



Sleeping Bear Heritage Trail

On the trail between Dune Climb and Glen Haven.



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Inch-for-inch, the 16.5-mile Sleeping Bear Heritage Trail is one of Michigan's most beautiful trails. Built one section at a time over several years, each section of trail has its own unique terrain, scenery and points of interest. The long-range vision is a 27-mile paved bike path that connects the major attractions in Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore.

The first 4.25-mile section of trail was completed in 2012 from Dune Climb to Forest Haven Drive, passing through ancient sand dunes, the historic fishing village of Glen Haven and a lush pine forest along Alligator Hill on its way to Glen Arbor.

In 2014, a 5.5-mile section of trail was completed from Dune Climb to the village

of Empire (including a one-mile connector route on Lacore Road from Voice Road to the Sleeping Bear Dunes Visitors Center). This south section is very hilly and curvy and absolutely scenic. You'll need a bike with plenty of gears and good brakes. If you like rollercoasters, you'll love this section of trail.

Another 3.7 miles of trail from Fisher Road to Port Oneida Road was completed in 2015. And this past summer, another 3 miles of trail from Port Oneida Road to Bohemian Road was completed. To connect the east and west sections of trail, you must ride a road route through Glen Arbor on Lake Street, Northwood Drive and Fisher Road. You'll find bike rentals and several shops and restaurants in the villages of Empire and Glen Arbor.