

# Mackinac Island Lilac Festival

## Itinerary

### Day 1 – Frankenmuth & Arrival in Mackinaw City

Begin your journey with a delightful stop in Michigan’s Bavarian-inspired town of Frankenmuth, where you’ll enjoy a famous family-style chicken dinner along the scenic Cass River. Continue north to Mackinaw City, where Lakes Michigan and Huron meet, and settle into your hotel after an included dinner at a lively local favorite. This charming waterfront community sets the stage for the unforgettable days ahead.

### Day 2 – Mackinac Island & Lilac Festival

Travel by ferry across the Straits of Mackinac to the car-free charm of Mackinac Island. A narrated horse-drawn carriage tour introduces you to the island’s highlights, including Arch Rock and the Wings of Mackinac Butterfly Conservatory. Enjoy an elegant luncheon at the iconic Grand Hotel before spending the afternoon immersed in the sights, scents, and celebrations of the Lilac Festival. After free time and dinner on your own, return by ferry to the mainland.

### Day 3 – Mackinaw City & St. Ignace Highlights

Discover the history and charm of Mackinaw City on a Guided Tour before enjoying time to explore on your own. Cross to Michigan’s Upper Peninsula to visit the Deer Ranch, home to native whitetail deer, followed by a stop at Castle Rock for sweeping views of the surrounding lakes and landscape. The day concludes with a relaxing waterfront dinner in St. Ignace & an overnight stay along Lake Huron.

### Day 4 – Tahquamenon Falls & Great Lakes Heritage

Journey through Michigan’s scenic Upper Peninsula to the Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum, where stories of maritime history come to life. After lunch at a rustic local brewery, experience the natural wonder of Tahquamenon Falls, one of the largest waterfalls east of the Mississippi, during a guided walk. Return to St. Ignace for a visit to the Museum of Ojibwa Culture before enjoying free time along the waterfront boardwalk.

### Day 5 – Henry Ford Museum & Journey Home

Travel to Dearborn for a visit to the remarkable Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation, where the inspiring stories of America’s greatest innovations and changemakers come to life. Explore exhibits ranging from historic transportation to cultural milestones before beginning your journey home. Depart with lasting memories of Mackinac Island, the Lilac Festival, and the beauty of the Great Lakes region.

Celebrate spring in full bloom at Mackinac Island’s world-famous Lilac Festival!

From horse-drawn carriage rides and Grand Hotel elegance to Great Lakes scenery and unique cultural experiences, this inspiring getaway captures the charm of Northern Michigan at its very best.

## Highlights

- Ferry to Mackinac Island and
- Horse-drawn Carriage Tour
- Surry Hills Carriage Museum
- Wings of Mackinac Butterfly Conservatory
- Arch Rock
- Lilac Festival
- Mackinaw City Tour
- Deer Ranch
- Castle Rock
- Museum of Ojibwa Culture at Old Mission Saint-Ignace
- Henry Ford Museum

## Inclusions

- 4 nights’ accommodations
- 4 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 3 Dinners
- Admissions and Guide Services
- Taxes & Hotel Fees