



Park Passport

2023



How to Start Your Adventure

This passport will guide you to 16 local parks and natural areas where you can find forests, beaches, dunes, lakes, trails and more. Use your curiosity to explore these wonderful West Michigan parks.

1



Visit some parks!

2



Answer the “**Challenge Question**” about each park. Hint: You may have to read signs.

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Collect your reward! Present your passport by **November 17, 2023** to one of these locations to receive your prize:

- Outdoor Discovery Center Visitors Center
4214 56th St • Holland, MI • 49423
- DeGraaf Nature Center
600 Graafschap Rd • Holland, MI • 49423

Passports with 10 or more parks completed will qualify for one of four prize drawings!

Be sure to read the “Park Passport Prize System” for more details.

Share your adventures with us!

Post pictures, stories, and comments and see how others are enjoying this Passport Challenge using the hashtag **#naturerichwestmi** on Facebook and Instagram!



Park Passport Prize System

**5
Parks
Completed**

Tote Bag & Pencil
Water Bottle
An ODC Network Family Membership
\$10 discount on purchase of \$50 or more at Dick's Sporting Goods

**16+
Parks
Completed**

Tote Bag & Pencil
Water Bottle
An ODC Network Family Membership
\$10 discount on purchase of \$50 or more at Dick's Sporting Goods
Entry in Passport Challenge Raffle

Passport Challenge Drawing

Complete 10 or more parks and turn in your tear-out form to be entered into one of four Passport Challenge Drawings!

Turn in your completed form no later than 3 pm by one of the following dates to be entered into that drawing:

- May 15
- July 17
- September 18
- November 20

There will be two winners on each date!
Prizes may include:

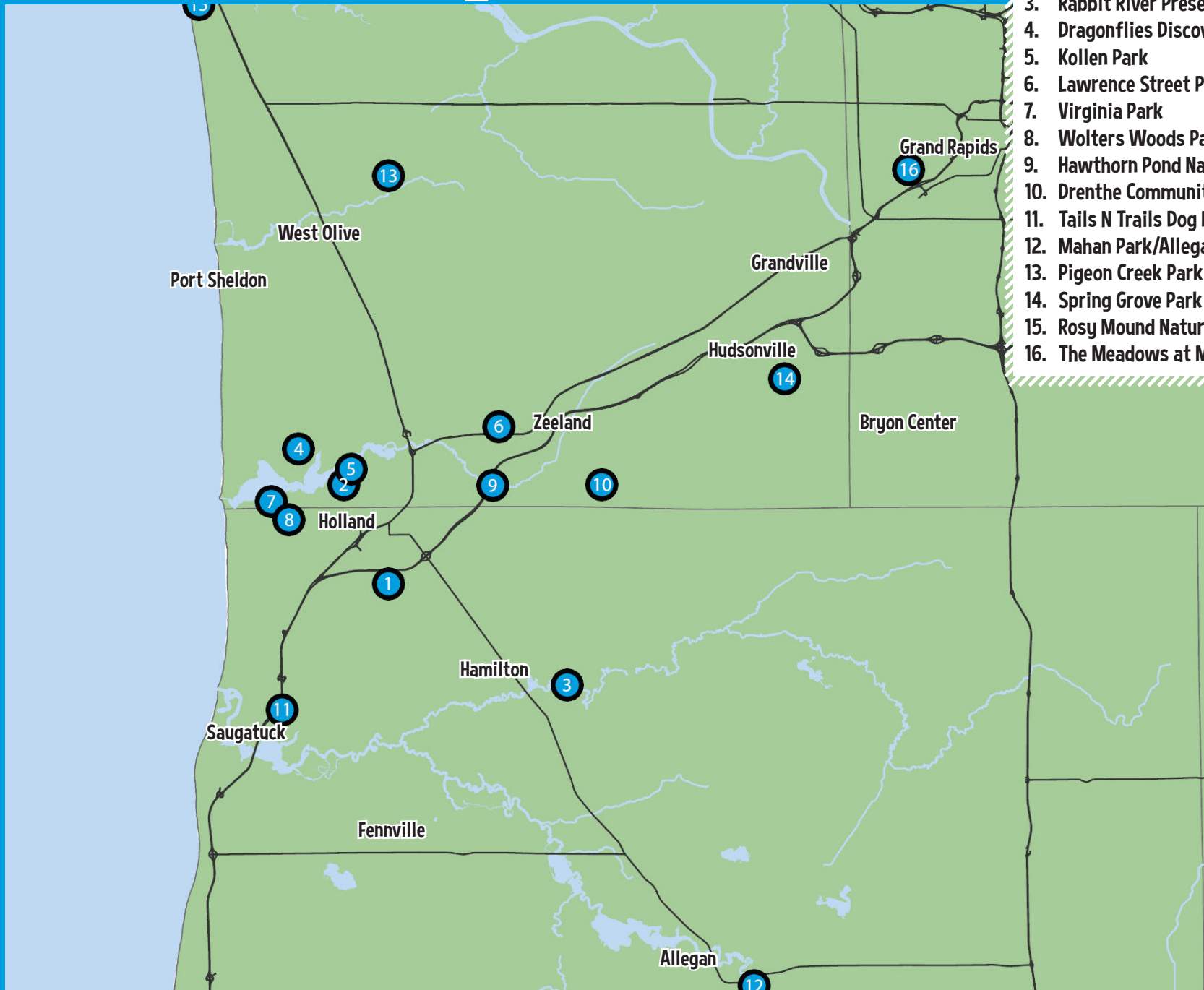
- \$100 DICK'S Sporting Goods Gift Card
- OR**
- Prize Basket featuring outdoor accessories, games, tumblers, and more!
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- Participation in one drawing excludes you from entry into subsequent drawings
- Prizes are available while supplies last

The ODC Network, a 501(c)(3) education and conservation organization, is a collection of business divisions managing two interpretive centers, two greenways, three nature-based preschools, multiple conservation initiatives, and global travel programs. Our mission is to advance outdoor education and conservation in West Michigan.






Visit our website: outdoordiscovery.org

Parks Map



1. Outdoor Discovery Center
2. DeGraaf Nature Center
3. Rabbit River Preserve
4. Dragonflies Discovery Preschool
5. Kollen Park
6. Lawrence Street Park
7. Virginia Park
8. Wolters Woods Park
9. Hawthorn Pond Natural Area
10. Drenthe Community Grove
11. Tails N Trails Dog Park
12. Mahan Park/Allegan Bridge Walk
13. Pigeon Creek Park
14. Spring Grove Park
15. Rosy Mound Natural Area
16. The Meadows at Millennium Park

Key to Park Symbols:

-  Bikes Allowed
-  Playground
-  Stairs
-  Wheelchair Accessible
-  Restroom
-  Dogs on Leash Welcome



Outdoor Discovery Center

4214 56th St • Holland, MI • 49423

Trails Open: Sunrise–Sunset, year-round

Visitors Center: Monday–Saturday, 10am–3pm



Date Visited:

Steps/Distance:

1

Color Hunt

List some things on your hike that were the color YELLOW.

Challenge Question

These turtles _____ in the _____, just as they do in the _____. (HINT: Stop to visit the turtle enclosure just outside the Wade & Kris Eldean Wildlife Exhibit)

Word #1:

Word #2:

Word #3:



DeGraaf Nature Center

600 Graafschap Rd • Holland, MI • 49423

Trails Open: Sunrise–Sunset, year-round

Nature Center: Tuesday–Saturday, 10am–3pm



Date Visited:

Steps/Distance:

2

I wonder...

Find a natural object and write a wonder you have about it.

Challenge Question

List three deterrents that can help to minimize bird strike on windows.

#1:

#2:

#3:

Rabbit River Preserve

4401 135th Ave • Hamilton, MI • 49419

Trails Open: Sunrise–Sunset, year-round



Steps/Distance:

Date Visited:



3

Challenge Question

The preserve is home to an array of _____ and _____ species, a number of which are _____ in West Michigan.

Word #1:

Word #2:

Word #3:

Nature Detective

Name a plant, animal, or fungus that you found.



Dragonflies Discovery Preschool

30 152nd Ave • Holland, MI • 49424

Trails Open: Sunrise–Sunset, year-round

Steps/Distance:

Date Visited:



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Challenge Question

What is the name of the pond you can find at this site?

Use Your Senses

List the surrounding sounds, sights, and scents.



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Kollen Park

240 Kollen Park Dr • Holland, MI • 49423
Open: 6am-11pm, year-round



Date Visited:

Steps/Distance:

Color Hunt

List some of the things on your hike that were the color RED.

Challenge Question

What is the name of the statue given to Holland from the people of Drenthe Province, Netherlands?



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Lawrence Street Park

100 W Lawrence Ave • Zeeland, MI • 49464
Open: Sunrise-Sunset, year-round



Date Visited:

Steps/Distance:

It reminds me of...

Find a natural object and write one thing it reminds you of.

Challenge Question

In what year was the historic Lawrence Park Bowl reopened?



Virginia Park

669 Harrington Ave • Holland, MI • 49423
Open: Sunrise-Sunset, year-round

Steps/Distance:

Date Visited:

Challenge Question

How many picnic benches can you find under the pavilion?

Nature Detective

Name a plant, animal, or fungus that you found.



Wolters Woods Township Park

6281 147th Ave • Holland, MI • 49423
Open: Sunrise-Sunset, year-round

Steps/Distance:

Date Visited:

Challenge Question

Enjoy the _____ beauty of wooded _____, sunny creek vistas, the plant _____, sport and picnic activities for families and friends.

Word #1:

Word #2:

Word #3:

Use Your Senses

List the surrounding sounds, sights, and scents.



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Hawthorn Pond Natural Area

9876 Black River Ct • Holland, MI • 49424
Open: 6am-11pm, year-round



Date Visited:

Steps/Distance:

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Color Hunt

List some of the things on your hike that were the color BLUE.

Challenge Question

How many benches did you find around the pond?



Tails N Trails Dog Park

6359 134th Ave • Saugatuck, MI • 49453
Open: Sunrise-Sunset, year-round



Steps/Distance:

Date Visited:



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Challenge Question

Find the large dog carving in the fenced in area and draw a picture of it.

Nature Detective

Name a plant, animal, or fungus that you found.



Drenthe Community Grove

615 68th Ave • Zeeland, MI • 49464
Open: Sunrise-Sunset, year-round



Date Visited:

Steps/Distance:

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I notice...

Find a natural object and write one thing you noticed about it.

Challenge Question

Draw or write about the plants and wildlife you saw at this park.



Mahan Park, Second Street Bridge, & Hanson Park

135 Brady St • Allegan, MI • 49010
Open: 6am-11pm, year-round



Steps/Distance:

Date Visited:

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Challenge Question

This bridge was designed by the ____ and Manufacturing Company of Cleveland, Ohio. (Hint: Find the historic site maker near the beginning of the bridge.)

Word #1:

Word #2:

Word #3:

Use Your Senses

List the surrounding sounds, sights, and scents.



Pigeon Creek Park

12524 Stanton St • West Olive, MI • 49460

Open: 7am-10pm, year-round



Date Visited:

Steps/Distance:

13

Color Hunt

List some of the things on your hike that were the color BLUE.

Challenge Question

What is this park named after?

(Hint: Look for Park History on the kiosks near the main parking lot.)



Spring Grove Park

1800 Greenly St • Grandville, MI • 49418

Open: April 1-October 15, 7am-10pm

October 16-31, 7am-8pm

November 1-March 31, closed



Date Visited:

Steps/Distance:

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It reminds me of...

Find a natural object and write one thing it reminds you of.

Challenge Question

Draw or write about the plants and wildlife you saw at this park.



Rosy Mound Natural Area

13925 Lakeshore Dr • Grand Haven, MI • 49417

Open: March 1-October 15, 7am-10pm

October 16-February 28, 7am-8pm

Steps/Distance:

Date Visited:

Challenge Question

Some believe the dune was named by _____ that climbed the dune to find a profusion of _____ growing at the top.

Word #1:

Word #2:

Word #3:

Nature Detective

Name a plant, animal, or fungus that you found.

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The Meadows at Millennium Park

1415 SW Maynard Ave • Walker, MI • 49534

Open: May 1-October 31, 7am-Sunset

Steps/Distance:

Date Visited:

Challenge Question

The wetlands and trails are a gift from _____ & _____ Idema _____, lovers of nature.

Word #1:

Word #2:

Word #3:

Use Your Senses

List the surrounding sounds, sights, and scents.

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Bonus Challenge: ODC Network Events

Get a stamp at either of these events
and count it as a park visited!



Place
Stamp
Here



Macatawa Water Festival
Saturday, August 12, 2023 • 9am–1pm
at Windmill Island Gardens • 1 Lincoln Ave, Holland • 49423

Place
Stamp
Here



Treats and Trails (*event entry fee applies*)
Saturday, October 21, 2023 • 2–7pm
at ODC • 4214 56th Street, Holland • 49423

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This Passport completed by:

First Name(s)

Last Name(s)

Participants were:

- ☐ Adult(s)
☐ Children (list ages):

Did you complete this challenge...

- ☐ ...by yourself
☐ ...as a family
☐ ...with a friend
☐ ...with your dog

Where did you get this passport?

- ☐ ODC
☐ DeGraaf
☐ In the mail
☐ Other:

I completed parks!

Number of parks

What was your favorite part of this challenge?

THIS BOX IS FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

RECEIVED ON:

STAFF INITIALS

Turned in at:

☐ ODC
☐ DeGraaf

The section below **must** be filled out to enter the
Passport Challenge Raffles

Name:

Street
Address:

City:

Email:

State:

ZIP:

Thanks for participating in the Park Passport Challenge!

We hope you had fun exploring West Michigan's nature-rich community.

Please fill out this form and tell us what you think! Bring it with your completed
passport to the ODC or DeGraaf by November 17, 2023
to claim your prize!



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