

Come visit us this season at....Split Rock Lodge

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SPLIT ROCK LODGE

We hope you and all your family are well. The newsletter is a little late this year. Our excuse is that we've been very busy binge watching Tiger King, Longmire and Shitt\$ Creek! More importantly, we had to rewrite the newsletter after sending it to the printers because of updates on the border closure. As of this weekend, the U.S. and Canadian border will be closed until May 20, 2020. Nobody knows what will happen after that date. Mike and I are planning on opening **Split Rock Lodge** as soon as we can! Like everyone else we are playing it day by day. If you need to cancel your stay due to the coronavirus and have a deposit it with us, we will either roll it over to your 2021 stay or refund them. If you have questions either email splitrocklodge@gmail.com or call us at 952-933-0626. This year we are especially looking forward to being at **Split Rock Lodge** and seeing all our guests!

Well fishing started off with a bang! The guests were getting **walleye** and **northern**s in the shallows to start, along with some slab **crappies**. By June the **walleye** were on the move. Trolling proved to be very productive for some, I had one of my best days ever in June. I managed to land a 26 ¾ " **walleye** which put me in the lead for big fish only to be out fished by Linda 5 minutes later with a 27 ¼ " ! We released 6 **walleye** over 25", what a afternoon. In July we found them on the humps in Sabaskong. August we found some nice fish close to the lodge and they stuck around for the rest of the season. In October while fishing the tournament, Steve and I went through 20 dozen minnows in 2 days, lots of fish but not big enough for a 5-peat. June there were lots of nice **bass** along the rocky shore and they joined **walleyes** on the reefs after spawning. They always make for a great battle. We saw a lot more large **northern**s last year. I think having a slot size is working, because we're seeing a lot bigger **northern**s. For **muskie**s it was a another great year. There were cabins catching 35 and 45 fish in week! That's a good kind of crazy. This year we had 2 or 3 **muskie** over 50" caught by guests staying at **Split Rock**. Then there were days you couldn't buy a follow, but thats **muskie** fishing. All and all a great fishing season. Here are the numbers from the guests that wrote on the **muskie** logs in 2019.

Split Rock Muskie Logs by number: Under 30 (59) 30-35 (62) 35-40 (102) 40-45 (79) 45-50 (30)

