

Join Us For Our Spring 2018 Devil's Lake Getaway!

Baraboo, WI

Tue-Thu, May 15-17
Fri-Sun, May 18-20

*Just 3 hours away
-yet worlds away-
discover
stunning beauty &
great adventure:*

- * Hiking
- * 500-foot cliffs
- * Kayaking
- * Spring wildflowers
- * Rock-climbing & rappelling
- * Glacial lakes
- * Horseback riding
- * Rock formations
- * Big-cat rescue
- * Crane foundation



Trailbound Trips: Explore. Dream. Discover.



Hike through the canyon at lovely Parfrey's Glen.

Day 1: Tues, May 15 & Fri, May 18

1 pm: Meet at Parfrey's Glen: You'll love this serene trek along a gurgling creek and into a deep gorge that ends at a delicate waterfall. It's a perfect start to a memorable getaway. About 1.4 miles of hiking; moderate in difficulty.

3:30 pm: Check into your room at the *Sunset Bay Resort* (any time after 3 pm). The resort is nestled on the quiet, sandy shore of 250-acre Lake Delton. Enjoy pretty lake views from your room and private balcony or patio. Each room has 2 queen beds, mini-frig, microwave, and internet access. The resort offers an indoor pool with water slide, hot tub, dry sauna, and use of rowboats and kayaks.

6 pm: Dine at Ishnala: Enjoy dinner at the area's finest restaurant, nestled in the woods and overlooking beautiful Mirror Lake. The food is as wonderful as the views.

Bonfire: Share laughter as you renew friendships and make new ones around a crackling fire outside our resort.

Day 2: Wed, May 16 & Sat, May 19

Enjoy breakfast in your room, or enjoy breakfast out.

9 am: Hike Devil's Lake: We'll meet at Devil's Lake North Entrance to hike the fabulous trails listed below. Our morning hikes total about 4.5 miles of moderately strenuous hiking (including our walk to the trailhead).

- **East Bluff:** This gorgeous hike ascends 500 feet and then follows the lake's eastern cliffs, offering stunning vistas of Devil's Lake far below. 1.7 miles; about 1.5 hours
- **Devil's Doorway:** This easy, level asphalt trail provides magnificent vistas as it follows the East Bluff. A side trail takes us to the Devil's Doorway rock formation. This trail is optional; rather than hiking, you can rest and wait for us on the bluff-top. ½ mile; about 30 minutes
- **East Bluff Woods:** This gentle, downhill hike walks us back from the bluff through a lovely spring woodland. 1.3 miles; about 40 minutes

12:30-1: Enjoy a trail lunch near Devil's Lake.



Explore Devil's Doorway, towering over Devil's Lake.

Day 2 Afternoon Options:

Pick from these 5 fun options; we'll reserve the kayaks.

1. Hike the Tumbled Rocks Trail: This lovely, relatively level, paved trail hugs the western shores of Devil's Lake and winds through huge boulders of red, purple, and pink quartzite. 2 miles; about 1 hour

2. Kayak on Mirror Lake: Kayak along sandstone bluffs at this gorgeous Wisconsin lake 10 minutes from our lodge. 2-hour rates: \$25 (single-kayak) or \$45 (double-kayak). www.mirrorlakewisconsin.com

3. Go Horseback Riding: Enjoy a guided 45-minute Trail ride through the woods and along the rim of Lost Canyon. Watch for deer, wild turkey, woodchucks, and other wildlife on this trail 5 minutes from our lodge. \$25.50 + tax/adult. www.dells.com/horses.

4. Cruise the Upper Dells: Take a 2-hour narrated boat cruise along the Dell's signature sandstone cliffs and some of the area's tallest rock formations. You will also stop at two historic shore landings: First you'll stop at Witches Gulch and walk through the canyon's passageways. Next you'll stop at Stand Rock, a cool rock formation made famous in the world's first stop-action photo. \$30/person. Weekdays at 1 and 3 pm; weekends at 2 pm. www.dellsboats.com

5. Relax at the hotel on your balcony/patio or the sand beach. You can also use the resort kayaks, pending availability.

Dine at The River's Edge: From 5:30-7, we'll enjoy an informal dinner at *The River's Edge* as we share our afternoon adventures. This restaurant's great food makes it a local favorite. It also brings the outdoors inside; a 100-year-old oak tree grows in the middle of the restaurant, and fish swim in a 4,000-gallon aquarium.

About our lodging...

Double-occupancy rates (including tax) for our rooms with two queen beds are \$223.98 for 2 nights during the week, or about \$112/person. Weekend rates with tax are \$325.56 for 2 nights, or about \$163/person. Trailbound has already reserved your rooms. Call the hotel at 800-435-6515 in March to reserve the room under your own credit card. Thanks!



Paddle Mirror Lake.



Enjoy lunch with a view.



Hike terrific trails!



Wow yourself - and your friends!

Day 3: Thu, May 17 & Sun, May 20

Choose from these great options. We'll arrange climbing reservations.

Learn to rock climb and rappel at Devil's Lake with experienced guides. Take your love of the outdoors to new heights as guides show you the "ropes" in an encouraging, fun setting. From 8 am to noon. \$100/adult includes all equipment and guide gratuity. www.DevilsLakeClimbingGuides.com

Watch cranes from around the world: View more than 100 of these exotic birds at the International Crane Foundation, which Works worldwide to conserve cranes, their ecosystems, and their flyways. Wander peaceful interpretive trails through 100 acres of restored prairie, wetlands, and oak savanna. Open 9-5. Five minutes from our lodge. \$9.50/adult. www.savingcranes.org.

Visit the Big Cat Rescue and Education Center: This center provides a safe, comfortable home for abused and unwanted lions, leopards, and tigers, while it educates the public. Opens at 10 am on weekends, when no reservations are needed; by appointment only on weekdays; 20 minutes from our lodge. \$9/adults; \$7/for 55 and older. www.wisconsinbigcats.org.

Relax on the beach, your balcony, or at the indoor pool.



Savor spring's beauty.



Be refreshed at pretty Parfrey's Glens.

Trips fill quickly; register soon:

- ***Online*** at www.TrailboundTrips.com and click on *Devil's Lake Getaway* in the right column on the home page
- ***By mail*** by returning the registration on the next page.

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Registration fee of \$175/pp includes:

- 2 leaders throughout the getaway
- Guided hikes at Devil's Lake & Parfrey's Glen
- Trailbound leader for Mirror Lake kayaking
- Trailbound leader at rappelling/climbing (in addition to the instructors)
- Use of resort kayaks and rowboat
- Beachside bonfire
- Bottled water
- Arrangements for some free-time activities
- Passes for rock climbing, ropes courses, and other fun at Kalahari Indoor Theme Park
- Detailed info packet mailed in April with driving directions, rosters of your fellow hikers, packing list, and area info.
- Online photos from your getaway

Fee doesn't include meals, lodging, optional activities



Renew friendships and make new ones!

Questions? Don't hesitate to contact Carol Ruhter at 847-381-9374 or TrailboundTrips@gmail.com

Your Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

City: _____

E-mail: _____

State/Zip: _____

(All communication is through email.)

Date choices: Tuesday-Thursday, May 15-17 _____

Friday-Sunday, May 18-20 _____

Roommate choice: _____

Prefer to room alone? Check here

(No roomie? We'll be happy to try and pair you with another friendly "Wild Woman")

Optional activities you'd like to do. (They require pre-registration, but no need to pre-pay yet.)

Kayaking: Solo boat _____ Tandem boat _____

Rock climbing and rappelling _____

Mail this page :

with your non-refundable \$175 check, to *Trailbound Trips*, 533 S. Summit Street, Barrington, IL 60010 (Make checks payable to **Trailbound Trips**)

*Glad you're joining us! Your leaders,
Carol "Scout" Ruhter & Debbie "Leather Lambeau Lucy" Hager*

"Twenty years from now, you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did do... Explore. Dream. Discover." ~Mark Twain