

## **Explore Minnesota From a Distance: Safe Social-Distancing Activities**

While we all practice social-distancing, Explore Minnesota wants residents and travelers to continue to daydream, feel optimistic and be connected. Here's a fun list of great activities to safely see and do across the state – and when the world is ready to travel again, we're here to welcome you.

We encourage tourism partners across the state to get inspired with these ideas and customize within their own communities. How are you promoting your local businesses throughout the COVID-19 crisis?

### **Tune-in To Spots Across the State via Virtual Tours**

You can explore many great things to see and do in Minnesota from the comfort of your home. Attractions across the state have created virtual tour experiences via 360 video, Facebook Live or special apps. These tours offer a unique, behind-the-scenes look at attractions. Some examples include:

- [Canal Park](#) or [Glensheen Mansion](#), Duluth
- [Polaris Experience](#), Roseau
- [Artists' Point](#), Grand Marais
- [Pearl of the Lake](#), Lake City
- [Minnesota Zoo](#), Apple Valley

### **Binge Watch Your Favorite Minnesota Movies and TV Shows**

Movies made in Minnesota have become fan favorites like the Mighty Ducks trilogy, Grumpy Old Men, and of course, Purple Rain. Television shows like the Mary Tyler Moore Show, Coach, and Little House on the Prairie also call Minnesota home.

### **Sip on Stately Beverages**

You still can sip on stately Minnesota-made cocktails from your couch made with spirits across the state or enjoy a pint of beer from the many breweries that offer curbside pickup of crows, growlers or pick up a pack from your local store.

### **Take a Hike or Hop on a Bike**

Minnesota is open for hikers, bikers, or walkers. While maintaining proper social distancing guidelines, you can enjoy fresh air and get some steps in. Get outside, get into nature and enjoy the beauty of Minnesota. While many parks, recreation areas and public lands may still be open to the public, visitors should expect some changes in services available, including ancillary building and park equipment closures.

### **Support Local Business Across the State**

Many of your favorite local restaurants, retailers and businesses are open for business and need your support. While closed to standard in-house operations, you can still help these businesses by ordering items to-go via takeout, curbside pickup, or delivery options. You can also indulge in special online shopping incentives.

### **Daydream About a Minnesota Vacation**

Summer is just around the corner and one of the best times to explore the state. Whether you're planning to stay close-to-home or hitting the open road with your family, discover new places to explore when the time is right and it's safe to pursue travel as usual. Visit [exploreminnesota.com](http://exploreminnesota.com), or Explore Minnesota offers a series of free travel brochures assist with you Minnesota travel planning and vacation choices. Order at: [exploreminnesota.com/order-travel-guides](http://exploreminnesota.com/order-travel-guides). Note: due to COVID-19, orders may be delayed.