# **UTOPIA TOURS**

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## Door County & Mackinac Island

Plus S.S. Badger Ferry crossing Lake Michigan Sept 29 - Öct 4, 2024 6 Days



Sun., Sept 29: Sister Bay, WI / Door County We take off on a fall tour to explore Door County, WI, and Mackinac Island, MI. Comfort and meal stops will be made along the way to **Sister Bay**, WI, located in Door County, where we stay for two nights at the Open Hearth Lodge.

Mon., Sept 30: Sister Bay, WI / Door County (B, L, D) we familiarize ourselves with **Door County**, which has over 250 miles of shoreline and is home to orchards, artist colonies, and many interesting sites and attractions. We start with a stop at the Bjorklunden Chapel for a tour of the Stavkirke Church. In Sister Bay lunch is included at Al Johnson's Sod-roofed **Restaurant** with time for shopping. Following lunch we will do some more sightseeing including a stop at a farmers market, a **cheese shop, and a winery**. Enjoy the evening here in the area known as the "Cape Cod of the Midwest" as we take in Pelletier's traditional Door County Fish Boil in Fish Creek. The meal includes white fish, red potatoes, onion, butter & lemon, coleslaw, honey white and dark Bavarian rye bread, a non-alcoholic beverage, and a slice of Door County cherry pie.

Manitowoc, WI, to Ludington, MI Tues., Oct. 1: Ludington, MI (B,L) This morning we will visit the Door County Maritime Museum in Sturgeon Bay to learn the maritime history of the area, and why the canal linking Lake Michigan to Green Bay is so important. Then we travel down to Manitowoc, WI. From here we board the S.S. Badger Carferry for a leisurely 4-hour cruise across Lake Michigan. There are facilities for eating, outdoor decks for relaxing on, as well as indoor seating and more onboard. We arrive in **Ludington**, **MI**, this rening where we will stay for the night.

#### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- · Motorcoach Transportation
- Hotel Accommodations
- Utopia Tours Tour Director
- Baggage Handling (1 bag p.p.)
- Door County, WI
- -Sister Bay, WI
- (2 nights at Open Hearth Lodge)
- -Bjorklunden Chapel
- -Lunch at Al Johnson's **Sod-roofed Restaurant**
- -Farmers Market
- -Cheese Shop
- -Winery
- -Fish Boil Meal
- -Door County Maritime Museum
- S.S. Badger Carferry 4-hour cruise across Lake

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- Ludington, MI
- Ferry to/from Mackinac Island
- Mackinac Island, MI 1 night -Grand Buffet Lunch at Grand Hotel
- -Horse-Drawn Carriage Tour
  - of Mackinac Island
- "Mighty Mac" Bridge
- Rhinelander, WI pizza party
- Meals 5 bkfts 5 meals



B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner included that day

#### STATES VISITED ON THIS TOUR: MN-WI-MI

Wed., Oct. 2: Mackinac Island, MI (B, L) A scenic days drive takes us through Traverse City and along Grand Traverse Bay to Charlevoix, and on to Mackinaw City, MI. From Mackinaw City we board Shepler's Ferry as it takes us across the Straits of Mackinac to Mackinac Island, MI. Once we disembark in Mackinac (pronounced "mack-in-awe") Island it will be like we have entered a Victorian Village. This image is preserved and enhanced by a small population of residents that maintain the Island. No motorized vehicles are allowed on the island, so you will see many bicycles, horses, and carriages. Be sure to try some of their famous fudge while here. Upon arrival experience the beauty and history of the Grand Hotel, where we'll have an included lunch. The Grand Hotel dates back to 1887, boasts magnificent gardens, and features the longest front porch in the world in a beautiful setting. The remainder of the day is on your own to explore the island and enjoy an evening meal on your own. We will check into our lodging here on Mackinac Island for the night.

Thurs., Oct. 3: Rhinelander, WI (B) This morning a horse-drawn carriage tour of the Island will show us many of the highlights and historical and unique landmarks. Later we will take the ferry back to Mackinaw City and reboard our bus. Then, we cross the "Mighty Mac Bridge" and on to Rhinelander, WI, for the night.

**Fri., Oct. 4: Home** Homeward bound today. We hope you have enjoyed your tour to Door County and Mackinac Island, and so much more! Thank you for traveling with Utopia Tours.



## Door County

-Over 300 miles of shoreline

-Five State Parks

-Ten historic lighthouses

-75-mile long peninsula

-Many apple & cherry orchards

-More than 40 islands

## S.S. Badger Carferry

-Crosses Lake Michigan

-4-hour / 60-mile Cruise

-Outdoor deck to relax on

-Café & Lounge areas

-Movie & TV Lounges

-Boutique & Gift Shop

### Mackinac Island

-No motorized vehicles

-Victorian era image

-Unique rock formations

-Home of the Grand Hotel

-Pronounced "Mack-in-awe"

-"Somewhere In Time" filmed here

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