

A LOOK AT MACKINAC ISLAND'S ANNUAL EVENTS

MAY

FORT 2 FORT 5-MILE CHALLENGE

Kick off the start of the new season with a 5-mile run!

ZOO-DE-MACK BIKE BASH

Huge parties, great bands and one of the most scenic bicycle rides.

DETROIT CHAMBER MACKINAC POLICY CONFERENCE

Nationally recognized speakers and statewide thought leaders get together to discuss Michigan's economic future.

JUNE

MACKINAC ISLAND LILAC FESTIVAL

The largest and most historic festival on Mackinac Island lasts 10 days and celebrates the lilacs and their uniqueness and history to Mackinac Island.

LILAC 10K RUN & WALK

The course provides tree-covered paved roads through the center of the Island and tremendous lake views with the Mackinac Bridge on the horizon.

GREAT LAKES PIRATE FESTIVAL

A day of food & drinks, live music, and pirate contests on the island.

LILAC FESTIVAL GRAND PARADE

Considered a Local Legacy Event by the United States Library of Congress, this festival finale wraps up our fabulous festival week!

JULY

MACKINAC ISLAND 4TH OF JULY

W.T. Rabe Stone Skipping Contest, fun family games, and two fireworks displays that go off simultaneously at dusk.

BAYVIEW MACKINAC RACE

Since 1925, Bayview Yacht Club has hosted this spectacular annual fresh water event attracting intrepid sailors from around the globe.

CHICAGO YACHT CLUB RACE TO MACKINAC

The world's longest freshwater sailing event is recognized as one of the most prestigious sailing races in the world.

VINTAGE BASE BALL GAME WITH MACKINAC STATE HISTORIC PARKS

A vintage game of "base ball" as it was meant to be played, barehanded and by gentlemen's rules on the old Fort Mackinac ball field.

AUGUST

MACKINAC ISLAND FUDGE FESTIVAL

The Mackinac Island Fudge Festival celebrates the Island's most famous treat and with a number of fudge-related, fun, family events!

SEPTEMBER

MACKINAC ISLAND EIGHT MILE RUN

Join us for this exciting, summer-ending event. Experience Mackinac Island in one of the oldest and most scenic races in Michigan.

MACKINAC ISLAND PRIDE FESTIVAL WEEKEND

Celebrate the Annual Mackinac Island Pride Festival.

REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The biennial Mackinac Republican Leadership Conference held at Grand Hotel.

OCTOBER

MACKINAC ISLAND HALLOWEEN WEEKEND

The last big weekend before most island businesses close for the season. Celebrate with trick-or-treating for kids through downtown shops, and Halloween costume parties for adults throughout island establishments in the evening.

GREAT TURTLE TRAIL RUN

One of the most scenic trail events in the state. We have a capacity of 3,500 participants running and walking the inside trails of Mackinac Island during the last open weekend of the season.



Travel + Leisure ranked Mackinac Island the **Best Island in the Continental U.S.** Start planning your Mackinac Island adventure and come experience the Crown Jewel of the Great Lakes yourself!



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