SEASON:

SPRING/SUMMER/FALL

DURATION:

3 DAYS

# a first-timer's itinerary

Packed with adventure and activity. This three-day itinerary includes can't miss stops for your first trip to the iconic Bayfield and the Apostle Islands.

## DAY 1

BAY IELD and the apostle islands

> Caffine up! Start your day with a coffee from Gale Force Coffee or Wonderstate Coffee Bayfield. You'll need plenty of fuel for the rest of your adventure.

Rent a bike and hop on the

Madeline Island Ferry Line. Ride to Big Bay Town Park or Big Bay Town Park (about 6 miles) for panoramic Lake Superior views and a taste of island life.

Learn about the area you're exploring. Check out the **Madeline Island Museum** in La Pointe, the **Bayfield Heritage Center**, or the **Bayfield Maritime Museum** for an engaging history of this beautiful area.

#### DAY 2

Find a way to visit the 22 Apostle Islands and explore sea caves. Book a sightseeing tour with **Apostle Islands Cruises**, a a half-day or full-day guided kayak trip, or sailing adventure.

A visit to the orchards and fruit farms is a must-do! Drive the scenic Bayfield Fruit Loop. Pick your own or buy prepicked cherries, berries, or apples. Great shopping and excellent bakery products along the way.

It's been a busy day. Slow down and enjoy some music. Catch a show at Lake Superior Big Top Chautauqua—featuring international headliners or regional talent. There's also live music every Tuesday in Memorial Park during the summer.

#### DAY 3

Hike the Lakeshore Trail from Meyers Beach, which offers sweeping views of the mainland sea caves on this moderately difficult hike. If you have children in tow, try Houghton Falls or Lost Creek Falls for beautiful, yet easier hikes.

Find a good spot on the beach to take in the afternoon on the water. Reflect on your trip as you gaze at the horizon over Lake Superior. Try Little Sand Bay, Bayview Park, or Cornucopia for a nice sandy spot.

After dinner, make your way to Copper Crow Distillery for an artisnal drink. Adventure Club Brewing is a fun microbrewery with great beer if that's more your thing, or try one of the area wineries-whatever fits your taste!

### INSIDER TIP

Looking for local food to try? Get the whitefish, lake trout, or herring! It's all so fresh and sourced right here in Bayfield and the Apostle Islands.

-Paige, Bayfield Chamber & Visitor Bureau