



GREAT LAKES ALMANAC

JULY RESPONSES AT GREAT LAKES AQUARIUM

(July and 30, 2022)

SURVEY QUESTIONS

- *What is your favorite thing to do or see on Lake Superior?
What is your least favorite thing to do or see on Lake Superior?*
- *How have you engaged with Lake Superior (or any lake) this summer?*
- *Describe your most memorable experience on or around Lake Superior.*

RESPONSES

Love to see where the sky meets the water. I dislike trash on the shore. This summer: hiking and kayaking. Taking a nap by the shore, listening to the water. - *Anastasia C, Duluth, MN, age 33*

Favorite = lighthouse; least = seagulls. This summer = swimming. Memorable = skipping rocks. - *Melanie W, Duluth, MN, age 24*

I love seeing fish; I do not really like bugs. I went to the beach. Memorable = finding rocks. - *John Paul J. Duluth, MN, age 10*

I love collecting rocks and beach glass - *Sarah J, Duluth, MN, age 35*

Favorite = visiting Lake Superior and seeing ships; least favorite = dealing with traffic. This summer = swimming and fishes. Memorable = going on a Vista cruise. - Sarah D, age 39

Favorite = swimming and boating (in Puget Sound - not from Duluth); I don't like swimming in a lake because of seaweed and sand. This summer = went fishing, boating and hiking and saw a woodchuck. Memorable = learned how to cast a fishing pole this summer. - Leonie, Seattle, WA, age 7

Favorite = swimming, boating, throwing rocks, animals. This summer = visited, walked around and wading in Lake Superior. Memorable = running on the lakeshore, hiking with friends. - Beth M, Medina, MN, age 45

Favorite thing is to look for agates and sea glass; least is cold. This summer I walked up to my knees in the lake looking for stuff, sat on the beach, admired the view. Memorable = looking for agates and glass with our kiddos. - Ilsa J, Duluth, MN, age 29

Run along the lake shore would be my preferred activity. My least favorite thing to see is pollution that happens along shorelines. I run on the lake shore every other day.

Memorable = I have so many! One time I got stuck on the old ice house swimming to it in autumn. - Lucian S, Duluth, MN, age 32

I enjoy looking at the different animals and fish; no least favorite!. Memorable = running and having fun with my family - Luna S, Duluth, MN, age 27

Favorite = ships and Enger Tower. This summer = beach. Memorable = feeding the seagulls. - Pam J, Deerwood, MN, age 53

Favorite = walking around the paths on the lake, feeling the breeze, looking for driftwood; least = pollution on the lake.

This summer = I appreciated the views of Lake Michigan.

When I was younger, my grandpa took my sister and I out on adventures on the lake. We stopped at islands and swam, splashed and cooled off. - Abby T, Chanhassen, MN, age 29

My favorite thing is to simply see the lake and watch its waves. It's my inspiration for creativity. I also love rock hunting and looking for sea glass; Least favorite = seeing litter every time I go to a beach. Every time I go to the beach I do my best to take a bag for trash collection. I have also started a poetry collection with poems dedicated to the lake. This has led me to create a podcast to market my creative writing. One summer I was up in Tofte, MN with a friend. We were hiking along the shoreline, jumping from rock to rock when I fell in. It was freezing! But if I did not fall in, I would not have seen a cluster of quartz that was growing underneath a rock, hanging just above the water. - Amy S, Duluth, MN, age 31

Favorites = slide, fishes, H₂O, views are all great; cold water makes it a less favorite (lake) to swim. This summer = Park Point Beach.

Memorable = Rose garden, Lake side walk, lighthouse view, BBQ at north shore. - Hui H, Duluth, MN, age 44

Favorite = Smoker Craft boat, going to the beach. Least = seaweed on my feet. - Anonymous, Duluth, MN, age 10

Favorite = dipping in the water; least = scratching feet on rocks. Memorable = A big wave hit my brother and I and we fell down holding hands - Anonymous, age 9

Favorite = looking at sea glass; least = swimming. This summer = I found sea glass. Memorable = When a storm ruined the lake walk.
- Rory M, Duluth, MN, age 8

My favorite thing is seeing waves! My least favorite is seeing trash.
This summer = I went swimming - Bryn A, Duluth, MN, age 7

Favorite = climb rocks around the lake. Least favorite = lake is too cold to swim; I don't like to get sand in my shoes. This summer = walk around the rocky areas. Memorable = Once I found a really cool rock. It was like the world because it had so many layers and the center was really red. - Corbin W, Lakeville, MN, age 8

Favorite = go to the beach and swim; Least favorite = pollution. This summer = swim, boating, jet ski, tubing behind a boat, biked along Lakewalk and look at water. Memorable = Living by the lake and having a beautiful view every morning. - Anonymous, Duluth, MN, age 40

Favorite = lift bridge; least = fog because you can't see the lake. This summer = throwing rocks from shore. Memorable = canoeing with Daddy. - Henry D, Duluth, MN, age 6

Favorite = watch the big boats, see the fish that live in the lake, find rocks. This summer = weekly MN lakes, once for Superior. Memorable = XC skiing, honeymoon in Tofte, Christmas vacations. - Anonymous Minnetonka, MN, age 34

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From Social Media - Favorite things

I like to go to a nearby store and grab a bunch of straws and then put them together into one big mega straw then I proceed each time to challenge myself to see how much water I suck in an hour. - Cyrus S, Duluth, MN

I love to search for sea glass as well as being still by the water's edge. - Liz W, Barnum, MN

Stand up paddle board by moonlight. - Linnea D, Philadelphia, PA

Wade in for 10 seconds until I freeze. Get out, warm up and repeat. - Kyle B, Minneapolis, MN

Drink it! - Roland S, Duluth, MN

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