

Foraging and Harvesting on State Land

State Land Designation	What Can You Forage?
State Forests, Forest lands under the authority of the commissioner (Division of Forestry)	<p>You need a special product permit to do the following in state forests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harvest Christmas trees, decorative tops, or boughs. • Harvest decorative forest products, such as birch sticks, branches, bark, red-osier dogwood, etc. • Tap trees for maple syrup for personal use or sale, regardless of amount. • Cut or remove any trees or plants for any reason, such as: birch bark, diamond willow sticks, burls, trees or shrubs, fiddlehead ferns, Solomon's seal, flowers, etc. • Remove wood from state land boundaries. • Collect a large amount of berries, mushrooms, cones, or dead fuelwood for personal use or sale. <p>No special product permit needed to collect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small amounts of berries, mushrooms, or cones from a state forest, for personal use, such as the amount you or your household may consume within the week. • Dead fuelwood for fires while recreating in a state forest. <p>To get your special product permit, visit or call ahead to the DNR Forestry office closest to the state forest where you want to harvest: Forestry Office Locator</p> <p>To learn more, please visit our website: Harvesting on state forest lands</p>
State Parks, State Waysides, State Recreation Areas, State Monuments, State Historic Sites, Forest Recreation Areas (Division of Parks and Trails)	<p>You can only harvest edible fruit and mushrooms for personal use; no permit is needed.</p> <p>Picking a handful of berries to go with breakfast is allowed, as is harvesting a few mushrooms for dinner.</p> <p>To learn more, please visit our website: Harvesting plants</p>

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State Trails (Division of Parks and Trails)	<p>You can only harvest edible fruit for personal use; no permit is needed.</p> <p>To learn more, please visit our website: Harvesting plants</p>
Wildlife Management Areas (Division of Fish and Wildlife)	<p>You can only harvest edible fruits, seeds, and decorative portions of plants for personal use; no permit is needed.</p> <p>All WMAs are open to the harvest of wild rice, except as specifically closed by posting or rule.</p> <p>A person may not harvest wild ginseng within any WMA without first obtaining a permit from a state wildlife manager.</p> <p>Contact the Area Wildlife office of the WMA you want to visit if you have questions about foraging: Wildlife Management Areas</p>
Aquatic Management Areas (Division of Fish and Wildlife)	<p>You can only harvest edible fruits, seeds, and mushrooms for personal use; no permit is needed.</p> <p>Contact the Area Office of the AMA you want to visit if you have questions about foraging: Aquatic Management Areas</p>
Scientific and Natural Areas (Division of Ecological and Water Resources)	<p>Berry picking is allowed at eight specific SNAs, and mushroom picking is only allowed at one:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Badoura Jack Pine Woodland SNA • Hovland Woods SNA • La Salle Lake SNA • Lutsen SNA • Moose Mountain SNA • Myhr Creek Ridge SNA • Prairie Bush Clover SNA (also includes mushrooms) • Spring Beauty Northern Hardwoods SNA <p>All berry and mushroom picking is for personal use only; no permit is needed.</p> <p>To learn more, please visit our website: SNA things to do and rules</p>