

# CABIN O' PINES

## A FAMILY FRIENDLY RESORT

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# GUEST HANDBOOK

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It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to our slice of paradise here at Cabin O' Pines Resort. Nestled amidst the tranquil woods and shimmering waters of Pelican Lake, our resort offers a perfect blend of relaxation and adventure for your stay.

Whether you're here to unwind with family, celebrate a special occasion, or embark on outdoor adventures, we are delighted to have you as our guest. Our team is dedicated to ensuring your comfort and satisfaction throughout your time with us.

# IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Please call this phone number if you have an emergency after hours:

**218-757-3122**

If there is a serious medical emergency, please call **911**.



If there is a threat of **severe weather**, we have two storm shelters. One will be in the basement of the **Main Lodge**. The other is in the basement of the **Split Rock cabin**. Please head to the closest shelter if advised.



In case of fire, please call **911** and use the **fire extinguisher** located:

**place location here for specific cabin**



If you smell **gas**, most likely the pilot light is out on your stove. Please let the office know asap and we will take care of it.

The closest **hospital** is located about **30 minutes** away in Cook, MN. If an ambulance is called, this is where they will take you:

**Cook Hospital**

10 Southeast Fifth Street  
Cook, MN 55723

Phone: (218) 666-5945



If there are any other issues or concerns, please do not hesitate to visit our office or call/text 218-757-3122 and we will be happy to assist you in anyway we can.

## A Notice to Our Valued Customers

We hope you are enjoying your stay with us. To ensure a pleasant experience for all our guests, we would like to inform you of an important detail regarding the use of sunscreen.

We have recently observed that some sunscreens containing the chemical avobenzone can cause noticeable orange stains on our sheets and bedding. These stains can be quite difficult to remove and may affect the comfort of future guests.

To help us maintain the quality and cleanliness of our accommodations, we kindly request that you consider the following:

1. **Choose Sunscreens Carefully:** If possible, please select sunscreens that do not contain avobenzone. This will help prevent any staining issues and ensure that our bedding remains in pristine condition.
2. **Thoroughly Clean Yourself:** If you choose to use sunscreens containing avobenzone, we ask that you thoroughly clean yourself before using our sheets and beds. This will help minimize the risk of staining and ensure a more enjoyable experience for everyone.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding in this matter. If you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our front desk.

Thank you for helping us keep our accommodations clean and comfortable for all our guests.

Sincerely,  
Cabin O' Pines Resort

# RESORT POLICIES

**QUIET HOURS:** From 11pm to 8am. Be respectful of your neighbors; loud voices or laughter can carry around a late evening campfire or early morning fishing.

**EXTRA GUESTS:** All guests entering Cabin O' Pines Resort must be registered in the office.

**CAMPFIRES:** Permitted in fire rings only. Fires must be attended at all times.

**FISH HOUSE:** Please only clean your fish in the fish house, not in your cabin. No scaling allowed. Once done fileting your fish, use the pressure washer to clean your area. Please completely fill one bucket with waste before starting a new one.

**TRASH/RECYCLING:** It is your responsibility to take your trash to the dumpster located behind the lodge before you leave your campsite/cabin. We also have recycling! Recycling stations for glass, aluminum, metal and cardboard are located on the east side of the office and the south side of the lower shower building.

**PETS:** All pets must remain on leash at all times. Please keep your pets from excessive barking. Please clean up after your dog.

**RESIDENT DOG - LUNA:** We have a resident dog at the resort and is the only dog allowed off leash. Luna, a friendly German Shepherd, is the family dog. She loves playing with the kids while they are swimming in the lake. She loves to play keep away with pine cones and her favorite balls. Please do not feed her, she is on a special diet. If she gives you any problems, please let us know and we will remove her from the situation.

**ZIPLINE:** There is a 100lb weight limit for the zipline. Both the zipline and playgrounds can be enjoyed from 9am-9pm or dark (whichever comes first).

**CABIN MAINTENANCE:** Please help us conserve energy by not leaving lights on, windows and doors open or fans running when not in use. Please do not pour grease down the drains. Do not push on screens as all broken screens can result in a \$50 damage charge.

**CHECKOUT PROCEDURES:** Before leaving, please wipe all surfaces clean, wash all dishes and take all trash to the dumpsters. Please feel free to stop by the office Friday evening to settle your bill and make your reservation for next year. Saturday Checkout is no later than 8am. Inquire in office for Sunday or mid-week checkout times.

# RESORT PRICING

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<b>CABINS</b>	<b>DAILY</b>	<b>WEEKLY</b>
MY NORTHERN HOME	\$359	\$2154
JOURNEY'S END	\$249	\$1494
TWIN PINES	\$315	\$1890
NORWAY PINE	\$249	\$1494
WHITE PINE	\$315	\$1890
PINE CONE	\$359	\$2154
HILLTOP	\$315	\$1890
TRAILS END	\$359	\$2154
SPLITROCK	\$479	\$2874
PALACE IN THE POPPLE	\$595	\$3995
<b>CAMPSITES/YURTS</b>		
FOREST SITE #1-4 & LAKE SITE #1	\$77	\$462
LAKE SITE #2 (GROUP)	\$159	\$954
YURTS	\$215	\$1290
<b>BOATS</b>		
PONTOON	\$295	\$1475
FISHING BOAT	\$225	\$1125
<b>EXTRAS</b>		
EXTRA ADULTS	\$18	\$108
EXTRA KIDS (AGES 6-18)	\$12	\$72
PETS (CABIN)	\$40	\$200
PETS (CAMPING)	\$20	\$100
DOCKING	\$20	\$100
<b>SEASONAL CAMPING \$3895</b>		<b>SEASONAL DOCKING \$895</b>

# CABIN O' PINES RESORT MAP

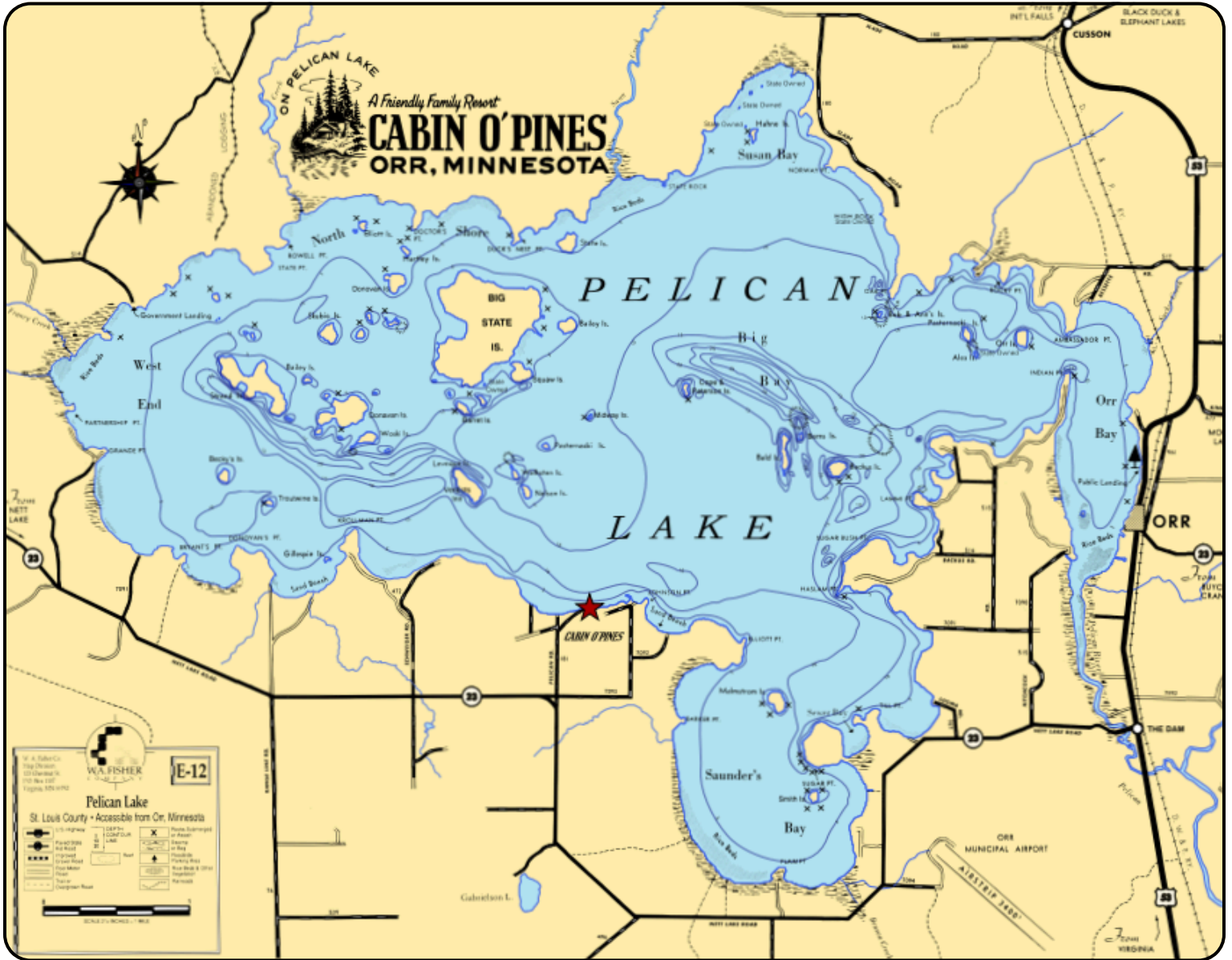
## Pelican Lake

53 Islands | 7 Miles Long | 5 Miles Wide  
12,000 Acres | 40' Deep | Average Depth 13.5'





# PELICAN LAKE MAP



# MEET YOUR HOSTS



## LUNA

Luna may be the first host to greet you! She is the family dog.

Luna is a 5 year old German Shepard who loves to greet all of our guests during their stay. She loves to play with the kiddos on the beach and to play keep away with pine cones that she finds!

## GARY & LORI COYER

Owners since the late 1970's, Gary and Lori have defined what it means to be successful entrepreneurs. Their hard work and dedication has progressed Cabin O' Pines more than any other time since the resorts humble beginnings as a family homestead. The legacy they leave will forever be felt by the many guests who call Cabin O' Pines their *home away from home!*



## ROSS & LARA COYER

As new owners of Cabin O' Pines Resort, Ross and Lara are excited to continue growing the business while preserving the character and traditions that make it so special. Ask them about their Cabin O' Pines wedding on July 14th, 2024, their favorite songs to sing together in the Sawloon, or the best place to find a rubber ducky.



# SEASONAL WORKERS

2024 SEASON

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## SPENCER & RACHELLE WILLIAMS



Spencer and Rachelle have been living in their camper full time since 2020 and began workcamping the summer of 2021. They have been to lots of different states such as Wyoming, Tennessee, Texas and Florida to work seasonally at different campgrounds. But they are originally from southwest Missouri. They enjoy spending their days off hiking, camping and exploring new parks and cities. They travel in their small camper with their dog, Lucy. They have truly loved making Cabin O' Pines their home for the summer!

## ANDY & GAIL GROMMON

Andy and Gail sold their Louisiana home in 2022, purchased a Class A motorhome and commenced to living a nomadic life. After that first year on the road, moving campsites every two weeks they heard about a thing called "workcamping". Instantly falling in love with the idea of living and working in a community for six months at a time. They come as strangers to a new area and leave feeling like a local.

To date Cabin O' Pines has been their favorite location. The management and the guests have made them feel super welcome.



## IAN BENNETT



Ian is one of Cabin O' Pines seasonal campers and is lucky enough to be part of the crew for a second year! After coming on vacation here in 2020, he instantly fell in love with the resort and wondered about the possibility of work camping - the rest is history!

The other half of the year when Ian isn't at the resort, he spends his time coaching soccer and managing soccer facilities in southern Indiana. Cabin O' Pines truly is a home away from home for him!

**1904:** Thomas and Ida Plii, (parents of Helia and Matt) traveled a two-day journey from Virginia to Tower, first, by train and then across Lake Vermillion by boat. They continued to travel up the Vermillion River, to the Pelican River and into Pelican Lake in search of a homestead on the south shore of Pelican Lake. Their homestead was built at the present resort location. A Sauna (always the first structure built on a new home stead) was erected; a cabin and several outbuildings were added in subsequent years. Indians would often camp where Twin Pines (Cabin #3) now stands on their journeys between Lake Vermillion and Nett Lake.

**1907:** The Virginia and Rainy Lake Lumber Co. pushed the railroad to Orr bringing thousands of men, and many immigrants to work in the surrounding forests. The VRL Lumber Co. was the largest on earth producing on average a million board feet of lumber a day, seven days a week. Production on such a vast scale required an enormous supply of virgin white and red pine harvesting a total of four billion board feet over a twenty-year period. With the influx of rowdy lumberjacks, Orr was a very rough and tumble town. Public drunkenness, gambling, fights, murder and prostitution were all part of the lawlessness of the area.



**1910:** A trading post was soon constructed, selling to and trading with the local loggers and Indians in the area. Today, My Northern Home (Cabin #1) sits on the site where the trading post was. Trading and carpentry were the primary sources of income for Thomas. He constructed many boats in a workshop where Twin Pines (Cabin #3) is now. Thomas was also noted to have built several schools around the Orr area.

**1928:** Our current Sauna was built, (the third one to occupy this site) as the first two were destroyed by fire. This one, however, has fared rather well and still warms chilled bones to this day. Matt (son of Thomas and Ida) fit right in growing up in the lawless area around Orr. He busied himself making moonshine, gambling, getting into gunfights and consequently spending lots of time in Virginia jails. Meanwhile, Helia worked in the logging camps, ran a trap line, and helped Thomas tend the farm and played hostess to the guests coming from the Iron Range to fish Pelican Lake.



**1930-1936:** Mike Terska was one of those young guests coming to the homestead on Pelican Lake to picnic and fish. Taking a liking to Helia, Mike soon asked for her hand in marriage. After the wedding Helia moved away from the homestead to Mike's family farm at Lindon Grove about twenty miles south. Mike and Helia had 2 children, Delores and LeRoy. Sadly, the workshop Twin Pines (Cabin #3) was destroyed by fire. The fire also destroyed a large boat launch that was still under construction, a new marine engine and all of Thomas's tools. Thomas, now ailing, offered the homestead on Pelican Lake to Mike and Helia. They quickly began making improvements to the farm. Because there was an increasing demand for a place to stay while working, hunting, fishing or trading in the area, they turned the Trading Post into a duplex cabin now called My Northern Home. Those accommodations were well received by guests who had previously bunked down in the milk house, the barn and anywhere else they could find a spot.

**1937:** The couple began renting out the old Trading Post, now a duplex along with two wooden boats Thomas had built and christened, "Little Eva" and "Tar Baby". The milk house was soon converted to a cabin as well.

**1938-1941:** The duplex was moved and four log cabins were built to house the growing demand for lodging in the area. Wooden boats were soon purchased and leased out to guests. The cabin that once stood over the root cellar was moved to its new location, becoming Hilltop (Cabin #9).



**1942-1946:** Norway Pine (Cabin #4) and White Pine (Cabin #5) were purchased and moved across the ice from Orr Bay. The icehouse and docks were added soon after. A 32-volt electrical system was installed bringing the luxury of electricity to the homestead. The neighbors pooled their resources and helped install a new party line phone system for the area. The milk house was moved and the floor plan was expanded becoming Cabin #7 (Honeymoon). The duplex floorplan was also expanded becoming Pine Cone (Cabin #8). And in 1946 a 115 volt system was installed replacing the 32 volt system. Things were rapidly changing for the little homestead that was claimed by Thomas and Ida. A community was being born.



# HISTORY

**1948-1950:** A boat house was built to store the boats during the winter, during the summer it was used for square dancing. During these years another cabin was built just west of the boat house along Pelican Lake becoming Trails End (Cabin #10). And in 1949 the Rural Electric Coop Association came through with power for all, no more relying on generators!



**LATE 1950'S:** The wooden boats were very high maintenance so new Lone Star aluminum boats replaced them, in addition, new rental motors, 3, 5 and 7.5 hp.

**MID 1960'S:** Mike passed away leaving Helia to run the resort by herself. Their son, LeRoy and his family purchased Cabin O' Pines and moved back from California to continue the family tradition of running the resort. In 1966, LeRoy replaced the old homestead cabin/home/store with a new split level home/lodge, and it remains the home/lodge/store you visit today.



**LATE 1960'S/EARLY 1970'S:** LeRoy began the process of remodeling some of the cabins also adding new docks and campsites. About this time a girl by the name of Lori Berger and her family began coming to the resort annually.

**1976-1979:** Helia and her son LeRoy sold the burgeoning resort to her grandson, Gary Coyer. In August of 1976. Gary purchased Cabin O' Pines and immediately got to work making repairs, updating bits of the property and building a new 8' x 48' floating main dock. Gary's parents, Gene and Delores Coyer were instrumental in helping Gary make lasting changes to the resort.



**1980'S:** In the tradition of Mike and Helia, Gary met Lori Berger when she and her family visited as guests of Cabin O' Pines and as fate would have it they fell in love and got married. The Coyer's soon had two children, Brittany and Ross, making Cabin O' Pines a true family resort. About this time the old Lone Star boats were beginning to show their age and were soon replaced by a new fleet of Lunds. The fish house was moved away from the beach and several old farm buildings were torn down, the grounds cleaned up and everything received a fresh coat of paint. Gary added two new (8' x 50') sections of floating dock. The campground continued to grow rapidly with the addition of more camping sites, some with electricity.



**1990'S:** Helia passed away at the wonderful age of 92, her home, equipped with all the latest conveniences when built, was then remodeled to become our largest rental to date and was named "Split Rock". Remodeling and updating the cabins continues to this day. Deluxe fishing boats were added to the fleet of boats already available at Cabin O' Pines. A recreational area in the form of a half-court basketball area was built. The boat house was torn down and replaced with a campsite right on the beach, Trails End (Cabin #10).



**2000'S:** The first loop of the seasonal campground was built along with the first expansion of the main dock to include a large deck, multiple slips and two flag poles. Several cabins were remodeled and two new garages and the playground were built. Plans to sell the resort unravel due to the recession giving Ross more time to make the decision to take over. A new skidsteer was purchased to replace the old Allis Chalmers Tractor.

**2010'S:** Post US recession, business was slower for a couple seasons. However, it did not take long for the hospitality industry in Minnesota to bounce back. It was around this time when Ross, just out of college, began having a larger role in the management of the business. With his renewed interest in ownership, a very productive decade began to unfold with the rebuilding of key infrastructure, cabin and facilities remodeling, marketing and technological projects.



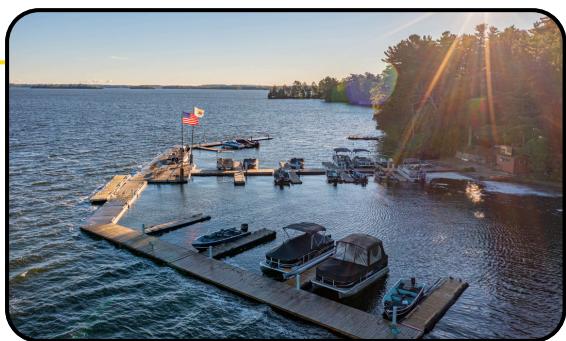
**2020-2024:** A new campground loop was built in 2020, with a yurt village expansion in 2023. Split Rock's basement was renovated as well as Pine Cone (Cabin #8) and Journey's End (Cabin #2), the second oldest cabin, was completely restored. The newest cabin, The Palace in the Popple, was added as well as a 9 hole frisbee golf course and main dock and beach expansions. On July 14th, 2024 Ross and Lara were married on the main dock.

**During your stay at Cabin O' Pines, we encourage you to spend some time enjoying the many amenities we have available to make your trip memorable.**



## Experience Pelican Lake!

- 🐟 Cabin O' Pines has over 500' of fishing dock equipped with power pedestals! Best time to fish is in the evening. Many of our guests have fished and caught some beauty's right from the dock.
- 🐟 We have rental fishing boats and pontoons! Check in the office or online to see if we have any available during your stay.
- 🐟 If you are parking a boat on the main dock, the slips with no ropes are open to park! When leaving, please leave a rope on the slip to save your spot.
- 🐟 Please leave the first two slips open for our rental boats or for fueling.
- 🐟 When you have caught your fill of fish, head on over to our fish cleaning house to prepare them for your fish fry.



## Spend the day on the beach!

- 🐟 Paddleboards, kayaks, the canoe and pedalboats are all free to use for guests!
- 🐟 Please make sure to rerack the equipment when you are finished using them.
- 🐟 When using any of this equipment, all ages must be wearing a lifejacket. There are some for use hanging on the racks.
- 🐟 There are lots of items on the beach to enjoy, kids and adults alike! Play some tetherball or slide down our stainless waterslide. You can also swim or paddle out to our water trampoline and blob!
- 🐟 Enjoy an evening at a beachside campfire! Please just put the fire out by 11pm when quiet hours begin.



## Wednesday's are Sawloon nights!

Come on down to the Sawloon Lounge in the basement of the Lodge! Every Wednesday night (8-11pm) we have games, live music, popcorn and karaoke. Enjoy an evening with us and BYOB!



## Showerhouses & Laundry Facilities

We have 2 shower houses, one behind the garage and the other on top of hill near the yurts. These are open 24/7 for all of our guests to use during your stay! There is also laundry facilities in both shower houses. You can grab quarters in the camp store for the laundry machines!

## Enjoy an evening in the Sauna!



We have a woodburning sauna that we run at night. There is a sign-up sheet in the office for a private 30 minute slot. It runs from 8pm-11pm. If you would like to enjoy the sauna, please sign up before 6pm the day you plan on going and it is first come, first serve.

## Visit the camp store!

- We have bait, ice, tackle, snacks, drinks, a few grocery items and Cabin O' Pines merch! We take cash, card or can add it to your tab.
- Firewood is available (\$5 armload/\$15 cartload) at the woodsheds located near the basketball court and by the shower house on top of the hill. Let us know if you grabbed some before checkout. Please do not pull up to the wood sheds with a vehicle.

## Fun for the Kiddos

When the kids say they are tired of fishing or bored, send them out to:

- Hang around on one of our two playgrounds.
- One of the playgrounds has a miniature cabin, complete with its own porch swing.
- Play some lawn games such as horseshoes and cornhole.
- Play a lively game of Basketball, Pickle Ball or Carpet Ball.
- Check in with the office to get a round of Frisbee Golf going.
- If they are feeling adventurous, they can take a turn on our zipline.(100 pound weight limit)
- Head down to the Sawloon Lounge to play some board games or checkout some DVDs for a movie day in the cabin!



# PELICAN LAKE



Pelican Lake is just one of many lakes found in the state that boasts the moniker “The Land of 10,000 Lakes”. At just over 11,000 acres of surface water, you would be hard pressed to find better fishing anywhere in the state. With a plentiful supply of bluegills, large and smallmouth bass, walleyes, crappies, northern pike, and perch, you will have plenty of fish tales to both show and tell. If fishing is not your thing, you are welcome to explore the lake by kayak, canoe or paddleboard too! There are over fifty islands on Pelican Lake. While visiting the lake keep a keen eye on the over fifty miles of shoreline and you will be sure to spot some of our local wildlife.



## LOCAL WILDLIFE



The area around Pelican Lake consists of many different habitats which allow visitors to enjoy many and varied wildlife sightings. While you are visiting you are sure to find the beautiful white pelicans that call the lake their summer home and of course how the lake got her name.

Other animals you may see here during your stay at Cabin O' Pines:

- Eagles
- Black bear
- Deer
- Wolves
- Moose
- Otter
- Beaver
- Fox
- Badger
- Porcupine
- Coyote
- Ducks
- Osprey
- Hawks
- Geese
- Loons



# ENVIRONMENTAL GUIDELINES

Before heading out to fish (off the dock or on a boat), please make sure you are up to date on your **fishing license!** Visit [www.dnr.state.mn.us/licenses/online-sales](http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/licenses/online-sales) or heading into Orr to **Norman's One Stop** to purchase your license!

Please **be aware** you are in the Minnesota North Woods! You may encounter the following:

- Poison Ivy
- Stringing Nettle
- Bees & Hornets
- Ticks & Mosquitos

Be cautious and keep an eye on your kiddos!

## Help stop invasive species!

When boating or fishing in Minnesota, protect your waters by following the state aquatic invasive species laws.

1. **Clean** plants, mussels or any other invasive species off of your boat before leaving the area.
2. **Drain** water-related equipment and leave drain plugs out while transporting
3. **Dispose** unwanted bait, including minnows, leeches, and worms, in the trash.

Practice **water safety** when out on a boat or when on a paddleboard, kayak or canoe! Always take a **lifejacket** with you and watch if there is any incoming weather.

Please follow **Leave No Trace** principles where applicable! **Respect the local wildlife:** do not feed wildlife and watch from a distance. **Throw your trash away** and use our **recycling bins**. If you plan to hike in the local area, practice **Pack it in, Pack it out**. Overall, respect the Minnesota North Woods and all of its beauty!

# LOCAL FISHING GUIDES

## DALE LUGINBILL

**Fullscale Outdoors Fishing Charter** is located in Orr, MN and offers to show you a memorable time in these waters. Capt. Dale is a tournament Bass angler and guide specializing in Bass and panfish. He practices selective harvest to maintain a quality fishery and experience. All skill levels are welcome, from those who've never fished before to anyone wanting to learn new techniques and up their game.

Your fishing adventure starts on a 19' Ranger bass boat that can safely take up to 2 anglers. It uses a 175 HP Mercury engine with a maximum speed of 50 knots. All rods, reels, and terminal tackle are included in the price so you can focus on what really matters, fishing. Please make sure to buy a valid fishing license ahead of time. The crew will clean and fillet your catch for you to take home at the end of the trip. Book your trip now and hit the water with Fullscale Outdoors Fishing Charter.



### Fullscale Outdoors Fishing Charter



★ 4.9/5 (8 reviews)

📍 Orr • 19 ft • 2 persons

**(612) 209-5438**

## BUTCH FURTMAN

**Butch Furtman** is one of the premier outdoorsmen in the Midwest. He is a well-recognized writer, an expert fisherman and hunter, and long-time consultant to the fishing tackle industry. Butch has produced a leading outdoor show, "Sportsman's Notebook," on ABC affiliate, WDIO-TV, for twenty-five years. And for the past 15 years, his syndicated show, "Sportsman's Journal," has been aired on Fox Sports Net. After a long career of fishing hundreds of lakes professionally, Butch chose Pelican Lake in Orr, MN to retire on and call home. Butch enjoys guiding on Pelican Lake and is available for half or full day excursions.



### Hall of Fame Angler and Professional Fishing Guide

**Now YOU can join me for the full-service fishing experience of a lifetime!**

**Now is your chance to come fishing with me and create some valuable memories.**

**Featured species: walleye, bass, northern pike, crappie.**

**(218) 428-1530**

## **Franks Marine**

**FRANKS MARINE  
ORR, MN  
[www.franksmarinesales.com](http://www.franksmarinesales.com)  
(218) 757-3150**

Frank's Marine Sales & Service Inc. is an established business that has been family owned since 1979. Located in Orr, Minnesota on Pelican Lake, with easy access right on Hwy 53. Offering The sale and service of Mercury outboards, the sale of Lund and Crestliner boats powered by only Mercury outboards, and the sale of Shoreland'r Trailers.

**ARONSON BOAT WORKS  
TOWER, MN  
[www.aronsonboatworks.com](http://www.aronsonboatworks.com)  
(218) 753-4190**



The Aronson family has a long history on Lake Vermilion. Since 1914, when it was started by brothers Walter Sr. and Hillard, Aronson Boat Works as been serving tourists and residents on and around Lake Vermilion in Tower, Minnesota. Now the third generation of Aronsons are proud to continue the tradition. Today, while our mailboat still delivers mail to lake residents, recreational boating is our main interest.



**TIMBUKTU MARINE  
COOK, MN  
[www.timbukturnarine.com](http://www.timbukturnarine.com)  
(218) 666-2276**

Timbuktu Marine is located 4 miles north of the town of Cook, MN on Vermilion Drive. We offer the best boat brands along with your choice of outboard motor from Mercury, Yamaha and Suzuki. We sell Premier Pontoons, Ranger boats and pontoons. We are a dealer for Shorestation boat lifts, Shorelandr trailers, Karavan trailers, Interstate Batteries, Humminbird, Lowrance, Garmin, Minnkota and much more.

**HANDBERGS MARINE  
CRANE LAKE, MN  
[www.handbergs.com](http://www.handbergs.com)  
(218) 993-2214**



Here at Handberg's, we are pleased to offer you products and services that go back in our family four generations and date back to 1926. In fact, generation number five is also involved. Since the 1920s we have been serving fishermen, vacationers, visitors, and residents of the Crane Lake area. Handberg's Marina is your full service marina in Crane Lake offering new and used boat & motor sales, service, storage, boat rentals, rv sites, clothing & gifts and ice cream! Stop by for a visit and tour the service department and convenience store!

# PELICAN LAKE

Pelican Lake in Orr MN is very fertile and productive with a variety of structure to fish. With 54 islands and just under 12,000 acres of navigable water, Pelican Lake is large enough to always find new spots, but small enough to feel safe and not lost or overwhelmed. Sand, gravel, rock reefs, and many weed beds are home to northern pike, walleye, crappie, bluegill, largemouth and smallmouth bass.



**LARGEMOUTH  
BASS**

Possession Limit: 6  
combined, only one can  
be over slot limit  
Slot Limit: 14"-20"  
Immediate Release



**SMALLMOUTH**



**ROCK BASS**  
Possession Limit: 30  
No Slot Limit



**BLUEGILL**

**SUNFISH**

Possession Limit: 20  
combined  
No Slot Limit



**PUMPKINSEED**

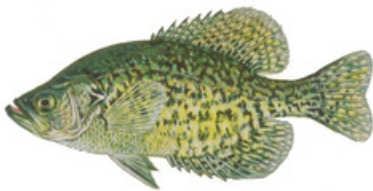


**BULLHEAD**  
Possession Limit: 100  
No Slot Limit



## WALLEYE

Possession Limit: 6, only one can be over 20"  
No Slot Limit



## CRAPPIE

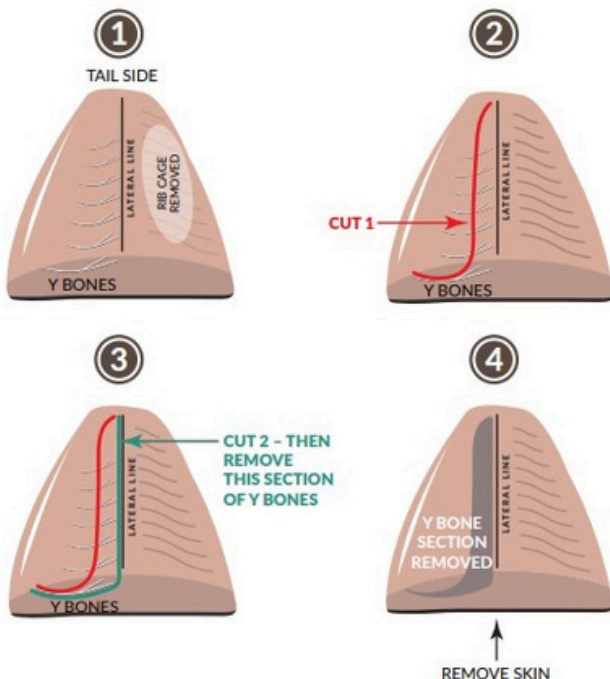
Possession Limit: 10  
No Slot Limit



## PERCH

Possession Limit: 40 (20 daily)  
No Slot Limit

### ILLUSTRATION OF NORTHERN PIKE Y BONE REMOVAL



(REPEAT STEPS FOR OTHER SIDE OF FILLET)



## NORTHERN PIKE

Possession Limit: 10, only two can be over slot limit  
Slot Limit: 22"-26"  
Immediate Release

# PELICAN LAKE

## Crappies



These are the first active pan fish, and will begin spawning mid spring typically just before Memorial weekend. They are easiest to find on the rock piles where they spawn, and best known to feed on crappie minnows. Road runners, beetle spins and rubber minnows are the best artificial baits. Once done spawning, and through-out the summer, the crappies move into the thicker cabbage weeds and can be found through-out Pelican Lakes huge expanse of weed beds. Black crappies are found in large schools and Pelican Lake is well known for being a fantastic habitat for them. They are easiest caught during this time on moving artificial baits like beetle spins and road runners. During the fall, sometimes as early as August 1st, the crappies will school up further into the deeper parts of the lake where they lay suspended through the winter. It is easiest to catch them in early fall by jigging just off the bottom around 25' with a crappie minnow on a Swedish Pimple. Average depth 9', Average size 10. Try the rock pile North of Midway Island in early season with a beetle spin or North of Bald Island in late summer/fall where you can jig.



## Bass

Bass fishing on Pelican Lake can be exhausting. With a slot limit on the larger breeders from 14-20", both the largemouth and smallmouth average around 3.5lbs. They are also commonly found on shallower weedy shorelines where the water warms early in the season. Mornings are excellent for top water around many logs, pencil reeds and lily pads through out the season! Pelican Lake bass can be caught on live bait, leeches and crawlers bobber fishing, or casting with spinners, top water baits, and most recently popular the Senko rubber worms. The bass hit hard, and fight like crazy. It can be hard to predict also whether it will be a large mouth or small mouth as the population of both tend to stay very even. Average depth 6', Average size 16", Try the South side of Big Bailey Island in early to mid summer. Spinner baits, top water lures, and live baits work the best along the shorelines and rock piles. During mid-late summer fish the stumps on the west end with top water or Senko rubber worms.

## Walleye



Fishing for these guys, although a bit more involved, can be extremely productive on Pelican Lake. Located mainly in the deeper parts of the lake, they can be jigged for off the sides of many of the points and reefs, and trolled or drifted for early in the season across several of the flats near the middle of the lake. With no slot limit on Walleyes, Pelican is an amazing lake to take advantage of this pretty well kept secret. Average size 22", Average depth 12' Try trolling the west side of Bald Island all season. Use a 1oz bottom bouncer with a 3' spinning Lindy rig. Adding a float to the Lindy rig will help keep weeds off. 15' is a good depth. Leeches work best. Either drift, or troll around 1mph.



## Bluegill

Found to start spawning in early to mid June, bluegills will bite best on small live bait such as wax worms, leeches, and small pieces of night crawler. Bluegills create huge spawning beds during mid June on the shallower sandy shorelines around the lake. Once you've found a spawning bed, get ready for non-stop action. As fast as you can take them off and get your bait back in, is as fast as you will catch them.

The bluegills do slow down towards mid season, but typically stay easy to catch in the shallower waters. Average depth 6', Average size 8". Try State Rock Point in Susan Bay early/mid summer. Fish the point and the rock pile. Use live bait with a bobber, or a road runner. Late summer/fall fish Johnson Point on the South Shore with the same baits. 6' water in both locations.

## Northern Pike



Northern Pike fishing begins early also. Again, being a predominately weedy lake, Pelican provides fantastic habitat for Pike and typically if your catching nothing else, you will still have your limit of them. They tend to be found just about anywhere in the lake, but are easiest to catch trolling with a big spoon, or casting with a spinner bait around one of the many rock reefs or weed lines. Northern fishing trends typically do not change through-out the season. Average depth 8', Average size 24". You are allowed to keep 2 over 26". Try casting with a spinner bait around any of the rock marker buoys in early season. Mid to late season, try trolling the weed line south of Strand Island with a spoon or Rapala.

# LOCAL ATTRACTIONS



AMERICAN BEAR ASSOCIATION  
**VINCE SHUTE**  
WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

The sanctuary is operated by the American Bear Association. This is one of the best places in North America to observe and photograph black bears with a immersive experience. Come and see the bears on our 360° observational deck!

**Open Tuesday-Sunday**

**5-8pm**

(218) 757-0172

**12541 Nett Lake Rd**

**Orr, MN 55771**

**2024 Pricing**

Adults (18-64) - \$12

Seniors (65+) - \$10

Youth (4-17) - \$5

Children 3 & under - FREE



**Cook's Country Connection**

Come visit lots of animals on the farm including alpacas, goats, pics and more!

**\$8/person**

(Children 2 & under are free)

**June, July & August**

Thursday 10am-6pm

Friday-Sunday 10am-4pm

**May, September & October**

Friday-Sunday 10am-4pm

(218) 780-8611

**1953 Vermilion Dr**

**Cook, MN 55723**



**International Wolf Center**

**Open 9am-5pm Daily**

(218) 365-4695

**1396 Highway 169**

**Ely, Minnesota 55731**

Admission includes all daily programs, film presentations in our theater, the *Discover Wolves!* and *Little Wolf* exhibits and viewing of our live ambassador wolves.

**Admission Fees**

Adults - \$18

Seniors (60+) & Veterans - \$16

Child (4-12) - \$12

Children 3 & under - FREE

Preregister online for \$2 off per ticket!



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(800) 992-7529

**1430 Bois Forte Rd**

**Tower, MN 55790**



**Tues-Wed 9am-6pm**

**Thurs 9am-8pm**

**Fri-Sun 9am-6pm**

Come and explore our museum exhibits and research center. Check out the other fun activities offered such as mini golf and the trolley ride!

**Admission Fees**

Adults - \$12

Seniors (62+) & Veterans - \$10

Child (4-17) - \$7

Children 3 & under - FREE

(218) 254-7959

**1005 Discovery Drive**

**Chisholm, MN 55719**

**Hall Rates:**

Adults (18+) - \$8

Seniors (60+) - \$7

Juniors (13-17) - \$7

Children (6-12) - \$6

Under 6 - Free

**Monday-Saturday: 9am-5pm**

**Sunday: 10am-3pm**

(218) 744-5167

**801 Hat Trick Avenue**

**Eveleth, MN 55734**



(218) 666-0218

**8501 Savage Road**

**Angora, MN 55703**



(800) 688-7669

**6329 Wynne Creek Dr,**

**Biwabik, MN 55708**

**3 Brothers**

**Vermillion**

**River Greens**

(218) 993-2246

**5530 Crane Lake Rd**

**Buyck, MN**

**Vermillion**

**Fairways**

(218) 666-2679

**2407 Vermilion Dr**

**Cook, Minnesota 55723**

## Local Golf Courses



# ORR, MINNESOTA

## HOME OF THE GIANT BLUE GILL

The town of Orr is the closest town to the resort. It's a small community of about 200 people, but it's friendly and has your basic needs if you don't want to drive far! Here are a few things to do and visit if you want to head into Orr:



- As you head into town, you will pass by the Voyager Country Tourist Information Center. Behind there, you'll find The Mickey Elverum Bog Walk which is a neat 1/2 mile boardwalk above the marshes of Pelican lake.
- If you need basic groceries or other items that we don't have in the store, head to Pelican Bay Foods. This is also where the gas station is.
- If you are headed in to town Wednesday, Friday or Saturday, the Community Center Thrift Shop and The Orr Center Merchantile - Unique Gifts are both open from 10am-3pm!
- For kiddos who want to play at another park outside of the resort, there is a small lakeside city park on the north side of town.
- Lastly, there is also a liquor store and Norman's One Stop shop to stop and take a look at it while you are in town!



# SHOPS & GIFTS

## ORR, MN

### **The Orr Center Mercantile Unique Gifts & Thrift Store**

Open Wednesday, Friday & Saturday

10am-3pm

10960 Hwy 23,  
Orr, MN 55771

### **Norman's One Stop**

Open Mon-Sat 6am-6pm &  
Sunday 6am-4pm

4513 Highway 53  
Orr, MN 55771

### **Ryan's Rustic Railings**

3393 Highway 53  
Orr MN, 55771

## COOK, MN

**Cook is about 25 mins from  
the resort. There is also a  
grocery store, Zup's!**

### **Auxiliary Thrift Store**

Open Thursday, Friday and the 2nd  
and 4th Saturdays of the month

9am-3pm

320 SE 3rd Ave  
Cook, MN 55723

### **Northern Comfort Company**

Open Monday- Saturday

10am-5pm

123 2nd St E  
Cook, MN 55723

## TOWER, MN

**Tower is right on the way to  
Ely (50 min drive)! Stop by  
these small town shops:**

### **Rick's Relics Thrift Store**

Monday-Saturday 10am-6pm

Sunday 10am-4pm

405 Main St  
Tower, MN 55790

### **Ubetcha Antiques & Uffda Gifts**

Open everyday 10am-5pm

601 Main St  
Tower, MN 55790

## ELY, MN

**Check out downtown Ely  
(75 min drive) for lots of  
shopping options. Here are  
just a few we recommend:**

### **Ely Surplus & Outdoors**

Monday-Saturday 9am-5pm

129 N Central Ave  
Ely, MN 55731

### **Steger Mukluks**

Monday-Saturday 9am-5pm

Visit by appointment only for  
personalized boot and

moccasin fittings

100 Miners Dr E  
Ely, MN 55731

**Don't feel like cooking? Here are some local restaurants we suggest trying out to enjoy a meal outside of the resort!**

## **The Dam Supper Club**

Orr, MN - 10 minutes  
Lunch & Dinner: Steaks, Burgers, Walleye, Salads, Apps, and Full Bar.

## **T. Pattenn Cafe**

Orr, MN - 10 minutes  
Full Breakfast Menu.  
Lunch & Dinner: Burgers, Sandwiches, Munchies.

## **Pelican Lake Resort at Norway Point**

Orr, MN - 25 minutes by car or take a boat across the lake!  
Pub & Pizza

## **Northland Lodge**

Orr, MN - 5 Minutes  
Family style dinner menu only. Reservations required.

## **The Orr Muni**

Orr, MN - 10 minutes  
Full bar, Appetizers, Pizza

## **Melgeorge's Elephant Lake Lodge & Resort**

Elephant Lake, MN - 30 minutes  
Lunch & Dinner: Appetizers, Burgers, Sandwiches, Tacos and Full Bar

## **Myrtle Lake Resort**

Orr, MN - 20 Minutes  
Lunch & Dinner: Appetizers, Burgers, Sandwiches, Pizza and Full Bar.

## **Nelson's Resort**

Crane Lake, MN - 40 minutes  
Historic lodge with breakfast,  
Lunch & Dinner: Appetizers, Sandwiches, Burgers, Steaks and Fish

## **The Landing on Lake Vermilion**

Cook, MN - 30 Minutes  
Lunch & Dinner: Appetizers, Burgers, Sandwiches, Steaks, Wraps, Pizza and Full Bar

## **Vermilion Club**

Tower, MN - 40 minutes  
Lunch & Dinner: Appetizers, Burgers, Salads and Full Bar.  
Home of the Bamboozler Pizza!

## **Tavern in the Bay**

Tower, MN - 45 minutes  
Patio on Vermillion with Lunch & Dinner: Appetizers, Hoagies, Specialty Burgers, Wraps, Salads and Full Bar.

# NEARBY NATIONAL & STATE PARKS

## VOYAGERS NATIONAL PARK:

Visit the national park that is just a short drive north of Orr. Explore the park's beauty by hiking, paddling or boating!

- Lake Kabetogama Visitors Center.....40 miles
- Ash River Visitors Center.....45 miles
- Rainy Lake Visitors Center.....73 miles



## LAKE VERMILION-SOUDAN UNDERGROUND MINE STATE PARK:

This state park is about 50 miles east of the resort on Lake Vermillion. Take a tour into the mine 2,341 feet underground. Walk the West Tower Mine Trail to a boardwalk overlooking the deepest mine pit. Bike sections of the Mesabi Trail.



## BEAR HEAD STATE PARK:

This state park is about 60 miles east of the resort heading towards Ely, MN. Rent a paddleboard from the park office and hit the water. Check out a fishing rod and wet a line at the fishing pier. Pack a picnic lunch to enjoy at the beach or trail center. Hike the Beach Trail.



## MCCARTHY BEACH STATE PARK:

This state park is about 40 miles south of the resort on Sturgeon Lake. Soak in the view of the lake, stroll the half-mile sandy shoreline, picnic, fish, or just relax. Wet a line at the fishing pier on Side Lake. For an adventure, hike the Pickerel Lake trail stop by the dock and wet a line to try for trout (license and trout stamp required).



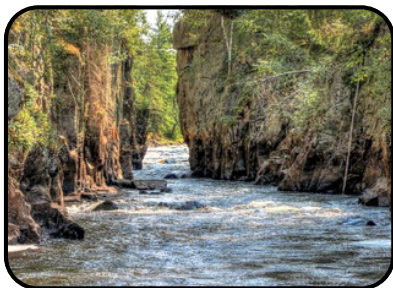
If you are looking for some more outdoor adventure, there is also Superior National Forest, Kabetogama State Forest and the Boundary Waters Canoe Area nearby! There are also lots of state parks on the north shore of Lake Superior as well.

# LOCAL HIKING TRAILS

There are numerous local hikes within an hour's drive of Cabin O' Pines! Here are some recommendations for nearby hikes that offer an exciting daytime adventure if you're eager to explore northern Minnesota beyond the resort!



TRAIL NAME	DIFFICULTY	LENGTH	LOCATION
Vermillion Gorge	Moderate	3.0 miles	Superior National Forest
Astrid Lake	Moderate	6.1 miles	Superior National Forest
Vermillion Falls	Easy	0.25 miles	Superior National Forest
Blind Ash Bay	Moderate	3.0 miles	Voyagers National Park
Kabetogama Lake Overlook	Easy	0.4 miles	Voyagers National Park
Onamani Overlook Trail	Easy	1.8 miles	Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park
Miner's Trail	Easy	2.8 miles	Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park
Norberg Lake Loop	Easy	3.1 miles	Bear Head Lake State Park



# GOLF CART INFO

**Explore with Ease!**

## **Why Rent a Golf Cart?**

- Convenience: Easily navigate around the resort
- Comfort: Enjoy a smooth ride with plush seating and ample space.
- Fun: Perfect for family outings, or a quick trip to the lake.

**Check in the office if there is availability during your stay!**

