



Capser Trail... WHERE ALL IS QUIET BUT THE WHINING OF THE MOSQUITOES

Route One from Ferry Dock *Approx. 1/3 of a mile*

1 Begin at Ferry Dock. The Post Office is half of the original Old Mission dining room, which was added to the Old Mission Inn in 1900. *Walk up Colonel Woods Ave.* **2 Madeline Island Museum:** Cedar post stockade and log architecture. Treasured objects illustrate island history. Exhibits & lectures. *Left on Whitefish Street.* **3 La Pointe School:** Quintessential two-room school house with twelve students in 2011. *Right on Big Bay Road.* *Sidewalk leads to Trailhead.* **4 Trailhead** starts on your right.

Route Two from Ferry Dock *Approx. one mile*

1 Begin at Ferry Dock. *Right on Main Street. Left on Middle Road.* *Walk one mile – on road shoulder.* **5 Trailhead** starts on your left.

TRAIL NOTES: The wooden bridge was designed by Rick Erickson's Bayfield High School Advanced Science Class with help from Jim Berry. **Nucy Meech Trail**, within the Trail walk, is not maintained. The Observation Deck is a great place to view wildlife. **Sitting areas, benches, and storytelling spot** are compliments of the Madeline Island Wilderness Preserve. (At each Trailhead are 3 parking spaces. No ATVs, or motorized vehicles are allowed. Trails are wide enough for wheelchairs, however please note they are gravel.)

Walk to Grant's Point *Approx. 2.1 miles, one way*

1 Madeline Island Museum: Established in 1958, the museum was the dream of Leo and Bella Capser. Explore the Island's rich history. Operated by the Wisconsin Historical Society. \$ Admission.

2 St. John's Church, Parsonage and Woods Hall: Tudor Revival church built in 1925 for the Evangelical and Reform Church which began as a mission to Native Americans in 1922.

3 Joni's Beach: public beach, picnic, playground and restrooms. *The Inn & Pub are .5 miles from Ferry Dock.*

4 La Pointe Cemetery: Please view respectfully from outside the fence. Miigwech... *Thank you.*

5 Rock/brass plate: Site of the first Catholic Mission, est. by Reverend Fredric Baraga, 1835.

6 Ojibwe National Prayer Pole/Memorial Park: Sacred cedar and other trees surround a peaceful pond, honoring the enduring relationship between Ojibwe people and Madeline Island.



7 Madeline Island Music Camp Clubhouse: International Music Camp performance venue. *1 mile from Ferry Dock.* *Walk or ride single file to share the road safely.*

8 Mission Hill area: hill with a moderate grade.

9 Stone facade/dual driveway: *1.5 miles from Ferry Dock; .6 mile to Grant's Point.* Coole Park/original Chateau Madeline on historic register (private).

10 Michel Cadotte Fur Trade Post 1792 (stone & brass plate): *2 miles from Ferry Dock.* Michel Cadotte married Equaysayway (Madeline) daughter of Waubijejauk (Chief White Crane). The Cadotte family traded, farmed and welcomed visitors here for half a century. *(Private property)*

11 Grant's Point: Grant's Point sand beach *(NOT public)* provided safe landing in early times. Much early Island history took place here and on nearby Long Island. Please notice lighthouse. *Please respect the private property on each side of the 60' wide access.*

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