



Beacons to Barons Tour

Day One

30 minutes – Begin your day with a tour of the **White River Light Station Museum**. This stately, old building made of Michigan limestone and brick, features photographs, paintings, artifacts and stories that will provide a sense of West Michigan’s maritime heritage. www.whiteriverlightstation.org

See the **World’s Largest Weathervane**. Shop and grab lunch in historic White Lake!

1 hour – Tour the **Muskegon Museum of Art**, one of the most highly respected art museums in the Midwest. It offers a full schedule of permanent collection displays, traveling exhibits and a museum gift shop. www.muskegonartmuseum.org

45 minutes – An Omaha Beach D-Day Veteran, the **USS LST 393** served in World War II. The ship participated in three invasions in the Atlantic and Mediterranean and made 75 voyages to foreign shores. www.lst393.org

30 minutes – Tour the **Muskegon County Museum of African American History**. Their primary goal is to provide local historical African American legacy information that will instill pride and motivation for young African Americans.

3 hours – A sunset dinner cruise on Muskegon Lake and Lake Michigan is the perfect way to end your day. **The Port City Princess** offers wonderful cuisine – many themes available! www.portcityprincesscruises.com

Day Two

1 ½ hours – Begin your day at the homes of Muskegon’s most famous lumber baron, Charles H. Hackley and his business partner, Thomas Hume at the **Hackley & Hume Historic Site**. The Hackley Home has been completely restored to its 1890 appearance, and the Hume Home is being restored to its 1915 appearance. Both are great examples of Queen Anne residential style architecture. www.lakeshoremuseum.org/hackley_hume.html

30 minutes – Tour the **Fire Barn Museum**, a replica of the Hackley Hose Company No. 2, which was formed in 1875 after the city experienced several devastating fires. Artifacts include a 1923 LaFrance Class B Pumper Truck, hose carts, hooks and ladders, and much more. www.lakeshoremuseum.org/firebarn.html

30 minutes – Head next door to the **Scolnik House of the Depression Era**. This historic attraction tells the story of common families living during the Great Depression. The house, built in the late 1880’s, features period furnishings, appliances, flooring and wallpaper. www.lakeshoremuseum.org/scolnik.html

1 hour – Tour the **Lakeshore Museum Center** for the “Michigan: Through the Depths of Time” exhibit. This exhibit takes visitors on Michigan’s 400 million year journey starting with under the sea, then moving through the ice age, and ending at today’s Great Lakes state. www.lakeshoremuseum.org

Hackley Park is the perfect spot for lunch. The statues of Presidents and Civil War heroes are part of a collection that has been called one of the most historically and architecturally significant in the nation. www.muskegon-mi.gov/departments/parks/hackley-park

1 ½ hours – Visit the **USS Silversides Submarine Museum**. Go back in history while touring the most decorated World War II submarine, **the USS Silversides** and the Prohibition era’s USCGC Cutter McLane that earned honor for sinking an enemy vessel during WWII. www.silversidesmuseum.org

30 minutes – End your day at **P.J. Hoffmaster State Park** with a visit to the **Gillette Sand Dune Visitor Center**. The center features state-of-the-art exhibits to tell Michigan’s unique sand dune story. www.gillettenature.org



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