Legendary Kitch-iti-kipi Big Spring

Open Rain or Shine



Big Spring

One of the Upper Peninsula's Natural Attractions

Two hundred feet across, the forty foot deep Kitchiti-kipi is Michigan's largest Spring. Over 16,000 gallons a minute gush from fissures in the underlying limestone. The flow continues throughout the year at a constant temperature of 45 degrees Fahrenheit.

By means of a covered self operated observation raft, visitors are guided to vantage points overlooking fascinating underwater features and fantasies. Ancient tree trunks, lime-encrusted branches and fat trout appear to be suspended in nothingness as they slip through crystal waters far below. Clouds of sand kept in constant motion by gushing waters create ever-changing shapes and forms, a challenge to the imagination of young and old alike.

Near the Spring is a pleasant and shaded picnic area, modern toilet facilities and a park store. Camping is not permitted in Palms Book State Park. The Park Concession Store is open daily May 15 through October 15 and offers a variety of souvenirs, shirts, and food items. Open rain or shine.

