# Wisconsin Rustic Roads - Northeast Region



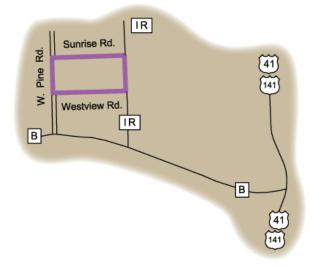
- Brown County: R8, R40 and R46
- Door County: R9, R38, R39 and R77
- Florence County: R74
- Forest County: R34
- Kewaunee County: R7
- Langlade County: none
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- Lincoln County: R78
- Marathon County: none
- Marinette County: R32, R44 and R97
- Menominee County: none
- Oconto County: R109, R113
- Oneida County: R58 and R59
- Outagamie County: R53 and R61
- Portage County: R17
- Shawano County: R47
- Waupaca County: R23, R24 and R57
- Wood County: none
- Vilas County: R60

# **Brown County Rustic Road 8**

Location: Brown County. R-8 makes a loop off County IR, following Sunrise Road, Pine Road and Westview Road.

Surface: Paved Length: 3 miles

Located in the village of Suamico, R-8 wanders between stands of hardwood and coniferous trees that stretch along its length near a county park.

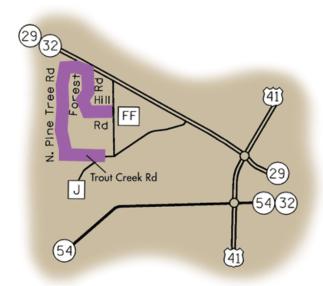


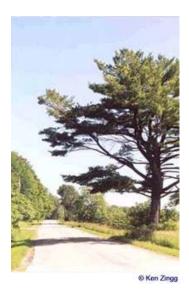
#### **Rustic Road 40**

Location: Brown County. Highway J to County FF.

Length: 4.6 miles Surface: Paved

R-40 passes near Trout Creek offering the traveler views of natural woodlands with deep ravines, as well as picturesque open farmland.



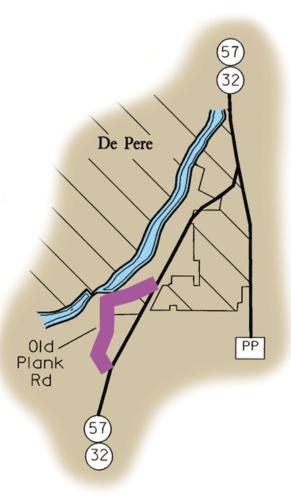


Location: Brown County. Old Plank Road forms a loop west of WIS 57.

Length: 1.3 miles

Surface: Paved and gravel portions

Old Plank Road is characterized by ravines, large old trees and a narrow road surface. It dates back to Civil War times when it was used to carry supplies to the Fox River.



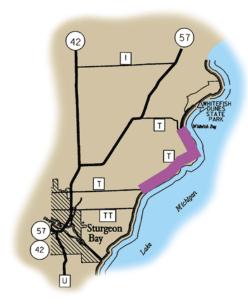
# **Door County Rustic Road 9**

Location: Door County T (Glidden Drive), between Brauer Road and Whitefish Bay

Road.

Length: 6.7 miles Surface: Paved

Located along the Lake Michigan shore, this route passes through sand dunes, heavy forest and streams that are natural spawning grounds for trout and smelt. Other sites include an old saw mill, fishing site, log cabin and a panoramic view of Lake Michigan with a beautiful sand beach.

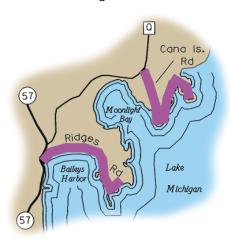


### **Rustic Road 38**

Location: Door County. R-38, Cana Island Road, extends from County Q to Cana Island.

Length: 2.5 miles Surface: Paved

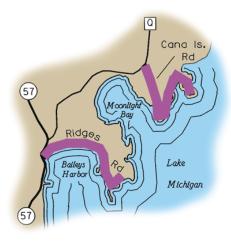
Paved between Moonlight Bay and North Bay, R-38 passes through a unique boreal forest filled with magnificent specimens of spruce, cedar and white pine as well as various species of rare and valuable plants. The route provides scenic views of Cana Island Lighthouse and the Lake Michigan shoreline.



Location: R-39, Ridges Road runs from WIS 57 to Point Drive and the Old Lighthouse Point Natural Area.

Length: 2.5 miles Surface: Paved

R-39 provides panoramic views of heavily wooded and lakeshore areas. Old Lighthouse Point Natural Area and the Ridges Sanctuary Wildlife Area are outstanding wildlife areas featuring many rare native plants.

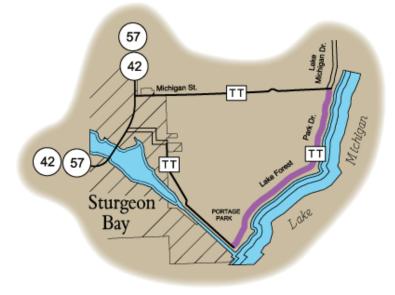


#### **Rustic Road 77**

Location: Door County. County TT running northerly to the intersection of Lake Michigan Drive.

Length: 3.5 miles Surface: Paved

R-77 parallels Lake Michigan with a Coast Guard station and lighthouse at its southern end. Many types of trees including cedar, maple, white birch and pine line the route. A municipal park is also located along R-77. It was from this spot that Native Americans "portaged" from Lake Michigan to Sturgeon Bay before the ship canal was constructed.





# **Florence County**

#### **Rustic Road 74**

Location: Florence County. Between WIS 139 and County C near the town of Fence.

Length: 32.5 miles

Surface: Gravel

Located within the scenic Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, R-74 abounds with deer, songbirds and other wildlife. R-74 passes the former Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) Camp Newald which operated from 1933–1942. This route crosses the Popple River, a designated Wisconsin "Wild River." It is also near Morgan Lake Campground, a National Forest semi-wild campground.



### **Forest County**

#### **Rustic Road 34**

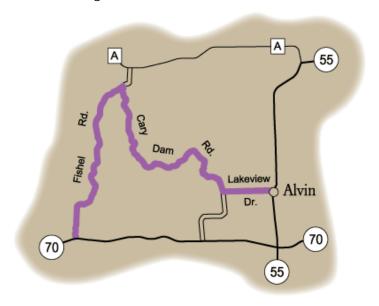
**Location:** Forest County. From the village of Alvin, follows portions of Lakeview Drive,

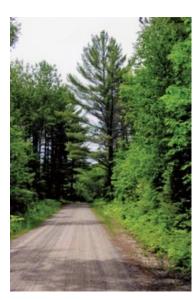
Carey Dam Road and Fishel Road to WIS 70.

Length: 8.8 miles

Surface: Paved and gravel portions

Located in the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, this scenic route includes the Old North Road, the very first road in the town of Alvin and one which has changed very little over the years. The road leads through a heavily wooded area, including a 50-year-old pine plantation abundant with wildlife and ideal for hunting, fishing, hiking, skiing and snowmobiling.





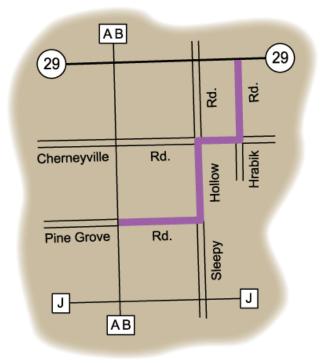
## **Kewaunee County**

#### **Rustic Road 7**

**Location:** Kewaunee County. Includes portions of Hrabik Road, Cherneyville Road, Sleepy Hollow Road and Pine Grove Road between WIS 29 and AB.

Length: 3.5 milesSurface: Paved

This route wanders past the remains of an old lime kiln, travels through glacial deposits and affords views of an old German home, an old flour mill and several picturesque barns.





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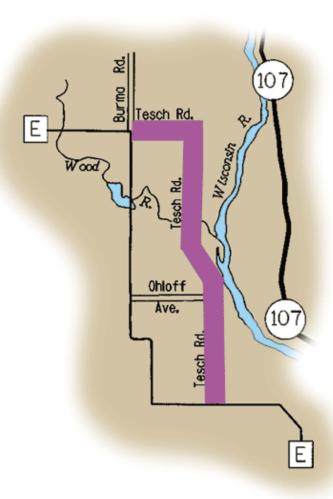
### **Lincoln County**

#### **Rustic Road 78**

Location: Lincoln County. Tesch Road, beginning and ending on County E.

Length: 4 milesSurface: Paved

R-78 meanders through hardwood trees and across the New Wood River. The northern portion of this route is adjacent to the Bill Cross Rapids Wildlife Area which is home to eagles, osprey, deer, bear, wolves, mink and otter. The traveler will see Copper School, an historic one-room schoolhouse, at the southern end of the road.



### **Marinette County**

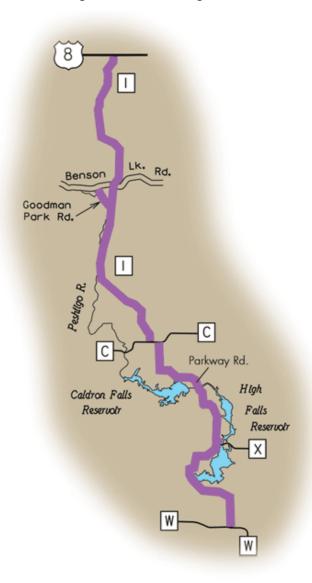
#### **Rustic Road 32**

**Location:** Marinette County. Parkway Road from County W north to County C, then on County I to US 8. Also Goodman Park Road from County I to the park entrance.

Length: 37.1 miles

Surface: Paved and gravel

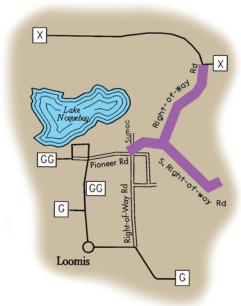
Wisconsin's longest rustic road, R-32 offers a 37-mile journey through several county parks, county and state forest, and offers vistas of the Thunder and Peshtigo rivers, and High Falls and Caldron Falls flowages. Multiple species of hardwoods and conifers can be viewed along the route, along with numerous granite boulders, outcroppings and abundant wildlife.



**Location:** Marinette County. Right-of-Way Road from Sumac Lane east to County X. A second branch of Right-of-Way Road extends southeast to the Porterfield Lake town line.

**Length:** 6.5 miles **Surface:** Paved

Right-of-Way Road crosses two creeks and is adjacent to a state wildlife refuge and Marinette County Forest land. According to the Loomis Historical Society, R-44 was originally part of the Wisconsin-Michigan Railroad.

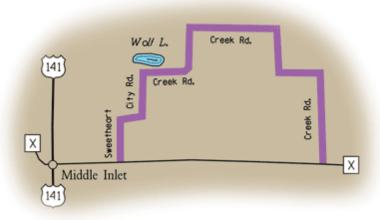


#### **Rustic Road 97**

**Location:** Marinette County, town of Middle Inlet. Sweetheart City Road and Creek Road forming a loop off County X near the intersection of US 141 and County X.

**Length:** 5 miles **Surface:** Paved and gravel

A curvy, hilly route passing through many wooded areas that often form a scenic canopy over the road, R-97 also offers some outstanding agricultural vistas, abundant wildlife and a view of a small lake.



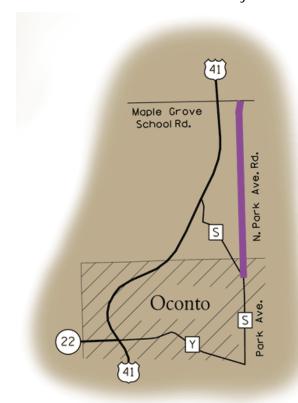
# **Oconto County**

#### **Rustic Road 109**

**Location:** Oconto County. North Park Avenue Road, beginning at County S in the city of Oconto and ending at Maple School Grove Road in the town of Little River.

Length: 2.3 milesSurface: Paved

R-109 is referred to by some local residents as "Wisconsin's Everglades" because the road runs through a large complex of coastal wetlands that ultimately connect to the Oconto Marsh. Along some parts of the route, travelers will see majestic cattails that line both sides of the road, as well as blue flag iris, swamp milkweed, marsh fern and lowland grasses. In the middle of the route, the trees lining the road form a graceful canopy that arches over the road. R-109 also has a century farmstead visible from the road.



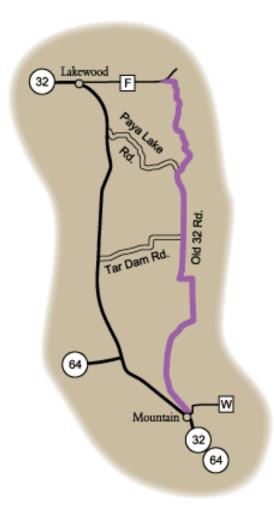


Location: Oconto County. Old 32 Road, between County W and County F

Length: 9.4 miles

Surface: Paved

R-113 passes through the Chequamegon/Nicolet National Forest where beautiful wooded vistas teem with wildlife and birds. A complimentary feature is the Mountain Fire Tower. It was built in 1934 and is the only fire tower still standing in the area. R-113 also provides access to the Nicolet State Trail and cross country ski trails.



# **Oneida County**

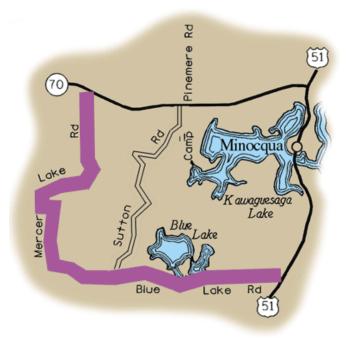
#### **Rustic Road 58**

**Location:** Oneida County. Blue Lake Road, west from US 51 to Mercer Lake Road, and Mercer Lake Road, north from Blue Lake Road to WIS 70.

Length: 9.6 miles

Surface: Paved

Blue Lake Road skirts many scenic Northwoods' lakes while wandering through thick pine and hardwood forests. This route crosses a railroad bed that was used in the 1800s as a main line to Minocqua. It has now been converted to the Bearskin State Trail for hiking and bicycling. Where Blue Lake Road intersects the Tomahawk River, you'll find an ideal spot for launching a canoe. The Northwoods beauty continues along Mercer Lake Road as it travels across two small creeks, through cedar lowlands and dense pine and hardwood forests before intersecting with WIS 70.





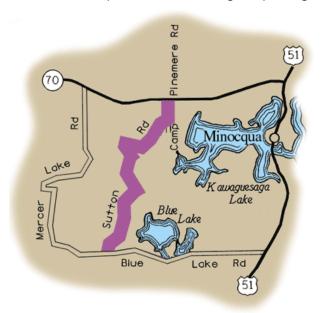
Location: Oneida County. Sutton Road and Camp Pinemere Road between WIS 70 and

Blue Lake Road.

Length: 4.5 miles

Surface: Gravel, gravel and sand and paved portions

R-59 can be characterized as a lightly traveled Northwoods wilderness road. Along this route you will see log cabins used by some of the original homesteaders in the Minocqua area. Sutton Road, whose narrow roadbed is a mixture of gravel and sand, travels through hardwood and pine forest offering frequent glimpses of native wildlife.





# **Outagamie County**

#### **Rustic Road 53**

Location: Outagamie County. Portions of Garrity Road, McCabe Road, Greiner Road and Bodde Road between WIS 41 and County JJ.

Length: 4.1 miles Surface: Paved

R-53 is located in one of the richest agricultural areas in the Fox River Valley. Visitors will find a double arch bridge, an old schoolhouse which serves as the town hall, a century farm, an old stone silo, Apple Creek and a resource conservation area abundant with wildlife. Construction of this road dates back to 1857.

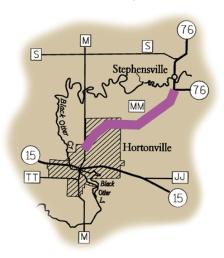


#### **Rustic Road 61**

Location: Outagamie County. County MM between County M and WIS 76.

Length: 3.3 miles Surface: Paved

This road offers an interesting combination of historic and scenic features. Many wooded areas, wetlands and agricultural uses are adjacent to the road's 3.3-mile course. R-61 crosses several streams and stretches along several wetland areas that are part of the Wolf River watershed. Several large white pines can be spotted along this road, often in combination with large stands of trees.





# **Portage County**

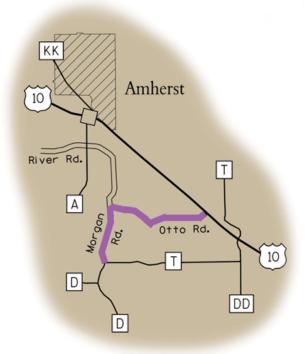
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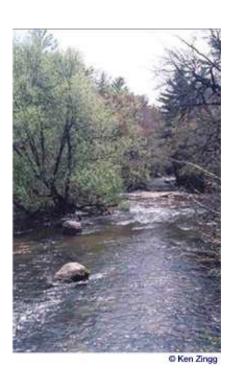
**Location:** Portage County. Otto Road from US 10 west to Morgan Road, then south on Morgan Road to County T.

**Length:** 2.7 miles

Surface: Paved

This scenic route south of Amherst passes through hilly, rugged terrain, forests and fields, offering glimpses of native wildlife. R-17 also crosses a boulder-strewn section of the Tomorrow River.





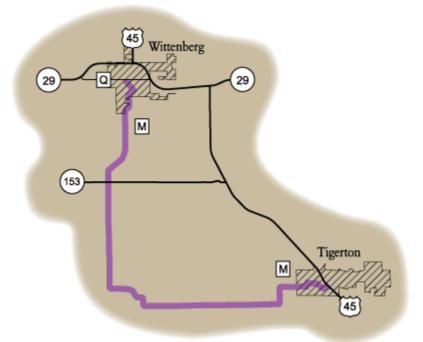
# **Shawano County**

#### **Rustic Road 47**

Location: Shawano County. County M, between County Q and US 45.

**Length:** 14 miles **Surface:** Paved

Featuring open agricultural vistas against a backdrop of wooded hills, R-47 is a traveler's delight. Historic buildings along the route include a round barn, red granite town hall and a stone filling station. The road crosses two streams and passes conifer glens, wetland vegetation and rolling fields. County M also passes the Tigerton Historical Museum and the Wittenburg Historical Museum.



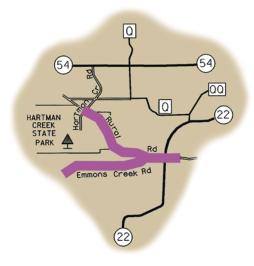
# **Waupaca County**

#### **Rustic Road 23**

**Location:** Waupaca County. R-23 begins in the town of Rural, and travels west on Rural Road through Hartman Creek State Park, ending at Hartman Creek Road.

**Length:** 3.6 miles **Surface:** Paved

Scenic Rural Road crosses the Crystal River three times over picturesque stone bridges, offering pleasant vistas of agricultural and forest areas. Emmons Creek Road crosses a springfed trout stream and passes through several stands of native pine and hardwoods.



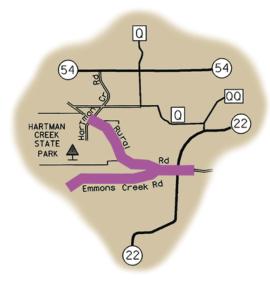


#### **Rustic Road 24**

**Location:** R-24, Emmons Creek Road, extends west from Rural Road to the Portage County line.

**Length:** 2.7 miles **Surface:** Paved and gravel portions

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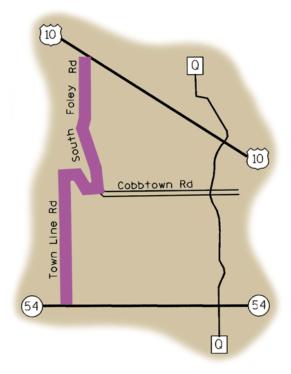
Location: Waupaca County. South Foley Road and Town Line Road between US 10 and

WIS 54.

Length: 4.1 miles

Surface: Paved

The Ice Age National Scenic Trail follows this route. A log house used by hikers is located on the South Foley Road segment. The scenic beauty of R-57 is enhanced by rolling hills and an arch of trees over the road at two points. Deep ravines directly off the road are accented with ferns and a variety of wild flowers. Bluebirds and other wild song birds are regular visitors to the large apple orchard along both sides of South Foley Road. The Waupaca River flows along a portion of the road; the rapids can be heard at the Cobbtown Road bridge.





# **Vilas County**

#### **Rustic Road 60**

Location: Vilas County. County K, between County N and County M.

Length: 11.7 miles

Surface: Paved

This winding route travels through the Northern Highland/American Legion State Forest. Canopies of coniferous and hardwood trees enhance the scenic beauty of R-60 as it passes near old logging camp sites, hiking trails and an old saw mill located in Star Lake. The entire stretch of this scenic drive traverses heavily wooded areas abundant with wildlife. R-60 offers frequent scenic vistas of numerous, clear Northwoods lakes and dense forestland.

