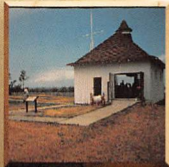


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The Lakeshore was authorized in 1970 to preserve "certain outstanding natural features, including forests, beaches, dune formations, and ancient glacial phenomena." It consists of a 35-mile strip of Lake Michigan's eastern shoreline, as well as North and South Manitou Islands.

Features of interest include the Visitor Center in Empire, the Pierce Stocking Scenic Drive, the Dune Climb, and the Maritime Museum at Glen Haven. Daily ranger-led programs are offered in the summer months. There are two mainland campgrounds: Platte River Campground in the southern half of the park is fully modern, while D.H. Day Campground in the northern half of the park offers a more primitive experience.

SPECIAL INFORMATION

The Manitou Islands are reached during the good weather months by a commercial walk-on ferry from the town of Leland. Advance reservations are required. • Superintendent, Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, 9922 Front Street, Empire, MI 49630, (616) 326-5134.