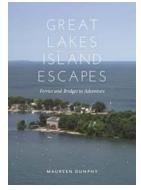
# Discover Great Lakes Island Escapes - The Best Kept Secrets Await

When it comes to breathtaking natural beauty and enchanting hidden paradises, the Great Lakes region in North America has it all. Nestled amidst the vast waters of five interconnected lakes - Superior, Michigan, Huron, Erie, and Ontario - lies a collection of remarkable islands that offer an unforgettable escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. From tranquil beaches to stunning landscapes, let's embark on a journey to explore some of the most captivating Great Lakes island getaways.

#### The Allure of Mackinac Island



Tucked away in Lake Huron, Mackinac Island is a magical place frozen in time. Upon stepping onto the island, you are immediately transported to a world without motor vehicles, as horse-drawn carriages and bicycles are the primary means of transportation. With no chain stores or fast-food restaurants, Mackinac Island embraces its Victorian-era charm with a harmonious blend of historic architecture and idyllic landscapes.



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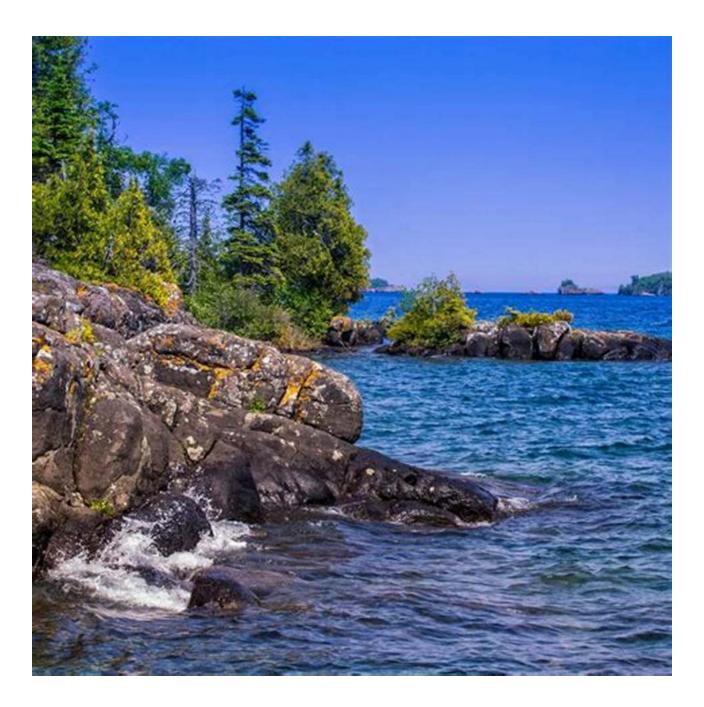


#### **Exploring the Beauty of Beaver Island**



Nestled in Lake Michigan, Beaver Island is a hidden gem waiting to be discovered. With its pristine beaches, dense forests, and crystal-clear waters, this island offers nature lovers an outdoor paradise. Explore the island's rich history, visit the restored lighthouses, and marvel at the diverse wildlife in this truly enchanting destination.

#### Escape to the Tranquility of Isle Royale



Lying in the midst of Lake Superior, Isle Royale is a remote and unspoiled sanctuary for those seeking solitude. With over 400 small islands scattered around the main one, Isle Royale is a paradise for hiking enthusiasts, offering miles of pristine trails to explore. Encounter moose, wolves, and other wildlife on your adventures through this untouched wilderness.

#### Venture to the Untamed Beauty of Drummond Island



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Located in Lake Huron, Drummond Island is a haven for outdoor enthusiasts. With its rugged terrain, peaceful forests, and breathtaking waterfront views, this island caters to those seeking endless adventures. Kayak along its secluded coves, go hiking to discover hidden waterfalls, or indulge in world-class fishing experiences. Drummond Island will leave you spellbound with its natural wonders.

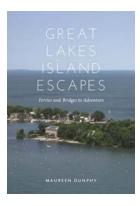
#### Escape to the Simplicity of South Manitou Island



Last but not least, nestled in Lake Michigan, South Manitou Island is a place where simplicity and nature intertwine. Unwind on its picturesque sandy beaches, explore the historic lighthouse, or hike through its lush forests and towering sand dunes. South Manitou Island is a hidden gem that offers a peaceful retreat away from the distractions of modern life.

From the enchanting Mackinac Island to the untamed beauty of Drummond Island, the Great Lakes region is home to a collection of extraordinary getaways. Whether you seek tranquility, natural wonders, or outdoor adventures, these islands offer a glimpse into a world untouched by time.

Plan your escape and immerse yourself in the stunning beauty of the Great Lakes. From historical landmarks to breathtaking landscapes, these hidden paradises will capture your heart and leave you longing for more. Embark on a journey like no other, and discover the secrets these islands hold.



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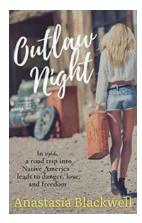
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The Great Lakes Basin is the largest surface freshwater system on Earth. The more than 30,000 islands dotted throughout the basin provide some of the best ways to enjoy the Great Lakes. While the vast majority of these islands can only be reached by private boat or plane, a surprising number of islands—each with its own character and often harboring more than a bit of intrigue in its history—can be reached by merely taking a ferry ride, or crossing a bridge, offering everyone the chance to experience a variety of island adventures.

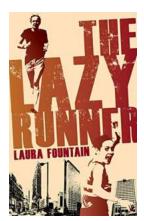
Great Lakes Island Escapes: Ferries and Bridges to Adventure explores in depth over 30 of the Great Lakes Basin islands accessible by bridge or ferry and introduces more than 50 additional islands. Thirty-eight chapters include helpful information about getting to each featured island, what to expect when you get there, the island's history, and what natural and historical sites and cultural attractions are available to visitors. Each chapter lists special island events, where to get more island information, and how readers can help support the island. Author Maureen Dunphy made numerous trips to a total of 135 islands that are accessible by ferry or bridge in the Great Lakes Basin. On each trip, Dunphy was accompanied by a different friend or relative who provided her another adventurer's perspective through which to view the island experience.

Great Lakes Island Escapes covers islands on both sides of the international border between the United States and Canada and features islands in both the lakes and the waterways that connect them. Anyone interested in island travel or learning more about the Great Lakes will delight in this comprehensive collection.



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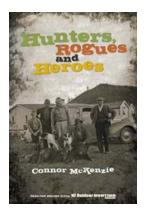
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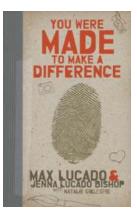
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