

Climb the tower of the
Cana Island Lighthouse



Photo: Jon Jarosh/DCVB

Discover the Door County Coastal Byway

The Door County Coastal Byway is your portal to discovering the natural and cultural history of northern Door County. Designated in 2010, the byway is a 66-mile scenic loop that winds over the Niagara Escarpment from the sandy beaches of Lake Michigan to the steep bluffs of Green Bay. It is Wisconsin's third State Scenic Byway.

The unique sense of place in northern Door County is characterized by 300 miles of picturesque shoreline, a rich maritime legacy, and traditional festivals. The Byway meanders through historic fishing and farming communities. Visit lighthouses, shipwrecks, museums, and farms, and explore the rich heritage.

The Byway also provides access to some of the most ecologically diverse areas in Wisconsin. More than 20,000 acres of natural lands protect unique boreal habitats, shoreline, and rare plants and animals. Visit 3 state parks, 8 county parks, 15 natural areas and preserves, and numerous local parks.



Directions

The Door County Coastal Byway is located just north of Sturgeon Bay, where State Highways 42 and 57 form a loop.



Photo: Jon Jarosh/DCVB

Kayak at Door Bluff Headlands



Photo: Gibraltar Historical Association

Tour the Historic Noble House



Photo: Jon Jarosh/DCVB

Ski at Peninsula State Park



For more information visit:
DoorCountyCoastalByway.org



DOOR COUNTY COASTAL BYWAY

A Wisconsin scenic byway



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BYWAY COMMUNITIES

Explore the unique character, history, and natural features of villages and towns along the Door County Coastal Byway.

Town of Sevastopol

Orchard Country (Institute & Valmy)



The Farm, A Living Rural Museum

Stretching across the peninsula from Lake Michigan to Green Bay, Sevastopol has some of the best farmland in Door County. The area is home to the county's first orchards and largest cherry growers.

The town also boasts natural areas such as Whitefish Dunes State Park, with the tallest sand dunes in Wisconsin.

www.TownofSevastopol.com

Town of Jacksonport

Lakes and Beaches (Jacksonport)

This historic lumbering, farming, and fishing town began as a port connecting the region to Great Lakes markets. Today it is a peaceful place for residents living along Lake Michigan who celebrate their heritage with festivals, weekly farmer's markets, and an outdoor Historical Society Museum.

www.Jacksonport.net



Lakeside Park

Town of Baileys Harbor

Nature Sanctuaries (Baileys Harbor)



Orchids in The Ridges Sanctuary

Founded by Captain Justice Bailey in 1849, Baileys Harbor protects thousands of acres of wetlands and wilderness. Explore the parks and history of the first Door County seat. Look for orchids at the Ridges Sanctuary

or walk through the big trees to Toft Point. View Lake Michigan from high atop the Cana Island Lighthouse.

www.TownofBaileysHarbor.com

Town of Liberty Grove

Top of the Thumb (Ellison Bay & Gills Rock)

Stand on a bluff at the northernmost point of the peninsula and gaze across the dangerous strait named Death's Door. Visit quaint fishing villages like Gills Rock and tour the Door County Maritime Museum. Newport State Park, Wisconsin's only wilderness park, is located here on the shores of Lake Michigan.

www.LibertyGrove.org



Fishing village of Gills Rock

Village of Sister Bay

Hub of the Peninsula

Named for the Sister Islands that guard its harbor entrance, Sister Bay has the largest public waterfront in northern Door County. Artisans and volunteer interpreters bring history to life at the Corner of the Past and Old Anderson House Museum.

www.CometoSisterBay.com



Sister Bay Fall Fest Parade

Village of Ephraim

Historic Charm

Nestled along the Eagle Harbor bluffs, this picturesque village offers one of the most accessible shorelines of any Door County community. The blend of Moravian and Norwegian heritage is reflected in its architecture. The village is a refuge and favorite subject for artists.

www.Ephraim-Wisconsin.com



Historic Anderson Dock

Town of Gibraltar

Historic Parks and Lodges (Fish Creek)

A popular stop for tourists since the steamship days, Fish Creek preserves its history through the Welcker's Resort Historic District and Historic Noble House. A short detour off the byway will lead you on a beautiful drive through Peninsula State Park, Wisconsin's second oldest park.

www.TownofGibraltar.com



Peninsula State Park

Village of Egg Harbor

Sheltered Bays

Blessed with good farmland and a deep water port, this community is rich in history and natural beauty. The Cupola House, the Kewaunee House, and the Alpine Inn are a few of the historic buildings still open to the public. Watch the sunset from Harbor View Park.

www.VillageofEggHarbor.org



Sunset from Harbor View Park

Welcome to the



DOOR COUNTY COASTAL BYWAY

Discover the true spirit of Door County.

Travel this scenic byway as it loops 66 miles along the Green Bay bluffs and through the dunes and bays of Lake Michigan. Explore lighthouses, nature preserves, and historic communities to discover Door County's unique sense of place.



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Byway Experience Hubs ★



Byway experience hubs are your gateway to Door County communities and regions. Look for blue-topped kiosks along the road to discover unique natural and cultural stories about each region and learn about nearby sites to explore.



For more information visit:

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