Milwaukee’s prime lakefront location provides year-round opportunities for outdoor enjoyment. Scenic running routes and bike trails, a wide range of water sports, world-class golf courses, breathtaking nature sanctuaries and more parkland per person than any other city in the U.S. invite visitors to experience adventure in our great “urban” outdoors.

COME ON IN, THE WATER’S FINE

Boat launches in several convenient harbor locations around the city provide easy access to Lake Michigan.

Jet-skiing | Sailing | Swimming | Windsurfing | Fishing | Freshwater surfing

The Milwaukee County Parks System operates seven swimming beaches.

Pick up a game of beachside volleyball at popular Bradford Beach or enjoy the natural beauty of the sandy shoreline stretch at Doctor’s Park.

BOAT CHARTERS & TOURS

Come Sail Away

- Moonlight cruises to individually-designed charters on the Quinn Marie, a Catalina 34-foot sailing yacht operated by Sea Dog Sailing

Time to Cruise

- Take the nation’s only brewery tour by boat aboard the Brew City Queen with Riverwalk Boat Tours
- Rent your own pontoon or book a Historic Milwaukee, Champagne Brunch or Margarita Fiesta cruise on the Edelweiss with Milwaukee River Cruise Line
- Sightsee from Milwaukee’s largest tour vessel, the 215 passenger Vista King or the 150 passenger Voyageur with Milwaukee Boat Line

With a Paddle

- Rent a paddleboat, hydro-bike or RC sailboat at Juneau Park Paddleboats
  - Try urban kayaking with a rental from Laacke & Joys
- Go on a canoeing excursion with/rent from the Urban Ecology Center

Gone Fishin’

More than 100 species of fish have been recorded in the lake, making it the largest sport fishery of all the Great Lakes.

- Blue Max Charters
- Crabby Charters

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**Urban Outdoors**

**On the Dry Side**
*Did you know?* Milwaukee is the city with the most acres of parkland per person in the nation.

- **15,000** acres of parkland | **16** indoor and outdoor pools | **7** swimming beaches
- **9** community and recreation centers | **8** parks with fitness circuits | **122** tennis courts
- **2** family aquatic centers | **200+** athletic fields for soccer, baseball, softball, rugby, volleyball and more

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**Trails**

Jog, bike, walk or skate along the six-mile **Lakefront Trail**, beginning just north of the Milwaukee Art Museum and running through a three-mile loop in Veterans Park.

Named in honor of the baseball legend, the **Hank Aaron State Trail** connects Miller Park to Lake Michigan and the Oak Leaf Trail.

The **100+ mile Oak Leaf Trail** network includes sights of wooded parks, boulevard mansions and even hidden waterfalls.

The one-mile **Summerfest Island Loop** is the perfect place to check out the home of the “City of Festivals.”

Hike six miles of breathtaking, wood-chipped trails and climb the 60-foot observation tower at the **Schlitz Audubon Nature Center**.

The **4,000 foot Beerline Trail** on the west bank of the Milwaukee River connects the downtown area to the Riverwest neighborhood.

**Alpha Mountain Bike Trail** is a three-mile, single-track mountain biking trail located at Whitnall Park.

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FORE!
Home of 15 county courses, more than 55 public courses and 10 private clubs, Greater Milwaukee has a rich golf tradition that began in the early 1900s.

Ranging from Par 3 courses that are perfect for beginners to championship and tournament courses, the Gold Medal Milwaukee County Park system has something for everyone.

The Brown Deer Park golf course in Milwaukee County has been ranked one of the five best municipal courses in the nation by Golf Digest magazine.

Other area courses

The Bog
Designed by golf legend Arnold Palmer
18-hole, Par 17 Championship layout
297 acres of wetland, woods, rolling hills and wildlife
30 minutes north of downtown

At the Grand Geneva Resort

The Brute
“...a behemoth that ranks among the best layouts in the Midwest.” – Golf Magazine

The Highlands
Scottish-style course
Masterfully interweaves nature and sport

Within an hour’s drive of the city you’ll also find the host courses of the 2015 PGA Championship (Whistling Straits) and 2017 U.S. Open (Erin Hills)!

BABY, IT’S COLD OUTSIDE!
Milwaukee’s outdoor recreation doesn’t stop when the temperature starts to drop. Bundle up and head out for a great time in the snow.

Get a Slice of Ice at Red Arrow Park – free if you bring your own skates!

Cross-country ski or snowshoe at Schlitz Audubon Nature Center.

Head to Whitnall Park’s Winter Sports Area for tobogganing, sledding or snowboarding.

Ice-fishing opportunities await at eight Milwaukee County Park Lagoons as soon as the ice becomes six inches thick!