



Easy to Reach HIKING SPOTS

Search Bay-Hiawatha National Forest

Located ~5 miles West of Hessel off of m-134

Look for small sign on the right hand side of the road-Saying Ski Trail. There is gravel road on the left. Turn left find a parking spot at the beginning of the road and hike the road to the Bay. ~2.5 miles round trip. There are more trails off of the road for exploring. Take a compass. Trails are not always clearly marked.

Loon Lake Nature Preserve

Located ~2miles West of Hessel on Pte Brule Rd. Turn left off of m-134. About a mile down the road on the right hand side is a board walk...located in a marshy area. A landmark to look for is a log home across the street-situated next to the lakeshore overlooking the bay. If you look at the map it is just beyond Horse Rock Pte. This is short walk in to the lake observation platform. Great walk for kids.

Les Cheneaux Outdoor Classroom/Nordic Ski Trail.

Located near downtown Cedarville. Take M-134 to Blindline Rd. Go North on Blindline. Carwash and sign for Creekside Herbs are 2 landmarks for Blindline Road. Continue until the pavement ends. Turn left on State Rd...continue until you see a metal gate on the right hand side of the road. If it is closed park in front. Behind the gate is the school track. You'll see a sign for Outdoor Classroom. That is the trail head. Keep in mind this is not a loop, so you must return the way you came. Hike is about .25 mi. Or, if you decide to walk or ski the Les Cheneaux Nordic Ski Trail, plan for a 3 mile trek.

Gerstacker Preserve

Located ~12 miles East of Cedarville. You'll see a landmark sign on the right saying Cadogan Pte. Once you pass that...you want the second roadside shoulder pulloff. The parking area is adjacent to a sand beach-guard rail along the right hand side of the road. Park here and cross the road. There is an entrance made out of 2x4's. Go through this and you'll find the main trail head with a sign. This is a great hike back to Little Trout Lake. Its about 1 mile round trip.

Detour State Forest Campground

This one is not on the provided map. It is well marked, so you shouldn't have any trouble finding it. This spot is nearest to DeTour Village. Follow M-134 East. Pass M-48 on the left...continue until you see a sign for the Campground on your right. This spot is beautiful with many trails.