



Suggested Group Tour procedures:

Our mainland ferry facility is at Northport (two miles east of Gills Rock, at the end of State Hwy. 42). Upon arrival at Northport, let our Ticketing Staff know your group has arrived, and how many total people are on board (for ferry head count purposes). Our Ticket Seller, or Ferry Crew, will direct your driver. Generally, motor coaches are parked on the pier, adjacent to the ferry landing.

Arrive at Northport Pier 15-20 minutes prior to your scheduled departure to board ferry. (Please avoid arriving for an earlier ferry, as this may throw off our Island tour schedule.)

We prefer payment on day of service, upon arrival at the Island. Our guide will meet you at our Island dock. Payment can be made by either credit card or company check at our Island Terminal office.

Lunch arrangements (if that option is selected) are made with the Ship's Wheel Restaurant near our Island Ferry Dock. Lunch menu is pre-set. Even large groups can dine and be on their way in 45-50 minutes.

Tiping: While the lunch price is inclusive (including a tip), if you are pleased with your meal and service a tip for wait staff is appreciated. Same goes for our drivers, should your group enjoy their tour and appreciate any additional effort made on the part of your tour guide. At your discretion.

Cherry Train tours are two hours in length including stops along the way. Longer tour can be made, but they should be arranged in advance. Our driver coordinates your Island departure with tour pace and number of stops.

We're pleased to offer information, history, and explanation of Island life to tour patrons. If your group has a special interest, such as the stavkirke, the Norwegian-style wooden church, let us know ahead of time.

Lake Michigan air can often be cool, even during summer. Sweaters or light jackets are recommended, especially in spring or fall.

If heavy winds, rain or exceptionally cool temperatures are forecast, we may recommend bringing your motor coach on the ferry vs. using the open-air trams on the Island. Then, our driver and guide becomes your Step-On Guide, and all the day's arrangements can be carried out as planned. Cost per person remains the same. (Our ferries can carry motor coaches in all but the most extreme weather.) Contact us the day before, or morning of, your tour to determine which option will work best and bring greatest comfort.

Contact us several weeks out to reconnect, confirm latest numbers, etc. and ask any last-minute questions. Washington Island Ferry and Cherry Train Office: 920-847-2351

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