

# ITINERARY

## *Southern Region*

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#### RED WING

##### POTTERY MUSEUM OF RED WING

More than 6,000 vintage pieces of artisan-crafted stoneware, art pottery, dinnerware and folk art bring the story of historic Red Wing to life in dozens of exhibits covering 13,000 square feet.

##### RED WING SHOE STORE & MUSEUM

Visit the flagship Red Wing Shoe Store to see the world's largest boot, the Red Wing Shoe Museum and a full-floor outlet center.

##### ANDERSON CENTER AT TOWER VIEW

A nationally registered landmark, the Anderson Center's facility houses a permanent art collection, sculpture garden, studio artists, classes and retreats.

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#### OWATONNA

##### VILLAGE OF YESTERYEAR AND STEELE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Experience what life was like in Owatonna at the turn of the 20th century. The 19-structure site features two log cabins, a railroad station and a caboose from Steele County, a general store/post office, fire station, farm machinery building, blacksmith shop, country school and more.

##### NATIONAL FARMERS' BANK

Discover historic downtown and the National Farmers' Bank. Built from 1906-1908, the National Farmers' Bank is widely recognized as one of the premier pieces of "Prairie School Architecture" in America. The most famous of all Louis Sullivan's banks, it is considered "a jewel box of the prairie," featuring gold leaf arches, stained glass windows, and nouveau baroque art designs.

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#### ROCHESTER

##### MAYOWOOD MANSION

Discover the Mayo family's fascinating history on a Historic Mayowood Mansion tour. Guided tours of the mansion, which was built in 1911 and housed three generations of Mayos, are available from mid-April to mid-October. From early November until mid-December, the mansion is decked out for the holidays and offers holiday-themed tours.

##### PLUMMER HOUSE OF THE ARTS

Tour the 49-room, five-story Plummer House of the Arts, designed in 1917 by early Mayo Clinic physician Henry Plummer and featuring many innovations that were far advanced for the era. The Tudor-style mansion sits on 11 acres of beautifully landscaped grounds, consisting of formal gardens and a bird trail.

##### HERITAGE HOUSE VICTORIAN MUSEUM

A mere two-block walk north of downtown Rochester brings visitors to Heritage House Victorian Museum, which offers the opportunity to see how life was lived in the 1800s. This Italianate-style home was built in 1875 for Timothy and Eliza Whiting.

##### CHARLES E. GAGNON MUSEUM AND SCULPTURE GARDEN

The Gagnon Museum and Sculpture Garden preserves Charles Gagnon's art, spanning from 1962 to 2012. Gagnon was dedicated to creating bronze sculptures that would give hope to the world and inspire peace among all peoples.

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#### PRESTON & HOUSTON

##### NATIONAL TROUT CENTER

Visit the National Trout Center for hands-on activities to engage the public in awareness of the environment, cold water fishery resources of the region and the arts and crafts related to trout fishing.

##### AMISH COMMUNITY TOURS

Amish families first began to settle in Minnesota in the late 1800s. Today the Preston, Harmony and Canton area of Fillmore County is home to Minnesota's largest Amish settlement, with seven church districts and approximately 1,000 people. Take a guided tour with one of the area Amish tour businesses to experience Amish life first-hand.

##### INTERNATIONAL OWL CENTER

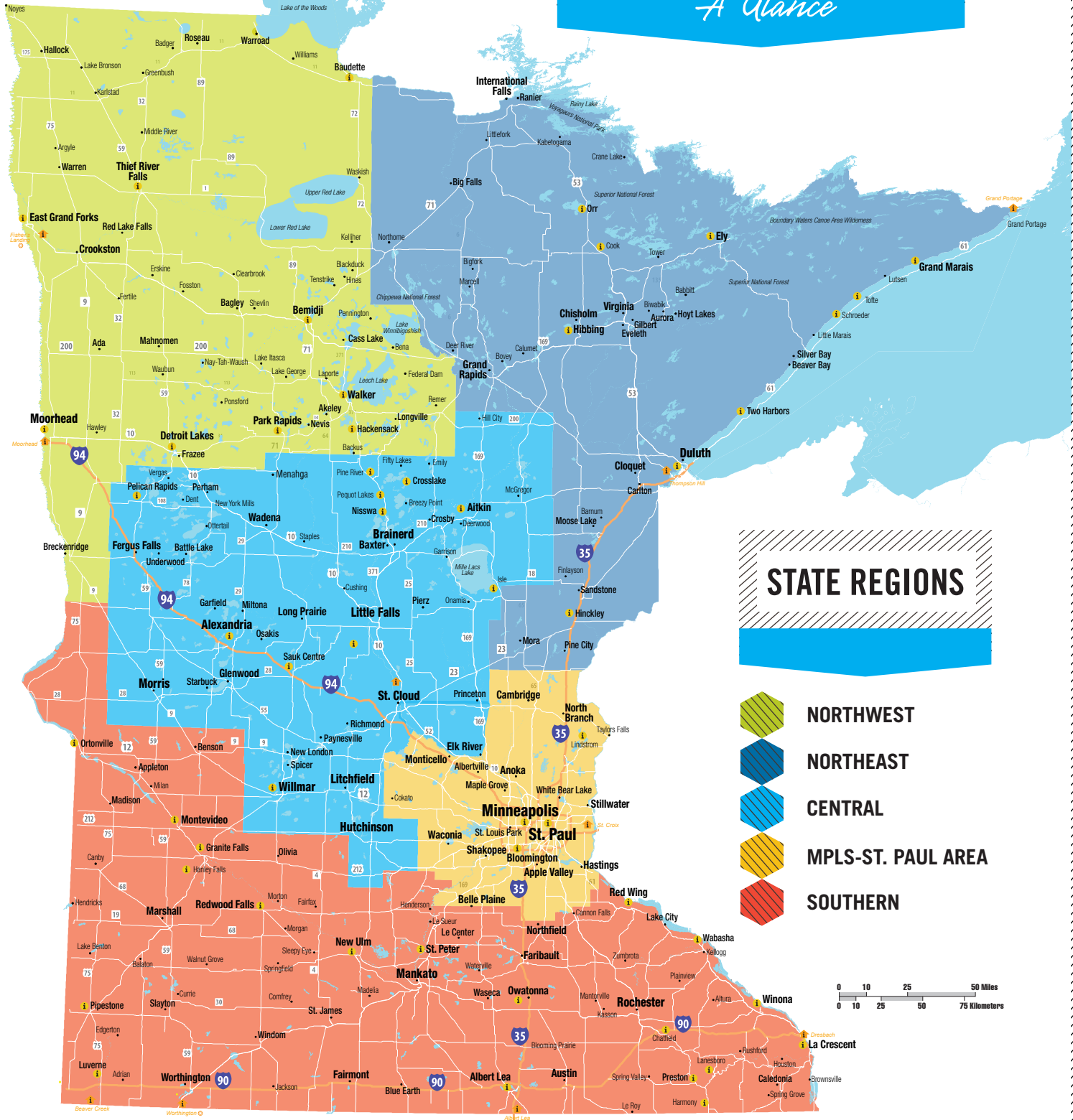
Meet live ambassador owls at the International Owl Center. Feel how soft an owl feather is, peruse owl art from around the world, and find out more about the people working hard to make the world a better place for owls.

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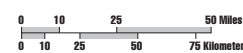
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## STATE REGIONS

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-  **NORTHEAST**
-  **CENTRAL**
-  **MPLS-ST. PAUL AREA**
-  **SOUTHERN**



-  Welcome Centers are located on major highways at key points in state
-  Information Centers in these cities are affiliated with Explore Minnesota and provide statewide travel information. In the Twin Cities area, these information centers are in downtown Minneapolis, St. Paul, St. Louis Park and Mall of America.
-  Two centers are open seasonally; the others operate year-round.