

# SPLIT ROCK LIGHTHOUSE STATE PARK WINTER MAP

## TRAILS

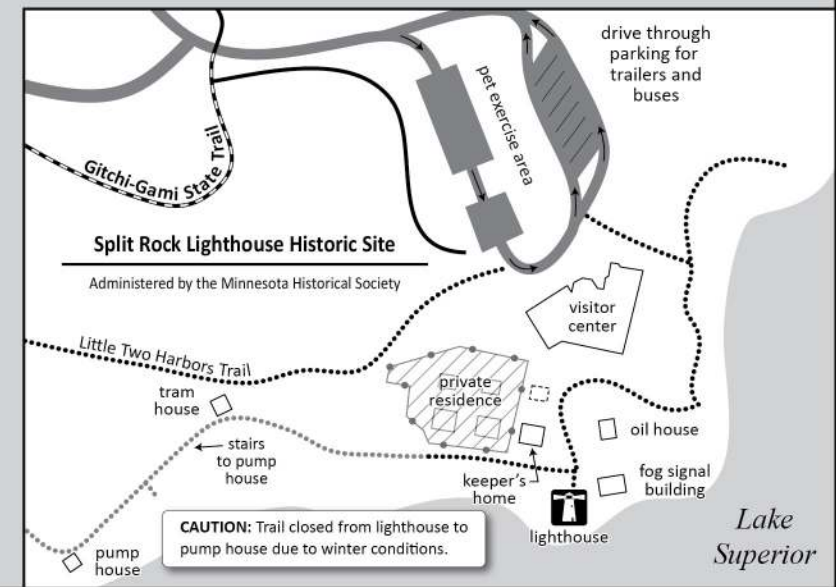
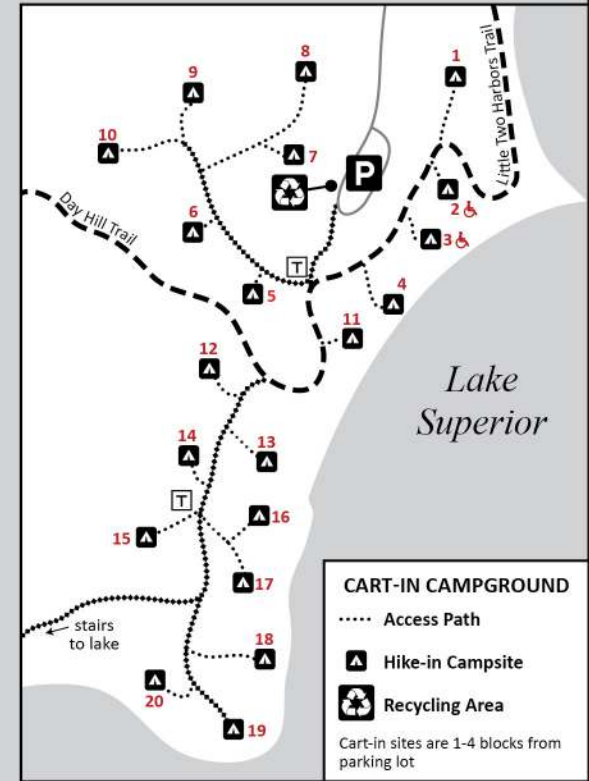
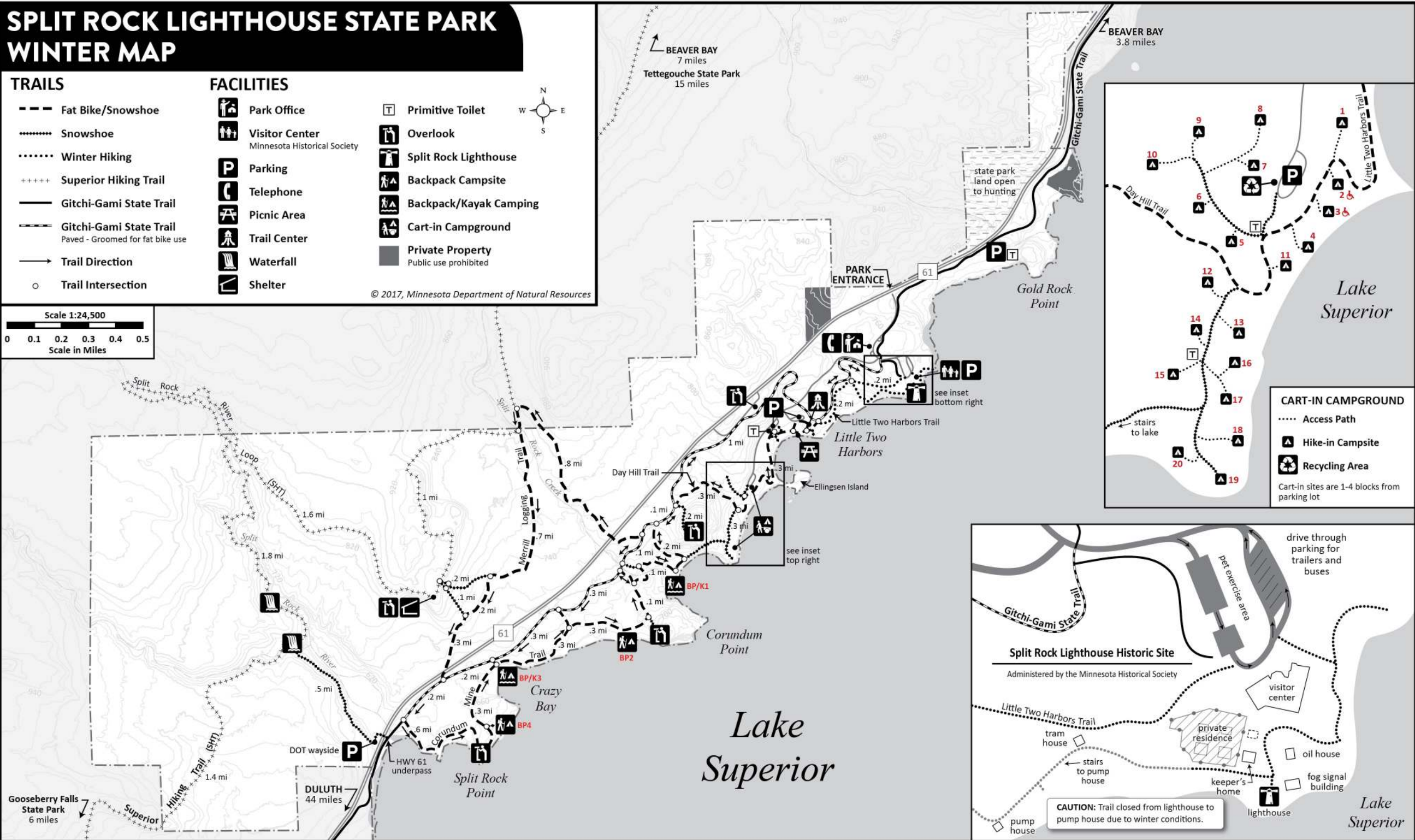
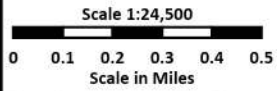
- Fat Bike/Snowshoe
- Snowshoe
- Winter Hiking
- Superior Hiking Trail
- Gitchi-Gami State Trail
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Paved - Groomed for fat bike use
- Trail Direction
- Trail Intersection

## FACILITIES

- Park Office
- Visitor Center  
Minnesota Historical Society
- Parking
- Telephone
- Picnic Area
- Trail Center
- Waterfall
- Shelter
- Primitive Toilet
- Overlook
- Split Rock Lighthouse
- Backpack Campsite
- Backpack/Kayak Camping
- Cart-in Campground
- Private Property  
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## MAP AND GUIDE: SPLIT ROCK LIGHTHOUSE STATE PARK

3755 SPLIT ROCK LIGHTHOUSE ROAD  
TWO HARBORS, MN 55616  
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### VISITOR TIPS

- The Lighthouse Historic Site is operated by the Minnesota Historical Society. Their visitor center is open limited hours in winter ([mnhs.org/splitrock](http://mnhs.org/splitrock)).
- Groomed fat bike trails are also open to snowshoers, use caution.
- River ice is never safe, enjoy the river from the Superior Hiking Trail.
- Drones are not permitted in the historic site or the park.
- In an emergency call 911 and alert park staff.
- Non-emergency sheriff's number: 218-834-8385.



### ONLY HAVE AN HOUR?

- Walk the grounds of the Lighthouse Historic Site.
- Plan a winter adventure based out of the Trail Center. This warming area has a wood stove and a great view of the shore.
- Take a fat-bike ride along the lakeshore.



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## ABOUT THE PARK

Split Rock Lighthouse became a necessity in 1905 when a storm wrecked six ships within a dozen miles of the Split Rock River. The historic lighthouse sits on a 130-foot anorthosite cliff pushed up by magma within the Midcontinent Rift over a billion years ago. The combination creates a stunning setting that visitors come from around the world to see. The Minnesota Historical Society manages the Lighthouse Historic Site and the state park manages 2,200 acres around it. Visit and explore the cart-in campground, rugged trails, Lake Superior shoreline, Split Rock River, and Gold Rock Point.



Immerse yourself in iconic North Shore scenery.

## TRAIL HIGHLIGHTS

### Split Rock River Loop Trail

4.5-mile loop

Hilly • Rocky • Boardwalks

Hike or snowshoe this rugged footpath on the Superior Hiking Trail to see frozen waterfalls and a spectacular lake view at the east end.

### Day Hill Trail

1 mile one-way

Hilly • Rocky

Start at the Pebble Beach parking lot and either snowshoe the unplowed road or take the Little Two Harbors Trail (watch for bikers) to get to the campground. From there, snowshoe to the top of the hill for a stunning view of frozen Lake Superior before heading back the way you came.

### Little Two Harbors Trails along Lake Superior

0.75 miles one-way

Flat • Gravel base from the Trail Center to Pebble Beach parking lot

Hike or snowshoe from the Trail Center to catch a frosty view of Lake Superior shoreline, Ellingsen Island, and the Little Two Harbors Fishing Village (active from 1910 through the 1940s). The trail running parallel to the shore is open to fat bikers and is not recommended for hiking.

## MORE TO EXPLORE AT THE PARK

- Check out a GPS unit or birding or discovery kit.
- Bring your fat bike and explore miles of specifically groomed trails.
- Rent the four-season Trail Center for your event.

## SO EVERYONE CAN ENJOY THE PARK...

A FULL SET OF STATE PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS  
IS AVAILABLE AT [MNDNR.GOV](http://MNDNR.GOV).



### PARK OPEN

8 a.m.–10 p.m. daily. The Lighthouse Historic Site closes at dusk.



### VEHICLE PERMITS

Permits required; purchase at park office. Vehicle permits are required at the Lighthouse Historic Site when tours are not being offered.



### PETS WELCOME

Keep on 6-foot leash; pick up after; attend at all times; not allowed in buildings or at beaches.



### CAMPGROUND QUIET HOURS

10 p.m.–8 a.m.; only registered campers may be in campground during quiet hours.



### FIREWOOD

Must be purchased at this park or from vendors who sell wood approved for this park; no gathering firewood in the park.

## BE OUR GUEST

Winter camp in a **backpack** or **cart-in** **campsite** for a rustic experience.

Visit [mndnr.gov/reservations](http://mndnr.gov/reservations).

## ? MORE INFORMATION

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