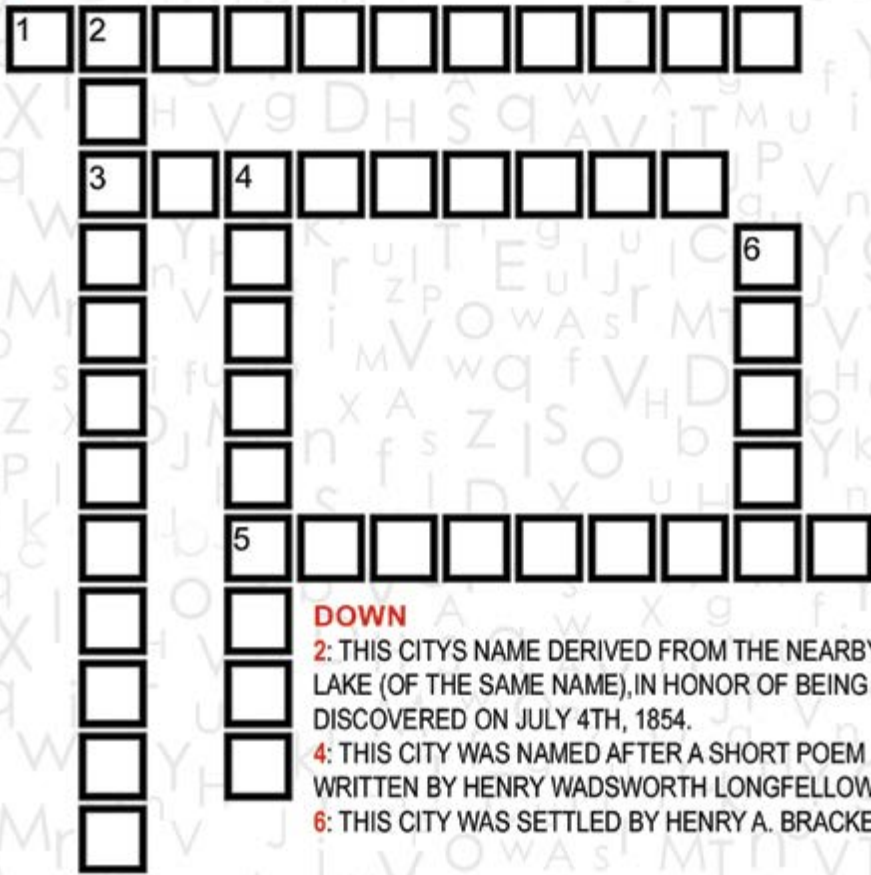


# CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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## ACROSS

- 1: THIS CITY WAS ORIGINALLY NAMED "GERMAN HOME".
- 3: THIS CITY IS HOME TO A LOCAL LANDMARK, THE HISTORIC COTTAGEWOOD GENERAL STORE.
- 5: THIS CITY WAS ONCE PART OF EXCELSIOR TOWNSHIP.



## DOWN

- 2: THIS CITY'S NAME DERIVED FROM THE NEARBY LAKE (OF THE SAME NAME), IN HONOR OF BEING DISCOVERED ON JULY 4TH, 1854.
- 4: THIS CITY WAS NAMED AFTER A SHORT POEM WRITTEN BY HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW.
- 6: THIS CITY WAS SETTLED BY HENRY A. BRACKETT.

# WORD SEARCH



- MAPLEPLAIN
- ORONO
- PLYMOUTH
- INDEPENDENCE
- MINNETRISTA
- VICTORIA
- MINNETONKA
- EXCELSIOR
- DEEPHAVEN
- SHOREWOOD
- MINNETONKABEACH
- TONKABAY
- WAYZATA
- WOODLAND
- SPRINGPARK
- GREENWOOD
- MOUND
- LONGLAKE

## **BAKER PARK RESERVE**

2309 Baker Park Rd. | Maple Plain | (763) 694-7860  
Located on 2,700 acres near Lake Independence, Baker Park Reserve features campsites, a boat launch with fishing opportunities, canoe and kayak access, recreational trails, dog trails, geocaching opportunities, sledding hill, golf course, picnic areas and playground equipment.

## **CARVER PARK RESERVE**

7400 Grimm Rd. | Victoria | (763) 694-7650  
Located on 3,300 acres, Carver Park Reserve features campsites, a boat launch with fishing opportunities, canoe and kayak access, recreational trails, dog trails, off-leash dog area, geocaching opportunities, sledding hill, archery range, picnic areas, playground equipment and is home to the Grimm Farm Historic Site and Lowry Hill Nature Center.

## **CLIFTON E. FRENCH REGIONAL PARK**

12605 Rockford Rd. | Plymouth | (763) 694-7750  
Located on 300 acres near Medicine Lake, Clifton E. French Regional Park features a boat launch with fishing opportunities, canoe and kayak access, swimming beach, recreational trails, dog trails, geocaching opportunities, sledding hill, picnic areas and playground equipment.

## **EAGLE LAKE REGIONAL PARK**

11000 Bass Lake Rd. | Plymouth | (763) 694-7695  
Located on 230 acres between Plymouth and Maple Grove, Eagle Lake Regional Park features fishing opportunities, canoe and kayak access, recreational trails, dog trails, geocaching opportunities, sledding hill, golf course and picnic areas.

## **GALE WOODS FARM**

7210 Co. Rd. 110 W | Minnetrista | (763) 694-2001  
Located on 410 acres near Whaletail Lake, Gale Woods Farm features a working educational farm, fishing pier, canoe and kayak access, orchards, recreational trails and picnic areas.

## **GLEN LAKE GOLF & PRACTICE CENTER**

14350 Co. Rd. 62 | Minnetonka | (763) 694-7824  
Operated by the Three Rivers Park District, the Glen Lake Golf and Practice Center features a 9-hole executive golf course for all skill levels.

## **LAKE MINNETONKA REGIONAL PARK**

4610 Co. Rd. 44 | Minnetrista | (763) 694-7754  
Located on 292 acres, Lake Minnetonka Regional Park features a boat launch with fishing opportunities, canoe and kayak access, swimming beach, recreational trails, dog trails, geocaching opportunities, picnic areas and playground equipment.

## **NORENBERG GARDENS**

2865 Northshore Dr. | Wayzata  
Located near Lake Minnetonka on the former estate of Frederick Norenberg, Grain Belt Brewery Founder, the Norenberg Gardens features formal flower gardens, a variety of perennials and annuals, daylily collection and an ornamental boathouse.

# The Best of Minnesota Outdoors

## *Hiking:*

*Superior Hiking Trail, Lake Superior  
Silver Creek Trail, Jay Cooke State Park  
North River Trail, Afton State Park  
Glacial Pothole Trail, Interstate State Park  
Sioux Hustler Trail, Superior National Forest*

## *Fishing:*

*Bass: Lake Vermilion, Tower  
Walleye: Leech Lake, Walker  
Muskellunge: Lake Oscar, Holmes City  
Northern Pike: Lake of the Woods, Warroad*

## *Golf Courses:*

*Interlachen, Edina • Spring Hill, Wayzata  
Hazeltine National, Chaska  
Giants Ridge Golf & Ski Resort, Biwabik  
The Wilderness at Fortune Bay, Tower*

## *Mountain Biking:*

*Cuyuna Lakes, Ironton • Lebanon Hills, Eagan  
Elm Creek Park, Champlin • Brewer Park, Duluth  
Spirit Mountain, Duluth • Piedmont, Duluth*

## *Skiing:*

*Lutsen Mountains, Lutsen • Afton Alps, Afton  
Elm Creek Winter Rec. Area, Maple Grove  
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## OPENERS

09/23/23 Take a Kid Hunting Weekend - Statewide  
09/23/23 Waterfowl - Statewide  
11/4/23 Deer - Firearms - Statewide

## HUNTING

### Bear

08/11/23 Bear baiting start date Permit areas & no-quota area  
09/1/23 - 10/15/23 Bear Permit areas & no-quota area

### Deer

09/16/23 - 12/31/23 - Archery Statewide  
10/19/23 - 10/22/23 - Early Antlerless  
10/19/23 - 10/22/23 - Youth Statewide  
11/4/23 - 11/19/23 - Firearm (Season A) 100 Series permit areas  
11/4/23 - 11/12/23 - Firearm (Season A) 200 & 300 Series permit areas  
11/18/23 - 11/26/23 - Firearm (Season B) 300 Series permit areas  
11/25/23 - 12/10/23 - Muzzleloader - Statewide

### Badger

10/14/23 - 03/15/24 North furbearer zone  
10/21/23 - 03/15/24 South furbearer zone

### Bobcat

12/16/23 - 01/21/24  
North of I-94 and U.S. Highway 10

### Fox, Gray & Red

10/14/23 - 03/15/24 North furbearer zone  
12/23/23 - 03/15/24 South furbearer zone

### Opossum

10/14/23 - 03/15/24 North furbearer zone  
10/21/23 - 03/15/24 South furbearer zone

### Rabbit

09/16/23 - 02/28/24 Rabbit, Jack - Statewide  
09/16/23 - 02/28/24 Rabbit, Cottontail & Snowshoe Hare - Statewide

### Raccoon

10/14/23 - 03/15/24 North furbearer zone  
10/21/23 - 03/15/24 South furbearer zone

### Squirrel, Gray & Fox

09/16/23 - 02/29/24 Statewide

### Grouse

09/16/23 - 11/29/23 Sharp-Tailed - Northwest zone  
09/16/23 - 01/1/24 Ruffed & Spruce - Statewide

### Pheasant

10/14/23 - 01/1/24 Ring-Necked - Statewide

### Wild Turkey

02/10/23 WMA lottery deadline  
04/12/23 - 05/31/23 - Youth - Statewide  
04/12/23 - 05/31/23 - Archery - Statewide  
04/12/23 - 04/18/23 - A season - Statewide  
04/19/23 - 04/25/23 - B season - Statewide  
04/26/23 - 05/2/23 - C season - Statewide  
05/3/23 - 05/9/23 - D season - Statewide  
05/10/23 - 05/16/23 - E season - Statewide  
05/17/23 - 05/31/23 - F season - Statewide  
09/30/23 - 10/29/23 Fall - Statewide

## TRAPPING

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# FIREWOOD

**Burn it where you get it!**

Invasive pests like the Emerald Ash Borer and Gypsy Moth have devastated millions of trees in the United States. Where these pests come from, the population stays in control because they have natural predators. The United States does not have these natural predators so the populations have the chance to grow to extreme numbers.

## Preventing the Spread

- Buy local firewood.
- Burn all firewood completely at each destination.
- Move only Certified firewood out of a quarantine county or across state boundaries.
- Use firewood from nearby sources to heat your home or cabin.
- Tell your friends and family about the importance of not moving firewood.
- Don't move hardwood firewood out of a quarantine county, unless it is state or USDA certified.
- Don't move opened firewood bundles.
- Don't move firewood long distances to or from your lake home or cabin.



**Emerald Ash Borer**



**Gypsy Moth Caterpillar**

## Invasive Pests are a Problem!

# FISHING SEASONS

## OPENERS

- Stream trout opener - 04/15/23
- Walleye, sauger and northern pike opener - 05/13/23
- Muskellunge opener - 06/03/23

## INLAND WATERS

**Walleye and Sauger** 5/13/23 - 2/25/24  
6 combined, not more than one walleye over 20"

### Northeast zone

**Northern Pike** 5/13/23 - 2/25/24  
Angling: 2 (not more than 1 over 40" in possession. All from 30-40" must be immediately released).

**Northern Pike** 11/15/23 - 2/25/24  
Darkhouse spearing: 2 (Not more than 1 over 26").

### North-central zone

**Northern Pike** 5/13/23 - 2/25/24  
Angling: 10 (not more than 2 over 26". All from 22-26" must be immediately released).

**Northern Pike** 11/15/23 - 2/25/24  
Darkhouse spearing: 10 (only 1 between 22-26" and 1 over 26"; or, only 2 over 26").

### Southern zone

**Northern Pike** 5/13/23 - 2/25/24  
Angling: 2 (Minimum size 24").

**Northern Pike** 11/15/23 - 2/25/24  
Darkhouse spearing: 2 (Minimum size 24").  
**Muskellunge** 6/3/23 - 12/1/23  
1, minimum size 54"

**Largemouth and smallmouth bass in the Northeast zone, north and east of US Hwy 53 from Duluth to International Falls and Pelican and Ash lakes in St. Louis County.**  
5/13/23 - 2/25/24 6 combined

**Largemouth and smallmouth bass in the rest of the state**  
5/13/23 - 5/26/23, Catch-and-release only

**Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass** 5/27/23 - 9/10/23 6 combined  
**Largemouth Bass** 9/11/23 - 2/25/24 6  
**Smallmouth Bass** 9/11/23 - 2/25/24  
Catch-and-release only

<b>Crappie</b>	Continuous	10
<b>Sunfish</b>	Continuous	20
<b>Rock Bass</b>	Continuous	30
<b>White Bass</b>	Continuous	30
<b>Channel Catfish</b>	Continuous	5 in combination with Flathead Catfish, only 1 fish over 24"

**Flathead Catfish** 4/1/23 - 11/30/23  
2, only 1 fish over 24" in combination with Channel Catfish

**Perch**  
Continuous 20 daily and 40 in possession

<b>Bullhead</b>	Continuous	100
<b>Whitefish, Cisco, and Burbot</b>	Continuous,	No limit (Exception: On Leech Lake Indian Reservation whitefish limit 25 and cisco limit 50.

**Smelt** Continuous No limit  
Including Lake Superior and St. Louis River  
**Lake and Shovelnose Sturgeon**  
3/1/23 - 4/14/23

Catch-and-release only, no tag needed  
Including Lake Superior and St. Louis River  
**Lake and Shovelnose Sturgeon**  
6/16/23 - 4/14/24

Catch-and-release only, no tag needed  
**Paddlefish** No open season  
**Longnose and Shortnose Gar**  
Continuous 10 combined

## FREE FISHING

**Take a kid fishing weekend**  
June 9-11, 2023  
Minnesotans 16 or older who take a child 15 or younger fishing don't need a license.

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*Fishing*

Fishing is a good way to get out and relax. It can also be a time to bond with family or friends. Fishing is healthy as well, being outside and active is good for the body and eating fish can be beneficial. There's also the excitement of never knowing what kind of fish is going to take the bait or how big it is going to be. Plus fishing helps support wild life management.

## DEER HUNTING TIPS

- **Wear Blaze Orange!** Being mistaken for a deer, can be deadly
- **Scout the Area:** Before the hunting season begins, spend time scouting the hunting area. Look for deer signs such as tracks, droppings, rubs, and scrapes
- **Practice Stealth and Scent Control:** Deer have an excellent sense of smell and can be easily spooked by human scent
- **Know the Local Regulations and Laws:** Before you head out on your hunting trip, familiarize yourself with the local hunting regulations and laws.

Remember that ethical hunting practices, respect for wildlife, and safety should always be paramount while participating in any hunting activity. Additionally, always make sure to follow local hunting guidelines and regulations to protect the environment and wildlife populations.  
**HAPPY HUNTING!**

**Boating safety is critical for anyone who operates a boat or spends time on the water. Here are some general boating safety tips to keep in mind:**

- **Wear a life jacket:** Always wear a life jacket while boating. Make sure the life jacket is appropriate for your weight and is U.S. Coast Guard approved.
- **Know the weather:** Check the weather forecast before you go boating and keep an eye on changing conditions. If you notice darkening clouds, rough winds or sudden drops in temperature, get off the water.
- **Use navigation aids:** Use navigation aids like buoys and beacons to help you navigate safely.
- **Maintain your boat:** Keep your boat well-maintained and in good working condition. Make sure all safety equipment is in good condition and functioning properly.
- **Avoid alcohol:** Do not drink alcohol while operating a boat. It is illegal and increases the likelihood of accidents.
- **Watch your speed:** Observe speed limits and maintain a safe speed based on conditions. Remember, slower speeds may be necessary in crowded areas or in inclement weather.
- **Be aware of other boats:** Watch for other boats and be aware of their movements. Always assume other boaters may not see you.
- **Know the rules:** Learn and follow boating safety laws and regulations. This includes rules for navigation, safety equipment, and right-of-way.
- **File a float plan:** Always let someone know where you are going and when you plan to return. File a float plan with a trusted person or a marina.
- **Take a boating safety course:** Consider taking a boating safety course to improve your skills and knowledge.

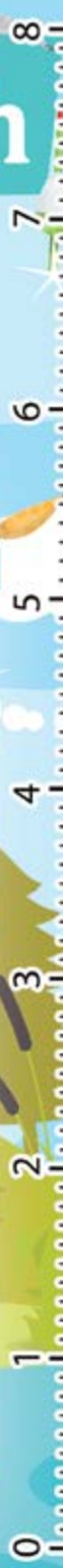
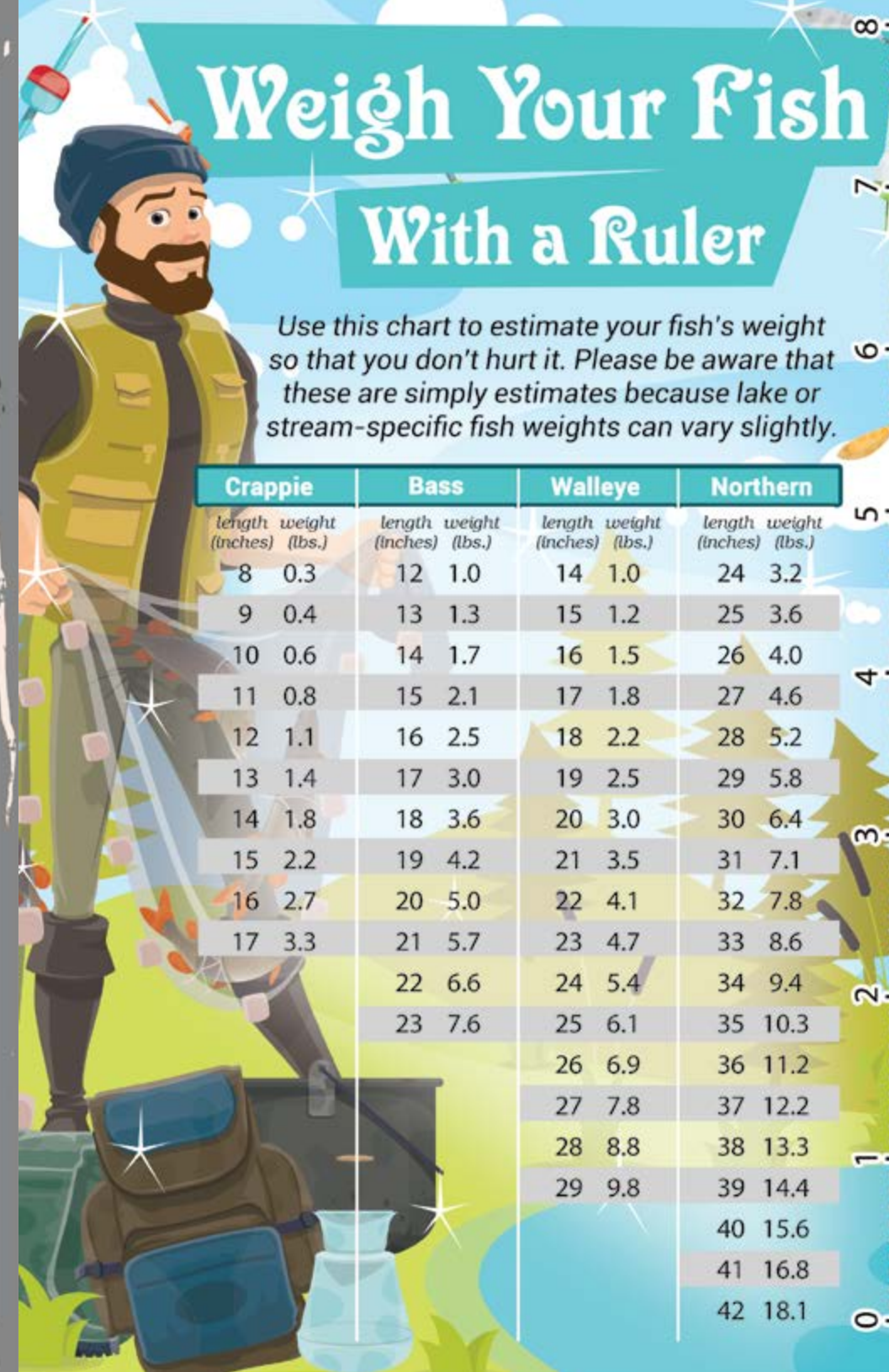


**By following these general boating safety tips, you can reduce the likelihood of accidents and enjoy a safe and enjoyable time on the water.**

# Weigh Your Fish With a Ruler

Use this chart to estimate your fish's weight so that you don't hurt it. Please be aware that these are simply estimates because lake or stream-specific fish weights can vary slightly.

Crappie		Bass		Walleye		Northern	
length (inches)	weight (lbs.)	length (inches)	weight (lbs.)	length (inches)	weight (lbs.)	length (inches)	weight (lbs.)
8	0.3	12	1.0	14	1.0	24	3.2
9	0.4	13	1.3	15	1.2	25	3.6
10	0.6	14	1.7	16	1.5	26	4.0
11	0.8	15	2.1	17	1.8	27	4.6
12	1.1	16	2.5	18	2.2	28	5.2
13	1.4	17	3.0	19	2.5	29	5.8
14	1.8	18	3.6	20	3.0	30	6.4
15	2.2	19	4.2	21	3.5	31	7.1
16	2.7	20	5.0	22	4.1	32	7.8
17	3.3	21	5.7	23	4.7	33	8.6
		22	6.6	24	5.4	34	9.4
		23	7.6	25	6.1	35	10.3
				26	6.9	36	11.2
				27	7.8	37	12.2
				28	8.8	38	13.3
				29	9.8	39	14.4
						40	15.6
						41	16.8
						42	18.1



# Be Aware of your Surroundings

- Always wear a properly fitting bike helmet as most serious injuries are to the head.
- Be sure your handlebars, seat and wheels fit snugly.
- Keep your bike in good shape by checking and oiling your chain, making sure your brakes work properly and maintaining your tire pressure.
- Always ride with both hands on the handlebars except when doing turn signals.
- When leaving a driveway, curb or alleyway always stop and check for traffic in both directions.
- Cross only at intersections.
- Use the crosswalk to walk your bike across busy intersections and follow the traffic signals.
- Never ride against traffic. Travel in the same direction as the cars.
- Whenever you can, use bike routes and avoid busy streets.
- Don't ride near parked cars as doors can open and cause accidents.
- Obey all traffic signs and traffic lights.
- When biking with friends, ride in a single file.
- Always pass other bikers or pedestrians on the left and say "On your left!" to make your presence known.
- Always use bicycle hand signals to alert traffic of your changing direction.



## Drink lots of Water!



# Know Your ATV

## Read the owner's manual

- and know your vehicle thoroughly.
- Check your vehicle before you ride.
- Wear protective equipment and clothing.
- Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders.
- Supervise young or inexperienced riders.
- Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider.
- Do not operate under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Drive at speeds that are appropriate to trail conditions.
- Stay to the right on trails.
- Stay away from thin ice, open water and wetlands
- Know the weather forecast.
- Make sure headlights and taillights work properly.
- Maintain safe distances between other riders.
- Reduce your speed when riding at night.
- Yield to other motor vehicles and trail users.
- Young or beginning riders are encouraged to take a safety training course.

- Do not consume alcohol or take drugs prior to or during your snowmobile trip. Doing so increases your chances of injury or death.
- Slow down and don't cut to the inside of the trail corners. It's dangerous and illegal.
- If you snowmobile at night, don't override your lights.
- Always use the buddy system. Never ride off alone.
- Drowning is one of the causes of many snowmobile fatalities. Whenever possible, avoid the ice.
- Wear sensible, protective clothing designed for operating a snowmobile.
- Use a full size helmet, goggles, or visor to prevent injuries from twigs, stones, ice chips and other debris.
- Avoid wearing long scarves. They may get caught in moving parts of the snowmobile.
- Know the terrain you are going to ride. If unfamiliar to you, ask someone who has traveled over it before.
- Know the weather forecast, especially the ice and snow conditions.
- Be sure your snowmobile is in top-notch mechanical condition throughout the months of use.
- Familiarize yourself with the snowmobile you are driving. Thoroughly read the manual that accompanies the snowmobile.
- Do not pursue domestic or wild animals. That is not the conduct of a sportsman. Report such violations to the nearest law enforcement officer.

## Snowmobile Hand Signals

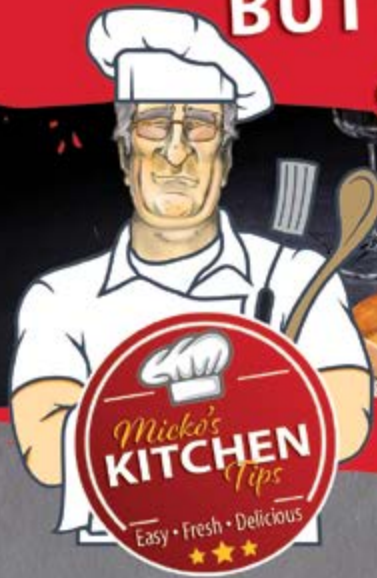


**PRIVATE PROPERTY**  
**NO TRESPASSING**

Please respect private property and no trespassing signs. Stay on trails. Exercise extreme caution on all lakes and streams. Obey all state and local laws and ordinances. Do not operate snowmobiles/ATVs on county roads or state highways.



# BUTTERED-UP Steak



Simple meal with a Gourmet Feel

## INGREDIENTS

2 steaks (ribeye or sirloin are good choices)

Salt and pepper

2 tablespoons unsalted butter

2 cloves garlic, minced

Fresh herbs (optional)

## INSTRUCTIONS

**1** Take the steaks out of the refrigerator and let them come to room temperature for about 30 minutes. This helps the steak cook more evenly.

**2** Preheat your oven to 400°F.

**3** Season the steaks generously with salt and pepper on both sides.

**4** Heat a large skillet over high heat until very hot. Add the steaks and cook for about 2-3 minutes per side, until nicely browned.

**5** Remove the steaks from the skillet and place them on a baking sheet.

**6** In the same skillet, add the butter and garlic. Cook for about 30 seconds, stirring constantly, until the garlic is fragrant.

**7** Pour the garlic butter over the steaks on the baking sheet.

**8** Place the baking sheet in the oven and cook for about 5-7 minutes for medium-rare doneness, or longer if you prefer your steak more well-done.

**9** Remove the steaks from the oven and let them rest for a few minutes before slicing.

**10** Serve the steak with any remaining butter from the baking sheet and fresh herbs if desired.

# Barbecue



## BARBECUE DO'S:

- use proper barbecue equipment and tools, such as a grill, tongs, and spatulas.
- preheat your grill before placing any food on it.
- marinate your meat before cooking to enhance the flavor.
- keep a close eye on your food while grilling to prevent overcooking or burning.
- use a meat thermometer to ensure that your meat is cooked to the correct internal temperature.
- let your meat rest for a few minutes before slicing or serving to allow the juices to redistribute.
- keep your grill and utensils clean to prevent any foodborne illness.

## BARBECUE DON'TS:

- use lighter fluid to start your grill. Instead, use a chimney starter or electric starter.
- overcrowd your grill. Leave enough space between the pieces of meat to ensure even cooking.
- use a fork to flip your meat. Piercing the meat can cause it to lose its juices and become dry.
- baste your meat with sugary sauces too early in the cooking process, as it can burn and create a bitter taste.
- leave cooked meat out in the sun for too long, as it can spoil quickly.
- assume that meat is fully cooked by its color. Always use a meat thermometer to check the internal temperature.
- leave your grill unattended while it's still hot. Always make sure to properly cool it down before leaving it.

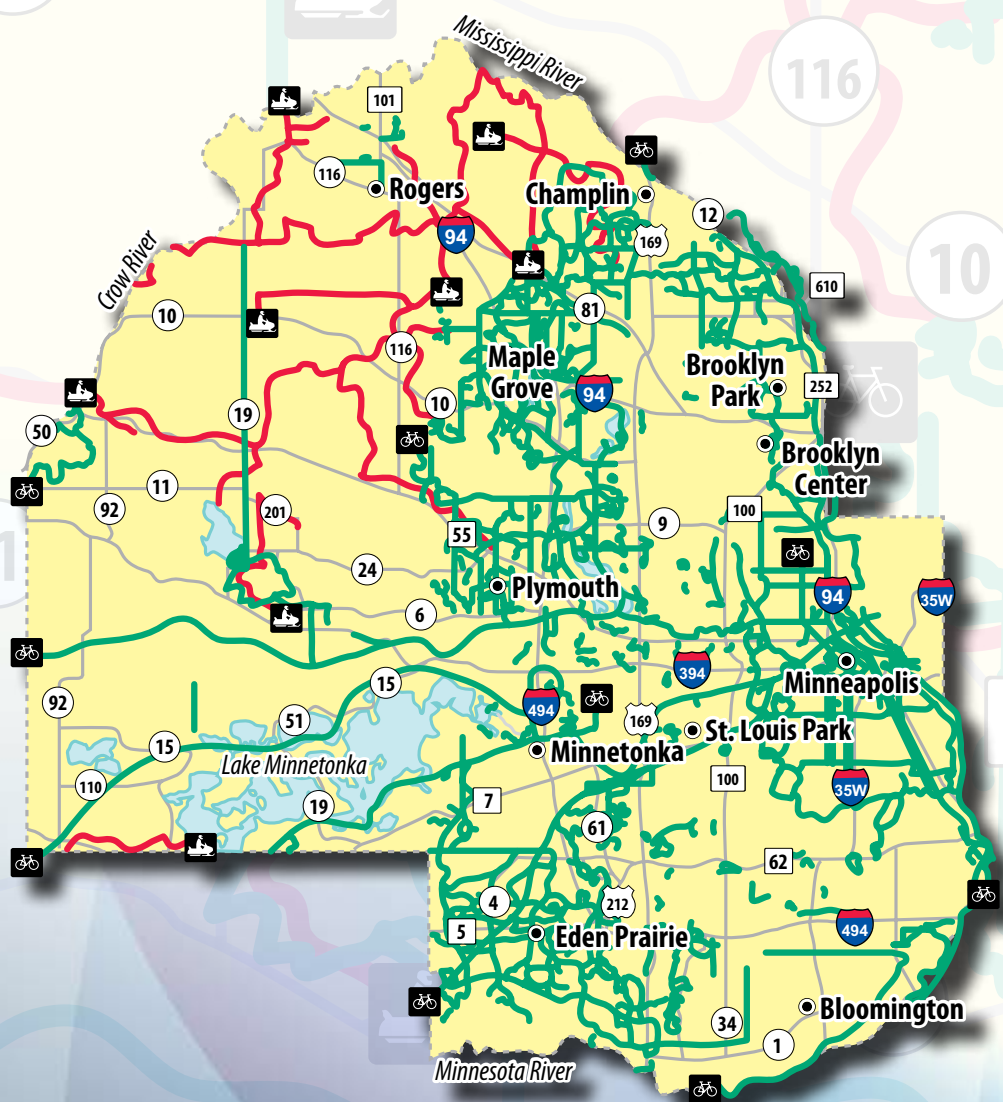


Enjoy your delicious  
buttered-up steak!

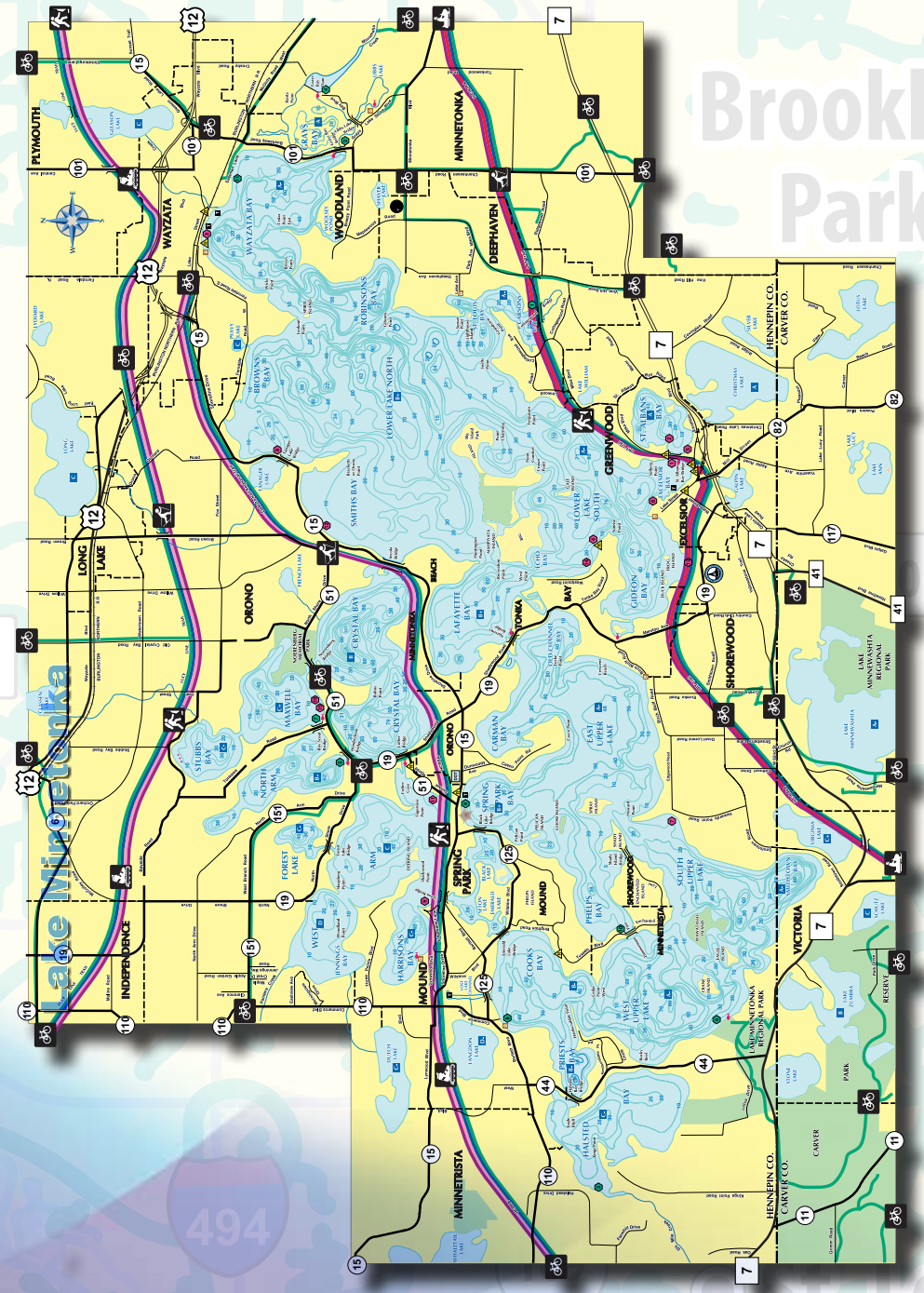
PREP: 35 MIN • TOTAL: 50 MIN

# LOCAL TRAILS

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-  — Snowmobile Trail
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-  — Cross-Country Ski Trail
-  — Airport Locator



Brooklyn Park

# Mosquitoes

## Prevention & Health Risks



### A MOSQUITO FREE YARD

Create an environment in your yard that invites animals that like to eat mosquitoes. Some things that enjoy eating mosquitoes are:

- Bats
- Frogs
- Fish
- Turtles
- Birds
- Dragonflies

To help repel mosquitoes, plant some of the different vegetation listed:

- Citronella
- Geranium
- Eucalyptus
- Rosemary
- Basil
- Anise
- Mint
- Marigolds
- Catnip
- Wormwood
- Tansy
- Lavender
- Cedar
- Cloves

Don't have stagnant water sitting around in things like buckets or tires.

### BE SAFE WHILE OUTDOORS

When a mosquito bites you it can leave saliva in your body. If the mosquito is infected it can transfer diseases to you. A few of the more common diseases transmitted to people are:

- Dengue
- Encephalitis
- Malaria
- Yellow Fever

Mosquitoes can also transmit diseases to animals. A couple of these diseases are:

- Heartworm (mostly to dogs & cats)
- Encephalitis

To reduce your chance of getting a disease from mosquitoes you can, apply mosquito repellent to your skin and clothing.

### RANDOM MOSQUITO FACTS

- More than 3,000 different mosquito species can be found around the world.
- There are around 50 different mosquito species in the Upper Midwest.
- Female mosquitoes feed on blood. Male mosquitoes feed on plant nectar.
- Some mosquito species prefer to feed on animals or reptiles over humans.
- All mosquitoes need water to complete their life cycle.
- One female mosquito can lay over 200 eggs at one time.
- Mosquito larvae only need a week in water to hatch.
- Mosquito eggs can survive for more than five years.
- Mosquitoes can fly around 1 to 2 mph.
- Mosquitoes find food by sight, infrared radiation and chemicals in the air.
- Around 1,000 Americans get ill or die from mosquito bites each year.
- Mosquitoes are a huge food source for birds, bats and some reptiles.



# TICKS

## Diseases & Prevention



You can get a tickborne disease if you are bitten by a tick that is infected • Tickborne diseases are increasing throughout the United States. • Personal protection methods can help reduce the odds of a tick bite while enjoying the outdoors

### Some symptoms of a tickborne disease

- Many tickborne diseases have similar symptoms
  - Symptoms usually show up within 2-4 weeks of being bitten
- Watch for symptoms like:

- Rash
- Fever
- Headache
- Fatigue
- Muscle or joint aches



### Tick Removal

Prompt tick removal is important.

Use tweezers to grasp the tick close to its mouth. Gently and slowly pull the tick straight outward.

Do not squeeze the ticks' body.

Wash the area and apply an antiseptic to the bite.

Watch for early signs and symptoms of a tickborne disease. Don't use folk remedies like Petroleum Jelly or a burnt match.



Blacklegged Tick Coverage

American Dog Tick Coverage

Lone Star Tick Coverage

**Blacklegged (Deer) Tick**  
Lyme disease  
Anaplasmosis  
Babesiosis  
Ehrlichiosis  
Powassan virus disease

**American Dog (Wood) Tick**  
Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever  
Tularemia

**Lone Star Tick**  
Ehrlichiosis  
Tularemia  
Heartland virus disease  
Southern Tick-Associated Rash Illness (STARI)

### Protect Yourself from Tickborne Diseases

**1-Know when and where you're at risk**  
• Primarily Mid-May through Mid-July

- Wooded and brushy areas – Blacklegged Tick
- Grassy or wooded areas – American Dog Tick

**2-Wear EPA-registered tick repellent**  
• DEET 20-30% on skin or clothing  
• Permethrin 0.5% on clothing

**3-Check yourself for ticks**  
• Shower after being outdoors  
• Check at least once a day  
• Remove ticks ASAP!





# Closing up the cabin

## Some Common Things To Check Inside The Cabin

- Make sure the water and electric are set up for winter
- Set the thermostat to the correct temperature for the area
- If you don't heat in the winter and live in a cold area, drain the pipes
- Turn off the hot water heater
- Winterize appliances that use water
- Clean the furnace filter
- Inspect the sump pump
- Unplug computers and major appliances (Leave the door cracked on the refrigerator if you unplug it)
- Seal your linens in a container
- Remove perishable food
- Close dampers and seal the fireplace

## Some Common Things To Check Outside The Cabin

- Look for air leaks around the cabin and seal with caulk or insulation
- Insulate pipes in crawl spaces with heat tape or heat cables
- Open cabinet doors so heat can get to the pipes under the sink
- Clean and store boats and equipment
- Winterize gas-powered equipment
- Remove leaves and debris around the cabin
- Store lawn furniture and decorations
- Mow
- Clean gutters and inspect roof
- Drain hoses and sprinklers
- Inspect your septic tank
- Take the dock in



# Fall Lawn Care

In the fall grass grows fast. This is because the sun's rays are less intense during the day and the cooler temperatures at night. This makes it a great time to get your lawn good and healthy for next summer.

Here are a few things you can do to prep your lawn for next year.

- *Remove the leaves from your lawn to prevent matting and fungi growth. Or mulch them up into fine pieces, which also acts as a natural fertilizer.*
- *Don't stop mowing. If the grass is too long come winter time it will lay over on itself and be more vulnerable to fungi.*
- *Aerate the soil every other year to loosen it up so water, oxygen and nutrients can get to the roots easier.*
- *Reseed bald or thin areas of grass around the yard.*
- *Fertilizing in the fall is the best time. It gives the grass important nutrients to help it stay strong and healthy through the winter.*





# Bird Feeder Care Tips

With the return of summer means the return of a variety of bird species. If you plan on providing food, there are a few things to keep in mind.



According to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, birds may become sick from moldy bird food and uncleaned bird feeders. This tends to happen in spring more often because of the rain and humidity. If there is mold growth, it can cause an avian disease called aspergillosis, which can disrupt a birds respiratory system. Birds can also get Salmonella from unclean feeders. Either of the diseases may kill the bird.

You should wash your bird feeders a few times every year to ensure their is no mold growth. You can do this with some bleach and water (one part bleach to nine parts water), just make sure to rinse and dry well. If you can, let it dry in the sun to help kill off any left over bacteria. This also applies to hummingbird feeders but, they should be cleaned weekly.

You also need to clean up the fallen seeds and hulls from the ground under the bird feeders to prevent moldy conditions. The seeds on the ground have a tendency of attracting some animals you may not want around like mice, voles, raccoons and bears.

When buying a bird feeder you should look for one with as much air flow as possible. Look for hopper-type feeders or fly-through feeders that provide good air flow. Another way to help keep the bird seed dry is by filling the bird feeder less and more often.



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*...and support the community you live in!*