



# MAP AND GUIDE: GRAND PORTAGE STATE PARK

9393 EAST HIGHWAY 61  
GRAND PORTAGE, MN 55605  
COOK COUNTY  
218-877-8630



## VISITOR TIPS

- Wear good hiking shoes.
- Please stay on trails.
- There are cliffs, keep children close.
- There is no cell service available in the park.
- In an emergency, call 911 from the courtesy phone in the visitor center lobby.
- Non-emergency sheriff's number: 218-387-3030.



## ONLY HAVE AN HOUR?

- View Minnesota's tallest waterfall from three viewing platforms.
- Watch for wildlife from the observation deck near the visitor center.
- Explore displays in the visitor center for an introduction to the culture and traditions of the Grand Portage Anishinabe people.
- Take a self-portrait photo with a view of the United States/Canada border in the background.



LOOKING FOR MORE?  
VISIT [MNDNR.GOV/GRANDPORTAGE](https://mndnr.gov/grandportage)

## ABOUT THE PARK

Here you can experience a unique sense of place through a partnership between the State of Minnesota and the Anishinabe people of Grand Portage. Established in 1989, Grand Portage is not only a state park but a Class 1 Highway Rest Area and Explore Minnesota Travel Information Center. Hike six miles of trails with two beautiful waterfalls and ridgetop overlooks of Lake Superior and the Pigeon River Valley. The river forms the northern boundary of the park and is the international boundary line between the United States and Canada. The main attraction is High Falls, the tallest waterfall in Minnesota with a drop of 120 feet. The spectacular scenery sets the stage for recreational opportunities such as hiking, snowshoeing, photography and picnicking.



Visit the High Falls for an unforgettable view.

## TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS

### The High Falls Trail 1-mile roundtrip

Paved • Boardwalk • Accessible  
Begin this trail at the visitor center and meander northwest along the Pigeon River. A 700-foot boardwalk provides easy access on the last section of the trail leading up to the falls. Three viewing platforms, one wheelchair accessible, share incredible views of the waterfall.

### The Middle Falls Trail 4.5 miles roundtrip

Steep and rugged terrain • Bare rock and roots • Packed dirt  
This challenging trail begins before the High Falls boardwalk and leads to a 20-foot waterfall. You'll wind over ridgetops, through heavily-wooded forests and along the banks of the Pigeon River. Experience breathtaking views of the river gorge and Lake Superior. Trail can be very muddy during wet conditions.

### Picnic Trail 0.5-miles roundtrip

Mostly flat • Partially paved • Packed dirt  
Travel east from the visitor center along the Pigeon River. The last section of trail is packed dirt and leads to a sign that shares a brief history of the international boundary between the United States and Canada.

## MORE TO EXPLORE AT THE PARK

- Naturalist programs available, ask for a program schedule at the park office.
- Ask about the Passport Club/Hiking Club/Junior Park Naturalist programs.
- Rent snowshoes in the winter.

## SO EVERYONE CAN ENJOY THE PARK...

A FULL SET OF STATE PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS IS AVAILABLE AT [MNDNR.GOV](https://mndnr.gov).



**PARK OPEN**  
8 a.m.–10 p.m. daily.



**VEHICLE PERMITS**  
Permits are NOT required.  
All parking is rest area parking.



**PETS WELCOME**  
Keep on 6-foot leash; pick up after; attend at all times; only service animals allowed in buildings.



**CAMPING**  
This is a day-use only park with no camping facilities. Camping is available at Grand Portage Marina and RV Park 6 miles south on Hwy 61.

## OTHER NOTES

- Drones are not permitted in the park.
- Keep wildlife wild, do not feed or approach.
- Take only photographs. Flowers, plants, birch bark and cultural elements are protected within the park and may not be collected.

## ? MORE INFORMATION

**Minnesota Department of Natural Resources**  
500 Lafayette Rd., St. Paul, MN 55155-4040  
888-646-6367 or [mndnr.gov/parks](https://mndnr.gov/parks)

**Minnesota Department of Transportation**  
395 John Ireland Blvd, St. Paul, MN 55155-1800  
800-657-3774 or [mndot.gov](https://mndot.gov)

**Explore Minnesota Tourism**  
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