



HISTORIC WALKING TOUR

1.2 miles (on paved sidewalks)

1 MARQUETTE REGIONAL HISTORY CENTER 145 W SPRING STREET

The Marquette Regional History Center is the place to learn all about Marquette County history and more about the places you will see on this walking tour. The History Center is home to a museum with interactive kiosks, rotating special exhibits and a unique gift shop.

- July Historic Marquette Bus Tours / Tickets \$20
- All tours meet at MRHC
- 1:00 pm tours: July 16 & 30, August 6 & 13
- 6:00 pm tours: July 24 & 31, August 7 & 14
- Hop on and take in historic characters and stories of Marquette!

2 MARQUETTE COUNTY COURTHOUSE 360 S THIRD STREET

The Marquette County Courthouse completed in 1904 is a fine example of neoclassical revival architecture. Designed by Charlton and Gilmore of Marquette, the Building is constructed of Portage Entry Sandstone from the Keweenaw Peninsula. The dome ceiling is lined with stained glass. The courthouse has been the site of many well-known trials, including a suit brought by Theodore Roosevelt against an Ishpeming newspaper for slander. He was awarded six cents.

3 SAINT PETER CATHEDRAL 311 W BARAGA AVENUE

The first structure was built in 1864. The church was destroyed by fire in 1879 and partially destroyed again in 1935. Each time it was rebuilt. The current structure was made with Marquette brownstone and ornate stone carvings. The roof is edged with copper and gold-leaf crosses adorn the church's two domes. The interior features beautiful stone and marble work with a vaulted ceiling rising to 67 feet. The tomb of Bishop Baraga, known as the "Snowshoe Priest," is located here.

4 FATHER MARQUETTE STATUE AND PARK S FRONT STREET AND BARAGA AVENUE

The Father Marquette Statue was dedicated on July 15, 1897, gifted to the city of Marquette from local businessman Peter White. The brass statue was sculpted in Florence, Italy by renowned sculptor Gaetano Trentanove. The Park was redesigned in 2018 to include an arched gateway, stone benches, and perennial gardens.

5 FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING 101 W WASHINGTON STREET

After a major fire in 1924 destroyed the original bank, Louis G. Kaufman, the fifth president of the bank, donated the present site to rebuild the structure. Ground was broken in 1926. The building is Roman Corinthian in architecture and constructed of buff Indiana limestone. The heavy bronze doors were made in Long Island, New York. The counters are made of solid imported marble. Inside is a satellite exhibit of rare coins and paper bills from the Marquette Regional History Center collection.

6 SAVINGS BANK BUILDING 101 S FRONT STREET

Built in 1891 by architects Barber and Barber, this building was a 21st birthday gift for Peter Kaufman from his father, Louis G. Kaufman. The base of the building is Jacobsville sandstone and the upper level is brick. The building is an eclectic mix of architectural styles, with a Gothic clock tower and Romanesque sandstone carvings.

7 PETER WHITE PUBLIC LIBRARY 217 N FRONT STREET

Completed in 1904, the library is an example of neoclassical architecture. The Bedford limestone building has a raised foundation, arched windows with decorative keystones and stained glass panels, four Doric columns with an egg and dart design and a hipped roof.

8 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 120 N FRONT STREET

Completed in 1935 after a fire destroyed the original structure, it is constructed of Lannon Stone quarried in Wisconsin and is English Gothic architecture. The windows were modeled after stained glass from the 13th century, known as the Golden Age of Stained Glass. Look for the gargoyle water spouts on the south-facing roof.

9 FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 111 E RIDGE STREET

The brownstone building features narrow lancet windows, rounded windows, an arched entrance and asymmetrical hexagonal spires on top of square buttressed towers. It was built by C.F. Struck in 1873.

10 SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH 201 E RIDGE STREET

In 1856, the congregation began meeting in a small wooden structure at this very location. Constructed of Upper Peninsula brownstone, the Morgan Memorial Chapel was built in 1887 featuring a large Tiffany stained glass window. The large, square tower was added in 1902.

The houses along E Ridge and E Arch Streets are part of the Marquette historic homes district. Grab a walking tour brochure at the History Center gift store to learn more about the impressive architecture.



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