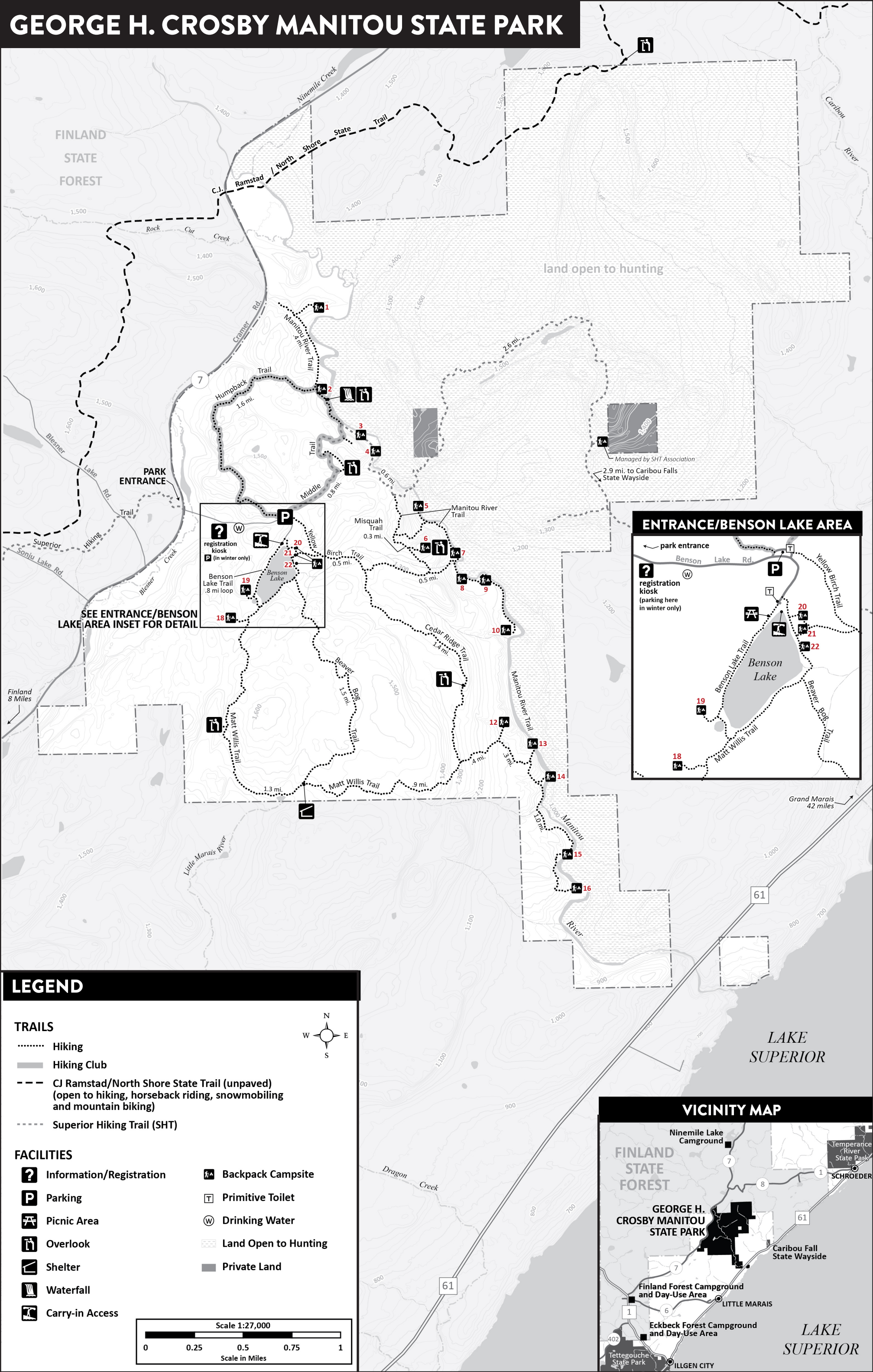


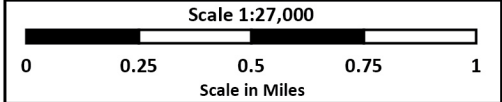
GEORGE H. CROSBY MANITOU STATE PARK



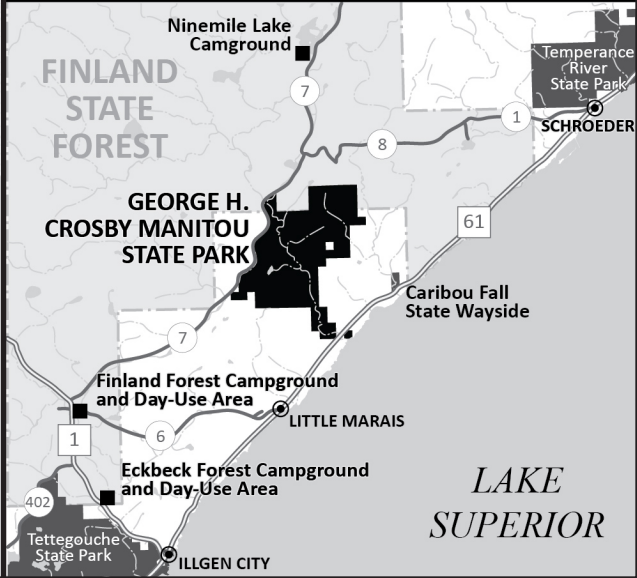
LEGEND

- TRAILS**
- Hiking
 - Hiking Club
 - - - C.J. Ramstad/North Shore State Trail (unpaved)
(open to hiking, horseback riding, snowmobiling and mountain biking)
 - Superior Hiking Trail (SHT)

- FACILITIES**
- | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Information/Registration | Backpack Campsite |
| Parking | Primitive Toilet |
| Picnic Area | Drinking Water |
| Overlook | Land Open to Hunting |
| Shelter | Private Land |
| Waterfall | |
| Carry-in Access | |



VICINITY MAP



MAP AND GUIDE: GEORGE H. CROSBY MANITOU STATE PARK

C/O TETTEGOUCHE STATE PARK
5702 HIGHWAY 61
SILVER BAY, MN 55614
LAKE COUNTY
218-353-8800
CROSBY-MANITOU.STATEPARK@STATE.MN.US



VISITOR TIPS

- The park landscape is rugged and hilly, plan accordingly.
- Be aware that cell phone service is spotty in the park.
- This park is not continuously staffed.
- Campsites are for campers only.
- All garbage is pack-in/pack-out. Please take your garbage home and practice "Leave No Trace."
- In an emergency call 911, find cell phone reception in the town of Finland.



ONLY HAVE AN HOUR?

- Take a stroll around the Benson Lake Boardwalk and finish up with a picnic at the picnic area.
- It's easy to get your canoe or kayak into non-motorized Benson Lake. Paddle for the beauty or try to catch a trout (license and stamp required).
- Enjoy the Cascades of the Manitou River after a gorgeous hike through a rugged landscape.



LOOKING FOR MORE TO EXPLORE DURING YOUR STAY?
VISIT [MNDNR.GOV/CROSBYMANITOU](https://mndnr.gov/crosbymanitou)

ABOUT THE PARK

George H. Crosby Manitou State Park is a unique wilderness state park. The rugged landscape and remote hike-in campsites allow backpackers to get away from the crowds and into the wilds of northern Minnesota. Trails are carved through a forest of fir, cedar, spruce and northern hardwoods that are home to moose, deer, bear and wolves. The park's non-motorized Benson Lake offers paddlers a Boundary Waters-like environment. Anglers can cast a line for trout (brown, rainbow and brook) and splake (a hybrid of brook and lake trout). The landscape became a state park when it was donated by George H. Crosby, a mining magnate, in 1955.



Hike to the Cascades of the Manitou River for a stunning view.

TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS

Benson Lake Trail Mostly flat • Bare dirt • Boardwalk Take a hike around Benson Lake for great scenery along one of the easier park trails. You could also spend an afternoon fishing or launch a non-motorized boat on the lake. Relax at the picnic area afterwards.	1-mile loop
Cascades Waterfall Steep terrain • Bare dirt • Rock • Stairs Experience rocky footing down the Middle Trail. You'll be rewarded with breathtaking views of the cascades and Manitou River. Return the way you came.	1 mile one-way
Humpback Trail (Hiking Club Trail) Steep terrain • Bare dirt • Rock Hike to a wide view of the valley and then down a steep, curvy path to the Manitou River Trail. From there, you will have access to the Cascades. Return the way you came.	1.6 miles one-way
Misquah Trail (Overlook) Steep terrain • Bare dirt • Rock From the parking lot, hike the Yellow Birch Trail to the Misquah Trail. Take that north about 0.2 miles, then go east to the spur trail for a spectacular view of Lake Superior and the Sawtooth Mountains.	1 mile one-way

MORE TO EXPLORE

- Hike to overlooks on the Middle Trail or Matt Willis Trail.
- Find stunning fall colors on the Yellow Birch Trail.
- In winter, bring your snowshoes on the ungroomed Benson Lake Trail or Middle Trail.
- Winter parking is located at the registration kiosk.
- Discover the Superior Hiking Trail with access to Caribou Wayside and Caribou Falls.
- Fish for trout on the Manitou River or Benson Lake (license and stamp required).

HELP PRESERVE THE PARK

- Help keep the park clean by bringing a bag to pack out your trash.
- Please respect the abundant wildlife found at the park.
- Camp only in designated sites and make sure you have a reservation.
- Campers should be prepared for backcountry camping. We recommend using a bear can or hanging food.
- Take only photos and leave only footprints.
- Following state park rules allows everyone to enjoy their experience at George H. Crosby Manitou.

SO EVERYONE CAN ENJOY THE PARK...

A FULL SET OF STATE PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS IS AVAILABLE AT [MNDNR.GOV](https://mndnr.gov).



PARK OPEN
8 a.m.–10 p.m. daily.



VEHICLE PERMITS
Permits required; purchase at entrance kiosk.



PETS WELCOME
Keep on leash; pick up after; attend at all times; not allowed in buildings or beaches.



CAMPGROUND QUIET HOURS
10 p.m.– 8 a.m.; only registered campers may be in campground during quiet hours.



FIREWOOD
Must be purchased at this park or from vendors who sell wood approved for this park; firewood collection allowed in backpack camping areas only.

BE OUR GUEST

Get a true wilderness experience with a stay in one of the park's 21 remote backpacking campsites. Visit mndnr.gov/reservations or call 866-857-2757 to reserve your site.



WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT FISHING REGULATIONS? VISIT [MNDNR.GOV/FISHMN](https://mndnr.gov/fishmn)



MORE INFORMATION

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