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BEGIN EAST



BEGIN WEST



SKYLINE PARKWAY SCENIC BYWAY Duluth, Minnesota

Streams/Ponds

- A** Snively Creek
- B** Stewart Creek
- C** Knowlton Creek
- D** Keene Creek
- E** Merritt Creek
- F** Miller Creek
- G** Coffee Creek
- H** Twin Ponds/
Buckingham Creek
- I** Chester Creek
- J** Tischer Creek
- K** Amity Creek
- L** Lester River



Scenic Overlooks/Highlights

1. Magney-Snively Natural Area
2. Bardon's Peak
3. Stewart Creek Bridge
4. Spirit Mountain
5. Thompson Hill
6. East of Haines Road
7. Enger Park
8. Twin Ponds
9. Chester Park
10. Hawk Ridge Nature Reserve
11. Seven Bridges Road
12. Kitchi Gammi Park
(Brighton Beach)



DIRECTIONS

WEST END ACCESS

From I-35 and Boundary Avenue: (exit 249)
Head west or east from the exit ramps.

CENTRAL ACCESS

From Canal Park:

Travel up Lake Avenue to 7th Street and turn left. To head west, cross Mesaba Avenue and turn left on the Parkway. To head east, turn right on Mesaba and turn right onto the Parkway after crossing Central Entrance.

From University of Minnesota Duluth (UMD):

Skyline Parkway runs around the UMD campus on its northwestern side. Head south on Junction Avenue or east on St. Marie Street.

EAST END ACCESS

From London Road (Hwy 61) and 61st Avenue East:

Head north on 61st Avenue East. Turn left on Superior Street, and right on Occidental Boulevard (just past Lester River Road).

SEASONAL CLOSURES

Western and eastern ends of the Parkway are closed during winter.

CITY TRAILS AND THE SUPERIOR HIKING TRAIL

City trails and the Superior Hiking Trail cross the Parkway many times. The Parkway used to extend to Jay Cooke State Park, but it's now hiking only west of Becks Road. For more information on trails, visit the City of Duluth at <http://www.duluthmn.gov/parks/index.cfm> and the Superior Hiking Trail Association at <http://www.shta.org/>

Skyline Parkway, built between 1889 and 1939, has been enjoyed by generations of Duluthians and tourists. The Parkway's 25 miles offer driving, hiking, birding, and sightseeing opportunities (listed below from west to east).

- 1. Magney-Snively Natural Area** encompasses an 1800-acre old-growth forest popular for hiking, cross-country skiing, and fall colors.
- 2. Bardon's Peak** is named after James Bardon of Superior, Wisconsin, and offers views of Duluth and the St. Louis River.
- 3. Stewart Creek Bridge.** The scenic Stewart Creek Bridge, with its jagged teeth, was built about 1925. It is listed on the National Register, but its talented engineer remains unknown.
- 4. Spirit Mountain** offers year-round recreation including downhill and cross-country skiing, snowboarding, alpine coaster, mini golf, zipline and tubing. Lodging and campground available.
- 5. Thompson Hill Travel Information Center** provides spectacular views of Lake Superior and Duluth. Amenities include restrooms, vending machines, and interpretive information. Open 365 days a year. Fully accessible.
- 6. East of Haines Road - Scenic Overlook**

- 7. Enger Park** showcases Enger Tower, a five-story blue stone observation tower at an elevation of 531 ft. above Lake Superior, providing panoramic views of the Twin Ports. Dedicated by Crown Prince Olav and Crown Princess Martha of Norway on June 15, 1939, the tower memorializes Bert Enger, a Norwegian immigrant who found success as a furniture seller and donated the land for Enger Park. The park includes the Japanese temple bell, gardens, and picnic areas and an adjacent golf course with three championship nines.



- 8. Twin Ponds**, part of Buckingham Creek, has long been a popular fishing and swimming hole for sightseers.
- 9. Chester Park** follows Chester Creek on both sides of the Parkway and includes hiking and skiing trails, a ski hill, ski jumps, and a playground.

- 10. Hawk Ridge Nature Reserve** is a favorite haunt of bird watchers and hikers August through November. Raptor migration begins in August and accelerates when the weather begins to cool in September.



- 11. Seven Bridges Road** runs from Hawk Ridge to London Road along Amity Creek. Samuel Snively built the original drive and wooden bridges at his own expense around 1900. The stone bridges were built after he gave the land as a park. Later as mayor of Duluth, Snively encouraged the construction of many more miles of Skyline Parkway.



- 12. Kitchi Gammi Park (Brighton Beach)** This rocky, rugged beach at Skyline Parkway's eastern end lets you experience the lake up close. A great spot for picnicking.



WAYFINDING MAP

Scenic Byway

Duluth, Minnesota

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