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### Welcome to Pepin County

epin County is one of Wisconsin's smallest counties, but here you will find that big surprises really do come in small packages. Enjoy our beautiful scenery and escape your everyday life by joining us in Pepin County's communities of Arkansaw, Durand, Pepin, and Stockholm or by seeking out solitude in the countryside. In our opinion, this is one of the most beautiful areas of the state and it's always worth the trip to travel to the West Coast of Wisconsin!

### Can you truly say you've visited Pepin County if you haven't?

- ✓ Admired the 100-year old circus lithograph
- ✓ Eaten some award-winning pie, sausage, and cheese
- ✓ Captured a scenic selfie and tagged us #VisitPepinCounty
- ✓ Caught a fish on our mighty rivers
- ✓ Enjoyed Tuesday night pizza from A to Z Produce & Bakery
- ✓ Experienced a WideSpot performance
- ✓ Fallen in love with all four seasons of Pepin County
- ✓ Found a new piece of artwork for your home
- ✓ Jammed out at an outdoor concert
- ✓ Learned some Swedish history
- ✓ Participated in a cooking class

- ✓ Purchased some local produce
- ✓ Rented a kayak or canoe to explore the river
- ✓ Sampled the local wine, cider, and beer
- ✓ Shopped until you drop at our local shops
- ✓ Stopped by the last existing wooden frame courthouse in Wisconsin for a history lesson
- ✓ Taken a leisurely bike ride
- ✓ Tipped back a glass and let loose with the locals
- ✓ Traveled via train car into the Tiffany Wildlife Area
- ✓ Viewed independent films at the Flyway Film Festival
- ✓ Visited Laura Ingalls Cabin and Museum
- ✓ Went on an outdoor adventure

**Need help planning your trip?** Our tourism team can be reached by calling 715-672-8665 x116 or emailing **info@co.pepin.wi.us** if you have any questions about things to do or see in Pepin County. Our office is open from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday, but if you call on the weekend we promise to get back to you.

For more information, such as event dates or businesses, please visit our website: www.visitpepincounty.com. We can also be found on Facebook and Instagram by searching our username@VisitPepinCounty; tag us at #VisitPepinCounty for a chance to be featured on our social media pages or included in future publications!



### 2020 Pepin County Schedule of Events

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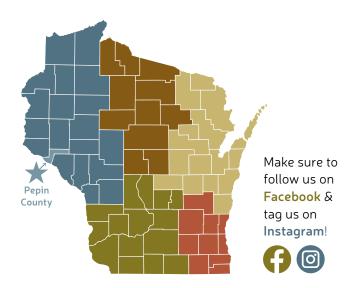
January		31	Blues on the Chippewa		
18-19	Free ice fishing weekend		Memorial Park, Durand		
	Statewide • www.dnr.wi.gov		www.bluesonthechippewa.com		
February		August			
1	Pepin Lions Club Ice Fishing Contest	1-2	Blues on the Chippewa		
	Sportsmans Landing, Pepin Pepin Lions Club Facebook page		Memorial Park, Durand www.bluesonthechippewa.com		
March  7 Mini Putt Putt (Pepin County Tavern League Safe Ride Fundraiser) Masonic Hall, Durand		26	Music in the Park and Taste of Durand – The Whitesidewalls Rock n' Roll Revue Memorial Park, Durand www.durandimprovementgroup.org		
14	St. Patrick's Day Parade · Stockholm	Septe	September  13-14 Laura Ingalls Wilder Days Festival  Pepin · www.lauradays.org		
April		13-14			
18	<b>55th Annual Spring Flood Run</b> Great River Road • www.flood-run.com	19	55th Annual Fall Flood Run Great River Road • www.flood-run.com		
24-25					
30	Durand • www.durandimprovementgroup.org  100 Mile Garage Sale	Octob 2-4	Fall Fresh Art Tour, 10am-5pm daily Countywide • www.freshart.org		
	Lake Pepin Area • 100milegaragesale.org	8-11	Flyway Film Festival		
<b>May</b> 1-3	100 Mile Garage Sale	0-11	Pepin, Stockholm, Alma www.flywayfilmfestival.org		
June 5-7	Lake Pepin Area • 100milegaragesale.org  57th Annual Durand Fun Fest	31	<b>Trunk or Treat</b> Main Street, Durand		
5-/	Durand · www.durandimprovementgroup.org		www.durandimprovementgroup.org		
5-7	Spring Fresh Art Tour 10am-5pm Countywide • www.freshart.org	November 7-8 Women's Weekend · Stockholm			
6-7	Great River Road Wine Trail –  June Bloom – Wine and Food Event  Great River Road • www.greatriverroadwinetrail.org	7-8	Great River Road Wine Trail – Holiday Harvest – Wine & Food Festival • Great River Road www.greatriverroadwinetrail.org		
6-7	Free fishing weekend Statewide • www.dnr.wi.gov	27	Arkansaw Creek Park Lighting Ceremony  Arkansaw  Arkansaw Fur Fish & Camp Club Fasabask page		
19-20	<b>Arkansaw Creek Park Days</b> • Arkansaw Arkansaw Fur Fish & Game Club Facebook page	28	Arkansaw Fur Fish & Game Club Facebook page  Durand Dazzle Day and Parade • Durand  www.durandimprovementgroup.org		
24	Music in the Park · Memorial Park, Durand				
July	www.durandimprovementgroup.org	December  5 God Jul: A Stockholm Swedish Christmas Stockholm • www.stockholmwisconsin.com			
4	4th of July Parade · Stockholm	12			
18	Stockholm Art Fair 10am-5pm	IĽ	A Handmade Holiday Stockholm • www.stockholmwisconsin.com		
	Stockholm Village Park, Stockholm www.stockholmartfair.org		Fire of Stockholm— A Winter Solstice Celebration		
22	Music in the Park · Memorial Park, Durand		Stockholm • www.stockholmwisconsin.com		

These are events known about prior to printing the Visitor Guide.

www.durandimprovementgroup.org

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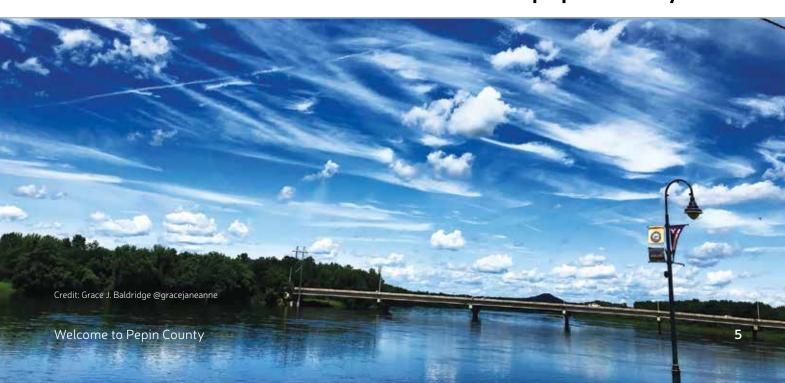
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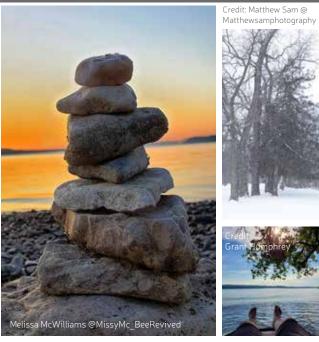






























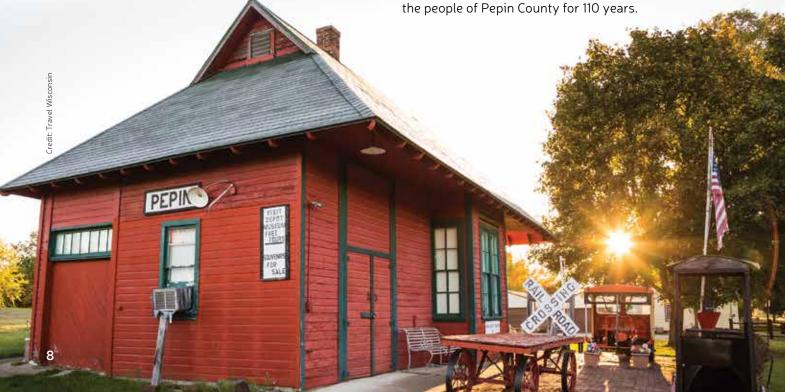
# **Embracing our Historical Roots**

or being the smallest county in the State of Wisconsin, Pepin County has a very rich past filled with historical people, places, and events. Pepin County was created by a special act of the Wisconsin Legislature on February 25, 1858, a mere ten years after Wisconsin became a state. Before that, Pepin County was part of Dunn County, and part of Chippewa County before that. The land comprising Pepin County was attained by the federal government by a treaty with the Dakota Indians in 1837.

Pepin County was originally occupied by American Indian tribes belonging to the Woodlands Cultural Group, including the Oneota, Dakota, and Ojibwa. These individuals left behind village ruins and effigy mounds with broken pottery, arrowheads, animal bones, beads, and seeds which provide us with clues to their ways of life. The Native Americans also passed down an oral history, which includes the "Legend of the Maiden Rock". Visitors can visit Maiden Rock, now a state wildlife area; the site is said to be the site where an Indian maiden jumped to her death after being forbidden to marry a brave from an enemy tribe.

There were many European explorers to the area, most notably Pierre Pepin and Jean Pepin du Cardonnets who explored and traded throughout the area before becoming the namesake to Lake Pepin, a village, and the county. Father Louis Hennepin was captured by a band of the Assati Sioux (Dakota) from Lake Pepin. Once released, he returned to explore the Chippewa River. Nicholas Perrot built a stockade and trading post on the shores of Lake Pepin. French trappers and traders dominated commerce along the Mississippi River for the next 100 years, despite British attempts to move into the area, and attracted numerous settlers to the area, especially those interested in logging. French Canadians arrived in such numbers, they became the founders of many villages in the area. In Pepin County, they built their homes in and around the Arkansaw-Porcupine region.

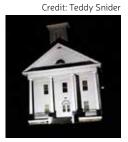
Upon the creation of Pepin as a county, the Village of Pepin was the first county seat, and the Wisconsin Legislature appointed Henry D. Barron to be the county's first judge. The first term of court was held in the spring of 1858. After several moves, the county seat was finally settled in Durand. The stately courthouse, which today is the only remaining wood framed courthouse in Wisconsin, served the people of Pepin County for 110 years



### Old Courthouse Museum

315 W. Madison Street, Durand

The last remaining wood-framed courthouse in Wisconsin was converted to a museum in 1985. The structure is listed on both the State and National Registers of Historic Places. The building features the 2nd floor courtroom,



six rooms of local history and the old jail next door. The courthouse grounds were the site of a hanging in 1881, as locals took matters into their own hands after two law enforcement officials were killed by outlaw Ed Maxwell. Please call for information about hours and admission charges (715) 672-5423.

### Pepin Depot Museum

Pepin Village Park-Hwy 35

Restored original Pepin railroad depot, full of railroad and steamboat memorabilia. Volunteer staff on hand to help bring the past alive. Souvenirs available. Located on the National Scenic Highway 35 in Laura Ingalls Wilder Park. Hours of operation: May — October: Daily 10 am — 4 pm

### Stockholm Museum

Spring Street, Stockholm

Visitors from around the world have enjoyed the Stockholm Museum's displays and artifacts. Swedish tourists are particularly entranced that such a small a community should devote as much care and attention to its history. The museum is open to the public from 12 pm – 5 pm every weekend from April 1st – the first weekend in December. It is also open most weekdays in the village high season April 15 – October 31st. The museum offers t-shirts, historical postcards and other souvenirs for sale.

### Little House Wayside & Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum

N3238 Cty Rd CC and Hwy 35, Pepin

Come see a replica of Laura Ingalls Wilder's log home as described in her books at Little House Wayside. Then visit the Pepin Historical Museum to see items relating



to Pepin's history as well as items from the pioneer era of Laura Ingalls Wilder. Contact 715-513-6383 for more information.

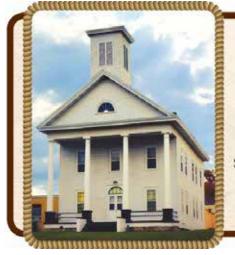


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The landscape of Pepin County has been inspiring the cultural arts for centuries. Pepin County continues to attract and nurture talented artists of all varieties who can be found scattered throughout our rural landscape. On the west end of the county, the Village of Stockholm is considered one of the most vibrant and cultural scenes in Wisconsin. Along the north shore of Lake Pepin, the Village of Pepin businesses offer original hand-made work by local craftspeople and the village hall displays the art work of locals. The City of Durand has an abundance of murals throughout the downtown district and has a recently discovered century old circus lithograph in the Corral Bar. We welcome you to explore Pepin County to see if you can find your new favorite artwork or inspiration to create your own.

### **Art Related Events and Venues**

### Fresh Art Tour

The Fresh Art Tour is a semiannual event held the first full weekend of both June and October; this self guided tour will take you through Pepin, Buffalo, and Pierce Counties. Take in the beautiful artwork of over two dozen local artists who participate in these events and consider purchasing artwork to take home with you.

### Music in the Park Summer Series

Sponsored by the Durand Improvement Group and local businesses, the Music in the Park Summer Series is held the fourth Wednesday of the month throughout the summer at the Memorial Park in Durand. Bring your family, friends, and neighbors and enjoy an evening of lovely tunes. Don't forget your dancing shoes!

### **ART GALLERIES & SHOPS:**

Abode Gallery & Design
Antique Future
Bnox Jewelry Studio
Dougieland Studio
Indigo Swan
Matt Anderson
Purple Turtle Artisan Collective
Scrap-A-Latte
Smith Brothers Landing

Stockholm Art Fair

The Stockholm Art fair has been bringing together artists to display their paintings, jewelry, clay, glass, sculpture, fiber, wood, leather, photography, and other types of art in Stockholm for over 40 years. The event is held at the Stockholm Village Park the 3rd Saturday in July.

### Blues on the Chippewa

This free music festival brings musicians and music lovers together from across the country the first weekend in August. The organizers seek to promote positive change through the power of music and showcase the region's wealth of musical artists. Come relax and listen to the blues at the Memorial Park in Durand.

### Laura Days

Experience the cultural arts of the past during this celebration held the second weekend of September every year. The festival provides opportunities to experience the arts by including a traditional crafts demonstration area, participants in traditional clothing, and a fiddling contest for youth. The event is held at the Village Park in Pepin.

### Flyway Film Festival

The Flyway Film Festival takes place each October, the event brings a collection of new independent films of varying genres to the Lake Pepin area, with film showing venues in Pepin and Stockholm.

### WideSpot Performing Arts Center

Hidden above shops in Stockholm, the WideSpot Performing Arts Center welcomes you to partake in the talented musical guests, comedy artists, theater productions, and performance arts. The Goin' Coastal Radio Show productions are a local favorite.

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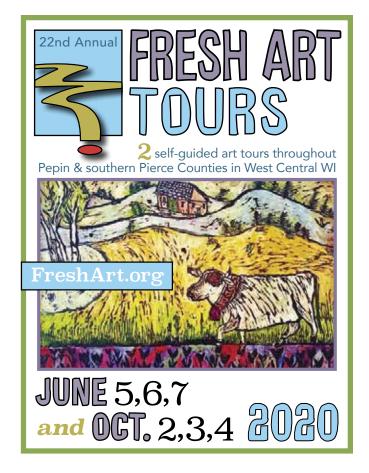
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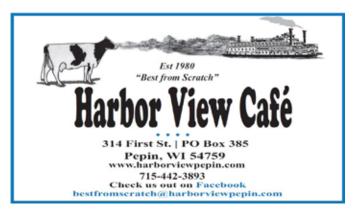


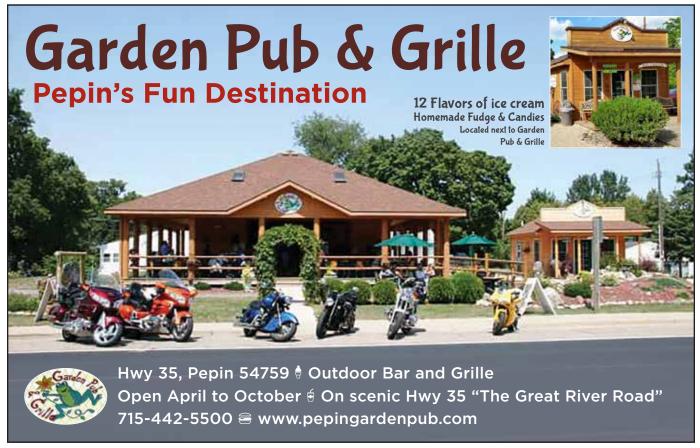
### Dining in Pepin County

Sweet or salty, mild or spicy, Pepin County will satisfy whatever you're craving. From quaint cafés and charming hometown restaurants to a Mediterranean style winery and upscale establishments, we have an ideal atmosphere for almost every occasion. You can even take a trip down memory lane at an old school drive-in.

With our variety of establishments, there's a dish to appease nearly every taste bud. Your sweet tooth will be delighted with the pastries and pies. When in doubt, you can stick with classic burgers and fries. Feeling adventurous? Spice things up with a Bloody Mary...or just put pineapple on your pizza. See the dining directory for available dining options and to learn about some of our favorites! Your taste buds will surely thank you!







### Dining in Pepin County

### **ARKANSAW AREA**

#### For Pete Sake's

N6210 Cty Rd N, Arkansaw 715-285-5003

#### The Rec Hall

N6219 Cty Rd N, Arkansaw 715-285-5459

### **DURAND AREA**

#### Alex's Pizza

119 W. Main St., Durand 715-672-4303

### The BakeShop & More

216 W Main St., Durand 715-672-8775 bakeshopandmore.com

### Bodhi's Saloon

209 W Main St., Durand 715-672-5991

### Corral Bar & Riverside Grill

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### **Durand Bakery**

112 W Main St., Durand 715-672-8780

### Hide-A-While Bar

W1505 Albany D, Mondovi 715-875-4541

### The Lone Pine

W2660 Hwy 10. Mondovi 715-672-5574

#### Panther Drive-In

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#### Perkz Café

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### Rolling Greens Golf Course

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### RoosterTail Bar & Grill

106 W Main St., Durand 715-672-3640

### Ron & Angie's Northside Bar & Grill

N5425 Cty Rd H, Mondovi 715-926-4711

### The Spot Bar

306 W Main St., Durand 715-672-8001

### The Cell Block Lounge

200 W Main St., Durand 715-672-8580

### Kingfisher

214 W Main St., Durand

#### McDonald's

604 Hwy 10 E, Durand 715-672-4332 www.mcdonalds.com

### **Dairy Queen**

1101 E Prospect St., Durand 715-672-8013 www.dairyqueen.com

### Subway

300 W. Prospect St., Durand 715-672-3131 www.subway.com

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Club 10 Entertainment	(715) 672-5681	W4570 US Hwy 10	Durand	54736			
Corral Bar & Riverside Grill (715) 672-8874 318 W. Main Street Durand 54  Open daily at 5 am. See our ad on pages 22-23 • www.corralbarandriversidegrill.com							
<b>Durand Brewing Company</b>	(715) 283-4040	N6649 WI-25	Durand	54736			
Durand Rod & Gun Club See our ad on page 36	(715) 283-4436	N7312 Street Hwy 25	Durand	54736			
Eau Galle Saloon & Grill	(715) 283-4221	N383 County Road D	Eau Galle	54737			
For Pete Sake's Bar & Grill (715) 285-5003 N6210 County Road N Arkansaw 54721  Open every day at 6 am. Great breakfast and burgers.							
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Nelson Hotel Bar & Grill	(715) 673-4424	S114 Main Street	Nelson	54756			
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Third Base Bar	(715) 442-2561	409 3rd Street	Pepin	54759			
Twin Bluff Bar	(715) 673-4700	S274 Hwy 35	Nelson	54756			
Werner's Top Hat Bar	(715) 673-4782	N204 Main Street	Nelson	54756			





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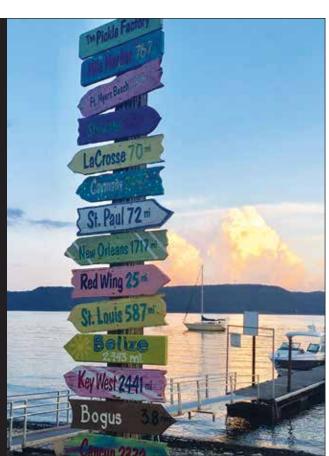
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## **Durand**

**66** On the banks of the Chippewa." The City of Durand is the county seat of Pepin County, Wisconsin. We invite you to enjoy a relaxing evening of music and entertainment at any one of the Music in Memorial Park events or take advantage of our world-class music festival "Blues on the Chippewa" held in August. Attend our annual summer festival "Durand Funfest" at the beginning of June and our "Durand Dazzle Holiday Parade" the Saturday following Thanksgiving.

The City of Durand has many other events and festivities

✓ Enjoy a challenging round of golf

◀ Boat, tube, canoe or kayak down the Chippewa River

◀ Take advantage of the numerous fishing and hunting. opportunities available

◀ Camp at Tarrant Park on the Chippewa River State Trail

◆ Take a train ride into the Tiffany Bottoms on a birding expedition

✓ Durand Farmer's Markets are open mid-May through the end of September

that are sure to please throughout the year. As the "Gateway to the Lower Chippewa River," Durand also provides numerous The City of Durand is a full-service City providing utilities, recreational opportunities for the fire protection, police protection, and EMS services. outdoor enthusiast. You can: Durand is also a thriving community with casual dining, floral/gift shop, hardware store, full-service supermarket, hospital and other medical facilities, Family Dollar store, bakeries, modern lodging, art gallery, and many other amenities. Whether it's for a day trip, an overnight trip, or a new home, Durand is a warm, welcoming community with endless offerings. THE COURSER - DED







The City of Durand has come a long way since the early pioneer days when logging and steamboats reigned throughout the lower Chippewa River Valley. We recommend visiting the Old Pepin County Courthouse Museum to learn about the robust history of the area and its residents.

In 2018, the Durand-Arkansaw School District finished renovating their athletic field complex with generous donations from Bauer Built Inc. and other donors from the community. The land was originally donated to the City of Durand by John and Lillian Wayne



and was later transferred to the school to provide recreational facilities within Durand. If you get the chance to be a spectator at a sporting event, such as a football game or track invitational, we hope you will enjoy the state-of-the-art facility.

The Durand Improvement Group is a local organization that strives to inspire the community as it attempts to attract new businesses through collaboration with community businesses and individuals. The group is active in planning community events for both residents and tourists.

The Chippewa River remains a focal point of the community, providing numerous recreational activities. Durand is a thriving community with a strong industrial base, excellent schools, and the only hospital in the county. Visitors can find all they need within the City of Durand; stop in and visit!





#### DINING

Alex's Pizza

BakeShop & More

Bohdi's Saloon LLC

Cell Block Lounge

Corral Bar & Riverside Grill

Dairy Queen

**Durand Bakery** 

Kingfisher

McDonalds

Panther Drive-In

Perkz Café

Roostertail Bar & Grill

Spot Bar

Subway

### **EVENTS**

Community Wide Garage Sale Durand Funfest

Music in the Park

Blues on the Chippewa

Dazzle Day Holiday Parade

### **OUTINGS**

Chippewa River State Trail
Club 10 Entertainment Center
Old Pepin County Courthouse Museum
Rolling Greens Golf Course
Tarrant Park

### **SHOPPING**

The Cottage

**Durand Fresh Market** 

Durand Smokehouse

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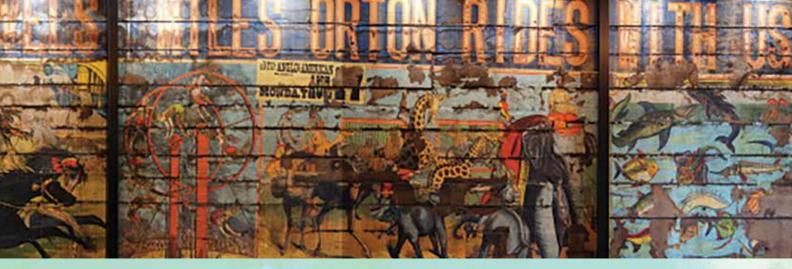


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When the owners of the Corral Bar and Riverside Grill were expanding their dining area in 2015, they discovered an original lithograph poster advertising the Great Anglo-American Circus coming to Durand on August 17, 1885. Upon this discovery, efforts were taken to research and preserve the lithograph so that this piece of history can be enjoyed for years to come!

The 9 foot high by 55 foot long lithograph is believed to be the only remaining circus advertisement billboard for the Great Anglo American Circus, featured in the Smithsonian and the Atlas Obscura. Across the top of the lithograph, one will notice the major attraction of the event, featuring Miles Orton and little Allie and Bernard forming a human tower and balancing on top of a bareback horse running at full speed. As one would expect, this was a sight to be seen and attracted large crowds. We hope you will stop in Durand for a bite to eat, a drink, and to admire this unique piece of local, state, and regional history.

The room where the mural was discovered has been named the Orton Room in honor of Miles Orton, the owner of the Great Anglo-American Circus. The space featuring the lithograph can accommodate 80 to 100 people and is available for special events such as anniversaries, birthdays, class reunions, retirements or other parties. Events can be scheduled by calling (715) 672-8874, ask for Lori, Sharon, or Ron. For your convenience, the Orton Room is set up with a 5 foot by 10 foot screen and projector as well as Chrome Cast and Apple TV.

We recommend calling ahead if you would like to stop in and marvel at the lithograph as the room will not be available when occupied or being prepared for private parties. If interested in hearing the history concerning the circus poster, call Ron at (715) 495-9835 to schedule a time.

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## Pepin

The Village of Pepin is perfectly situated on the shores of Lake Pepin with beautiful bluffs forming a scenic vista in all directions. Today's visitor will find a wide variety of dining options, an award-winning winery, one of the coolest film festivals in the world, and tributes to the local history.

Based on the location, it is no surprise that early pioneers were optimistic that their little village would transform into a flourishing community. The settlers were quick to build hotels and stores to support steamboat traffic along the river in the 1850's. The railroad was constructed in 1886. This provided greater access to urban markets and expanded the areas fishing industry which was an important source of income in the winter when the rivers froze up. By the turn of the century, the early settlers had diversified the local economy as the community supported a few sawmills, a creamery, the famous Pepin Pickle Company, a pearl button works, and a blacksmith who made plows for local farmers.

Over time, the Village of Pepin has preserved history and the small-town character of the community. The original Pepin Train Depot was relocated to the Village Park in the 1980s, it now serves as a museum of the community's history. A museum and festival are held in honor of the designation of Pepin as being the birthplace of the beloved children's author, Laura Ingalls Wilder. T + C Latané will be sure to bring you back in time with their custom metalwork; Tom continues the tradition of blacksmithing while his wife makes tin cookie cutters in a variety of shapes.

Many of the historic buildings remain in Pepin and can be found along streets running parallel to Lake Pepin, including First, Second, and Third Streets. Third Street is better known as being Highway 35 or the "Wisconsin Great River Road". Scattered throughout these streets, one will encounter a mix of specialty shops with casual lakeside clothing, gifts and memorabilia to remind you of your trip to Pepin.









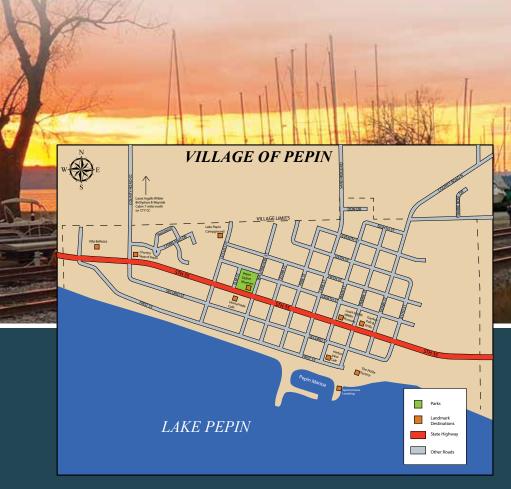
Pepin is a perfect place to stop for a bite to eat, foods for every palate and price point can be found throughout the village. Start your day with a coffee enjoying views of the Pepin Marina, grab a burger at one of the local pubs for lunch, and end your evening at one of the restaurants featuring handcrafted meals made with local ingredients. Most of the casual and fine dining options in Pepin offer both indoor and outdoor seating, so take in the sun with a lake or garden view when the weather is cooperating.

Whether you are visiting for the night, weekend, or an extended stay Pepin can accommodate your getaway! Choose from one of the community's locally owned hotels, lovely vacation rentals, or the full-service campground. Pepin is known for their hospitality and has been working to expand the accommodations available to visitors.



For those who come for the water, the Village of Pepin features a public boat landing with a nearby fish cleaning station, a public beach, sailing excursions, and a marina with 150 slips and transient docking. The shores of Lake Pepin await your visit!

Snap a photo in one of the many big chairs located around the Village of Pepin and share it with us by tagging #VisitPepinCounty





#### DINING

404 Coffee Shop Garden Pub & Grille Harbor View Café

Homemade Café

il Forno Ristorante at Villa Bellezza

The Bear's Den

The Pickle Factory

The Shoreline Pub

Third Base Bar

### **OUTINGS**

Captain Rob's Cruises
Eagle's Cliff Fishing Guide Service
Lake Pepin
Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum
Pepin Beach

Pepin Beach
Pepin Marina

Pepin Sportsman's Landing Pepin Train Depot Museum

Sail Pepin

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Villa Bellezza Winery

### **SHOPPING**

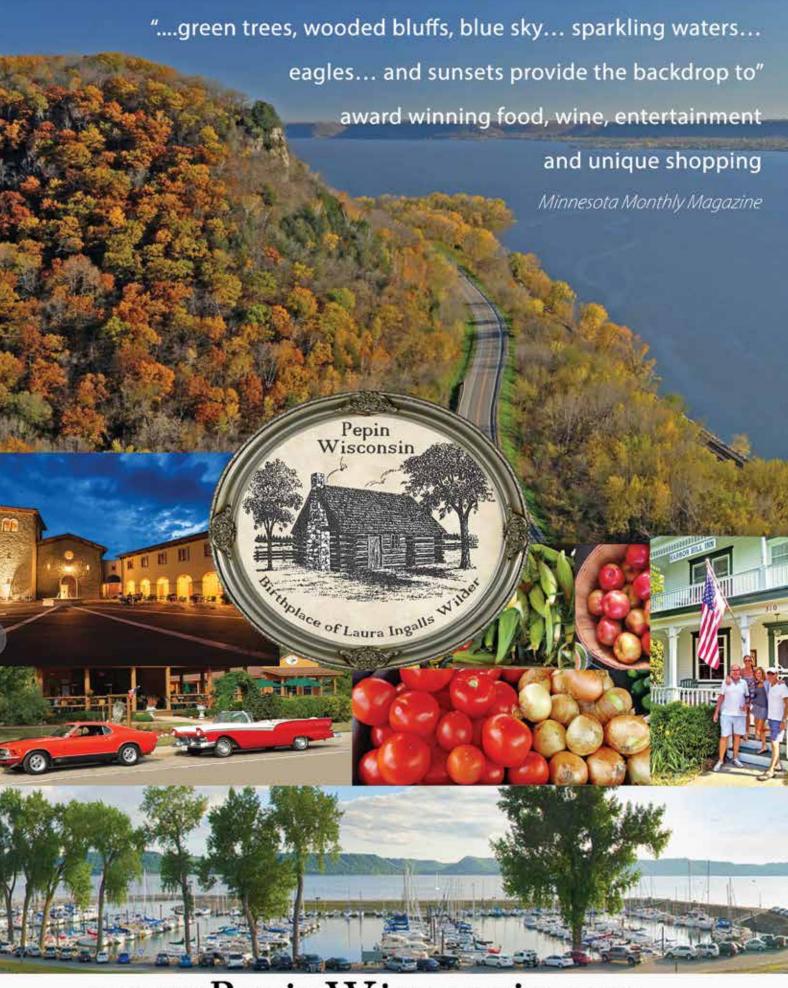
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Dougieland Art Studio
Harbor Hill General Store
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### **EVENTS**

Laura Ingalls Wilder Days



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### Artfully Authentic: A magical place to shop, eat, sleep and explore

There's a little bit of magic in the small village of Stockholm.

It's in the shimmering waters of Lake Pepin, where eagles cavort, and in the sound of wind whistling in the trees on the towering limestone bluffs. It's in the friendly faces on the sidewalks and in the cafés. It's in the welcome of the shopkeepers, who ask, "How's your day going?" and truly want to know.

The 66 year-round residents of historic Stockholm embrace the arts, culture, music, great food and fashion as well as history, conservation and the environment. Residents already know about the magic - visitors can find it everywhere they look.

Stockholm is only 90 minutes by car from the big cities, but the village embodies a slower, calmer pace of life. While it may be a bit rural, it's anything but old-fashioned. Stockholm is rich in history. Officially born in 1856, Stockholm became a stopover for Scandinavian immigrants and reached a population peak of 280. You can learn about Stockholm's history at the museum in the old Stockholm post office, open May through early December.

The village is consistently ranked as a world-class shopping destination. Artists and shopkeepers embrace the "shop small, shop local" lifestyle. The money spent goes back into this small community. With the unique variety of independently owned shops, you can easily spend a day exploring and discovering all kinds of treasures such as art work and handicrafts made by local artisans, stunning imports celebrating the Swedish heritage of this small town, high-end kitchen and entertaining supplies, and classy clothing.

Need to get your blood flowing? Grab a free blue bike and pedal, either solo or in tandem, and dare to tackle the hills! You could also bring a kayak or canoe to explore the area by water with a convenient boat launch right in the village park. If you are looking for a hike, head north of town up to Maiden Rock Bluff at the end of Long Road for quintessential bluff views. Be warned of the rustic trail and watch for wildlife! If the beauty of the wilderness surrounding Stockholm inspires you, there's conservation efforts to learn about through the extraordinary local non-profits, which can be supported at Stockholm's annual Big Give event.

In the mood for a break? You will find world famous pie, artisan breads, great cocktails, and food galore in the







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charming eating establishments. We highly recommend taking your meals to-go for an impromptu picnic down by the water at the village park on the shores of the mighty Mississippi River.

Ready to be entertained? Music and theater lovers flock to the performing arts center (in a former 100-year-old opera house located in the village) for an intimate, community centric entertainment experience. If that's not enough, pick from a diverse offering of events. With things like wine trail tours, art studio tours, parades and bicycle rides, there's always something fascinating to see, do, hear and experience.

All of this makes Stockholm an extraordinary vacation spot, with lodging options fitting every budget and group size. You can find accommodations for the folks looking for a camping getaway to the traditional B&B and cozy inn to the large group retreats.

As the colors start to fade and a chill starts to set in, plan a visit with your girlfriends to participate in the annual Women's Weekend event on the first weekend of November. There are guest artists, wine tastings and even classes you can take to learn a new skill. Starting the first Saturday in December the village is transformed for three weekends celebrating God Jül: A Swedish Christmas. Kicking off with horse drawn carriage rides, a Tomté, a Christmas gnome, that hands out treats and even a goat that roams the village visitors are transported to a festive atmosphere of holiday cheer. The second Saturday is Handmade Holiday with DIY stations, guest artists and demonstrations to inspire your holiday gifting. The third and final Saturday celebration is the Fire of Stockholm. As dusk descends, the magic happens with a solstice celebration including luminaries, fire dancers and bonfires.

No matter the season or occasion, take the time to stroll and relax. Above all, relax.





#### DINING

Bogus Creek Café & Bakery Gelly's Too Stockholm Pie & General Store Stockholm Village Bistro & Bakery

#### **EVENTS**

St. Patrick's Day Parade
The Big Give Street Dance
4th of July Parade
Stockholm Stroll
2nd Friday May - October
Stockholm Art Fair
Women's Weekend
God Jül: A Swedish Christmas

#### **OUTINGS**

Maiden Rock Winery & Cidery Stockholm Museum Stockholm Village Park Widespot Performing Arts Center YMCA Camp Pepin

### **SHOPPING**Abode Gallery

Chandler Books
Här-nes
Hugga Bugga
Humble Moon Folkstead
Indigo Swan
Ingebretsen's
Matt Anderson Studio Gallery
Northern Oak Amish Furniture
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Savvy
Stockholm Gardens
The Palate
The Purple Turtle Artisan Collective



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### Arkansaw

nce a booming an industrious town that laid claim to the county seat from 1881 to 1886; Arkansaw is now considered an unincorporated census designated place. Arkansaw has been resilient despite numerous fires and floods to keep their community on the map in Pepin County. Visitors today will find a small community with two watering holes where they can wash their worries away or grab a bite to eat.

The Arkansaw Fur Fish & Game Club actively works to provide community events and activities. They host an annual raffle in February to support their conservation and community activities which include a tree giveaway, maintenance of the Arkansaw Creek Park and Dead Lake boat launch areas, lighting of the park for the holiday season, managing the Arkansaw Community Center and organizing Arkansaw Creek Park Days.

Arkansaw Creek Park is one of Pepin County's beautiful county parks. Featuring vintage playground equipment, a volleyball court, horseshoe stakes, and a picnic shelter with a deck overlooking the scenic Arkansaw Creek, this park is fun for people of all ages! There is even a time capsule buried at the park! The annual Arkansaw Creek Park Days is a family friendly event complete with live music, food, parades, recreational activities, and their notorious duck races down Arkansaw Creek. More information about the organization and their activities can be found at www.arkansawffg.org.

The Arkansaw Community Center is typically used for community meetings and classes. The building can be rented out for family get-togethers, reunions, or other celebrations. Reservations can be made by calling 715-285-5795.



**BUSINESSES** & THINGS TO DO IN ARKANSAW: Arkansaw Cycle Park Holden Park Campground Pete's Sake Bar The Rec Hall Scrap-a-latte Sam's Produce







### **Town and Country**

The rural areas of Pepin County are split into eight municipal units of government referred to as towns. Although there aren't many businesses in some of these towns, the landscape of Pepin County is always worth the drive, especially to view fall colors! The descriptions below are designed to help visitors plan their trip, starting on the east side and working their way to the west side of Pepin County.

**ALBANY,** on the far east side of Pepin County, shares a border with three different counties (Dunn, Eau Claire, and Buffalo). The countryside of Albany has beautiful rolling hills which originally attracted farming families to the area. Visitors will find a mix of residential and agricultural uses, two bars hidden in the countryside, and some friendly Amish residents.

**LIMA** was originally settled by Irish and English settlers who were convinced to relocate from southern Wisconsin. In the 1870's, they were joined by a wave of Austrian immigrants seeking the land of opportunity. The area continues to be a picturesque farming community that which the first settlers dreamed of establishing. The farming community is especially proud of the Holy Rosary Church, a beautiful limestone building that was constructed in the latter years of the Great Depression. The parish is known for its Friday night Fish Fries and holds an annual Fall Festival.

**DURAND** is the last town east of the Chippewa River. Contiguous with the City of Durand, the communities were split into separate units of government in 1887. Durand's landscape is primarily agricultural although there are a few commercial enterprises along highways. Area subdivisions provide a great place to raise a family. The nearby river and bike trail provide an abundance of recreational opportunities throughout the year.

**WAUBEEK** is located immediately west of the Chippewa River. Most of the town is located on top of a bluff overlooking the river valley. On the north end of the town, one can find Waubeek Mound which is the highest point in the northern portion of Pepin County. The town is home to a robust industrial park along the intersection of Highways 10 and 25 as well as wooded residential subdivisions. Visitors will surely want to stop at the Eau Galle Cheese Factory to pick up some gifts and cheese to bring home.

**WATERVILLE,** in the northwestern portion of Pepin County, has a landscape of forested steep, rolling hills that level out into flat areas perfect for farming. The northern portion of the town is traversed by smaller waterways including the Eau Galle River and Arkansaw Creek as they flow into the Chippewa River, which forms the eastern boundary. Waterville is home to all of Pepin County's county parks, including the shooting range and the campground at Holden Park on the shores of Silver Birch Lake. This town is also a scenic beauty in the fall, and it is worth noting that most of the roadways are paved!

**FRANKFORT** is in the central portion of Pepin County, to the west of the Chippewa River. County highways provide scenic routes for travelers in search of fall colors, although be careful if you are tempted to venture onto a town road as some of them are gravel. Frankfort is home to the historical hamlets of Dead Lake Prairie, Ella, and Porcupine, which were important to early traders and settlers. Although time has diminished their importance, Dead Lake and Ella both offer boat landings that are popular to those trying to reach their favorite hunting and fishing spots along the Chippewa River.

**PEPIN** is best known for being the birthplace of Laura Ingalls Wilder. A replica cabin is situated on land owned by the Ingalls family near the hamlet of Lund on the northern edge of the town. With rolling hills and bluffs above Lake Pepin, the landscape is a mix of fields and forests providing a very attractive countryside regardless of the season. Much of the land along the Chippewa River delta has been donated to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and is popular for birdwatching, hunting, fishing, and other recreational activities.

**STOCKHOLM** is our western most town which is located on a blufftop above the village of the same name. The town received its name due to many Swedish settlers who came to the area. The rich farmland in the uplands supported many families who constructed schools and churches that still dot the rural area; the over a century old Sabylund Lutheran Church remains a landmark near Lund. Off County Road E, one can find the entrance to the blufftop known as Maiden Rock, it is maintained as a state natural area offering picturesque vistas of Lake Pepin!



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### Wedding and Special Event Venues

Your wedding day is one of the most special days of your life. Make your big day even more enchanting by tying the knot in the venue of your dreams. Pepin County has numerous elegant and alluring churches scattered across the countryside, which may be available for ceremonies. Additionally, these unique wedding and event venues dedicate themselves to making your special occasion a memorable experience.

Weekends booked with weddings are common at the **Villa Bellezza Winery** (Village of Pepin). Step into the Italian countryside and experience the magic. This venue makes it feel as though you are having a destination wedding in Italy right in your own backyard. Visitors rave about the grandiose architecture of the buildings, the impeccable service, and the exquisite scenery.

Looking to hold your wedding in a unique barn that will provide a memorable experience for you and your guests? **The Hidden Meadow and Barn** (rural Pepin) features one of the largest remaining round barns in Wisconsin and gorgeous rustic out buildings. The grounds flow into the sleepy valley behind the farm, with views for as far as the eye can see. The tranquility of this unique country venue offers couples an enchanting wedding dream come true.

**Maiden Rock Winery & Cidery** (rural Stockholm) is eager to host your wedding, reunion, or other special event in their rural country setting! This venue is flexible and will attempt to accommodate groups of all sizes for your event.

Free-spirited individuals may enjoy holding a celebration event at **Liberty Tree Farm** (rural Stockholm). This venue offers a wedding barn, a stage, lovely hiking trails, parking, and even camping areas for you and your guests. This venue is located on top of the picturesque bluffs and adjacent to Maiden Rock State Wildlife Area.

Overlooking the mighty Chippewa River, the **Durand Rod** & **Gun Club** now has an outdoor ceremony area for your special day. The banquet hall features a full service bar and seating for around 225 within the building.

At the foothills of the bluffs, the **Pepin Sportsman's Club** offers a full bar, reception, and dance area in a newly remodeled building. This facility is an ideal location for weddings, anniversaries, reunions, and graduation parties.

**Club 10** is the perfect venue for a family friendly special event. The banquet area can be split in half for smaller celebrations or left open for large weddings. They offer fully catered meals and bar service, as well as an outdoor festival area, volleyball courts, and bowling alley.



### Wisconsin Great River Road

The Wisconsin Great River Road consists of 250 miles along the Mississippi River on Wisconsin State Highway 35. The stunningly rugged landscape serves up beautiful views year-round as well as abundant opportunities for outdoor fun and relaxation. The Pepin County portion of the Wisconsin Great River Road offers unique experiences, whether enjoying the natural landscape and resources or experiencing the local life.

The Mississippi River and Lake Pepin, the largest natural lake on the Mississippi, offer boaters and sailors access to numerous landings and marinas. Fishing is a favorite activity because of the variety of fish species, ranging from catfish to walleye to bass. The WI Great River Road is along the Mississippi Flyway, providing the perfect chance for birders to witness hundreds of bird species in their migrations between their northern breeding grounds and southern wintering grounds. Pepin County has several overlooks along the Mississippi, promising great views for birders and sightseers alike. For a more close-up experience, huge sandbars in and along the Mississippi River provide places for camping, beach volleyball, and picnics.

Along the Wisconsin Great River Road in Pepin County, you will find the Villages of Pepin and Stockholm. Each offer unique experiences for shopping and dining and a small-town feel. The communities are also known for their hospitality; hotels and cozy rentals are available for overnight stays. As you travel between the communities and beyond, you will encounter historical markers and scenic lookouts to enjoy the spectacular views of Lake Pepin.

Pepin County is also home to two of eleven wineries on the Great River Road Wine Trail. Maiden Rock Winery and Cidery, just outside of Stockholm, and Villa Bellezza in Pepin offer beautiful views, a variety of wine, and provide the perfect opportunity to relax. Visit www.greatriverroadwinetrail.org for a list of wine events throughout the year.





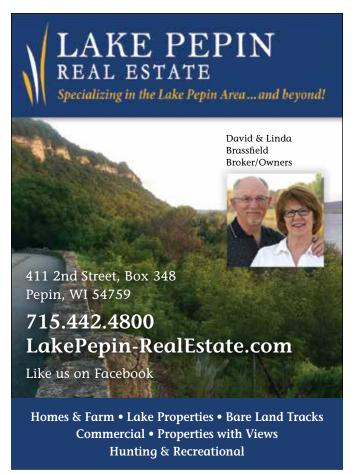
### **Fall Colors in Pepin County**

Pepin County is best described as having a beautiful and scenic rural landscape, perfect for enjoying the fall colors by foot, vehicle, or watercraft. The Great River Road was voted the "prettiest drive" in the United States; the Pepin County segment offers stunning views of tree-clad limestone bluffs as well as Lake Pepin with soaring eagles. There really isn't a wrong road to travel. Aside from the Great River Road, scenic road trips are also found on county highways or unpaved, windy township roads (if you aren't afraid of kicking up some dust). Our county website features an interactive map to aid you in planning your fall color cruise https://pepinco.maps.arcgis.com/home/index.html

When it's warm enough, get on the water! Whether you're sailing on Lake Pepin or in the seat of a kayak in the backwaters, you'll have a unique view of the colors you might not see from the road. For a birds-eye view, you could have an afternoon picnic on top of Maiden Rock Bluff at Maiden Rock Bluff State Natural Area.

Even when it cools down, there are many things to do while on your tour of the fall colors. You can meander through town festivals, indulge at local restaurants, unwind with a journey along the Great River Road Holiday Harvest Wine & Food Trail, and even peruse one of a kind arts at the Fall Fresh Art Tour. No matter the weather, fall in Pepin County is sure to impress. Peak week is estimated as the third week of October, don't miss out!







### **Durand Rod and Gun Club**

The Durand Rod and Gun Club is located on the bluff north of Durand overlooking the beautiful Chippewa River. The clubhouse features a full service bar, bar room, kitchen facilities, and dining area with setting for approximately 225 people. In addition, there is a ceremony area located at the edge of the bluff overlooking the River and spacious grounds for event tents and parking. The Rod and Gun Club also has trapshooting facilities and hosts trap shooting leagues and open shooting events.

The clubhouse is available to rent year-round. Every other Thursday during the summer, the Rod and Gun Club hosts John Harmon Chicken Dinners and trapshooting events.

Contact Greater Insurance Services at 715.672.5921 or email to durandagc@gmail.com for dinner reservations or rentals.

Please visit our website at: www.durandrodandgunclub.com for more information.









# Natural Areas in Pepin County

### Tiffany Wildlife Area

The Tiffany Wildlife Area is a small portion of the most extensive river delta in the Midwest and contains to representative portion of the Larger Chippewa River floodplain forest. Tiffany Wildlife Area has a very large abundance of wildlife habitat on more than 13,500 acres. It is the state's largest continuous floodplain

hardwood forest. Hunting and fishing is allowed in Tiffany during hunting seasons. It is a remote area that produces white tail deer, ruffed grouse, turkey, squirrel and waterfowl. Fur bearing animals such as beaver, otter, muskrat and raccoon are also common, however beaver and otter are protected from trapping within the 8,000 acres closed area. Popular game





fish include pan fish, walleye, small mouth bass, channel catfish and northern pike. Tiffany Wildlife area is an enjoyable place to birdwatch due to the high diversity of species present.

Motorized vehicles are not allowed. The trails are not marked but the area is open to hiking, cross country skiing and nature study. Primitive camping is allowed by permit only with Tiffany's interior. No developed camping sites are available. Camping permits are available at the DNR office in Alma or call at 608-685-6222.

Visitors can access parking areas on the property along 16th Creek Road, Hwy 35, Bluff Lane, Round Hill Rd, Tulip Lane, and Swede Rambler Lane. Additional land that is part of the Lower Chippewa River State Natural Area can be found surrounding Wilcox Lake, the Thompson slough south of County Road P, and Chippewa River frontage spanning from Silver Birch Lake to Dead Lake.

### The Chippewa Valley Motor Car Association

leases the old railroad corridor between the City of Durand and Hwy 35. They collaborate with various non-profits to provide motor car train rides into the Tiffany Wildlife



Area for birding, nature study, and general enjoyment. These unique rides into the Tiffany Wildlife Area are offered in exclusively in May and September. Check their website to schedule a ride or check for updates at www.ellawisc.com; most rides are organized by private group's so reservations are required.

### Lower Chippewa River State Natural Area

The Lower Chippewa River State Natural Area features the largest concentration (4.000+ acres in Pepin County) of remaining prairies and savannas in the state. You will find this habitat on floodplain islands in the river channel and upland forests in the surrounding hillsides. Diversity abounds in the Lower Chippewa River Valley with the largest concentration of rare species in the state; 50% of Wisconsin's plant species; 70% of the state's fish species; 75% of Wisconsin's nesting bird species; 25% of all the native prairies remaining in the state. This wildlife area provides habitat for wildlife and provides people with a place to hunt, trap, and fish. Additionally, visitors can partake in traditional outdoor uses of walking, skiing, snow shoeing, nature study, berry picking, bird watching, etc. Camping is allowed on sandbars along the Chippewa River and in the wildlife area by DNR permit.

### Maiden Rock Bluff State Natural Area

This site was established as a State Natural Area and opened to the public in 2004. This State Natural Area protects one of the area's premier limestone cliff faces on a bluff high above the Mississippi River over-looking Lake Pepin. The view of the river valley is said to be the best in the four-state area. The bluff serves as optimal habitat for golden eagles, bald eagles, peregrine falcons, and turkey vultures. Visitors are welcome to walk along the 1.5-mile trail and see Maiden Rock Bluff's unique natural features. For a leisurely stroll, enter via the mowed trail in the prairie portion which will take you directly to the Maiden Rock Bluff. The area is being restored to an oak savanna through the planting and maintenance of burr oak trees to support the native species in this unique ecosystem. The area is perfect for a picnic, birdwatching, hiking, and cross-country skiing.

Access: Located just a five-minute drive from Stockholm's intersection of State Highway 35 and County J, drive north on J 0.7 miles. Turn left onto County Road E and drive one mile to Long Lane, then west about 0.7 miles down a gravel road to the parking area.





### **Explore the Outdoors**

### Hunting

When it comes to outdoor recreational activities, Pepin County has an abundance of wildlife that is sure to trip your trigger. White tail deer, bear, ruffed grouse, turkey, pheasants, and squirrels can be found hiding in our fields and forests. Waterfowl hunters can find a diverse array of migratory birds along the Chippewa River delta, including ducks and geese. Avid hunters wake up early to get to remote state owned land before sunrise in search of their game of choice.

In need of hunting supplies, look no further than Ryan's Sport Shop on Main Street in Durand or the Countryside Cooperative Hardware Stores. Hunting licenses can be purchased from the Pepin County Clerk at the Pepin County Government Center and select gas stations.

### Lake Pepin

The largest lake on the Mississippi River, Lake Pepin is a must-see for both locals and visitors. Lake Pepin is a naturally occurring lake, formed by the backup of water behind sedimentary deposits of the Chippewa River. The lake is 21 miles long with the widest point reaching 1.7 miles and has an average depth of 21 feet. Popular activities on Lake Pepin include boating, fishing, bird watching, swimming, and waterskiing. It's also perfect for finding serenity, whether floating on the water or sitting on the shore.

### Pepin Marina

Pepin Marina is a full-service marina on the Wisconsin shore of Lake Pepin offering seasonal and daily rental slips for boaters. Mechanical services and restoration are also available.

### Sailing

Don't own a boat? No problem! Pepin has individuals licensed by the U.S. Coast Guard to offer guided sailing excursions.

- · Sail Pepin | 715-442-2250 | www.sailpepin.com
- · WIMN Sail | 612-850-3069 | www.wimnsail.com
- Pepin Sailing Schools & Charters https://www.lakepepinsailing.com/
- Captain Rob Cruises and Wind Song Sailing 612-599-2757

www.harborhillinn.net/captain-rob-cruises

### **Fishing**

Find your new favorite fishing spot in Pepin County! Between the Chippewa and Mississippi Rivers, backwater areas, lakes, and trout streams, we have fish for every type of angler. Local businesses and organizations sponsor fishing contests throughout the year, come see if you can lure a trophy fish out of our waters!

Beyond Eau Claire, the Chippewa River is a free flowing as it travels through Pepin County to the Mississippi River.

The fishery of the Chippewa River represents some of the rarest fish communities in the Upper Midwest. Near Ella, the Chippewa River splits off into several secondary channels to form



the Chippewa Bottoms. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources reports that the small mouth bass populations peak near Durand due to bank stabilization and micro-habitat projects completed by local land owners and conservation minded groups. Catfish, northern pike, sauger, walleye, and panfish are abundant in Pepin County. Muskellunge naturally reproduce in the lower Chippewa River and sturgeon can be found, although they may be elusive.

Lake Pepin is home to over 100 species of fish, including the following favorites: bass, catfish, pike, sauger, walleye and a variety of panfish. Ice fishing on Lake Pepin is very popular in the winter months as soon as the ice is safe to walk on. Fishing on Lake Pepin requires either a Wisconsin

### WELL-KNOWN LAKES & STREAMS:

- Lakes: Lake Pepin, Silver Birch Lake, Fortyacre Lake, The Bay, Dead Lake, Thompson Lake, Wilcox Lake, Chimney Lake, Goose Pond, Browning Lake
- Rivers and streams: Arkansaw Creek, Bear Creek, Bogus Creek, Cranberry Creek, Duscham Creek, Eau Galle River, Elk Creek, Fall Creek, Little Arkansaw Creek, Lost Creek, Nine Mile Slough, Plum Creek, Porcupine Creek

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or Minnesota fishing license. Fishing on the Mississippi River can be intimidating when trying to find good fishing spots or navigate the backwaters and sloughs for the first time. Consider hiring a local guide, such as Cliff Haugland with Eagle's Cliff Guide Service and Lodging (319-350-1838), to take you out on Lake Pepin.

- \*Have a list of most well-known lakes and streams as a sidebar, if it looks good
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### Campgrounds

Experience the closest connection with nature that you can achieve by visiting one of Pepin County's beautiful campgrounds. Within Pepin County there are three public campground facilities and one privately owned and operated campground. All the campgrounds can accommodate tents or recreational vehicles to provide an enjoyable camping experience for everyone. A bad day camping is still better than a good day working! Please see the chart on the next page for available amenities.

### Motorcycling

As soon as the snow melts, motorcyclists start hitting the meandering roads of Pepin County to relax and unwind. If you are a motorcycle enthusiast, plan to partake in the annual Flood Run along the Great River Road each April and September. Many other local charity rides are held throughout the year, the more participants the merrier! The county highways offer beautiful scenic views with less traffic if you are trying to escape.

### Horseback Riding

Pepin County is beautiful, especially on horseback. The Pepin Trailblazers saddle club coordinates many activities for its members and other horse enthusiasts. They host a trail ride in the spring as well as several events throughout the summer where you can watch barrel racing, pole weaving, and cattle penning. For updates, find the Pepin Trailblazers on Facebook.

### **Snowmobiling**

Local Snowmobile Clubs collaborate to connect 120 miles of snowmobile trails across Pepin County. As soon as the snow is deep enough for recreation, club members make sure that the trails are groomed and made available to the public to enjoy. To obtain a map of the snowmobile routes, call 715-672-5709; to find out if trails are open please call the snowmobile hotline: 715-672-7669.

### **Boating**

The Chippewa and Mississippi River offer ample opportunity to get out on the water in a canoe, kayak, or other type of recreational watercraft vessel. Enjoy the scenic views of the surrounding landscape and wildlife. Plan for extra time to explore the backwater sloughs and island for a unique adventure. Don't own a boat? No problem, canoes and kayaks can be rented from local outfitters in Durand or Stockholm.

### **Bird Watching**

With our location along the Mississippi Flyway, Pepin County is perfectly situated for bird watching. More than 325 bird species use this flyway to migrate from their northern breeding grounds to their southern wintering grounds and then back again in the spring. Local favorites include eagles, pelicans, and swans. Prothonotary warblers, a smaller and more elusive species, also frequent the flyway. Keep a keen eye – you're sure to spot some unique feathered friends.

### **Snowshoeing and Cross-Country Skiing**

Get your exercise all while enjoying the quiet winter scenery. Grab your snowshoes or cross-country skis and head over to any of the State Natural Areas in Pepin County (see pages 37-38) to experience the wilderness of Pepin County while most are keeping it cozy indoors.

### Biking

The 30-mile Chippewa River State Trail partly follows an abandoned railroad corridor; much of the trail is urban and suburban with shorter segments passing through Wisconsin's rustic farmland. The trail meanders along its namesake Chippewa River through a region that is rich in logging and railroad history. You can access the trail near Tarrant Park in Durand. Pepin County residents are not required to have a pass when using the Pepin County portion of the trail. Passes are available at the trailhead as well as the Pepin County Clerk's office.



### Explore the Outdoors

**₽** RV

🛕 Tent

Potable Water

**✓** Reservations **Showers** 

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Boat Landing Flush Toilets

① Electric Grills

□ Picnic Tables

**Playground:** Yes

### **CAMPING**

Holden Park • Silver Birch Lake • Arkansaw • 715-672-8665 x5

Directions: Go south of Arkansaw on Cty Rd. N for 2.5 miles. The driveway is the first left after Cty Rd. NN

Camping Season: April 1 - Thanksgiving

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Lake Pepin Campground • Lake Pepin • Pepin • lakepepincampground.com • 715-442-2012

Directions: From Hwy 35 in Pepin, go north on Locust St. Lake Pepin Campground is on the left

Camping Season: April 15 - October 15

\*Boat Landing: About 1 mile from Sportsmans Landing

Stockholm Village Park • Lake Pepin • Stockholm • www.villageofstockholm.com • 651-380-8654

Directions: From Hwy 35 in Stockholm, turn towards Lake Pepin onto Spring St., park/campground is just beyond

the railroad tracks

Camping Season: April 1 - October 31

Tarrant Park Campground • Durand

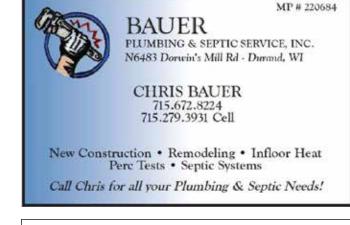
www.durand-wi.com • 715-672-8770

**Directions:** From Hwy 10 in Durand, take State Rd 85 north. Tarrant Park Campground is across from Bauer Built Sports Complex (track, football field, baseball field)

**Camping Season:** Year-round with electricity. Water/restrooms are not available May 15 - October (dependent on weather)

\*Boat Landing: About 1 mile from River St. boat launch

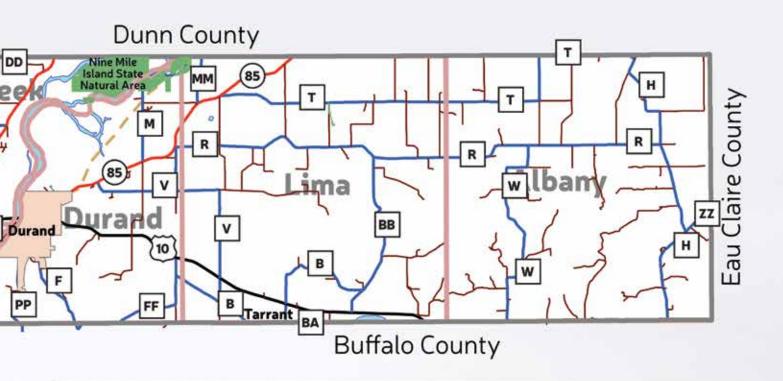
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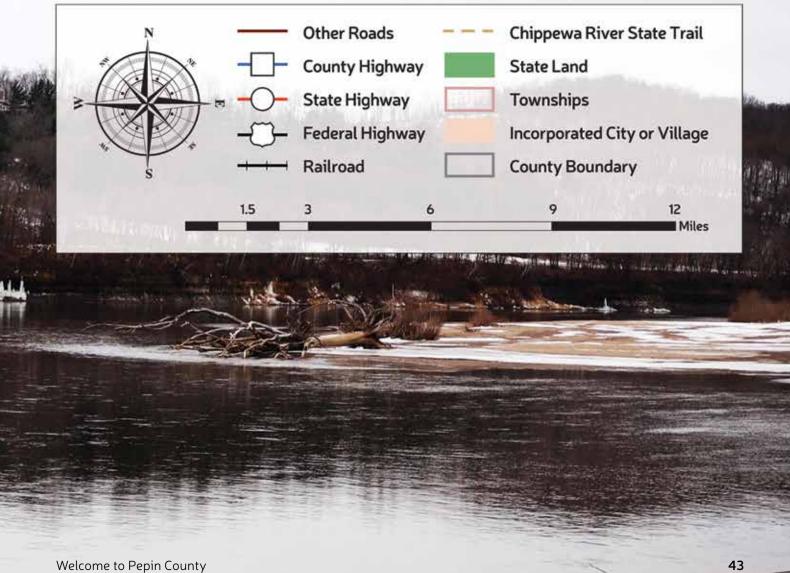




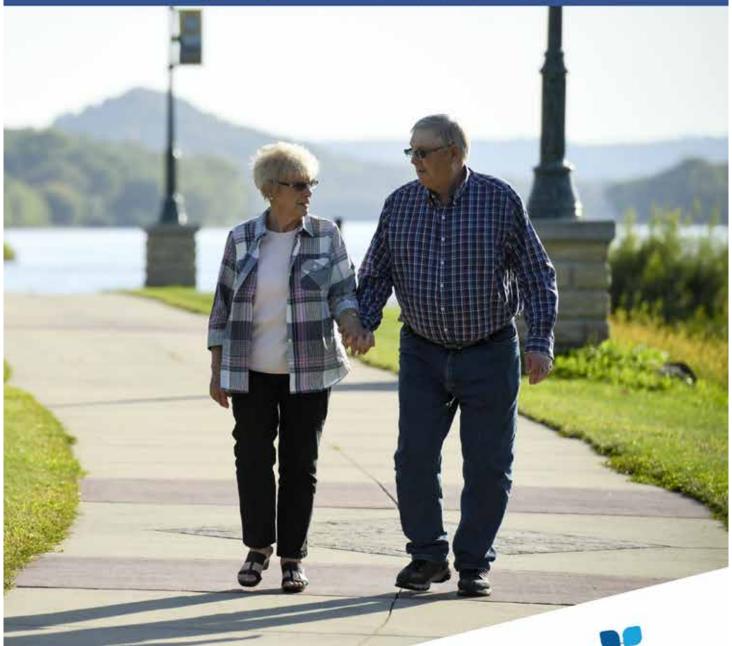








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