

PETS!

Welcome!

VISITORS' GUIDE
TO A PET-FRIENDLY
SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN



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FOUR-LEGGED FRIENDS *Welcome Here!*

We love dogs all year round in Southwest Michigan. Our laid-back vibe welcomes your dog to splash in the waves on our pristine, Lake Michigan coast. Hike miles of trails that follow picturesque rivers and cut through quiet woods. Wander into quaint shops or frolic at festivals in our lake resort towns. Let your furry best friend tag along as you sample handcrafted wines, beers, ciders and spirits on the Southwest Michigan Makers Trail. Together, you will make memories to last a lifetime.

6 TIPS FOR A STAY

Here are a few ways to make your visit safer, healthier and more enjoyable for your animal and other visitors.

1. Make sure your dog is up-to-date on vaccinations. With so many places to visit, your dog will likely encounter other people and their animals. We want all of our four-legged friends to stay healthy.
2. Keep your dog close with a six-foot or shorter leash. The one exception is our designated leash-free dog parks. There, you are expected to be in control of your dog at all times.
3. NEVER leave your dog in a vehicle during warm temperatures.
4. Clean up after your dog. You will find free dog waste bags in marked dispensers throughout downtown St. Joseph, Lake Bluff Park, the John and Dede Howard Family Recreational Trail and in other communities.
5. There are doggy drinking fountains located in our parks and beaches. On hot days especially, carry water and a bowl to keep your dog hydrated.
6. Heed all posted warnings and flags along the shorelines and beaches — high waves, rip currents and undertows are unsafe for dogs and their people.





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We'd love to see your dog exploring Southwest Michigan. Share your photos with us using **#swmichigan!**

PLACES TO STAY

HOTELS

Many of our hotels welcome dogs and sometimes cats. Additional fees may apply — check your hotel's website for details. You cannot leave pets unattended in rooms. Several Southwest Michigan pet daycare providers offer full or half-day options.

BENTON HARBOR

- COUNTRY INN & SUITES | 269-927-4599
- HOWARD JOHNSON | 269-332-0122
- RED ROOF INN | 269-927-2484
- STAYBRIDGE SUITES | 269-371-0000
- TRAVELODGE | 269-605-0033
- SUPER 8 - BENTON HARBOR | 269-926-1371

ST. JOSEPH

- SILVER BEACH HOTEL | 269-983-7341

STEVENSVILLE

- BAYMONT INN & SUITES | 269-428-9111
- CANDLEWOOD SUITES EXTENDED STAY | 269-428-4400
- SPARK | 269-588-1996
- SUPER 8 | 616-666-6961
- TRU BY HILTON | 269-429-4444

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CAMPGROUNDS

BENTON HARBOR/ST. JOSEPH

- COLOMA/ST. JOSEPH KOA | 269-849-3333
- EDEN SPRINGS PARK & CAMPGROUND | 269-927-3302

BERRIEN SPRINGS

- SHAMROCK PARK | 269-473-5691
Non-aggressive dogs are allowed on a 6' leash.

BRIDGMAN/SAWYER

- WARREN DUNES STATE PARK | 269-426-4013
- WEKO BEACH CAMPGROUND | 269-465-3406
Dogs are allowed in the parking lot, campground and dunes boardwalk that gives you access to the dog beach at Warren Dunes State Park; NOT allowed on the beach.

BUCHANAN/NILES


- BEAR CAVE RV CAMPGROUND | 269-695-3050
- SPAULDING LAKE CAMPGROUND | 269-684-1393
Closest RV park to the University of Notre Dame.

COVERT/SOUTH HAVEN

- COVERT/SOUTH HAVEN KOA | 269-764-0818
- THE FIELDS | 269-906-1911
A glamping experience.
- VAN BUREN STATE PARK | 269-637-2788
- YOGI BEAR'S JELLYSTONE PARK CAMP-RESORT
269-637-6153

DECATUR/ LAWTON/MARCELLUS

- CRANBERRY LAKE CAMPGROUND | 269-646-3336
- HEMLOCK LAKE CAMPGROUND | 269-646-2618
- LEISURE VALLEY CAMPGROUND | 269-423-7122
- PIONEER POINT CAMPGROUND | 269-299-5013
- OAK SHORES CAMPGROUND | 269-423-7370
- TIMBER TRAILS RV PARK | 269-423-7311
No dogs on holiday weekends.



Untether from schedules, set your watch to vacation time and sink your feet into the sand to create some memories with your best friend.

PARKS & TRAILS

BENTON HARBOR

- EDEN SPRINGS PARK AT THE HOUSE OF DAVID
269-927-3302
Leashed dogs are allowed on the train rides.
- HARBOR SHORES NATURE & FITNESS TRAIL
- ROCKY GAP PARK | 269-983-7111 EXT. 8435
Dogs are allowed in the parking lot; must be on a leash not over 6'.
- THE WOODS FITNESS PARK | 269-876-2483
Leashed dogs are allowed in the fitness park and pavilion.

ST. JOSEPH

- JOHN AND DEDE HOWARD RECREATIONAL TRAIL
269-983-6341 | *Dogs must be on a 6' leash.*
- KIWANIS DOG PARK, KIWANIS PARK | 269-983-6341
Separate areas for large and small dogs.
- LAKE BLUFF PARK | 269-983-6341
Dogs must be on a leash not over 6'.
- RIVERVIEW PARK | 269-983-6341

STEVENSVILLE

- HICKORY CREEK DOG PARK | 269-429-1802
Off-leash fun; separate areas for small and large dogs.

BARODA

- MT. TABOR TRAIL | 269-422-1617
Sip libations from Round Barn Estate and Tabor Hill Winery while hiking with your leashed pet.

BERRIEN SPRINGS

- LOVE CREEK NATURE CENTER | 269-471-2617
*Hike on over five miles of trails with your leashed pet.
Dogs are not allowed during cross-country skiing season.*

BRIDGMAN/SAWYER

- BRIDGMAN DOG PARK, TOTH PARK | 269-465-5144
Separate large and small dog areas.
- CHIKAMING OPEN LANDS | 269-405-1006
- WARREN WOODS STATE PARK | 269-426-4013
Leashed dogs allowed on the trails.

BUCHANAN

- FIELD OF DREAMS DOG PARK | 269-695-3844
- MCCOY CREEK TRAIL | 269-695-3844

COLOMA

- MOMANY FAMILY/DOG PARK | 269-849-0455
Fenced-in area for unleashed romps.

DECATUR

- FRED RUSS FOREST PARK | 269-445-4456
Leashed dogs allowed on the trails.

HARBERT

- HARBERT COMMUNITY PARK | 269-469-1676
Dog park with separate areas for large and small dogs.

NILES

- ARTHUR DODD MEMORIAL PARK | 269-445-4456
- INDIANA-MICHIGAN RIVER VALLEY TRAIL | 269-339-0797
- MADELINE BERTRAND COUNTY PARK | 269-683-8280
Dogs must be on a leash not over 6'.
- RUFF AND TUMBLE DOG PARK | 269-683-2829
Separate entrances for large and small dogs.

SOUTH HAVEN

- BLACK RIVER PRESERVE | 269-324-1600
- KAL-HAVEN STATE TRAIL | 269-637-2788
Dogs must be on a leash not over 6'.
- SOUTH HAVEN BARK PARK | 269-639-7696
- VAN BUREN STATE PARK | 269-637-2788
14 miles between South Haven and Hartford. Dogs must be on a leash not over 6'.

VANDALIA

- DR. T.K. LAWLESS PARK | 269-445-4420
Leashed dogs allowed on the trails.

WATERLIET

- PAW PAW RIVER COUNTY PARK | 269-983-7111 Ext. 8435
Leashed dogs allowed on the trails.

BEACHES

ST. JOSEPH

- SILVER BEACH COUNTY PARK | 269-982-0533
Leashed dogs are allowed on the sidewalk and the pier only; they are NOT allowed on the beach.
- TISCORNIA PARK | 269-983-6341
Leashed dogs are allowed on the sidewalk and pier only; they are NOT allowed on the beach.

STEVENSVILLE

- GRAND MERE STATE PARK | 269-426-4013
Leashed dogs allowed on the beach and in the water.

BRIDGMAN/SAWYER

- WARREN DUNES STATE PARK | 269-426-4013
Leashed dogs are allowed in the non-swimming area at the north end of the beach.

- WEKO BEACH CAMPGROUND | 269-465-3406
Dogs are allowed in the parking lot, campground and dunes boardwalk that gives you access to the dog beach at Warren Dunes State Park; NOT allowed on the beach.

COLOMA

- HAGAR PARK, COLOMA | 269-849-0455
Leashed dogs allowed on the beach and in the water.
- ROADSIDE PARK | 269-849-0455

SOUTH HAVEN

- PILGRIM HAVEN NATURAL AREA | 269-324-1600
Leashed dogs are allowed on the wooded trail, meadow and beach.
- VAN BUREN STATE PARK | 269-637-2788
Leashed dogs are allowed on the trails and walkways only; they are NOT allowed in the buildings, swimming areas or beach.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

BENTON HARBOR/NEW BUFFALO/SAWYER

- HIDDEN POINTE FUN PARK | 269-926-1358
Leashed dogs are allowed in the park with its 18-hole miniature golf course, arcades, go-carts, batting cages, food and more.
- THIRD COAST PADDLING | 269-468-9399
You may bring your dog for paddles on the Paw Paw River, Galien River or Warren Dunes State Park. Dogs, however, are not permitted at Silver Beach County Park. Please bring a life jacket for your pooch.

ST. JOSEPH

- PIER 1000 MARINA | 269-927-4471
Speedboat and pontoon rentals seven days per week. Call for dog policy.
- ST. JOSEPH LIGHTHOUSE TOURS | 269-983-1191
The Heritage Museum & Cultural Center offers walking tours of the historic North Pier and Inner lighthouses.
- SCOOTER JOE'S WHEEL & WATER RENTALS | 269-932-1005
Small, non-shedding dogs will be considered.





Most establishments allow dogs in their outdoor spaces, such as patios, decks and picnic areas.

PLACES TO EAT & DRINK

Take a breather to fuel up on some delicious food and drinks inspired by the bounty of this agricultural region. Here are some dog-friendly stops.

BENTON HARBOR

- CARRIAGE HOUSE | 312-961-0363
- 12 CORNERS VINEYARDS | 269-927-1512
Dogs are allowed on the covered porch and open side patio.
- THE LIVERY MICROBREWERY | 269-925-8760
Leashed dogs are allowed in the gated beer garden.
- THE MASON JAR CAFE | 269-757-7333
Leashed dogs are allowed at the outside umbrella tables in warm weather; water bowls are provided.
- NORTH PIER BREWING COMPANY | 269-757-7163
Leashed dogs are allowed inside the taproom and outside on the patio.
- VINEYARD 2121 | 269-849-0109
Leashed dogs are allowed in the seating area near the pond.

ST. JOSEPH

- DAIRY KORNER | 269-983-6185
Leashed dogs are allowed in the outdoor seating area; remember to order an ice cream pup cup.
- KILWINS CHOCOLATE-FUDGE-ICE CREAM | 269-982-1330
Leashed dogs are allowed outside in the table and bench area.
- SILVER HARBOR BREWING | 269-281-7100
Leashed dogs are allowed on the outdoor patio; you must be able to lift your pet over the fence.
- THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT | 269-985-1111
The City has created a social district where you can carry and consume alcoholic beverages and foods from participating establishments. Your dog must be outside when you order and pick up your food.

STEVENSVILLE

- PEAT'S CIDER SOCIAL | 269-465-6814
Leashed dogs are welcome on their outdoor patio.
- WATERMARK BREWING COMPANY | 269-281-0872
Leashed dogs are allowed in the front yard and outdoor patio.

BARODA

- GRAVITY WINERY | 269-471-9463
Leashed dogs are welcome in the front field only; they are NOT allowed in the winery or outdoor seating area.
- ROUND BARN BREWERY & PUBLIC HOUSE | 269-326-7059
In the spring through fall, enjoy the beer garden across the street with your leashed dog.
- ROUND BARN WINERY & ESTATE | 269-422-1617
Leashed dogs with up-to-date shots are allowed.

BERRIEN SPRINGS

- DOMAINE BERRIEN CELLARS | 269-473-9463
Leashed dogs, kept under control, are allowed in the vineyard and picnic area.
- FREE RUN CELLARS VINEYARDS | 269-471-1737
Leashed dogs are allowed at the outside tables.
- LEMON CREEK WINERY | 269-471-1321
Leashed dogs are allowed in the outside seating area; no dogs in the u-pick areas.

Furry friends will certainly feel the love in this dog-lovers paradise!



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BRIDGMAN

- HAYMARKET TAPROOM | 269-266-5050
The outdoor beer garden is dog-friendly.
- SOCIAL DISTRICT | 269-465-5144
The City has created a common area where you can carry and consume alcoholic beverages and foods from participating establishments. Dogs must be outside when you order and pick up your food.
- TRANSIENT ARTISAN ALES
Friendly dogs are welcome inside the taproom.

BUCHANAN/NILES

- FRONT STREET PIZZA PUB | 269-687-4992
View the St. Joseph River from the dog-friendly patio.
- HICKORY CREEK WINERY | 269-422-1100
Leashed dogs are welcome outside on the patio.
- LEHMAN'S ORCHARD | 269-683-9078
Leashed dogs are allowed in the outside seating area; no dogs in the u-pick areas.
- RIVER SAINT JOE | 269-409-8015
Leashed dogs are welcome in the large outdoor space with covered tables and fire pits; water bowls are provided.
- TABOR HILL WINERY & RESTAURANT | 269-422-1161
Leashed dogs with up-to-date shots are welcome, spring through fall, at their vineyard tasting room.

COLOMA

- FILKINS VINEYARDS | 269-468-9463

THREE OAKS

- FROEHLICH'S | 269-756-6002
Leashed dogs allowed at the outside tables in summer; water bowl provided.
- JOURNEYMAN DISTILLERY | 269-820-2050
Leashed dogs allowed on the outside deck on the west side of the building.
- OAKS EATERY | 269-820-2068
Leashed dogs are welcome at the outdoor tables. Serves breakfast and lunch only.

SAWYER/UNION PIER

- LOCAL POUR | 269-405-1262
Dogs are welcome on their outdoor patio.
- ROUND BARN, TABOR HILL & FREE RUN TASTING ROOM
269-469-6885 | *Leashed dogs are welcome on their outdoor patio.*
- SEEDZ BREWERY | 269-231-5103
Leashed dogs are welcome on the patio; they may come inside during inclement weather.
- UNION PIER SOCIAL | 269-586-3807
Leashed dogs are welcome on the patio; water available.

WATERVLIT

- ARCLIGHT BREWING COMPANY | 269-332-0718
Dogs are allowed at the outside tables in the front area.

FARM MARKETS, SHOPPING & MORE

BENTON HARBOR/ST. JOSEPH

- BEDLAM BICYCLE CO. | 269-470-9446
Their motto is "Dogs. Bikes. Beer. Coffee."
- CRYSTAL SPRINGS FLORIST | 269-925-1169
- FUZZYBUTZ PET BAKERY | 269-983-9663
Dogs can shop for toys, fresh-baked treats and birthday cakes.
- GAST FAMILY FARMS | 269-861-1107
- SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN TOURIST COUNCIL
269-925-6301
- ST. JOSEPH FARMERS MARKET | 269-985-1111
Leashed dogs are welcome. Saturdays, May through mid-October.
- ST. JOSEPH TODAY | 269-985-1111
Stop by this downtown visitor center for a list of dog-friendly shops and food and drink stops.
- THE MARKET | 269-281-7877
Dogs welcome inside this indoor, year-round, farmer's market.
- THIRD COAST SURF SHOP | 269-932-4575
A full line of surf and skate gear, clothing and accessories, rentals and lessons.

BARODA/BERRIEN SPRINGS

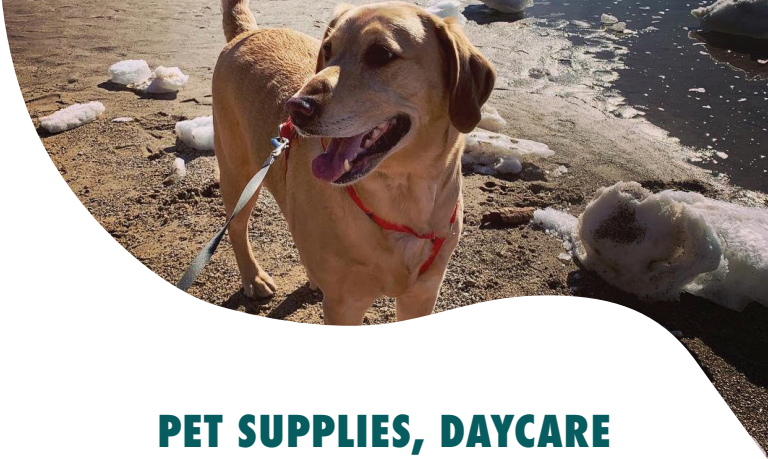
- APPAREL FROM THE PAST/SHAWNEE ROAD ANTIQUES
269-422-1382 | *Specializes in mid-1800s to mid-1900s vintage pieces and welcomes dog visits.*
- LEHMAN'S ORCHARD | 269-683-9078
Please keep leashed dogs under control and clean up after them; no dogs are allowed in the u-pick areas.
- STOVER'S FARM MARKET | 269-471-1401
Leashed dogs are allowed on the farm tour, in the fields and orchards. They are NOT allowed in the barn. Treats and water are available.

BRIDGMAN

- BRIDGMAN OPEN AIR MARKET | 269-313-4494
Sundays from May to October.
- THE SANDPIPER/HOOF-TO-HANGER FIBER MILL
269-465-5936 | *Unique fashion, Michigan-made gifts, hand-dyed yarns and natural spinning fibers. Dogs are allowed in the shop and they offer treats and water.*

COLOMA/WATERVLIET

- FRUIT ACRES FRUIT FARM & U-PICK | 269-468-3668
Leashed dogs are welcome on orchard walks and in the u-pick and picnic areas.
- JOLLAY ORCHARDS | 269-468-3075
Leashed dogs are allowed on weekdays.
- WATERVLIET FRUIT EXCHANGE | 269-463-3187
The Country Store has gardening supplies, local products and more.



PET SUPPLIES, DAYCARE & WASH STATIONS

- DECADENT DOGS, SOUTH HAVEN | 269-639-0716
Bring your leashed dog inside to help choose dog supplies and dog-themed people's clothing.
- MUTTERLY LOVE, ST. JOSEPH | 269-983-6888
- PAW MART BY MARTIN'S, ST. JOSEPH | 269-983-5270
Over-the-counter medications, dog food, toys and more.
- PETSMART, BENTON HARBOR | 269-926-1057
- SPARKLE DOG WASH, BENTON HARBOR,
COLOMA & ST. JOSEPH | 269-925-6103
Self-wash bays after romps at the beach or dog park.
- STAY & OBEY, STEVENSVILLE | 269-465-6239
- THE CRATE ESCAPE, STEVENSVILLE | 269-408-8018

EMERGENCY VET CLINICS

- VCA SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN ANIMAL EMERGENCY
AND REFERRAL CENTER | 269-381-5228
open 24 hours; 104 W. Cork St., Kalamazoo, MI

SEASONAL EVENTS

- MIDWEST CANINE OBSTACLE RUN
In June.
- REINDOG PARADE, ST. JOSEPH | 269-985-1111
Saturday of the first full weekend in December.



GET A FREE DOGGIE *bandana!*

Fill out the form below and mail it to the Southwestern Michigan Tourist Council. We will sign you up for our monthly e-newsletters and send you a free "Southwest Michigan" doggie bandana! (Offer good while supplies last.)

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First Name

Last Name

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Email (required)

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Address

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City

State

Zip

MAIL THIS FORM TO:

SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN TOURIST COUNCIL
2300 PIPESTONE RD.
BENTON HARBOR, MI 49022

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with you



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YOUR DOG WHILE YOU'RE PLAYING
IN SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN.

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