

What could be more romantic than gliding along a snowy trail with that special someone guided by the moon and stars and a pathway of lantern light? Consider something out of the ordinary this February and surprise that special Valentine with an evening they'll always remember.



A cozy cabin at Cheboygan State Park is a perfect choice for a winter getaway weekend.

HARTWICK PINES STATE PARK (Crawford County)

4216 Ranger Road
Grayling, MI 49738
989-348-7068

Location: [Hartwick Pines State Park](#)

Feb. 11: Cross Country Ski by Lantern Light, 6-9 p.m.

Feb. 25: Cross Country Ski by Lantern Light, 6-9 p.m. For information about these events, call the park at 989-348-7068 or the Hartwick Pines Logging Museum at 989-348-2537.

HOEFT STATE PARK (Presque Isle County)

5001 US-23 North
Rogers City, MI 49779
989-734-2543

Location: [Hoeft State Park](#)

Lantern-lit skiing, 6-9 p.m. Feb. 11. Enjoy northern Michigan scenery. For details, call 989-734-2543.

INDIAN LAKE STATE PARK (Schoolcraft County)

8970W County Road 442
Manistique, MI 49854
906-341-2355

Lantern-Lit Snowshoe Hike: 7 p.m. Feb. 18. Bring your snowshoes or just your hiking boots out to our park for an enchanted evening of fun in the snow! Experience this lantern lit trail with your family, friends or make it a romantic date night! For more details contact the park at (906) 341-2355.

LUDINGTON STATE PARK (Mason County)

8800 W. M-116
Ludington, MI 49431
231-843-2423

Location: [Ludington State Park](#)

Free, guided snowshoe walks on Saturdays, weather permitting, through Feb. 18. These 1 ½ hour guided snowshoe/nature/history programs wind across Ludington State Park's snow-covered sand dunes. There are two walks given each Saturday, one begins at 3 p.m. or the Moonlight Walk starts at 7 p.m. at the Warming Shelter, located next to the parking lot at the end of M-116. Enjoy a campfire with hot chocolate. Trails will be groomed for multiple uses so visitors may bring their skis, snowshoes or walking shoes for a great evening in the park. Over 40 pairs of snowshoes are available for loan on a first-come, first-serve basis.

MITCHELL STATE PARK (Wexford County)

6093 M-115
Cadillac, MI 49601
231-775-7911

Location: [William Mitchell State Park](#)

Night skiing and snowshoeing, Feb. February 11, 2012

Time: TBD

Instructor: Ed Shaw. For information about this event, please call the park at 231-775-7911

Muskegon State Park (Muskegon County)

3560 Memorial Drive
North Muskegon, MI 49445
231-744-3480

Location: [Muskegon State Park](#)

Date: February 11, 2012

Time: 6:40 p.m., 7:00 p.m., 7:20 p.m. and 7:40 p.m.

Nordic Dine and Glide #2: This unique event allows guests to ski through the lit cross-country ski trail to four different dining stations. Tickets are required. To purchase tickets or for more information about this event, visit www.msports.org or contact the Muskegon Winter Sports Complex at 1-877-879-5843 or via email at info@msports.org.

Muskegon State Park (Muskegon County)

3560 Memorial Drive
North Muskegon, MI 49445

Location: [Muskegon State Park](#)

Date: February 17, 2012

Time: 6:40 p.m., 7:00 p.m., 7:20 p.m. and 7:40 p.m.

Nordic Dine and Glide #3: This unique event allows guests to ski through the lit cross-country ski trail to four different dining stations. Tickets are required. To purchase tickets or for more information about this event, visit www.msports.org or contact the Muskegon Winter Sports Complex at 1-877-879-5843 or via email at info@msports.org. **Call and check for times and availability.**

PORCUPINE MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS STATE PARK (Ontonagon County)
33303 Headquarters Road
Ontonagon, MI 49953
906-855-5275

Location: [Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park](#)

Lantern-Lit Skiing and Snowshoeing, Feb. 11, 18 & 25: Old-fashioned kerosene lanterns illuminate the trail during this night ski and snowshoe. Lanterns are placed along the entire one-mile loop for an incredible skiing experience. Stop halfway around the loop at the warming shelter where the park staff will have hot refreshments and a campfire blazing. This trail has an "easy" difficulty rating; however, skiing at night can be a challenge. Join us every Saturday through February. For more details contact the park at (906) 885-5206.

PORT CRESCENT STATE PARK (Huron County)

1775 Port Austin Road
Port Austin, MI 48467
989-738-8663

Location: [Port Crescent State Park](#)

Date: February 11, 2012

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Lantern-Lit Skiing: Port Crescent State park at the tip of Michigan's thumb offers visitors the opportunity to get a close-up view of the area's winter wonderland on a lantern-lit cross-country ski event. For more information, please call the park at 989-738-8663.

TAHQUAMENON FALLS STATE PARK (Luce County)

41382 W. M-123
Paradise, MI 49768
906-492-3415

Location: [Tahquamenon Falls State Park](#)

Lantern-Lit Cross-country Skiing and Snowshoeing: 5-8 p.m. every Saturday in February.

Please Note: The Michigan Department of Natural Resources makes every effort to provide the most up-to-date and accurate information on events. However, dates occasionally change and events may be cancelled for any reason including weather conditions. Please call the unit hosting the event to confirm dates and times prior to your arrival.

The Recreation Passport has replaced motor vehicle permits for entry into Michigan state parks, recreation areas and state-administered boating access fee sites. This new way to fund Michigan's outdoor recreation opportunities also helps to preserve state forest campgrounds, trails and historic and cultural sites in state parks, and provides park development grants to local communities.

Michigan residents can purchase the Recreation Passport (\$10 for motor vehicles; \$5 for motorcycles) by checking "YES" on their license plate renewal forms, or at any state park or recreation area. Nonresident motor vehicles must still display a valid nonresident Recreation Passport (\$29 annual; \$8 daily) to enter a Michigan state park, recreation area or state-administered boating access fee site; these can be purchased at any state park or recreation area, or through the Michigan e-Store at www.michigan.gov/estore. To learn more about the Recreation Passport, visit www.michigan.gov/recreationpassport or call (517) 241-7275.

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