

Crimson Fall Color Tour



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Discover the Exquisite Crimson Tour


Embark on a captivating journey through the radiant crimson landscapes of northern Michigan with our Crimson Tour. This scenic route promises a dazzling display of red and crimson foliage, taking you on a remarkable adventure filled with natural beauty.

Route Highlights

 **Start:** Begin your journey northbound on I-75, setting your course towards Cedarville.

 **M134 Towards Cedarville:** Head east on M134, embracing the stunning autumn colors.

 **129 Towards Sault Ste. Marie:** Continue north on 129, with views of Saint Martin Bay in Lake Huron and the Les Cheneaux Islands.

 **Return via I-75:** Conclude your loop by heading south on I-75, making your way back to St. Ignace.

The Rich Crimson Colors

The Crimson Tour celebrates nature's transition as vibrant green chlorophyll in leaves diminishes, revealing the spectacular crimson hues. These stunning colors are

brought to life by the same anthocyanins found in cherries, red apples, and plums.

Common northern Michigan trees, including red oak, white oak, red maple, red osier, and red ash, consistently display magnificent crimson shades. Depending on weather and sunlight, some may even exhibit deeper reds and purples.


What You Will See


Throughout your journey, you'll be surrounded by trees adorned in breathtaking crimson colors. On your left, you'll witness striking autumn foliage, while on your right, Saint Martin Bay in Lake Huron unfolds its sublime beauty, marking the beginning of the Les Cheneaux Islands.


As you pass Cedarville, the fall trees harmonize with picturesque family farms, creating a scenic contrast. On your return journey from Sault Ste. Marie, the landscape becomes even more vibrant as the trees grow thicker, engulfing you in the splendor of autumn colors.


Must-Visit Stops


Make the most of your Crimson Tour by exploring these captivating attractions along the way:


 **Castle Rock:** A famous landmark that you'll encounter at the beginning of your route.

 **Kewadin Shore Casino:** Try your luck at this exciting casino just north of St. Ignace.




 **Les Cheneaux Islands:** Explore the enchanting Marquette Island, known for its Edwardian boathouses and cottages.

 **Woods & Waters Tours:** Enjoy kayaking, biking, and even caving adventures in this beautiful region.

 **Soo Locks:** Witness the engineering marvel of the Soo Locks.

 **Point Iroquois Light Station:** Visit this historic lighthouse for panoramic views of Lake Superior.

Plan Your Crimson Adventure

The Crimson Tour promises a journey through a sea of red and crimson hues, offering a unique perspective on Michigan's fall splendor. Whether you're a nature enthusiast, a history buff, or an adventurer, this tour has something for everyone. Begin your journey today and immerse yourself in the beauty of autumn's crimson embrace!   

Need assistance planning your route or have questions? The Chamber is here to help!