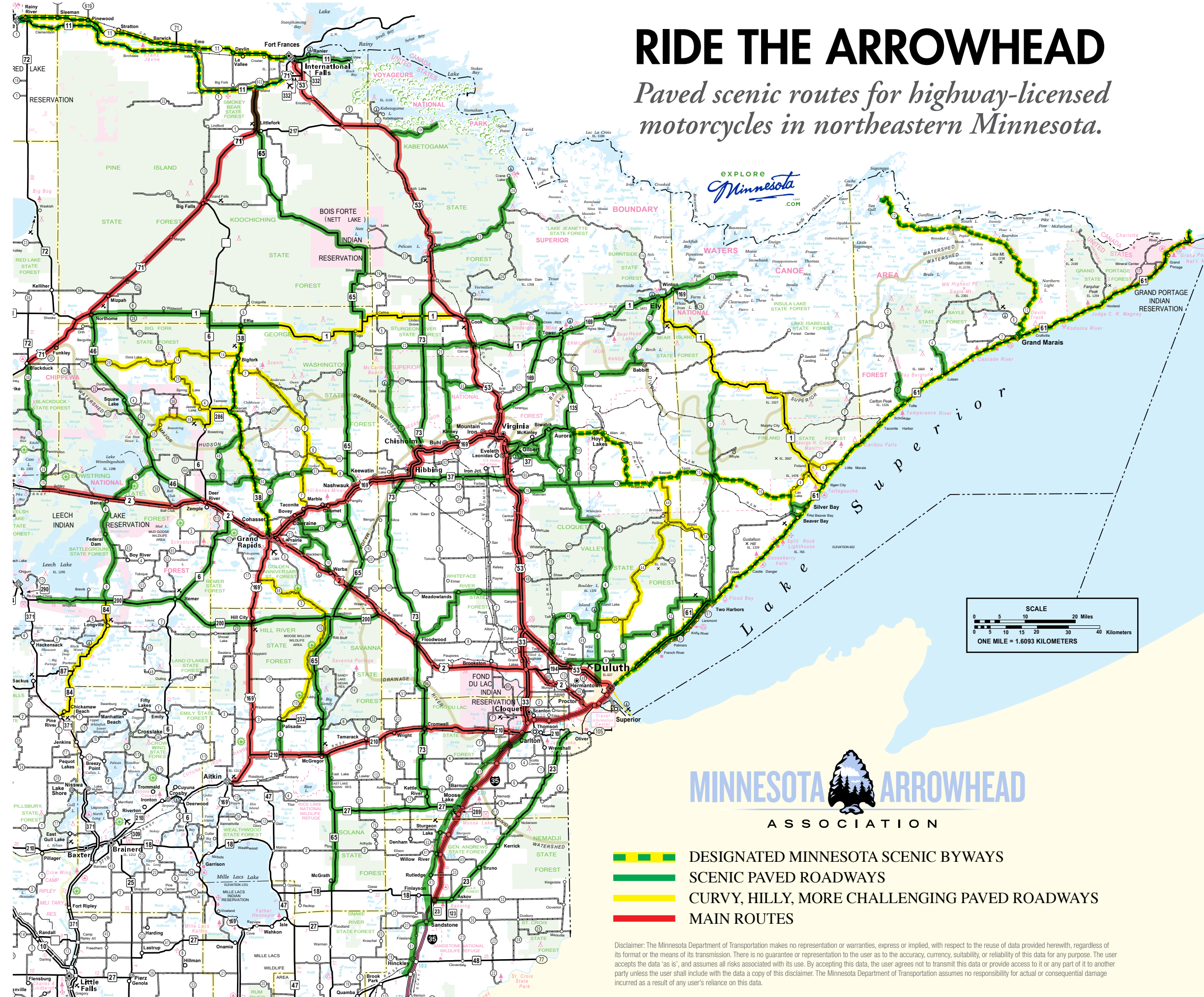






# RIDE THE ARROWHEAD

*Paved scenic routes for highway-licensed motorcycles in northeastern Minnesota.*



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# DULUTH AREA SELF-GUIDED RIDES

## HWY 1 THROUGH ELY / 241 MILES

The area's best scenic day ride  
Directions: Head North on I-35 to Hwy 61. At Crystal Bay, turn left on Hwy 1. Past Ely, take 169 to 4, back.



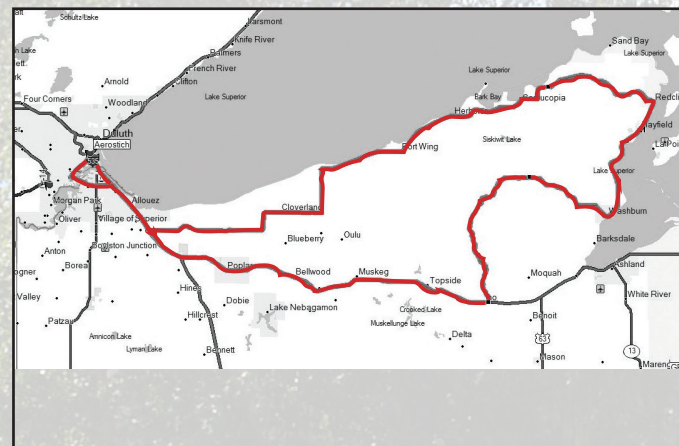
The North Shore of Minnesota has what no other place in the Midwest can offer—an inland sea, a mountain backdrop, an unspoiled wilderness, and a unique feeling all its own. Bisecting the rugged, heavily forested Arrowhead region, Minnesota Highway 1 runs for 68 miles between the North Woods outpost of Ely and Crystal Bay on Lake Superior. Special attractions: International Wolf Center and Dorothy Molter Museum in Ely; sharply rolling forest, coldwater streams, and pristine lakes in Superior National Forest and Finland State Forest. Look for moose, deer, snapping turtles, and timber wolves.

### ON THIS ROUTE: ELY, MN

Gateway to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area, this small town has a cool frontier vibe. Hungry? We recommend The Chocolate Moose, 101 N. Central Ave., Ely. (218-365-6343)

## BAYFIELD SCENIC LOOP / 191 MILES

Directions: Head South on Hwy-53 to Hwy 2 (East). About 11 miles past Iron River, turn left on Forest Road 236, to Washburn. Take 13 to Bayfield, and back.



This is one of Northern Wisconsin's most beautiful rides. US Hwy2 will take you through some historic towns such as Brule and Iron River. About 11 miles past Iron River turn left on Forest Road 236 for one of the nicest and twisty scenic roads in Northern Wisconsin. This route will take you through the Lake Superior Fishing Villages of Washburn, Bayfield, Cornucopia, and Herbster.

### ON THIS ROUTE: BAYFIELD, WI

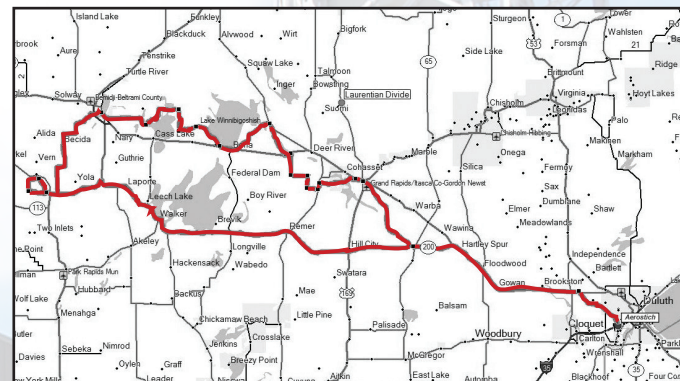
The gateway to the Apostle Islands, Bayfield is a quaint coastal community with an active arts and crafts community, shopping, orchards, dining, sea kayaking, sailing, camping, and fishing. Hungry? We recommend Maggie's for unique atmosphere and great food, 257 Manypenny Ave (715-779-5641).

### ON THIS ROUTE: MADELINE ISLAND, WI

For additional sightseeing around Bayfield, take the Madeline Island Ferry to the village of LaPointe on Madeline Island, the most southern island of the Apostles. Take a walking tour of the historical buildings, visit the history museum, sample the restaurants and pubs (we recommend Tom's Burnt Down Cafe, 234 Middle Rd. La Pointe, WI (715-747-6100), ride around the island, or just "hang out" and enjoy the easy ambiance of Madeline Island. The ferry ride itself is worth the view of the Apostle Islands and Bayfield from the water.

## HEADWATERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI / 388 MILES

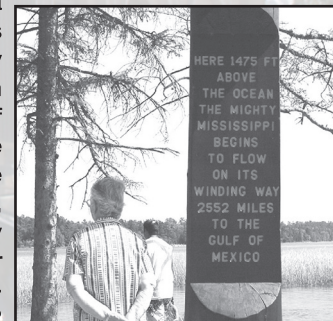
Directions: Head Northwest out of Proctor on Hwy 2 to Hwy 200, and on to Itasca State Park, then follow the Great River Road up to Bemidji to Grand Rapids, and back.



This ride will take you along MN Hwy 200 to Itasca State Park. Established in 1891, Itasca is Minnesota's oldest state park. Today, the park totals more than 32,000 acres and includes more than 100 lakes. Walk across the mighty Mississippi as it starts its winding journey 2,552 miles to the Gulf of Mexico. Then follow the Great River Road up to Bemidji, MN to Grand Rapids, MN and back to the rally site.

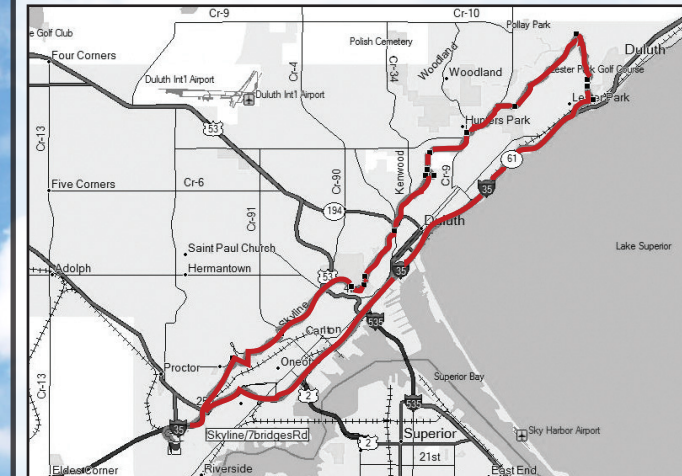
### ON THIS ROUTE: ITASCA STATE PARK

Enjoy the Headwaters of the Mississippi, and some of the largest old-growth stands of red and white pine. Here, 1,476 feet above sea level, you can walk across the infancy of the mighty river as it begins its run 2552 miles to the Gulf of Mexico. Facilities in the headwaters area include a gift shop, restrooms, the Headwaters History Center and an outdoor Mississippi River interpretive display. Dual sport? Check out the "Wilderness Drive," a scenic narrow and curvy 11-mile drive along the undeveloped west side of Lake Itasca beginning at the Mississippi Headwaters.



## DULUTH SKYLINE LOOP\* / 33 MILES

Directions: Simply follow Skyline Drive East, as it meanders around the hillside. Carry on downhill along Seven Bridges Road to Lake Superior, and head back, or extend the ride with a short drive North along Scenic Hwy 61 to Two Harbors.



Overlooking the lovely port city of Duluth, the Skyline Parkway offers travelers a rewarding, bird's-eye view of the harbor and the endless shoreline of Lake Superior. Recreational opportunities on neighboring trails and in local parks make this ride refreshing. At the northern end of the Byway, Hawk Ridge is popular vantage point for bird watching, and looking over Lake Superior and the North Shore, it's a great picnic spot, too.

### ON THIS ROUTE: SEVEN BRIDGES ROAD

One of the more beautiful parkways in Duluth, it crosses seven beautifully crafted stone-arch bridges, all similar in design and construction, and the reason for the road's name. Winding its way through approximately four miles of pine and birch forests, the lower portion of the road intertwines with Amity creek, the western branch of the Lester River, as the waterway descends toward Lake Superior.

