



# BACKUS BLISS

BACKUS, MN



# ARRIVAL



## ADDRESS



733 29th Ave NW,  
Backus, MN, 56435

## NEARBY



- Pine River
- Johnson's Lake

## EMERGENCY



CHI St. Joseph's Health  
600 Pleasant Ave S,  
Park Rapids, 56470  
(41 miles / 49 min drive)  
218-732-3311

# GETTING AROUND



NEAREST BUS STOP - PINE RIVER  
(10 MILES AWAY)



BIKE RENTALS - WHEELS & THINGS:  
402 BARCLAY AVE W, PINE RIVER, 56474  
218-851-9388



NEAREST GAS STATION - CENEX:  
402 WREN TRAIL NW, BACKUS, 56435  
218-947-4115

## PARKING

THERE IS PARKING IN THE DRIVEWAY THAT CAN  
COMFORTABLY FIT 4 CARS.

NO PARKING IS ALLOWED IN THE GARAGE, OR ON THE GRASS  
(AS IT MAY RESULT IN DAMAGE TO THE SEPTIC SYSTEM).

# CHECK-IN

CHECK-IN ANY TIME AFTER 4PM.

WE WILL SEND YOU THE ACCESS CODE TO THE DOOR THE DAY OF YOUR ARRIVAL. TOUCH THE SCREEN ON THE LOCK TO MAKE THE NUMBERS APPEAR, KEY IN THE CODE, PRESS THE CHECKMARK SYMBOL AND THE DOOR SHOULD OPEN.

PLEASE USE THE FRONT DOOR WHICH IS LOCATED TO THE LEFT OF THE CABIN UNDER THE PORCH.

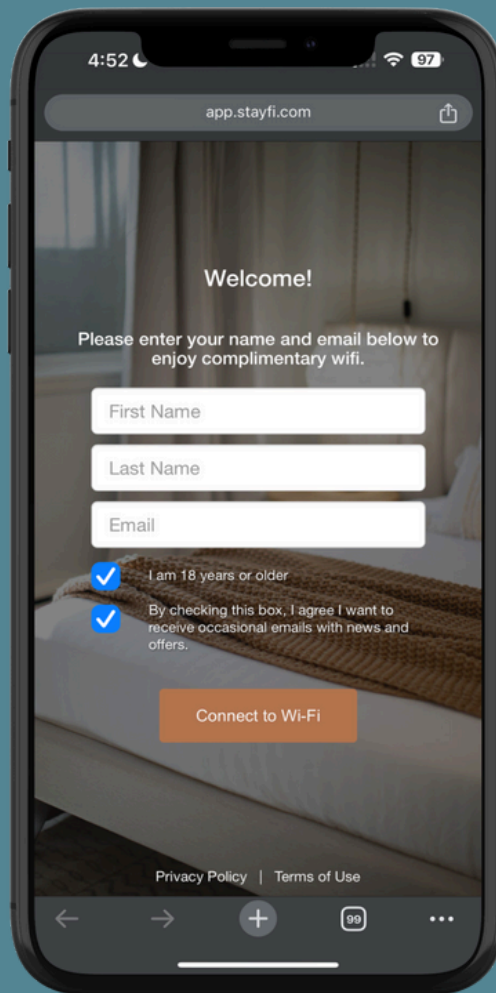
# CHECK-OUT

CHECK-OUT IS PRIOR TO 11AM. WE REQUEST A FEW THINGS OF YOU TO HELP US:

- LEAVE DIRTY TOWELS IN THE SHOWER.
- EMPTY THE REFRIGERATOR OF FOOD.
- LOAD AND START DISHWASHER.
- TURN OFF ALL LIGHTS.
- ENSURE THE DOORS ARE LOCKED.



# INTERNET



FIND 'THE WORKS BNB GUEST' NETWORK AND FOLLOW THE ON SCREEN PROMPTS ON THE LOGIN PAGE (PICTURED) TO LOGIN. NO PASSWORD NEEDED!

# WELCOME

WELCOME TO YOUR SERENE RETREAT AT JOHNSON LAKE IN BACKUS, MINNESOTA.

TUCKED AWAY IN THE TRANQUIL WILDERNESS OF NORTHERN MINNESOTA, OUR PEACEFUL CABIN OFFERS A HAVEN FOR THOSE SEEKING SOLACE AMIDST NATURE'S BEAUTY.

SITUATED ON THE PICTURESQUE JOHNSONS LAKE, OUR CABIN PROVIDES THE PERFECT BACKDROP FOR RELAXATION AND REJUVENATION. WHETHER YOU'RE LOUNGING ON THE DECK, SAVORING A MORNING CUP OF COFFEE AS THE MIST RISES FROM THE WATER, OR ENJOYING A SUNSET KAYAK PADDLE ACROSS THE CALM WATERS, YOU'LL FIND TRANQUILITY AT EVERY TURN.

AT OUR PEACEFUL CABIN ON JOHNSON LAKE, TIME SLOWS DOWN, ALLOWING YOU TO RECONNECT WITH NATURE AND CREATE CHERISHED MEMORIES WITH LOVED ONES. WE INVITE YOU TO ESCAPE THE HUSTLE AND BUSTLE OF EVERYDAY LIFE AND EXPERIENCE THE TRANQUILITY OF LAKESIDE LIVING IN BEAUTIFUL BACKUS.

## CONTACT US

### PHONE

763-600-7279

### EMAIL

[contact@theworksbnb.com](mailto:contact@theworksbnb.com)

## COOLING & HEAT

THE HOUSE IS EQUIPPED WITH BASEBOARD HEATERS AND WALL AC IN THE MASTER BEDROOM.

ADDITIONALLY, THERE IS A WOOD BURNING FIREPLACE IN THE LIVING ROOM FOR ADDED COMFORT AND COZINESS ON COLDER DAYS. WOOD IS LOCATED IN THE WOOD PILE BY THE GARAGE.

## DEVICE CHARGING

MOST AREAS OF THE HOUSE HAVE PHONE CHARGING STATIONS. THERE ARE 7 CHARGING PORTS THROUGHOUT THE CABIN.

## TRASH

THE MAIN HOUSE TRASH CAN IS LOCATED IN THE GARAGE. THE CODE TO ENTER THE GARAGE IS 1420.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE TRASH OUTSIDE DUE TO WILDLIFE IN THE AREA.

## GRILL

THERE IS A PROPANE GRILL ON THE PROPERTY NEAR THE GAZEBO. SPARE PROPANE IS LOCATED IN THE GARAGE.

## SAFETY

- THERE ARE SMOKE / CO2 DETECTORS THROUGHOUT THE HOUSE.
- THERE ARE SECURITY CAMERAS OUTSIDE THE GARAGE, AND MAIN ENTRANCE DOORS.
- THE PROPERTY HAS ITS SHARE OF NORTHERN MINNESOTA WILDLIFE:
  - BE CAUTIOUS OF BEARS AND WOLVES IN THE AREA.
  - DON'T LEAVE TRASH OR FOOD OUTSIDE OVERNIGHT.
- ALWAYS BE CAREFUL AROUND THE LAKE.
- FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS GUIDE ON SAUNA AND INVASIVE SPECIES

# GENERAL INFO

## BABIES & TODDLERS

WE'VE PROVIDED SOME ESSENTIALS SO YOU CAN FEEL SAFE AND TRAVEL LIGHT:

- PACK & PLAY
- HIGH CHAIR
- FEEDING SET
- KIDS GAMES AND BOOKS

## GAMES & BOOKS

THERE ARE A SELECTION OF GAMES AND BOOKS LOCATED IN THE BASEMENT LIVING ROOM, AND A FOOSBALL TABLE.

## SUPPLIES

WE'VE PROVIDED ALL THE ESSENTIALS SO YOU'RE READY TO GO ON DAY ONE.

- TOILETRIES
- TOWELS
- HAIRDRYER
- COFFEE, TEAS & CREAMERS
- SALT & PEPPER
- OIL
- SUGAR & SWEETENER
- HAND SOAP
- DISHWASHER TABLETS & DISH SOAP
- LAUNDRY DETERGENT
- BED LINENS & PILLOWS
- VACUUM, DUST PAN & BRUSH, MOP, CLEANING PRODUCTS

NOTE THAT HOUSEKEEPING / REPLENISHMENT OF SUPPLIES ARE NOT PROVIDED.

# KITCHEN

THE KITCHEN IS EQUIPPED AND STOCKED WITH PLENTY OF QUALITY KITCHEN ESSENTIALS AND GADGETS FOR YOU TO COOK UP A STORM.

- FRIDGE / FREEZER
- ELECTRIC OVEN AND STOVETOP
- DRIP COFFEE MACHINE
- TOASTER
- ELECTRIC KETTLE
- MICROWAVE
- DISHWASHER
- BLENDER
- POTS, PANS AND DISHES
- GLASSES
- MUGS AND WINE GLASSES
- SILVERWARE



# HOUSE RULES

## NOISE

QUIET HOURS ARE 10PM TO 8AM DAILY. IF A NOISE COMPLAINT IS RECEIVED, YOU MAY BE ASKED TO VACATE THE PROPERTY WITH NO REFUNDS.

## FIRE PIT SAFETY

AFTER ENJOYING THE FIREPIT, PLEASE ENSURE THE FIRE IS FULLY EXTINGUISHED AND ALL EMBERS ARE SAFELY COOLED.

## PETS

BACKUS BLISS IS NOT PET FRIENDLY - ANY EVIDENCE OF PETS FOUND WILL RESULT IN A \$500 FINE.

## PARTIES

WE DON'T ALLOW PARTIES AT THE PROPERTY OUT OF RESPECT FOR THE NEIGHBORS AND THE ADDITIONAL WEAR AND TEAR ON THE PROPERTY.

WE USE SECURITY CAMERAS OUTSIDE TO MONITOR ACCESS TO AND FROM THE PROPERTY, AND IF EVIDENCE OF PARTIES OR EVENTS IS FOUND, YOU MAY BE ASKED TO VACATE THE PROPERTY WITH NO REFUNDS.

## SMOKING

THERE IS NO SMOKING INSIDE OR OUTSIDE THE PROPERTY.

# LAKE LIFE



## KAYAKS & LIFE JACKETS

- 3 SINGLE KAYAKS ARE AVAILABLE BY THE LAKE.
- LIFE JACKETS (ADULT SIZE) ARE IN THE BIN BY THE KAYAKS.

## JOHNSON LAKE

JOHNSON LAKE IS A CRYSTAL CLEAR 200-ACRE LAKE WITH A MAXIMUM DEPTH OF 35 FEET - PERFECT FOR FISHING, BOATING, AND RELAXING ON THE WATER.

IT'S HOME TO BASS, NORTHERN PIKE, AND PANFISH. ENJOY KAYAKING, CANOEING, PADDLEBOARDING, OR MOTORIZED BOATS (WITH SPEED LIMITS FOR A PEACEFUL VIBE).

SCENIC TRAILS, PICNIC SPOTS, AND WILDLIFE MAKE IT A GREAT SPOT TO UNWIND DURING YOUR STAY!

NOTE: DUE TO THE LAYOUT OF THE YARD, THERE IS NO WAY TO TAKE HITCHED BOATS TO THE LAKE, NOR IS THERE A PUBLIC DOCK.

# INVASIVE SPECIES ADVISORY

MINNESOTA IS RENOWNED FOR ITS CLEAN WATER, GOOD FISHING, AND REMARKABLE RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES – AND WE WANT TO KEEP IT THAT WAY FOR FUTURE VISITORS AND FUTURE GENERATIONS. UNFORTUNATELY, SOME INVASIVE SPECIES CAN HARM MINNESOTA’S LAKES, RIVERS, AND FORESTS. AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES SUCH AS EURASIAN WATERMILFOIL, ZEBRA MUSSEL, AND SPINY WATERFLEA CAN HARM FISH HABITATS AND DISRUPT WATER RECREATION ACTIVITIES. THESE PLANTS, ANIMALS, AND OTHER UNWANTED SPECIES MAY “HITCH A RIDE” IN WATER, ON BOATS, IN FIREWOOD, OR ON OTHER GEAR THAT PEOPLE MOVE INTO AND AROUND THE STATE.

TO HELP PROTECT MINNESOTA’S PRECIOUS WATER AND WOODLANDS, AND COMPLY WITH STATE LAW, PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONS...

## **BEFORE TRAVELING TO MINNESOTA EVERY BOATER MUST:**

- CLEAN ALL AQUATIC PLANTS, ZEBRA MUSSELS, AND OTHER PROHIBITED INVASIVE SPECIES FROM BOATS AND TRAILERS. YOU MAY NOT TRANSPORT AQUATIC PLANTS OR PROHIBITED INVASIVE SPECIES IN THE STATE, EVEN IF THEY ARE DEAD.
- DRAIN WATER-RELATED EQUIPMENT (BOAT, BALLAST TANKS, PORTABLE BAIT CONTAINERS, AND MOTOR) AND
- DRAIN BILGE, LIVELWELL, AND BAITWELL BY REMOVING DRAIN PLUGS. KEEP DRAIN PLUGS OUT AND
- WATER-DRAINING DEVICES OPEN WHILE TRANSPORTING WATERCRAFT. YOU MAY NOT TRANSPORT WATER, OR ARRIVE AT A WATER ACCESS WITH THE DRAIN PLUG IN PLACE, IN MINNESOTA.
- DISPOSE OF UNWANTED BAIT, INCLUDING MINNOWS, LEECHES, WORMS AND FISH PARTS IN THE TRASH. IF YOU WANT TO KEEP LIVE BAIT, DRAIN BAIT CONTAINERS AND REFILL WITH BOTTLED OR TAP WATER. IT IS ILLEGAL IN MINNESOTA TO RELEASE BAIT IN THE WATER OR TO RELEASE WORMS ON THE GROUND.

## **ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED PRECAUTIONS:**

SOME AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES CAN SURVIVE MORE THAN TWO WEEKS OUT OF WATER, AND THEY ARE OFTEN SMALL AND DIFFICULT TO SEE AT THE ACCESS. TO REMOVE OR KILL THEM, TAKE ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONS BEFORE MOVING BOATS AND EQUIPMENT TO ANOTHER WATER BODY:

- SPRAY WITH HIGH-PRESSURE WATER
- RINSE WITH VERY HOT WATER (AT LEAST 120 DEGREES F)
- DRY FOR AT LEAST 5 DAYS

## **OTHER WATCH-OUTS:**

- FIREWOOD - IF YOU PURCHASE ADDITIONAL FIREWOOD, CHECK THE LABEL FOR “DNR APPROVED” OR THE STATE SHIELD INDICATING THE WOOD HAS BEEN CERTIFIED PEST FREE BY MINNESOTA DEPT OF AGRICULTURE.
- CLEAN MUD, SEEDS, AND PLANT PARTS FROM BIKES, BOOTS, PETS AND CAMPING GEAR BEFORE YOU TRANSPORT YOUR GEAR TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF WEEDS AND OTHER INVASIVE SPECIES.
- FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT [WWW.MNDNR.GOV/INVASIVES](http://WWW.MNDNR.GOV/INVASIVES)

# SAUNA

## HOW TO USE THE SAUNA

- THERE ARE 2 DIALS ON THE SAUNA CONTROL PANEL
  - LEFT - SAUNA TEMPERATURE
  - RIGHT - SAUNA SETUP
- TO TURN ON THE SAUNA:
  - TURN THE RIGHT DIAL, CLOCKWISE UNTIL YOU HAVE HEARD 2 DISTINCT CLICKS (TYPICALLY JUST PAST THE LARGE 1 LABEL), THEN TURN IT BACK TO 1 (A 3<sup>RD</sup> CLICK SHOULD BE HEARD) - THIS WILL START THE PRE-HEAT WHICH TAKES APPROX. 30MINS - YOU WILL GET 1 HOUR OF HEAT
- TO TURN OFF THE SAUNA:
  - TURN THE RIGHT DIAL ANTI-CLOCKWISE TO THE POSITION PAST 0 (BLANK SPACE)

## SAUNA USAGE RULES

- PREGNANT WOMEN, ELDERLY OR PERSONS SUFFERING FROM HEART DISEASE, DIABETES AND HIGH OR LOW BLOOD PRESSURE SHOULD NOT USE THE SAUNA.
- DO NOT USE THE SAUNA UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL, ANTI-CAGULANTS, ANTIHISTAMINES, STIMULANTS, HYPNOTICS, NARCOTICS AND/OR TRANQUILIZERS.
- USE BY CHILDREN UNDER 16 YEARS OF AGE IS PROHIBITED.
- LONG EXPOSURE TO SAUNA TEMPERATURE MAY RESULT IN NAUSEA, DIZZINESS AND/OR FAINTING.
  - 10MINS RECOMMENDED.
  - DO NOT EXCEED 15MINS.
  - REMOVE ALL JEWELRY.
  - SWIMWEAR, WORKOUT ATTIRE AND/OR TOWEL MUST BE WORN WHILE USING THE SAUNA.



# PLACES TO SEE



## FOOT HILLS STATE FOREST

OFFERS A TRANQUIL ESCAPE INTO NATURE, FEATURING WINDING TRAILS, SCENIC VISTAS, AND DIVERSE WILDLIFE. NESTLED AMIDST ROLLING HILLS, THIS FOREST PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIKING, BIRDWATCHING, AND PEACEFUL REFLECTION.



## PINE RIVER

DISCOVER PEACEFUL FORESTS, GENTLE STREAMS, AND SMALL-TOWN CHARM. WHETHER YOU'RE HIKING, PADDLING, OR JUST RELAXING, PINE RIVER INVITES YOU TO UNWIND AND ENJOY THE BEAUTY OF NATURE.



## GREGORY PARK

ENJOY PLAYGROUNDS, SKATING, BASKETBALL, AND TENNIS AT GREGORY PARK.

# PLACES TO SEE



## GULL LAKES

OFFER PONTOON BOATS, FISHING BOATS, SPEEDBOATS, KAYAKS, AND JET SKIS FOR VARIOUS WATER ACTIVITIES. ENJOY LEISURELY CRUISES, FISHING, WATERSKIING, OR PEACEFUL PADDLING. RENTALS ENSURE A FUN AND MEMORABLE LAKE EXPERIENCE



## NISSWA

NISSWA'S BOUTIQUE SHOPPING FEATURES UNIQUE STORES WITH LOCAL CRAFTS, TRENDY CLOTHING, AND HOME DECOR. STROLL DOWNTOWN FOR ONE-OF-A-KIND GIFTS AND DELIGHTFUL SOUVENIRS. ENJOY A LEISURELY AND CHARMING SHOPPING EXPERIENCE.



## DEEP PORTAGE NATURE RESERVE

ENJOY HIKING, BIRDWATCHING, CANOEING, AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS. EXPLORE MILES OF SCENIC TRAILS, PADDLE SERENE LAKES, AND LEARN ABOUT LOCAL WILDLIFE AND ECOLOGY. IT'S PERFECT FOR NATURE LOVERS AND OUTDOOR ENTHUSIASTS.

# THINGS TO DO

THERE ARE MANY GREAT THINGS TO SEE AND DO IN AND AROUND BACKUS. HERE ARE SOME OF THE TOP ATTRACTIONS AND ACTIVITIES WE WOULD RECOMMEND:



## FISHING & BOATING

- PINE MOUNTAIN LAKE: KNOWN FOR ITS EXCELLENT FISHING OPPORTUNITIES, PARTICULARLY FOR WALLEYE, BASS, AND PANFISH.
- PORTAGE LAKE: ANOTHER GREAT SPOT FOR FISHING AND BOATING.



## PAUL BUNYAN HISTORICAL MUSEUM

- EXPLORE THE LARGER-THAN-LIFE LEGACY OF PAUL BUNYAN, THE ICONIC LUMBERJACK. DISCOVER EXHIBITS SHOWCASING HIS TALES, TOOLS, AND TOWERING FEATS. DIVE INTO THE RICH HISTORY OF LOGGING AND FOLKLORE IN THIS CAPTIVATING DESTINATION."



## GOLF

- WHITEFISH GOLF CLUB
- WHITEBIRCH CLUBHOUSE
- TRADITIONAL GOLF AT BREEZY POINT RESORT
- GOLDEN EAGLE GOLF CLUB
- THE PRESERVE AT GRAND VIEW LODGE
- CROSSWOODS GOLF COURSE

# THINGS TO DO



## BIKE RIDING

BACKUS OFFERS SCENIC TRAILS LIKE THE PAUL BUNYAN STATE TRAIL, PERFECT FOR BIKING OF ALL LEVELS. ENJOY LEISURELY RIDES THROUGH LUSH FORESTS AND ROLLING HILLS OR VENTURE OFF-ROAD FOR MORE ADVENTURE.



## HIKING

- FOOT HILLS STATE FOREST - 16 MILES
- BLUEBERRY BOG TRAIL - 18 MILES
- VETERANS HIKING TRAILS - 19 MILES
- ROLLIE JOHNSON REC. AREA - 20 MILES
- WOODTICK TRAIL, - 22 MILES
- GOOSE LAKE PARK OF LONGVILLE - 24 MILES
- HEARTLAND STATE TRAIL - 27 MILES
- CROSSLAKE NATURE TRAIL - 29 MILES
- CHIPPEWA FOREST - 30 MILES

# RESTAURANTS

## **SALTY DOG SALOON & EATERY**

**3380 MN-87, BACKUS, 56435**

A FAMILY-FRIENDLY SPOT SPECIALIZING IN MOUTHWATERING BURGERS, HOME-SMOKED BBQ RIBS, AND PULLED PORK. TAKEOUT OPTIONS AVAILABLE FOR A DELICIOUS MEAL ON THE GO

218-947-4446

[WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/SALTYDOGBACKUSMN](http://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/SALTYDOGBACKUSMN)

## **DAMSITE SUPPER CLUB**

**417 BARCLAY AVE, PINE RIVER, 56474**

RENOWNED FOR ITS WELCOMING AMBIANCE AND DELECTABLE CUISINE, IT OFFERS A DIVERSE MENU FEATURING CLASSIC AMERICAN FARE WITH A CREATIVE TWIST.

218-587-1030

## **BITES GRILL & BAR**

**2793 MN-371, PINE RIVER, 56474**

BITES FEATURES SLOW ROASTED MEATS AND CREATIVE CONCOCTIONS SERVED TO YOU AS JUST A FEW BITES, SHARABLE PLATES, CRAFTED SANDWICHES, SALADS, PASTAS OR FULL DINNERS.

218-587-2564

[WWW.BITESGRILL.COM](http://WWW.BITESGRILL.COM)

## **THE BARCLAY**

**300 BARCLAY AVE, PINE RIVER, 56474**

SMALL TOWN HOME COOKIN'! CASH ONLY. DELICIOUS FOOD SERVING BREAKFAST TIL 3PM.



# LOCAL STORES

## **GODFREY'S FAMILY FOODS**

**964 STATE 371 NW, BACKUS, 56435**

FRESH MEAT, PRODUCE, PLUMBING, SPORTS WEAR, TACKLE,  
GASOLINE AND LIVE BAIT.

## **PINE RIVER FAMILY MARKET**

**500 FRONT ST, PINE RIVER, 56474**

YOUR GO-TO SPOT IN PINE RIVER FOR ALL YOUR GROCERY  
NEEDS. FROM FRESH PRODUCE TO PANTRY STAPLES,  
THEY'VE GOT YOU COVERED WITH QUALITY PRODUCTS AND  
FRIENDLY SERVICE.

## **DOLLAR GENERAL**

**100 COUNTY 1 W, PINE RIVER, 56474**

BARGAIN RETAIL CHAIN SELLING A RANGE OF HOUSEHOLD  
GOODS, GROCERIES, BEAUTY PRODUCTS & MORE.





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