



PADDLE SPORTS

Water Trail Guide

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Christiana Creek

START	FINISH	HOURS	MILES	NOTES
Juno Lake Access – Edwardsburg	Paddle 3 lakes and get out in same spot	2.0	6.0	EZ
Juno Lake Access – Edwardsburg, Creek leaves S. end of the lake	Redfield Access – S. of Edwardsburg	2.0	5.0	N, S, EZ
Redfield Access – S. of Edwardsburg	Saint Joseph River in Elkhart, IN	4.0		F, N, O
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Dowagiac River

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Wetlands at head of river – Dowagiac. Dutch Settlement Rd.	In and out in same location	1.5		N, S
Mill Pond Access – Dowagiac	In and out in same location	1.5		EZ
<i>River continues – can be too shallow for dependable paddle</i>				
M51 – N. of Dowagiac	M62 – W of Dowagiac	2.0	4.0	F, S, N, O
M62 – W. of Dowagiac	Sink Rd.	2.0	4.0	F, S, N, O
Sink Rd.	Arthur Dodd Memorial Park – Sumnerville	2.0	4.0	F, S, N, O
Arthur Dodd Memorial Park – Sumnerville	Pucker St. Dam – N.E. of Niles	2.0		F, S, N, O
Pucker Street Dam – N.E. of Niles	Saint Joseph River/Old 31 – Niles	2.0		F, S, N, O
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Galien River

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Galien River Access - Red Arrow Hwy., E. of New Buffalo	In and out in same location - paddle river, wetlands and out into Lake Michigan	2.5 - 4.0		N, S, EZ
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Paw Paw River

START	FINISH	HOURS	MILES	NOTES
Kalamazoo St. near Warner Vineyard	Maple Lake		.5	F, N
Maple Lake Access	Across Imons Pond and Maple Lake (Also could go in and out at access and just paddle the pond and lake)		3.0	O
Maple Lake - below dam	CR665		2.6	N, O
CR665	40th St.		3.0	N, O
40th St.	44th Ave.		3.5	N, O
44th Ave.	45th/46th St.		2.4	N, O
<i>River continues - route information to be determined</i>				
Coloma Rd. - Riverside	Graham Ave. Access - Benton Harbor	4.0 - 5.0		N, O
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Saint Joseph River

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Saint Pat's Park - South Bend, IN	French Paper Dam - Niles	2.0	5.0	N, S, EZ
Niles Boat Ramp - Niles	Buchanan Dam - Buchanan	3.0		N, S, EZ
Buchanan Dam - Buchanan	Berrien Springs Dam - Berrien Springs	3.0		N, S, EZ
Berrien Springs Access - Berrien Springs	Jasper Dairy Rd. Access - N. of Berrien Springs	3.5		N, S, EZ
Jasper Dairy Rd. Access - N. of Berrien Springs	Riverside Park - Saint Joseph	3.0		N, S, EZ
Riverside Park - Saint Joseph	Paw Paw River Access - Benton Harbor	1.5		EZ
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