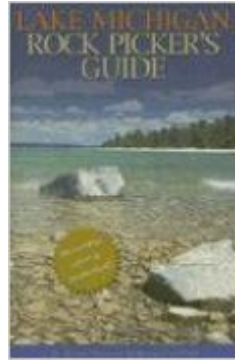


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# Lake Michigan Rock Picker's Guide



## Synopsis

An eagerly awaited rock identification guide for Lake Michigan

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for your next trip to a Lake Michigan beach. As a novice rock collector who was both fascinated and curious as to the identity of the stunningly beautiful stones covering many Lake Michigan Beaches, this book answered countless questions. A large variety of Lake Michigan rocks & fossils are identified and beautifully illustrated, with accompanying information on where they are likely to be found. Following Bruce Mueller & Kevin Gauthier's tips on how, when and where to find rock specimens has astronomically increased my success in rock collecting. The information on the formation, history, preparation [cleaning/grinding/polishing techniques] and craft/jewelry uses of Lake Michigan stones provided in this book are priceless. Humorous and philosophical at times, this wonderful book has what it takes to educate, entertain and reveal the nature of the treasures lying along Lake Michigan's shoreline.

My family spent a week at a relatives cottage near Cedar Michigan. We spend a few hours on one particular beach and collected a whole assortment of Lake Michigan rocks. At the cottage they had Bruce Mueller's other book on Petoskey stones (very interesting). On the back it mentioned this book on Lake Michigan Rocks. I picked up this book the other day and grabbed the bucket of rocks we brought home with us from our trip. What a great resource this book is. My kids were really getting into it and soon we had almost the whole bucket sorted out by what type of rock they were

(about 13+ different kinds). Initially I only knew how to identify Petoskey's and quartz. Using the books color pictures and descriptions really made it easy. Of course we had some rocks categorized under "mystery rock", but I would say that this book helped us identify about 95% of them. Before buying this book I went to the local bookstore (big chain) to look at other rock identification books. In short they were totally worthless. Other than a Petoskey they had none of the other rock types we found. If you have a bucket full of Lake Michigan rocks you want identified, go buy this book. You won't regret it. P.S My son found a Petoskey bigger than my hand on that trip. I'm reading over the "polishing" section now to find out how to make it shiny like the ones you see in the store. FUN!!!

This book is the best book on rocks I have ever read or bought! Each rock has an explanation and colored photos. The book inspired me so much that when I went to Sleeping Bear Dunes I had to stop in at Mr. Mueller's "C & M rock shop in Honor Michigan" He was there and signed my books and was so helpful in answering any questions I had. His store is a must for anyone who is a rock nut or just wants to learn and see some beautiful rocks and fossils of the Michigan area. I am so happy with this book! It's a gotta buy book!

Lake Michigan has the most beautiful rocks on their shores that without this book you may never know what they are. The pictures are clear and the information is excellent. It is a must have for beach walkers and rock hounds. Be sure to look up Leeland Blue stone and then make the trip to Leeland to find some. Go to the beaches on the south side of the town of Leeland...you will find plenty there. Lots of fun great for Petoskey stones as well..Happy Hunting

Living near the shore of Lake Michigan in Union Pier, Michigan our family loves this book to identify items we have found, and to inspire us on to find the ones we haven't yet. (Who knew there were diamonds in Lake Michigan?) It gives good advice on where you are more likely to find a specific item (though I don't think he spent enough time at the Chikaming Twp. Road end beaches--where we find a huge variety of fossils and rocks) It's small and paper-back and comes with us in the glove box when we head up north. Well worth the price.

Good book but not nearly as detailed as I had hoped. This book is nothing more than a simple, simple overview of Michigan rocks. Not too much description of each stone or their origins as I said this book is a simple overview.

As a long-time Michigan rock-picker, I was thrilled to find a book that helps me identify my rocks and plan future outings. The only thing that would have been better in this book would have been more color plates, but I understand that doing that would have made the book more expensive.

It has enough information to keep a novice and a hobby collector interested. This is a fun activity for people who don't want to spend a ton of money but like to have an excuse to be outside, kicking around, in balmy weather.

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