# BIKES ON TRAINS

Bicycling enthusiasts can take their bikes on labeled bike-friendly South Shore Line trains to better access Indiana Dunes Country. From the Dune Park station, there are nearby trails and routes to get to the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, Indiana Dunes State Park and many other area attractions.

## WHEN TO RIDE

Bike-friendly labeled cars will be available on select days from April through October. For bike-friendly trains and times, visit mysouthshoreline.com/bikes

# **HOW TO RIDE**

- LOOK FOR LABELED TRAIN CAR
  Bike-friendly train cars with bike racks are
  identified with the bike symbol prominently
  located on the windows of the train car.
- LOAD YOUR BIKE
  Enter and exit the bike-friendly cars through the center doors, and insert your bike into one of the self-locking bike racks. Bike racks are provided free of charge on a first-come, first-served basis.
- **3** ROLL OFF AT DUNE PARK STATION



# RULES OF THE TRAIN

#### **PERMITTED BIKES**

Racks fit standard two-wheel bikes with a maximum front tire width of 2.5" and maximum distance from front axle to rear axle of 46" (wheel base). Permitted bikes DO NOT include recumbent, tricycle, tandem, kiddie/cargo trailer or fat tires.

#### **EXERCISE CAUTION**

No riding on station platforms. Once on the train, the train will depart the station after passengers have boarded. Please exercise caution as the train may move before your bike is inserted in the rack. Push up on the self-locking mechanism to release your bike.

#### TRAIN CREWS HAVE FINAL SAY

Train crews have the final authority on accommodating bikes. Crews may prohibit a cyclist from boarding due to overcrowding.

#### FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED

Bikes will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is not guaranteed on an initial or return trip (including late-night trains). Each car can accommodate up to 14 bikes.

#### **ONLY ALLOWED ON LABELED CARS**

Bikes are ONLY permitted on select labeled bikefriendly trains. Bikes may not be permitted during special event weekends such as Lollapalooza and the Air & Water Show.

#### **BE COURTEOUS**

Bikes may not block aisles or impede passenger movement, and cyclists must accompany their bikes at all times. Be considerate of your fellow riders by first allowing passengers using mobility devices to board and disembark trains.

#### **CLEAN BIKES WELCOME**

Bikes should be free of dirt and grease prior to boarding.

# DUNE PARK TRAILS



FOR BIKE-FRIENDLY TRAINS AND TIMES, VISIT MYSOUTHSHORELINE.COM/BIKES





# CONVENIENT ONE-DAY BIKE ADVENTURES

## **DUNE PARK STATION**

Once you get off at Dune Park station, there is direct access to the **Calumet Trail** (gravel trail: conditions vary) from the west parking lot. This gravel trail will help you access several other trails in the area. Which trail you take all depends on what kind of bicycling experience you are looking for.

## TRAILS TO TAKE

#### **TO THE LAKESHORE**

Want to feel the sand between your toes or go hiking on a dune? Head to the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore access points via the Calumet Trail, or take the Dunes-Kankakee Trail straight to the Indiana Dunes State Park.

**Difficulty: Easy to Moderate** 

#### TO HISTORICAL SITES

Want to see the historical sites where the first settlers in Indiana Dunes Country lived and worked? Head to Bailly Homestead and Chellberg Farm via the Porter-Brickyard Trail.

**Difficulty: Easy** 

#### FOR AN OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

Want to test your cyling skills? Explore the adrenaline-inducing Outback Trail at Imagination Glen Park in Portage. You can access this park by taking the paved Prairie-Duneland Trail from Chesterton to the Iron Horse Trail in Portage. Or, head to Steel Wheels BMX Track.

**Difficulty: Hard** 

#### **EXPLORE MORE**

Head to the **Indiana Dunes Visitor Center** at 1215 N. State Road 49, Porter, IN, to learn more about what to do in the area. Visit **indianadunes.com/bicycling** for more information on regional trails.



FOR MORE REGIONAL TRAILS, VISIT INDIANADUNES.COM/BICYCLING