

# ROSY MOUND NATURAL AREA

## Trail Guide



**Driving Distance from St. Joseph:**  
**66 mi | 1 hr 17 mins**

13925 LAKESHORE AVE | GRAND HAVEN, MI 49417

**Suggested Activity: Day Hiking**

### Trail Type & Difficulty

LOOP TRAIL || MODERATE TO CHALLENGING

**“Loop” Trail:** A trail designed so that the route is a closed circuit connecting a number of points of interest, giving hikers the option of not traveling the same section of trail more than once on a trip.

### Total Round Trip Mileage

0.4 - 2.5 MILES

The main route to the beach is the 0.7-mile Lake Michigan Trail from the parking lot to a shade canopy and restrooms near the beach. Combine it with the 0.4 Acorn Trail, Dune Trail, and White Pine Loop for a round-trip hike of 2.5 miles.

### Why We ♥ ROSY MOUND NATURAL AREA

#### TRAIL NOTES

The Lake Michigan Trail at Rosy Mound Natural Area meanders through a backdune forest of mature beech, maple and hemlock, and culminates in a half-mile sandy swimming beach down a long set of stairs. The 360-step climb to Dune Overlook is challenging, but you'll be rewarded with a view of an expansive stretch of Lake Michigan shoreline, a pristine beach, and a dune system including patches of forest and white pine. This 164-acre natural area feels completely remote, even though you're right on the edge of Grand Haven.

### Campsite Options, Entry Fees, & Parking Costs

**Fees:** Parking fee Memorial Day through Labor Day. No camping, fires, or pets allowed. Bicycles restricted.



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