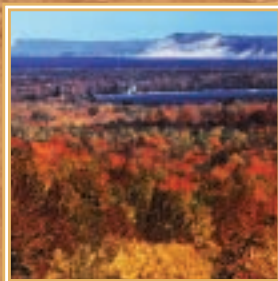
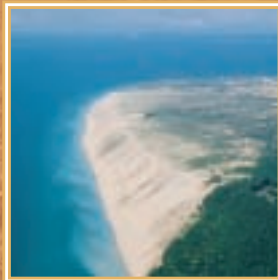


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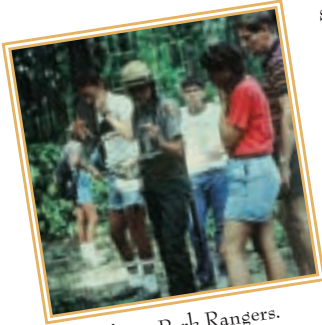


GUIDE & ACCOMMODATIONS INFORMATION

Welcome to Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore!

As you look around, you'll see that you've chosen to visit a very unique corner of the United States. The Dunes offer visitors sightseeing, recreational and educational opportunities in all seasons of the year.

In spring, summer and fall, swim and picnic at sugar sand beaches; canoe, kayak or tube on crystal-clear streams; or, simply let the day slip away with a late summer sunset. Wintertime provides a much different view. Snowshoe, cross-country or downhill ski, snowboard or venture into the wilderness. Your only company will be the Dunes' year-round residents—its natural wildlife.



Learn from Park Rangers.

Our staff at the Lakeshore is proud to preserve and protect this natural environment for you and your family, just as we have for over 40 years. In fact, the Dunes have a very long history of recreation, agriculture and maritime activity, a great deal of which can still be seen through preserved and restored buildings and landmarks.

Shaped by glaciers thousands of years ago, the diverse terrain and ecology of the dune environment is alive with opportunity for observing and learning about our natural world and what we can do to help protect it. While you're here, I encourage you to contact National Park Service uniformed employees, or one of the many volunteers that work in the park, if you have questions or need assistance.

Enjoy your stay in the Sleeping Bear Dunes area.
I hope you have a safe and memorable visit.

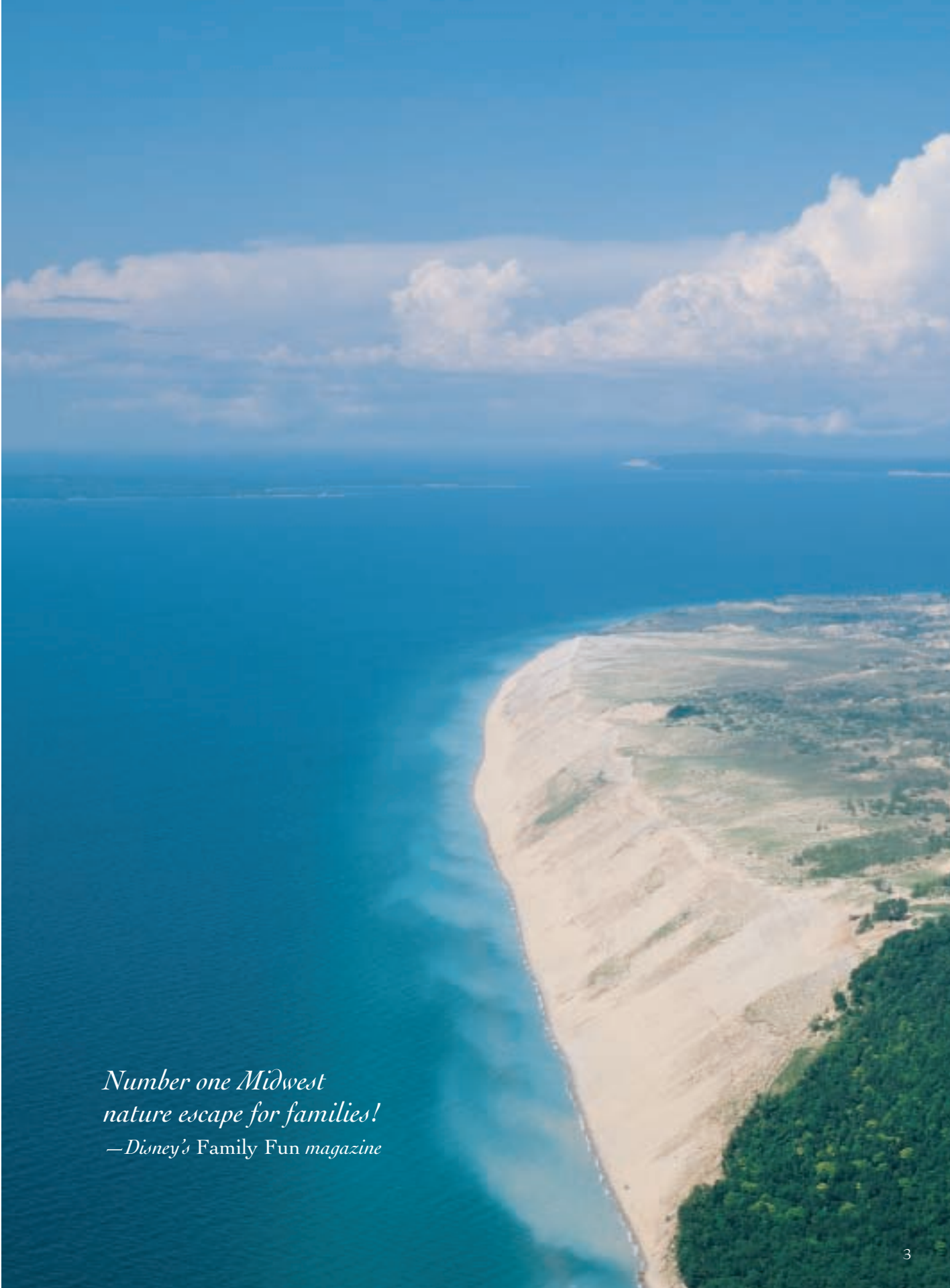
Sincerely,

Dusty Shultz

Park Superintendent
Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore



Discover America's most beautiful freshwater environment.

An aerial photograph showing a wide, sandy beach that curves along the edge of a large body of water, likely a Great Lake. The water is a deep blue, and the sky is filled with large, white, fluffy clouds. The beach is bordered by a dense line of green trees on the right side. The overall scene is bright and scenic.

*Number one Midwest
nature escape for families!*
—Disney's Family Fun magazine

Park highlights include:

- ✧ 70,000 acres of preserved natural beauty featuring the world's largest moving sand dunes.
- ✧ 35 miles of beaches on Lake Michigan, many miles more on inland lakes and rivers.
- ✧ Breathtaking vistas of lakes and dunes.
- ✧ Canoeing and fishing on seven miles of the Crystal and Platte Rivers and on nineteen inland lakes.
- ✧ Hiking and cross country skiing on 100 miles of trails with interpretive information.
- ✧ Picnicking at four areas; many with spectacular views of Lake Michigan, the Glen Lakes and the Sleeping Bear Dunes.
- ✧ Camping at two campgrounds, one improved, one rustic. Backcountry camping is available at two locations on the mainland, and on North and South Manitou Island.

Direct contact
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Welcome to the
Sleeping Bear Dunes.

ENJOY FOUR SEASONS OF BEAUTY



Majestic beauty awaits you throughout the year. In spring and summer the lakes, beaches and streams are bathed in sun, the forests are clothed with lush greens.

Come fall, timbered ridges are splashed with brilliant color that reflects on still waters. The winter follows, when blankets of snow create a tranquil beauty broken only by the sounds of skiing.

In each season, the opportunities are limitless. You can swim, hike, golf, play tennis, sail or ski. Or, you can quietly enjoy the beauty of the environment and the birds and animals that live within it.



The Visitor Center in Empire.



Map Key: Trailheads

Detailed trail maps are available at the Visitor Center in Empire.

- 1 Old Indian Trail
- 2 Platte Plains Trail
- 3 Empire Bluff Trail
- 4 Windy Moraine Trail
- 5 Shauger Hill Trail
- 6 Cottonwood Trail
- 7 The Dunes Trail
- 8 Duneside Accessible Trail
- 9 The Dunes Trail
- 10 Alligator Hill Trail
- 11 Bay View Trail
- 12 Pyramid Point Trail
- 13 Good Harbor Bay Trail

AREA MAP



The Crystal River in fall color.



Cross country ski the Bay View Trail.

DISCOVER A UNIQUE LANDSCAPE

Thousands of years ago, glaciers created one of America's most unique landscapes—a lake of seemingly limitless proportions, dunes that shift with the winds.

Interpretive stations and nature programs presented by Park Rangers will help you understand why this landscape was preserved as a national treasure.



Rangers share their knowledge of the geology of the area.



Climb the Dune!



Learn about our forest ecology.

EXPERIENCE ITS HISTORY

The National Park Service and volunteer groups have preserved some of the most interesting and unusual historic structures in the area. Tour them on your own or with a Park Ranger and you will see how logging and shipping timber led to agriculture and fruit processing and how those activities gave way to tourism.



DH Day Farm



The Maritime Museum



The Maritime Museum



Glen Haven Dock



Glen Haven Cannery

THE HOMESTEAD AMERICA'S FRESHWATER RESORT

On a special, favored spot of land that's along Lake Michigan's shore and surrounded by the national lakeshore, rests a resort that's unlike others. It is secluded and serene but active and enjoyable. Its beaches, hills and forests seem unbroken. Yet, there's gracious lodging, year-round recreation, interesting shops and inviting restaurants. For nearly three-quarters of a century, it has welcomed those seeking a respite. Some swim or golf or play on clay courts in the warm seasons, or ski or snowshoe in winter. Others just relax. All savor the beauty that restores their spirits.



Breathtaking views from Bay Mountain.



Spectacular sunsets over Sleeping Bear Bay.

"Best beaches of the Great Lakes."

—Men's Journal

- ✧ A mile of sandy beach on Lake Michigan, three miles more on the Crystal River.
- ✧ Four pools, one with a water-slide, one with a waterfall. Two spa pools.
- ✧ Golf on a spectacular Par 3 at the putting course and at the Pelz Scoring Game School. Enjoy spectacular views of Lake Michigan.
- ✧ Tennis on five granular surface courts along the shore of Lake Michigan and at a complete teaching academy.
- ✧ Downhill skiing and boarding high above the shore featuring panoramic views of the lake and national lakeshore.
- ✧ XC Skiing and snowshoeing within the resort and in the adjacent national lakeshore.
- ✧ Dining at four restaurants.
- ✧ Meetings, family reunions and weddings at one of four luxurious facilities.
- ✧ Gracious lodging in two small hotels, a lodge, an historic inn and a wide range of homes and condominiums.

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FIDDLER'S POND AT THE HOMESTEAD

Fiddler's Pond has been redone, inside and out! It's as new as tomorrow and as old as tradition—a lot like a quaint and cozy cottage from your childhood. Set amidst towering pines and along sparkling streams, it's ideal for couples, families and groups. Rates range from \$79 to \$325 depending on the season. Package plans available.



A honeymoon room.



Catch some air in the terrain park at The Homestead.



- ✧ Standard rooms with two queen size beds. Accommodate one to four guests.
- ✧ Connecting rooms with one king size bed and two queen size beds. Accommodate two to six guests.
- ✧ Honeymoon rooms with seating area, fireplace, small whirlpool tub and king size bed. Accommodate one or two guests.
- ✧ Meeting facilities nearby at the Reception Center and Gnomes.
- ✧ Within a short walking distance to lounges, restaurants, shops, children's center, learning center, outdoor pool with waterslide and spa pool, putting and Par 3 courses, Pelz Scoring Game School and downhill and cross country skiing.
- ✧ Season shuttle service is available to resort amenities including other pools, beaches, Beach Club and Pelz Scoring Game School.

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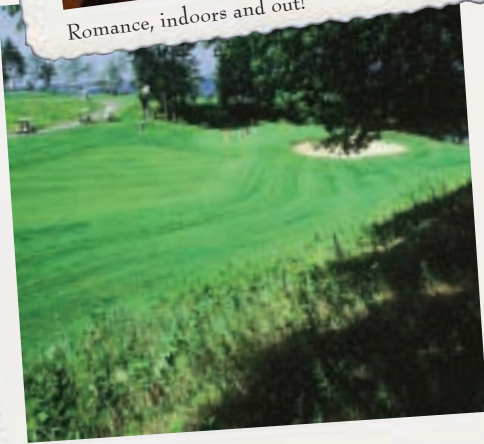
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LITTLE BELLE AT THE HOMESTEAD

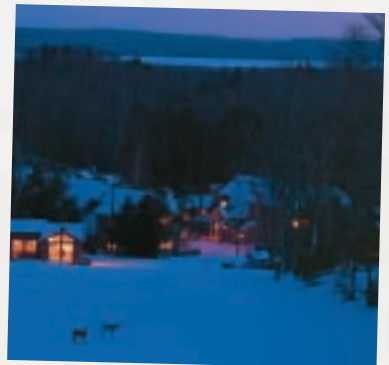


Romance, indoors and out!



Golf at Mountain Flowers at The Homestead.

Set at the base of Bay Mountain, Little Belle features romantic suites with seating area, three-sided fireplace, two televisions, wet bar, large whirlpool tub and king size bed. Her plaza, clock tower and carillon will bring back memories of other times and places. Rates range from \$116 to \$270 depending on the season of the year. Package plans available.



Little Belle, bathed in winter light.



- ✧ Small, luxurious suites accommodate one or two guests.
- ✧ Meeting facilities at the Reception Center or Gnomes, both of which are nearby.
- ✧ Adjacent to lounges, restaurants, shops, the Lifetime Skills Learning Center, the putting and Par 3 courses and downhill and cross country skiing.
- ✧ Short walking distance to pool and spa pool at the Reception Center.
- ✧ Seasonal shuttle service is available to resort amenities including pools, beaches, Beach Club, and Pelz Scoring Game School.

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STONY BROOK LODGE AT THE HOMESTEAD



Enjoy majestic views from Stony Brook Lodge.

This northwood lodge provides commanding views of Lake Michigan, the Sleeping Bear Dunes and the Crystal River Valley. Private outdoor pool, sauna and fitness center and complete on-site meeting facility are included. So, too, are magnificent sunsets! Rates range from \$165 to \$463 depending on the season of the year. Package plans available.



Snowshoe with the kids!



Hike miles of sandy beaches in the lakeshore.



- ✧ One and two-bedroom suites with gas-fired porcelain stoves, kitchenettes, two person steam showers and king size bed. Accommodate one to four guests.
- ✧ On-site pool, fitness center, massage room, laundry and vending.
- ✧ Adjacent to Pelz Scoring Game School.
- ✧ Meetings in a luxurious, on-site facility with three meeting rooms, numerous break out spaces, business center, indoor fireplace and outdoor break area that has an amphitheater with a fire ring.
- ✧ Seasonal shuttle service is available to resort amenities including lounges, restaurants, shops, pools, beaches, Beach Club, putting and Par 3 courses, Camp Tam-A-Rack children's center, Lifetime Skills Learning Center and ski areas.

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THE INN AT THE HOMESTEAD



Relax in this luxurious historic inn.

For more than 70 years, The Inn has stood as a sentry overlooking the spot where the waters of the Crystal River wind their way to Lake Michigan. The view is unsurpassed – the river, dunes, beach, lake and islands make it so. And, it's just a stone's throw from the luxury of the Beach Club and Café Manitou. Rates

range from \$122 to \$544 depending on the season of the year. Package plans available.



Bike miles of winding country roads.



- ✧ Luxurious hotel rooms and one and two-bedroom suites. Accommodate one to four guests.
- ✧ On site massage room and laundry.
- ✧ Adjacent to river, beach, pool with waterfall, spa pool, granular surface tennis courts, shop, lounge and gourmet restaurant.
- ✧ Meetings in one of two on-site, executive quality rooms. Business center. Comfortable break-out area in lobby.
- ✧ Seasonal shuttle service is available to resort amenities including lounges, restaurants, shops, pools, Pelz Scoring Game School, putting and Par 3 courses, Camp Tam-A-Rack children's center, Lifetime Skills Learning Center and ski areas.

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A HOME AWAY FROM HOME



Warm by the fire at Beals House.

If you prefer, you can choose a privately owned vacation home or condominium. They range in size from one to four bedrooms. All have living room, dining areas and kitchens. Most have fireplaces and laundry facilities, some have whirlpools. Rates range from \$143 to \$770 depending on the season of the year. Package plans are available.



Marvel at the lake views from Beach Walk.



See the majesty of the lake in the winter.

- ✧ Studio apartments to four bedroom homes. Most do not have air conditioning as it is usually not necessary.
- ✧ Located in neighborhoods separated by nature. Some are within walking distance of resort facilities, others are not.
- ✧ Seasonal shuttle service is available from some neighborhoods to all resort facilities.
- ✧ Rental through The Homestead includes access to resort amenities including lounges, restaurants, shops, pools, spa pools, putting and Par 3 courses, Camp Tam-A-Rack children's center, Lifetime Skills Learning Center and ski areas. Rental from private owners or independent agents does not include access to resort amenities.

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LAKESHORE INN

- ✧ Quiet, comfortable rooms with two beds each and a private bath.
- ✧ Located in the charming village of Glen Arbor.
- ✧ Conveniently located in town to be near restaurants, shopping, galleries, tennis courts and other small town amenities.
- ✧ A short walk to the beaches on Lake Michigan.

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THE GLEN ARBOR LAKESHORE INN

A gleaming, two-story colonial building with balconies across the front, The Lakeshore Inn resembles a New England hostelry—but with all the modern conveniences. Rates vary by season, call for rates and availability.



There are many ways to visit the Dunes.

GLEN CRAFT MARINA & RESORT



Enjoy gorgeous views of beautiful Glen Lake from our luxurious beachfront villas, or relax in the quiet, up north solitude of our rustic cottages. The villas feature a handcrafted log exterior with custom hickory and knotty pine interiors which enhance a truly authentic lakeside experience. Full-service marina and convenience store on-site. Call for rates.

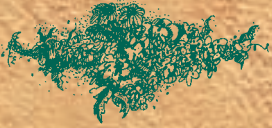


See Marsh Marigolds this spring in the lakeshore.

- ✧ Beachfront villas offer one to three bedroom accommodations, or two-level loft suites that accommodate from two to six persons.
- ✧ Our 4 rustic cottages accommodate from four to eight..
- ✧ All units are fully supplied with utensils, dishes and cookware, cable TV, and gas grills.
- ✧ Full-service, 32-slip marina offering boat sales and service, gas dock and rental of power boats, pontoon boats and accessories.
- ✧ Walking distance to downtown Glen Arbor.
- ✧ During the summer season, minimum Saturday to Saturday weekly stay. Non-summer season, minimum two night stay.

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The Sylvan Inn



- ✧ Choose traditional rooms within the historic section of the Inn. Restored with character, these rooms offer in-room washbasin and share three modern baths.
- ✧ Our deluxe accommodations in the three-story Great House feature carefully planned privacy and include private baths, sitting areas, TV and dataports. On the top floor is our penthouse, "The Treetop Room," perfect for a romantic getaway.
- ✧ Enjoy our Spa complete with oversized whirlpool and dry sauna.
- ✧ A leisurely stroll to all of downtown Glen Arbor's attractions including restaurants and shopping, nature trails and galleries, as well as the shores of Lake Michigan.
- ✧ Continental-plus breakfast buffet is included in your room rate.

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Take a virtual tour at:

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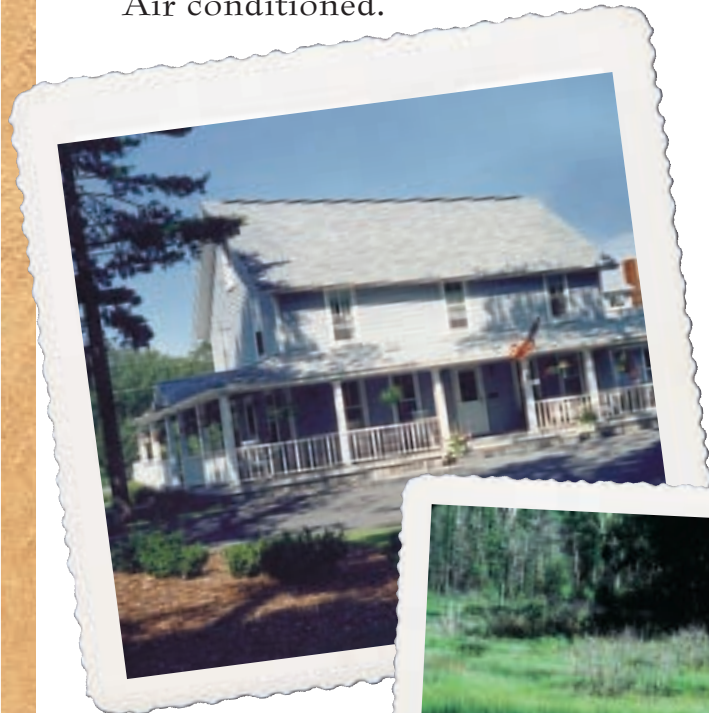
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THE SYLVAN INN

Established in 1885, the Sylvan Inn began as an ideal respite for lumbermen and mariners alike. This was a place where they could enjoy a hot meal, interesting conversation and a good night's sleep. Today, over a hundred years later, you can enjoy the same gracious country charm. The Sylvan Inn is exquisitely restored, yet it still retains its historic ambience and character. Open May through October. Rates from \$80 to \$160. Air conditioned.



Canoe the pristine rivers in the lakeshore.

GETTING HERE

Whether you are planning to vacation in spring, summer, fall or winter, you'll find getting here is a breeze.



Directions from Traverse City:

Take M-72 West to Empire (turn left at the M-72/M-22 intersection in front of Tom's West Bay Shopping Center). The Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Visitor Center is on your right as you enter the village of Empire.

The Cherry Capital Airport in Traverse City (30 miles from the Lakeshore) has connections with Detroit, Chicago and Minneapolis.

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