

Iron Range Guide to a No Cost Family Getaway

Top Things to See & Do on the Iron Range...



FREE!



From mining and historic attractions, to off-road trails and events, or simply just enjoying the outdoors, the Iron Range has it all...Free! Below is a list of all that the Iron Range has to offer for a vacation getaway that's "easy on the pocket book." Visit ironrange.org for attraction, events, and trail information.

Enjoy these activities on your Iron Range vacation at no charge

MINING ATTRACTIONS

Hull Rust Mahoning Mineview, Hibbing
View the biggest operating open pit iron ore mine in the world, more than three miles long, two miles wide and 535 feet deep.

Leonidas Overlook, Eveleth
From here, visitors will see former mine sites, as well as the active mine, UTac, in Eveleth. This is the largest man-made point on the Iron Range.

Mineview in the Sky, Virginia
On a 20-story overlook, "Mineview in the Sky" offers visitors a panoramic view of the Rouchleau group of mines, one of the area's deepest mines.

Mountain Iron Park & Overlook, Mt. Iron
From the park gazebo you'll view the Mountain Iron Mine that has been designated a Registered National Historic Landmark.

Wacootah Overlook, Mt. Iron
View the operations of US Steel Minntac, the largest producer of taconite pellets in North America.

LARGE SCALE ATTRACTIONS

Ironman Statue, Chisholm
This 81-foot high statue is the third-largest freestanding statue in America and was built as a tribute to iron ore miners of northeast Minnesota.

Honk the Moose, Biwabik
This children's storybook character was made into a book evolving around the City of Biwabik in 1935.

World's Largest Hockey Stick, Eveleth
Measuring 107 feet and weighing over three tons, this Christian Brothers authentic hockey stick is complete with a giant rubber puck.

MUSEUMS

Virginia Heritage Museum, Virginia
The museum is a showplace for the history of Virginia and the surrounding area. Donated by area residents, these items have special significance because they reflect the lifestyle of the region's early settlers.

Iron Range Historical Museum, Gilbert
The IRHS owns 64 photograph albums containing at least 20 thousand photographs. These are used in displays, for family histories, and to be reprinted in books written by local authors.

TRAILS, TRAILS, TRAILS

The Iron Range is Minnesota's #1 recreation destination with miles and miles of trails for OHV enthusiasts, biking, hiking and best of all they're free to use!

ATV/OHV:

Iron Range OHV Recreation Area - Big Aspen - Alborn/Pengilly Trail - Stoney Spur Trail - Thistledeu Trail - Tower Multi-Use Trail

MOUNTAIN BIKING:

Giants Ridge - 60 km

HIKING:

Mesabi Trail* - 102 mi
Bear Head Lake State Park - Big Aspen - Big/Stone Lake - Bird Lake - Camp Four Lake - Carey Lake - Deepwater Lake - Hoyt Lakes - Jenkins Creek - Lookout Mountain - North Dark River - McCarthy Beach State Park - Otto/Harris Lake - Peloquin WMA - Pfeiffer Lake - South Dark River - St. Louis River - Sturgeon River - Thistledeu Lake - Whiteface Reservoir - White Pine Interpretive - Giants Ridge Golf & Ski Resort

*Wheel Pass required for use with wheels