

GO GREAT LAKES BAY GUIDE

Find Moments of Pure Greatness this Fall
when you Go Great Lakes Bay in Michigan

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IN THE CHILL

PURE GREATNESS

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When you **Go Great Lakes Bay in Michigan** this **fall**, we promise you'll be in a place to slow down, linger longer, and **find moments of pure greatness** woven throughout **six charming small towns**.

Come here to lose yourself in **nature**, and find yourself **at peace**. Wash away your cares on **calm waters**. Dip your **paddles**, or **rest easy** while you wait for the day's **fresh catch**. Unwind on an **autumn color tour**, or wander a while on **scenic trails**.

Here, **relaxing & refreshing** isn't just reserved for the **great outdoors**. You'll find it everywhere, in a million little moments. In the clip-clop of horses' hooves pulling carriages along **charming streets**. In quiet afternoon strolls through town, popping in & out of **quaint boutiques**. In admiring **vibrant murals** that breathe life into **historic buildings**, or gathering for festive **fall celebrations**.

There are **moments of pure greatness** all around — if we linger long enough to soak them in.
Find yours this **fall** when you **Go Great Lakes Bay in Michigan**.

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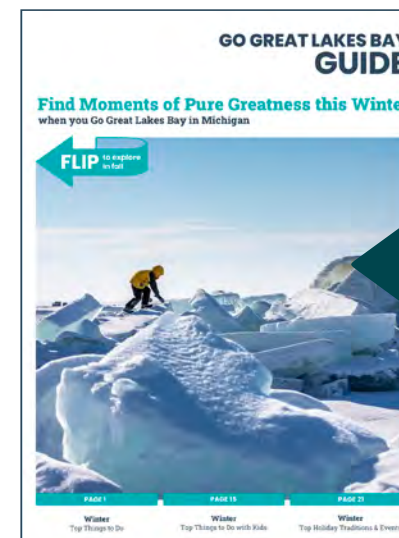
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Dow Gardens – Midland, MI



Top Fall Things to Do

Find yourself sauntering through apple orchards & pumpkin patches, getting lost in corn mazes, and soaking up spectacular fall color. Whether you hike, bike, or sit back and sip warmed cider together, discover the best of autumn when you Go Great Lakes Bay in Michigan!

Outdoors & Nature



Discover 110 acres of autumnal beauty, drenched in color, at **Dow Gardens** — with views from four stories high on the nation's longest canopy walk!

Explore the **Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge** and cruise the **Wildlife Drive Auto Tour** to marvel at Mother Nature's paintbrush.

Take your fall experience right through the colorful treetops on ropes courses & ziplines at **Frankenmuth Aerial Park**.

Trek through **Chippewa Nature Center**, with 19 miles of scenic trails, autumnal workshops, and a beautiful arboretum.

Gaze at the sunset along the shoreline at **Bay City State Park**, and take in fall color from two observation towers in **Tobico Marsh**.

See terraces of bursting blooms at **Dahlia Hill** and experience a kaleidoscope of color from over 340 dahlia varieties!

Enjoy the colorful canopy along the **Great Lakes Bay Regional Trail** and stop by **Ray's Bike Shop** or **Nor'East Outdoors** to rent your rides.

Look to 142 miles of **Saginaw Bay Birding Trail** for fall glory and glorious nature sightings.

Tee off at two of Michigan's must-play public golf courses, **The Fortress** and **Apple Mountain**, or discover over a dozen others.



Dow Gardens – Midland, MI



Johnny Panther Quests Adventure Trips
Saginaw, MI

Guided Fall Boat Tours



Take a Fall Color Tour with **Johnny Panther Quests Adventure Trips** to enjoy stunning foliage & wildlife in the “Everglades of Michigan.”

Unwind on a ride through the autumn leaves with **Frankenmuth FunShips**, or experience fall colors — and flavors — on a Wine & Chocolate River Tour.

Float in tranquility aboard the **Bavarian Belle Riverboat** and soak in a fall color show as you learn about the history of Frankenmuth.

Experience the splendor of the season as you cruise in comfort with **Bay City Boat Lines** on a Saginaw River Guided Tour.

Alden B. Dow Home & Studio
Midland, MI



Paddling



Look to **Nor'East Outdoors**, **Frankenmuth Kayak Adventures**, or **Bay City Boat Rental** to float through nature's waterside canvases this fall.

Fishing



Charter a guided excursion with the pros on **Lake Huron's Saginaw Bay** to enjoy some of the best walleye fishing in all of Michigan!

Tours & Experiences



Travel country roads, leaf-peeping places, and scenic spots on our curated **Fall Color Tour**.

Follow our fresh-pressed **Cider & Donuts Tour** for a delicious fall experience!

Take a horse-drawn carriage ride through vibrant, leaf-lined streets with **Fantasy Carriage Company** or **H&H Acres and Carriage Service**.

Hop aboard the **Golden Ticket Trolley** and



Bayne's Apple Valley
Freeland, MI

get the lay of the land in Frankenmuth on your narrated tour of town.

Sip seasonal brews on a pedal-powered party when you book the **Sunrise Pedal Trolley** to bike through Bay City.

Cruise along a self-guided tour of 400 stunning structures with the **Mid-Century Modern Midland** mobile app.



Kayaking Beneath The Tridge – Midland, MI

Apple Orchards & Pumpkin Patches



Cozy up on a crisp fall day at **Bayne's Apple Valley**, and taste what's on tap at **Bayne's Hard Cider House** with caramel apples & delicious cider donuts.

Sip fresh-pressed cider and devour donuts at **Leaman's Green Applebarn**! Hop onto a hayride, and handpick your own apples.

Take your pick of pumpkins at **Johnson's Pumpkin Farm**. Get lost in a massive corn maze, but find your way back for live music, shopping, and cider & donuts!

Make fall memories on **Grandpa Tiny's Farm**! Meet the animals, have a hayride, pick pumpkins, and end the day with fresh cider & donuts.

Wind your way through the **Frankenmuth Corn Maze**, play yard games, and check out hayrides on weekends.

Farmers Markets



Gather harvest-time produce, local honey, meat, Great Lakes fish, cheese, baked goods, and fall décor from the **Midland Area Farmers Market, Frankenmuth Farmers Market, Downtown Saginaw Farmers Market, or Bay Area Farmers Market.**



Johnson's Pumpkin Farm – Saginaw, MI



Bayne's Apple Valley – Freeland, MI



Leaman's Green Applebarn – Freeland, MI



Leaman's Green Applebarn – Freeland, MI

Live Entertainment & Nightlife



Catch a concert or comedy show at **Midland Center for the Arts, The Dow Event Center, The Temple Theatre, or State Theatre of Bay City.**

Don't miss a minute of the action on the ice at a **Saginaw Spirit** OHL hockey game!

Bring back nostalgia at **Brinstar**, with arcade games & pinball machines, plus 12 rotating beers on tap.

Come to **Stardust** to bowl for strikes, but stay for axe-throwing, escape rooms, and **The Taproom**, with 41 draft craft brews.

Find retro gaming fun at **Crazy Quarters Arcade** while playing classic arcade games and dozens of pinball machines!

Spend an evening at **906 Lapeer**, with escape rooms, flashlight ghost tours, axe-throwing, and a haunted house.

Dare to find your way out this fall at **Great Lakes Escape Game** or **Code Breakers Escape & Puzzle Rooms.**



Brinstar – Midland, MI

Fall Festivals



Browse Michigan's biggest antique festival, the **Midland Antique Festival**, be ready for beer sampling & German heritage at **Frankenmuth Oktoberfest**, and discover countless other celebrations of fall!



Frankenmuth Social District – Frankenmuth, MI

Social Districts

Stroll through town and warm up while sipping a spiced cocktail or two at **The Commons in Midland** or the **Frankenmuth Social District.**



Bayne's Apple Valley – Freeland, MI



Brinstar – Midland, MI

Shopping



Stock up on ornaments & gifts for the upcoming holiday season at **Bronner's CHRISTmas Wonderland**, the world's largest Christmas store.

Shop 100 designer & name-brand stores at **Birch Run Premium Outlets**, at savings of up to 65% off!

Follow cobblestone walks to 40 stores at **Frankenmuth River Place Shops** and find clothing to souvenirs and even wine tasting!

Peruse "Michigan's Largest Village of Unique Shops" at **Pride and Country Village**, each housed in a historic farm building.

Stroll through seven unique shops at the **Bavarian Inn Castle Shops**, nestled inside a cobblestone-lined castle.

Wander about **SVRC Marketplace**, sampling from eclectic eateries while shopping everything from yarn to beads.

Discover artisan-crafted goods at **Serendipity Road, Creative Lane**, or **Amazin' Mitten**.

Find memorable gifts & Michigan-themed souvenirs at **Frank's Muth, Covered Bridge Shop**, or **The Michigan Shoppe**.

Step inside charming shops including **Lumberman's Mercantile, Violets Blue, Little House, G.T. Homestead**, and **Warmbier Farms** — and find your fill of gifts & décor.

Discover small-batch cheeses from around the world at **Artigiano Artisan Cheese Shoppe**, or 270 different specialty cheeses at **Frankenmuth Cheese Haus**.

Sip from a fresh pot of coffee while perusing all-things-culinary inside **Peel 'n Pare Gifts for the Kitchen**.

Follow inviting aromas through **Coyer Candle Co.**, filled with soy wax candles, hand-poured in-house.

With gifts to clothing, apothecary & plants, discover **My Secret Garden** and **Botanica Modern Market**.

Choose from the curated racks inside **Omoni**

Boutique or **Fran & Dot Boutique** and leave with a fresh fall wardrobe!

Find fashions & accessories at **Abby's of Frankenmuth, White House Boutique, Rapunzel's Boutique, Adorn Boutique, Ellie & Isabelle, Sassy & Chic Boutique**, or **Margos & Co.**

Gear up for fall adventures from fishing to hunting at **Frank's Great Outdoors, Northwoods Wholesale Outlet, Little Forks Outfitters**, or **Saginaw Bay Trading Company**.



Artigiano Artisan Cheese Shoppe – Bay City, MI

Antiquing



Get lost inside Michigan's largest antique mall, **Bay City Antiques Center/Bay Antique Center**, with multiple floors and 400 booths.

Stroll through 90 booth spaces stocked with antiques & vintage goods at the **Freeland Antique Mall**.

Peruse 70 antique vendors at the **Antique Warehouse**, then grab a bite to eat at the café.

Get a dose of pure nostalgia at **Americana Company Antiques**, with unique antiquities & local memorabilia.



Bay City Antiques Center / Bay Antique Center – Bay City, MI

Enjoy a vintage, antique, and upcycle shop, **Court Street Antiques**, inside a building brimming with character!

Discover **The Little House Antiques**, delighting shoppers for over 40 years with vintage kitchenware to collectibles.

Travel to **Thrifty Treasures Antiques & More** to shop glassware, furniture, and primitives from 20 dealers.

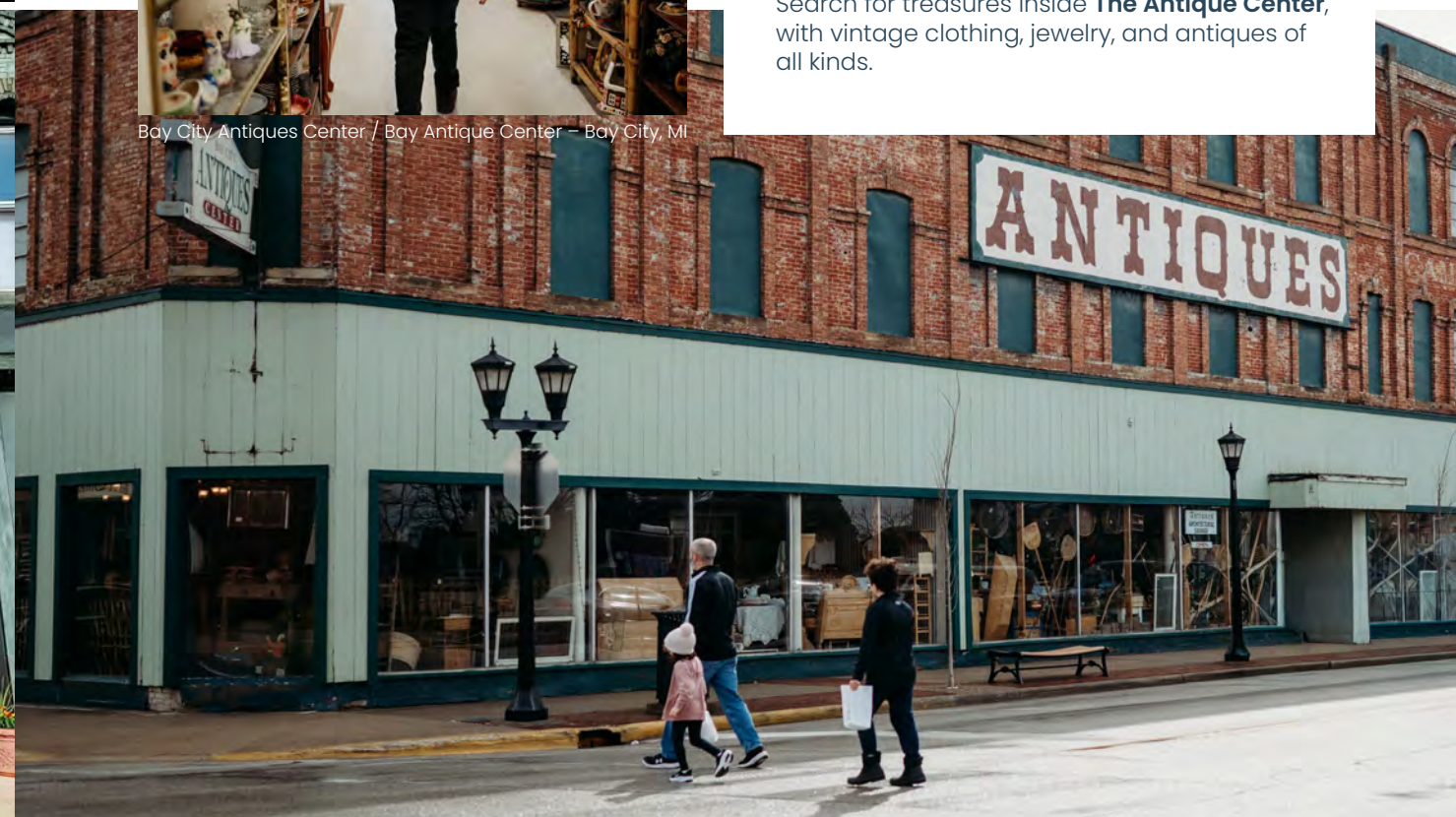
Get your hands on interesting fall décor at **Around the Farm Antiques**, while browsing vintage galore from 60 vendors.

Spot vintage furniture, antiques, and local art oddities while visiting **The Vintage Greenhouse**.

Wander into **Timeless Trading Company** to uncover antiques, vintage goods, and a variety of thrifted items.

Stop by **The Sanford Antique Mall**, a sprawling haven offering antiques, primitives, and one-of-a-kind collectibles.

Search for treasures inside **The Antique Center**, with vintage clothing, jewelry, and antiques of all kinds.





Loggers Brewing Company – Saginaw, MI



Neighbors Natural Wine & Bottle Shop – Bay City, MI

Breweries & Taprooms



Taste 150 years of brewing tradition while soaking up scenic fall river views at **Frankenmuth Brewery**, Michigan's oldest microbrewery.

Don your flannel by the fire pit and toss back pints at **Midland Brewing Company** in a beautiful backyard beer garden.

Linger in a laid-back space at **Oracle Brewing Company** and sip on something fit for the season, like C-Beans, a chocolate coffee stout.

Get a taste of Up North at **North Peak Brewing Company**, serving handcrafted brews & hearth-baked pizzas in rustic-modern digs.

Kick back with street eats & seasonal brews at **Loggers Brewing Company** – and watch for Trivia Nights!

Warm up with wood-fired microbrews in **The Maple Grille Restaurant & Microbrewery's** cozy countryside setting.

Sip on suds that pay homage to the area at **Tri-City Brewing Company**, best enjoyed with fall flavors from rotating food trucks.

Explore 80 made-in-Michigan brews, ciders, and meads at **Whichcraft Taproom**, 40 available on draft.

Sip creative, house-made beers & seltzers at **Clock & Candle Brewatorium**, tucked inside a historic train depot.

Order the Sweet Hazelnut Stout at **W.H. Ales Brewpub** – possibly with a wood-fired pizza!

Chill with your brew (beer or coffee) while enjoying baked goods & live music at **MI Element Grains & Grounds**.

Distilleries & Craft Cocktails

Discover a distillery, brewery, and winery in one at **Three Bridges Distillery & Taproom**, and cozy into the rustic charm with your Oatmeal Stout or Cinnamon Whiskey Sour.

Savor local spirits at **Old Town Distillery by Wonder** – with bites from **Wonder Burger** or other guest food trucks!

Relax with artisan cocktails in an intimate space at **The Public House**, paired with Parm Fries to Pickled Deviled Eggs.

Gather inside Scandinavian-inspired **Nord Social** to choose from a curated menu of seasonal craft cocktails.

Order your signature cocktail smoked table-side at **Beaver's Pub**, a low-key bourbon bar.

Unwind in the warm atmosphere of hockey-themed **Gordie's Bar** with a beautifully handcrafted cocktail.

Taste community-driven whiskeys at **EverNorth Spirits Co.**, including eclectic bourbon blends.



The Public House – Bay City, MI



Midland Brewing Company – Midland, MI

Wineries & Wine Bars

Gather by the fire bar at **Prost! Wine Bar & Charcuterie** to sample six tap wines or handcrafted house specialty cocktails.

Nestle into the cozy setting at **Neighbors Natural Wine & Bottle Shop** for natural wine pours & wine-forward cocktails.

Sample at the Frankenmuth tasting room of Michigan's most-awarded winery, **St. Julian Winery & Distillery**.

Try a wine tasting "mixperience" at **Modern Craft Wine** – mixing wines together, with lemonade, or even cream soda.

Explore wines, ciders, and charcuterie in a rustic tasting room at **Crazy Vines Winery**.



Frankenmuth FunShips – Frankenmuth, MI

Outdoor Dining



Warm up with tap wines & regional charcuterie by the fire bar at **Prost! Wine Bar & Charcuterie**, cozy around warming lamps in the courtyard at **One eighteen** with tavern fare & classic cocktails, or soak up autumn evenings on **The Rooftop @ The Station 100**, with elevated bites, artful cocktails, and fine wines.

Waterfront Dining



Savor fresh catch & crisp autumn air along the riverfront at **Real Seafood Company**, relax on the deck right by a marina at **H2O's Waterside Grill**, or fall in love with comfort food, seasonal brews, and river views at **Frankenmuth Brewery**.

Casual-Upscale Dining

Experience an open-kitchen concept & boutique winery at **Artisan Urban Bistro**, savor elevated comforts & seasonal craft cocktails at **Beatniks**, or linger over a layered Italian meal at **Gratzi**. Enjoy European dishes paired with the perfect wine by a sommelier at **The Station 100**, or slip into **Old City Hall** or **Jake's Old City Grill** for steaks, seafood, and a robust wine list.

More Dining Highlights

Pair farm-to-table fare with wood-fired beers at **The Maple Grille Restaurant & Microbrewery**, find a beer-forward restaurant pouring from 54 taps at **Tavern 101**, dig into St. Louis-style barbecue at **Molasses Smokehouse & Bar**, or enjoy sports, spirits, and a scratch-kitchen at **O's Mid & Main**.



Real Seafood Company – Bay City, MI



Prost! Wine Bar & Charcuterie – Bay City & Frankenmuth, MI



The Maple Grille Restaurant & Microbrewery – Hemlock, MI

Food Trucks



From **Makin' Bacon Truck's** bacon mac 'n' cheese to **Bavarian Inn Cluck Truck's** Frankenmuth chicken and **5-2-Oh's** Korean street tacos, taste what food trucks are dishing up this fall!

World-Famous Chicken Dinners

Get a taste of tradition in Frankenmuth's world-famous, all-you-can-eat chicken dinners, served family-style with warmth, at **Zehnder's Restaurant** or **Bavarian Inn Restaurant**.



Japanese Cultural Center, Tea House & Gardens of Saginaw
Saginaw, MI

Arts & Culture



Discover the **Japanese Cultural Center, Tea House & Gardens of Saginaw** and experience an authentic tea ceremony.

Reserve a guided tour through the **Alden B. Dow Home & Studio**, an oasis of mid-century modern architecture.

Step into a vision that is the **Saginaw Art Museum & Gardens**, a 1904 mansion with Italianate gardens in full fall splendor.

Explore the **Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum**, and enjoy the tranquil outdoor sculpture garden.

Find your way to stunning displays of public art this fall with the free **Great Lakes Bay Region Public Art Passport**.

Saginaw Valley Naval Ship Museum
Bay City, MI

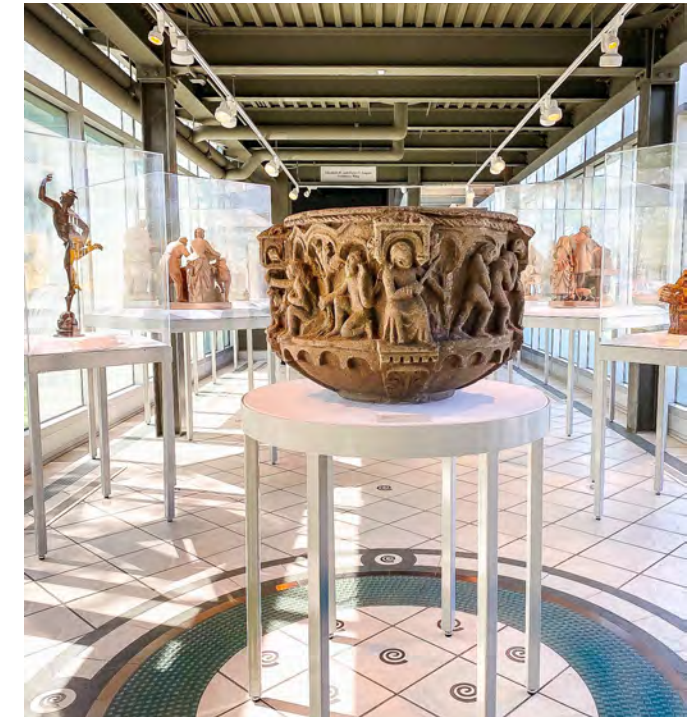


Attend a workshop at **Board & Brush Creative Studio**, and leave with a hand-painted piece of wooden décor.

Personalize unfinished pottery items while cozied up inside **Painterly Pottery** or **Space Studios**.

Pick your (candle-pouring, wood sign-making) project at **AR Workshop Midland** and create with the help of crafty instructors.

Spend some time wandering through the gorgeous, curated gallery at **Studio 23/The Arts Center**.



Saginaw Art Museum & Gardens
Saginaw, MI

History & Museums



Dive into a piece of the past at the **Saginaw Valley Naval Ship Museum**, located aboard the USS Edson.

Pay tribute to Michigan veterans at the **Michigan Heroes Museum**, the only museum of its kind in the country.

Lose yourself inside a castle, the **Castle Museum of Saginaw County History**, as you explore three floors of captivating exhibits.

Tour nine permanent galleries that share the stories of Frankenmuth's first settlers inside the **Frankenmuth Historical Museum**.

Schedule a personal tour of the **Autism History Museum** to explore a space that celebrates neurodiversity.



Top Fall Things to Do with Kids

With pumpkin patches & corn mazes ready — and fresh apple cider & donuts waiting at orchards & farms — make family memories that'll last a lifetime when you Go Great Lakes Bay in Michigan this fall!

Apple Orchards & Pumpkin Patches

Savor cider sundaes at **Leaman's Green Applebarn**! Hop onto a hayride, enjoy fresh donuts, pick a peck, and ride the Apple Barrel Express.

Pet farm animals and pick huge pumpkins at **Johnson's Pumpkin Farm**! Cider & donuts await at the end of the sunflower maze, along with horse rides.

Grandma's Pumpkin Patch is a must for cider & donuts — and the Kidland Play Yard! Join a hayride, pick pumpkins, pet farm animals, and explore the corn maze.

See a real cider press in action at **Bayne's Apple Valley**, and savor the results — along with gigantic caramel apples & delicious cider donuts!

Have fun getting lost in the **Frankenmuth Corn Maze**! Play yard games, stop by the petting zoo, and take a hayride.

Bayne's Apple Valley — Freeland, MI



Zoos & Farms

Snap fam photos in the pumpkin patch and travel the corn maze at **Grandpa Tiny's Farm**. Relax on a hayride, savor cider & donuts, and pet & feed the animals.

Go for spins on the hand-carved carousel & miniature train after meeting more than 150 animals at the **Saginaw Children's Zoo**!

Reserve a guided Immersive Rainforest Encounter at **Wilderness Trails Zoo**, home to 200 exotic animals.

Outdoors & Nature

Roam **Dow Gardens**, alive with fall color, and catch bird's-eye views from a canopy walk, four stories high in the forest!

Explore 19 miles of trails at **Chippewa Nature Center** — and hands-on exhibits at the Homestead Farm & Ecosystem Gallery.

Soar through the colorful treetops together at **Frankenmuth Aerial Park**, on a ropes course that combines climbing & ziplines!

Discover the changing season at **Bay City State Park**. Walk through a lagoon full of wildlife, and climb observation towers in **Tobico Marsh**.



Grandma's Pumpkin Patch — Midland, MI



Leaman's Green Applebarn — Freeland, MI



Leaman's Green Applebarn — Freeland, MI

Tours & Experiences



Follow your taste buds to treats of the season along our self-guided **Cider & Donuts Tour**!

Cruise into fall as a family on a relaxing horse-drawn carriage ride with **Fantasy Carriage Company** or **H&H Acres and Carriage Service**.

Tour Frankenmuth on the **Golden Ticket Trolley**, where kids can play an I-Spy activity and choose a prize at the end of the route!

Johnson's Pumpkin Farm — Saginaw, MI



Leaman's Green Applebarn — Freeland, MI

Museums & More

Find infinite fun at the **Mid-Michigan Children’s Museum**, with interactive galleries like the Tinker Track and Water, Water Everywhere.

Explore outer space without leaving your seat at **Delta College Planetarium**, then visit the gift shop for stellar souvenirs!

See the world’s largest collection of motorized fire trucks — and tons of Tonka® toys — inside the **Antique Toy and Firehouse Museum**.

Spend quality time personalizing a piece of pottery together at **Painterly Pottery** or **Space Studios**.

Live Family Entertainment

Catch a kid-friendly performance at **Midland Center for the Arts, The Dow Event Center, The Temple Theatre**, or **State Theatre of Bay City**.

See NHL hopefuls defend, shoot, and score at a **Saginaw Spirit** OHL hockey game!

Kid-Friendly Fall Festivals

Enjoy street fare from over 20 food trucks during **Funtown Chowdown Food Truck Festival**, or launch the pumpkin catapult during **Scarecrow Fest!**

Indoor Waterparks

Make a splash at Michigan’s biggest indoor waterpark & family fun center, **Bavarian Blast Waterpark!** Try 16 new waterslides and a wave pool, then tackle the ropes course, rock climbing, and laser tag.

Fall into fun on tube slides, brave the six-story family raft ride, and relax while dining poolside in your private cabana rental at **Zehnder’s Splash Village!**

Kids’ Shopping

Start getting into the holiday spirit at **Bronner’s CHRISTmas Wonderland**, the world’s largest Christmas store!

Hunt for souvenirs together at **Frankenmuth River Place Shops**, then sample fudge to gourmet cupcakes before hitting the arcade.

Explore an underground castle filled with toys, candy, and souvenirs at the **Bavarian Inn Castle Shops**.

Discover over 100 stores at **Birch Run Premium Outlets**, with Go! Games & Toys for kids to Pottery Barn Outlet for parents.

Peruse a “mountain of toys” at **Toyberg**, from puzzles to building sets.

Wander into **Joyful Tantrum** to experience “a toy store, unplugged.”

Uncover a colorful, candy-filled wonderland of sweets & treats while strolling through **Tummy Ache Candy Store**.

Treat the kids to **St. Laurent Brothers’** nostalgic candies & hand-dipped chocolates.

See taffy pulled at **Frankenmuth Taffy Kitchen** or fudge paddled at **Zak & Mac’s Chocolate Haus** or **Frankenmuth Fudge Kitchen**.



Crazy Quarters Arcade – Bay City, MI



Crazy Quarters Arcade – Bay City, MI



Zehnder's Splash Village – Frankenmuth, MI

Indoor Family Fun Zones

Bowl for strikes, play two-story laser tag, and hop into bumper cars at **Stardust** before hitting the arcade.

Soar through **Urban Air Adventure Park**, with giant trampolines, climbing walls, indoor ziplines, laser tag, and bumper cars!

Grab a roll of quarters for retro gaming fun at **Crazy Quarters Arcade**, filled with arcade classics and dozens of pinball machines.

Choose your adventure at **Valley Lanes**, whether it’s bowling, indoor mini-golf, bumper cars, or arcade games.

Get to **Brinstar** for arcade games & pinball machines, but stay for burgers & fresh-cut fries the whole family will love!

Battle in the action-packed arcade at **Funway Amusements Saginaw** and enjoy games, giggles, pizza, and pop.

Bring outdoor fun in this fall at **Little Builders Play Yard**, a giant indoor sandbox filled with cool construction toys!

Let the kids burn energy at **The Playground** — a playscape where parents can kick back with a latte while kids have a ball.

Fly on wall-to-wall trampolines at **Airborne Adventure Park** and defy gravity on more than a dozen attractions.

Test your skills in the **River Place Game Room**, then giggle at views of your crew inside the **Ultimate Mirror Maze**.

Warm up while skating laps around **The Roll Arena** inside **Captain Dave’s Family Entertainment Center**.

Have some colorful family competition inside the 3D UV blacklight **Saginaw GellyBall** arena at **906 Lapeer**.



St. Laurent Brothers – Bay City, MI





TOP FALL FESTIVALS & EVENTS

Old Town Art Fest
Saginaw, MI

Gather for the harvest season at huge auto fests & homemade craft shows. Explore extravagant markets, sample street fare, and raise your glasses in a toast to autumn when you Go Great Lakes Bay in Michigan!

Find our full calendar of festivals & events at
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September



The Commons Live Music Series
Bring your lawn chairs and sway to no-cost tunes in the Downtown Midland streets!

Funtown Chowdown Food Truck Festival Feast on street fare from over 20 food trucks while you listen to live music and sip seasonal brews.

Downtown Midland Taste of Downtown Grab tickets to experience a seasonally inspired tasting menu as you stroll through town.

The Great Lakes Market Find unique treasures & handmade items from 70 artists & makers, listen to live music, and enjoy flavors of fall.

Frankenmuth Auto Fest Peruse 2,500 classic cars, street rods, and muscle cars — and don't miss the Big Block Party on Main Street!

Old Town Art Fest Stroll historic Old Town Saginaw streets to enjoy this juried fine arts fair, and find art activities to fabulous food trucks.

Apple Country Craft Show Apples are ripe for the picking and so are hundreds of handmade items at this event with artisan jewelry, crafts — and fresh cider & donuts!

Japan Festival in Saginaw Learn Japanese arts of bonsai, ikebana, and origami, enjoy Taiko drum performances, and partake in a Japanese tea ceremony.

Downtown Bay City Wine Walk Take in wine sampling & appetizers, and indulge your senses in sights, scents, and tastes of autumn.

Frankenmuth Oktoberfest Be transported to Little Bavaria, where you'll twirl to live music, dine on delicious German dishes, and sample Hofbräu beer.

Northwood University International Auto Show Look into the automotive future at the largest outdoor new car show in North America, with 500 vehicles from 65 manufacturers!

Hemlock Sawdust Days Festival See chainsaw carving demos, sample from beer tents & food trucks, shop crafts, and listen to live tunes.

Hell's Half Mile Film & Music Festival Connect with filmmakers & musicians, and experience community through independent film & music.

Downtown Bay City Food Truck Festival Gather at the corner of Washington & 6th to get your fill from favorite local food trucks.

Frankenmuth Fire Arts Festival Learn to use fire to create keepsakes in professional workshops, and witness amateur makers in competition.

River of Time Festival Marvel at historical re-enactors' skill demonstrations, meal preparations, and period musical performances.

Midland Antique Festival Wander through Michigan's biggest antique & vintage market to discover 1,000 dealers across 80 acres — and a massive classic car show & auto swap meet!

October

Handmade Music Festival Experience homegrown Michigan music, in a handpicked playlist of bluegrass, psychedelic folk, and soul.

Michigan's Big Country Fest Swing your partner to live Country music, enjoy food trucks (and a Bloody Mary bar), and learn how to line dance!

Hop Riot Beer Festival Relax riverside in Downtown Bay City's waterfront Wenonah Park while sampling craft brews, ciders, and seltzers.

Fall Harvest Festival Visit the Homestead Farm at Chippewa Nature Center, and partake in 19th-century traditions from blacksmithing to cider-making and woodworking.

Hold My Flannel — Heritage Vintage Market Shop handmade items from more than 100 vendors & crafters, scout for vintage treasures, and taste fall food truck fare.

Scarecrow Fest Launch the pumpkin catapult, hop into a barrel train ride, and "fall" into fun at Frankenmuth River Place Shops!

Frankenmuth Bourbon Fest Warm up inside Uptown North Main while listening to live music and sampling from over 100 bourbons & whiskeys — and food trucks!

Shipshewana on the Road Shop 'til you drop with thousands of enthusiasts at this traveling show, and discover unique trinkets & treasures.

Hell's Half Mile Film & Music Festival – Bay City, MI



Hop Riot Beer Festival – Bay City, MI



November

Deal Hunters' Weekend While the deer hunters are away, get in on the thrill of the hunt — for bargains — at Birch Run Premium Outlets!

Northwood University International Auto Show – Midland, MI



Frankenmuth Auto Fest – Frankenmuth, MI