

Welcome to the 1000 Islands International Region



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Experience a place too good to be anything but true...

Yes; there really are a thousand islands and that dressing comes from here, but there’s so much more to this stunningly beautiful freshwater paradise that you may not believe it until you experience it for yourself.

The 1000 Islands (pronounced “Thousand Islands”) has been a vacation destination for more than 100 years yet it still has an almost-mystical reputation. First-time visitors are awed to find that a place of real-life castles, public lighthouses and nearly 2,000 islands crammed into a mere 50 miles truly exists.

Visitors to this region settle into the waterfront hotels, weeklong cottages and riverside campsites before venturing onto the St. Lawrence River and eastern Lake Ontario. Tour boats have been meandering

through the islands for decades, giving visitors an up-close look at this Gilded Age vacation retreat. Today, visitors marvel at the stark differences among the islands. Some go on for miles and are home to multiple year-round residents. Others have public beaches, private camps and are home to only eagles, osprey and other wildlife.

Private boaters find the waters of the 1000 Islands particularly accessible. Public docking and launches are strewn about vibrant downtowns and protected bays. Lighthouses, castles, theatres, golf courses, restaurants, campsites and more are all accessible by water.

The 1000 Islands offers a bounty of recreational activities from fishing and diving to hiking, biking and more. You’ll find a friendly, laid-back atmosphere that keeps visitors coming back year after year. Peruse the pages of this guide and learn about some of the many ways to enjoy your visit. Experience the 1000 Islands Region and find yourself inspired and renewed!

Regional Map

Travel Times to the Thousand Islands International Bridge from:

Albany, NY	3.5 hrs	Harrisburg, PA	6 hrs	Philadelphia, PA	6.5 hrs
Boston, MA	6 hrs	Montreal, QC	2.5 hrs	Syracuse, NY	1.5 hrs
Buffalo, NY	4 hrs	New York City, NY	6.5 hrs	Toronto, ON	3 hrs
Cleveland, OH	7.5 hrs	Ottawa, ON	1.5 hrs	Washington, D.C.	8.5 hrs



Follow the 518-mile signed Great Lakes Seaway Trail National Scenic Byway at your pace along the St. Lawrence River, Lake Ontario, Niagara River and Lake Erie in NY and PA to discover breathtaking scenery, coastal culinary adventures, and fresh outdoor fun. Explore the shore and 40 State Parks. Linger in the 1000 Islands at Alexandria Bay, board a boat tour to Boldt Castle and cruise from Clayton aboard an Antique Boat Museum vessel. In Cape Vincent, visit a lighthouse and an aquarium. Drive, dive, camp, fish, bike and birdwatch all along the way. Charter fish out of Henderson Harbor. Enjoy nature trails and geocaching. The byway leads to Niagara Falls, Rochester's Strong National Museum of Play, metropolitan Buffalo and so much more. Experience the Journey: www.seawaytrail.com.