



Sierra Club Nepessing Group

2017 Outings Schedule

<http://www.sierraclub.org/michigan/nepessing/>

All outings are open to everyone. - You do not have to be a Sierra Club member to participate.

All hikers and outings participants must sign a Sierra Club liability waiver form at the beginning of each hike/outing.

Participants under 18 years of age must be accompanied by parent or adult guardian.

No pets unless outing is listed as dogs allowed or approved by the leader in advance.

Always call the hike leader in advance to be sure that the event has not cancelled or delayed. Call if weather is questionable, but hikes are usually held irrespective of rain or snow.

Arrive at least 10 minutes before the start of the hike to sign in. Every effort will be made to start hikes at scheduled time. Please be prompt!

A \$1.00 donation to the Nepessing Group of the Sierra Club is requested of each adult for every hike and outing that is not marked as: Not Affiliated With Sierra Club- there may be separate fees for these events.

If car-pooling, you should share travel costs with the driver.

For outings that require reservations, please be considerate of Outing Leaders. The Sierra Club is not responsible for expenses incurred by leaders or hikers. All expenses are the responsibility of the individual participants.

We welcome your feedback on your outings experience. Call Outings Chair Denny Crispell.

WEEKLY WEDNESDAY HIKES: That are not included in this listing are every Wednesday at 10:30 or 11:00am. Please e-mail nepessinghiker@aol.com to be added for weekly e-mail notification of Wednesday hikes. Or call Linda Berker at (810) 348-8664.

OUTING LEADERS: If you cancel or change your outing, please notify Denny Crispell, Chair, or a member of the Outings Committee immediately. In addition, please notify the leaders of the outings preceding yours to announce the cancellation at their outings.

Linda Berker 810-348-8664

Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

Bill Klocek 810-513-8983

Terry Reechko 734-558-0031

Nancy Covucci 810-233-0920

Mike Haley 810-686-6354

Lynn Livingston 239-398-3720

Bob Simpson 810-230-0704

Some activities listed in this Outings Schedule are not sponsored or administered by the Sierra Club. The Sierra Club has no information about the planning of these activities and makes no representations or warranties about the quality, safety, supervision or management of such activities. They are published only as a reader service because they may be of interest to the readers of this publication. The Nepessing Group appreciates these individuals volunteering their time to provide this opportunity for you and others.

SIERRA CLUB MEETINGS are open to the public and are held the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:00p.m. Mott Community College, 1401 E. Court St., Flint Prah Center, Genesee Room. No meetings in July or December.

SIERRA CLUB GENERAL GATHERINGS include programs or speakers and are the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:30p.m. Mott Community College, 1401 E. Court St., Flint Prah Center, Genesee Room. No meetings in July or December.

OUTINGS UPDATES are sent by nepessinghiker@aol.com. To be added to the e-mail list for weekly notification of changes and/or additions. Email nepessinghiker@aol.com and ask to be added to the list. Nepessinghiker@aol.com is administered by Donald James.

TO LEAD HIKES: If you would be willing to lead an outing or if there is a hike you would like to learn so you can lead it in the future please contact [Denny Crispell \(989\) 624-5038](mailto:Denny.Crispell@sierraclub.org).

SUNDAY BIKE RIDES: MAY THROUGH OCT. Friends of the Flint River Trail host public bike rides every Sunday, May through October, at 2:00p.m. Meeting location to be determined. Helmets recommended. Children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information call: Bruce Nieuwenhuis bnbaton@gmail.com or Jack Minore (810) 252-5258 jacksonmin@aol.com. Not Affiliated With Sierra Club.

FLINT RIVER CLEAN-UPS & IMPROVEMENTS: In different areas of the Flint River making it passable and cleaning it up. Call Flint River Watershed at (810) 767-6490 or Terry Reechko at (734) 558-0031. Not Affiliated With Sierra Club.

SHIAWASSEE RIVER CLEAN-UPS & TRIPS: Making it passable and cleaning it up. contact Maggie Yerman (810) 735-9570. Not Affiliated With Sierra Club.

JAN 7 (SAT) 11:00 AM **ORTONVILLE REC AREA X-COUNTRY SKI**. 5 Miles. Moderate. Ski on snowmobile groomed trails. M-15 to Hegel Rd. (Goodrich). Hegel Rd. east 4.5 miles to Jasmond Rd. South on Jasmond Rd. to dead end. Leader: Linda S. Berker 810-348-8664

JAN 11 & 12 (WED-THUR) **CUYAHOGA FALLS WINTER WATERFALLS HIKE**. Moderate. Weather permitting. We will stay at a motel in the area and hike to the waterfall. Dogs are allowed in this National Park. Because this is a weather dependent outing, you must call the outings leader to participate. Contact: Gloria Bublitz 810-664-0304.

JAN 13 (FRI) 6:30 PM **SECOND FRIDAY ARTWALK: BUCKHAM GALLERY**. 1 Mile. Easy. Meet at Buckham Gallery as we view art, walk to the Greater Flint Arts Council and other venues. Buckham Gallery is at 134 1/2 W. Second Street, Flint, 48502 Contact: Mike Haley 810-686-6354 thaley01@att.net

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JAN 21 (SAT) 1:00 PM **Mt. HOLLY SKI**. Enjoy the season by downhill skiing at Mt. Holly. No pets allowed. Fee for lift tickets website: www.skimtholly.com/rates.php. Mt. Holly Ski Resort, 1356 Dixie Highway, Holly, MI 48442-9747. Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

FEB 1 (WED) 11:00am **HIKE AT HOLDRIGE BIKE TRAILS** Moderate hike on wooded hilly terrain. Trails maybe icy so bring your hiking poles. Directions to start location: I-75 to Grange Hall Rd. Then turn West ½ mile on Grange Hall to Hess Rd. North on Hess Rd. 1.5 miles to parking lot for the Mountain Bike Trails on the left. State Park Permit required. Park rules say dogs on leashes allowed. Hike Leader: Linda Berker 810-348-8664.

FEB 4 (SAT) 10:30 AM **LOUD CREEK X-COUNTRY SKI TRIP**. Moderate. Join us for cross-country skiing at Loud Creek in Mio. Contact Hike Leader if interested in carpooling from the Clio carpool lot at 8:00 am. Carpool location: Take I-75 to Exit 131/M-57-Vienna Rd. Carpool lot is on West side of overpass. No dogs. Loud Creek near Mio: Take I-75 North to M- 33. Go North on M-33 to Mio. Loud Creek is East of Mio off County 602 about 2 miles. Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

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FEB 18 (SAT) 11:00 AM **X-COUNTRY SKI at CORSAIR TRAILS & SILVER VALLEY**. Your own pace. Join us fun exercise in a beautiful forested are in northern Michigan. Contact Hike Leader if interested in carpooling. Carpool time & Location: Carpool lot at I-75 Clio exit on the West side of the overpass--meet at 9:00 AM. No dogs. \$3.00 donation at the trail. Take I-75 north to Standish exit. Go north on US-23 to Tawas, north on Monument Rd. to Corsair Park on W. side of Monument Road Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

MAR 1 (WED) 11:00am **DAUNER/MARTIN SANCTUARY HIKE** MODERATE Hike on marked well-worn trails through the forests and prairies at this Michigan Nature Association Wildlife Sanctuary. Please bring dog leashes for your pups. I-75 to Grange Hall Rd (exit101), then West to Fenton (Grange Hall Rd is called Main Rd in Fenton) Turn North (at the Fenton Hotel) onto Leroy St (aka Fenton Rd) past Dauner Rd and turn East at the next Drive (immediately North of the VG's parking lot) Follow the Drive east to the Sanctuary Parking lot (If you park at VG's you will have to walk around the VG's fence and along the drive to get to the sanctuary trailhead, the VGs address is 1390 N Leroy St. Fenton MI 48430-2762.) Hike Leader: Linda Berker 810-348-8664

MAR 4 (SAT) 10:00 AM **MURPHY LAKE HIKE.** Moderate/Difficult. Hike about 6.5 miles long. Hilly terrain through old growth forests to the lake and back. Take M-15 to Millington to the stop light. Go East 4 miles on Millington Rd. to trailhead on North side of road, (park on shoulder to avoid disturbing threatened lizards). Trailhead is across from Mt. Kotarski sign. Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

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APR 22 (SAT) 10:00 AM **SHIAWASSEE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.** 5 miles. Easy. Join us hiking this interesting nature refuge. Contact Hike Leader if interested in carpooling at 9:00 am from the Carpool lot at I-75 Clio exit West side of the overpass. Optional Restaurant Stop after. No dogs. Take I-75 north to Clio exit 131 (M-57/Vienna Rd). Go west 8 miles to M-13, North 10 miles to Curtis Rd., West 4 miles to parking lot. Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

MAY 6 (SAT) 10:00AM – 4:00PM **LIGON OUTDOOR CENTER SERVICE OUTING.** Easy. Help out on a Service Project. No dogs. 5213 E. Farrand Rd. From Clio, go East to Genesee Rd, go North to Farrand Rd, then East 0.5 mile to Ligon on North Side of Rd. Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

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MAY 17 (WED) 9:00 AM **SUTHERLAND NATURE SANCTUARY BIRD HIKE** 3 miles or less. Easy. Bring binoculars. M15 or M24 to Pratt Rd. Pratt Rd. to Diehl Rd. (east of Hadley). South on Diehl Rd. to entrance of Sanctuary on the right (west side), 3960 Diehl Rd. Park on west side of Diehl Rd. in front of Sanctuary if the lot is impassable. No Dogs. Leader: Fred Townsend 248-736-9378

MAY 20 (SAT) 10:00 AM **DAVISON JACK ABERNATHY PARK**. 4 miles. Easy. Enjoy walking along on the Jack Abernathy Trail in Davison. Paved trails, dogs welcome. Meet at the Davison Twp. Hall on Irish Rd. Take I-69 to Irish Exit and go north. Twp. Hall on East Side. Contact: Steve Charland 810-653-7247

MAY 27 (SAT) 10:00AM **HIKE ROBERT WILLIAMS NATURE PARK**. Atherton Road ¼ mile West of M-15, South of Davison. Follow drive North to parking lot. Contact: Nancy Covucci - 810-233-0920

JUN 3 (SAT) 10:00 AM **KAYAK LAPEER TO MILLVILLE LAUNCH**. Appx. 3hrs. Moderate. Take M24 north through Lapeer about 1.5 miles passed McLaren Hospital. Turn left on to Plum Creek Rd. Go about 1.9 miles to Millville Launch on left corner of Plum Creek Rd. and Millville Rd. Contact: Terry Reechko -734-558-0031 for information and possible rental.

JUN 7-9 (WED-FRI) **CHICAGO URBAN HIKE**. Join us for any or all. We will be camping and hiking at the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore [nationalparks.org] the Mather loop in the Dunewood campground. We will take the South Shore Line commuter train [www.mysouthshoreline.com] into Chicago for a day or two of exploring and fun. Contact: Mary Downey 810-441-4070.

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JUN 17 (SAT) 10:00 AM **FLUSHING RIVERVIEW TRAIL**. 3 miles. Easy. Enjoy walking along the wooded trail that follows the Flint River and crosses into the County Park in beautiful Flushing. Meet behind Bueche Supermarket, 300 W. Main Street, Flushing 48433. Contact: Terry Reechko -734-558-0031

JUN 21 (WED) 11:00 AM **HADLEY-METAMORA STATE PARK HIKE**. Moderate hike through woods and meadow around a lake. M-15 to Hill Rd. East on Hill Rd. (changes to Pratt Rd. through the village of Hadley) for 7 miles to Hurd Rd. then South/Rt on Hurd, 0.5 miles to park. Or from the east take m-24 to Pratt Rd and Turn West on Pratt Rd to Hurd and then South/left on Hurd. Turn eft/East into the Park entrance and veer right just past the guard station to Meet in the Camp Store parking lot. Park rules say dogs must have leashes. State Park vehicle permit required. Hike Leader: Linda Berker 810-348-8664.

JUL 5 (WED) 10am-2pm **HIKE, POTLUCK & KAYAK AND FISH, SEVEN LAKES STATE PARK** Linda Berker has reserved the Fisherman Cove shelter (South of the beach) at Seven Lakes State Park in Holly for the Sierra Club Nepeising Group, Hikers and guests. We are planning a hike at 10am with a pot luck picnic around noon and kayaking, swimming or fishing after! The Shelter is ours for the day. (bring your own boat). Pets on leashes are allowed. Bring your own plates don't forget your swimsuit and sunscreen. There are bathrooms and a grill MEET at the Fisherman Cove Shelter at 10 am to hike. The Fisherman Cove Shelter is located at the South end of Big Seven Beach area. Directions: I-75 to Grange Hall Rd. (exit 101), west 3.5 miles to Fish Lake Rd., North 1 mile to park entrance on your left, go straight / west past the old contact station location veering right towards the Big Seven Lake (and keep driving past the Overlook and Big Seven North and South Shelter Lots and the Beach) then turn Left into the parking lot for the Fisherman Cove Shelter (right from the Beach).Hike leader: Linda Berker 810-348-8664

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JUL 22 (SAT) 10:00 AM **CLIO BIKE PATH**. 3 miles. Easy. Nice walk along paved trails with habitat diversity. Dogs are welcome on a leash. Restaurant stop. Meet at the city park next to the Clio Amphitheater. Go North from light in center of downtown Clio about ¼ mile, turn East into park entrance. Parking lot behind the amphitheater. Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038.

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AUG 15-19 (TUE-SAT) 5:00 PM **CANOE & CAMP: TWO HEARTED RIVER CRUISE**. Moderate to difficult. 5pm Tuesday. Join us for our 20th annual campout at the beautiful Two-Hearted River State Forest Campground on Lake Superior as we hike and kayak the Two-Hearted River and enjoy the great outdoors. Outing starts 5pm Tuesday at the campground. Dogs on leash allowed. We'll car camp at the river mouth. Campsites are first-come, first-served so look for the Sierra Club sign on a campsite. The campsites are rustic with pit toilets. The Rainbow lodge burned in 2012 so no facilities or provisions are available. The nearest supplies, ice and gas are in Pine Stump Junction, MI almost 20 miles away so you must bring everything you'll need for 4 nights. Canoe/kayak rentals are available with a \$40 advance deposit by August 5th. Shuttle for your own kayak available for \$10 each. We'll make arrangements for carpooling to the put-in site on the river. We'll kayak one day, hike the north country trail one day and have an optional trip to view the Crisp Point Lighthouse. This area of Lake Superior is known for great agate hunting and salmon fishing. Reservations with leader required by August 1st. Campsite is \$15 per night, may be shared Outings fee \$1. Pets allowed on leash. Call leader for map and directions to campsite. Contact: Lynn Livingston, 239-398-3720. redwingnut1@gmail.com

AUG 20-22 (SUN-TUE) **TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE CAR CAMPING** Contact: Robert Simpson 810-230-0704

AUG 25-27 (FRI-SUN) **SIERRA CLUB RETREAT** Contact: Mike Haley 810-686-6354 thaley01@att.net

SEP 4 (MON) 7:30 AM **DETROIT LABOR DAY PARADE**. 1 mile. Easy. Meet in the K-Mart parking lot on the corner of Miller Rd. and Ballenger Rd. in Flint to carpool down to Detroit. For additional information about the parade, Contact: Mike Haley 810-686-6354 thaley01@att.net

SEP 6 (WED) 11:00 AM **HIKE at LAPEER STATE GAME AREA (VALENTINE RD)**. Moderate. Hike through a beautiful hardwood forest on unmarked trails. From I-69 and M-24, Go North on M-24 about 9 miles to Plum Creek Rd. Turn Left/West on Plum Creek Rd. Go about 1 mile to Valentine Rd. and turn Right/North on Valentine Rd. Go approx. 1 mile to parking lot on West side of (at the top of the hill). Coming From THE WEST You can Take the Lake Nepessing Rd Exit from I-69, go North/Left on Lake Nepessing Rd, Take the first Right out of the Traffic Circle and travel about 1 mile East to the light at Millville Rd and take a left/North on Millville about 4 miles, past the 4way stop at the Market and over the bridge then an immediate right onto Plum Creek Rd and travel about 1mile east on Plum Creek to a left/north on Valentine and Go approx. 1 mile to parking lot on West side of (at the top of the hill). Dogs Welcome. Hike Leader: Linda Berker 810-348-8664

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SEP 18-20 (MON-WED) **RIFLE RIVER RECREATION AREA, LUPTON, MI**. Easy and fun. Join us for any or all. On our 3-night camp, hike, bike and paddle. We will car camp at the RANCH campground. The campsites are rustic with pit toilets. \$2.00 showers nearby at the modern campground. We will bike and hike on the 14 miles of roads and pathways that meander throughout the park. We will canoe and kayak on the many lakes and ponds and miles of river that runs within the park. We can shuttle our own kayaks to and from the many put-in and take-out points located in the park. Campsites; \$13.00 per night. 2 tents allowed. Campsites may be reserved @ 1-800-44parks. Michigan vehicle recreation passport required. Outing fee. \$1.00. Pets allowed on a leash. Contact: BILL KLOCEK. 810-513-8983. wjklocek@yahoo.com

OCT 4 (WED) 11:00 AM **HOGBACK HILLS ELBA EQUESTRIAN HIKE**. Moderate hike through beautiful unmarked wooded trails and hills. Take I-69 to M-15 (Davison exit). Take M-15 North to Coldwater Rd. Turn Right/East onto Coldwater and go approx. 3 miles. Meet at parking lot at the dead end of the road. Dogs welcome. Hike Leader: Linda Berker 810-348-8664.

OCT 7-8 (SAT-SUN) 9:30 AM **BACKPACK THE JORDAN RIVER PATHWAY**. 18 miles total. Moderate. Fall backpacking trip along Jordan River Pathway, State Park Permit is required. Contact Hike Leader if interested in carpooling from the Clio Car Pool Lot (I-75 to Clio Exit #131/M-57-Vienna Rd. Carpool lot on the West side of the overpass. Dogs allowed on leash. Take I-75 North to Gaylord, West on M-32 to US-131. South 1.5 mile to Deadman Hill Rd. Turn West to parking lot at the end of the road. Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

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OCT 25 (WED) 11:00AM **POLLY ANN BIKE RIDE** Take M-24 into Oxford. At the main red light intersection of M-24 (Washington St.) and Burdick, go east on Burdick. Make an immediate left turn into the parking lot behind the Red Knapp's Restaurant. Continue driving north through the parking area toward East St. and park vehicles in the area behind the "Wiches" Sandwich Shop. (I'm thinking y'all might want to avoid biking up and over the Lapeer Road bridge) See you there at 11 am. (4 miles to Hosner Rd., 5 miles to Lake George Rd., 6 miles to Curtis Rd., 8 miles to Forest St. (Village of Leonard (Whew!!!) Contact Sandra Burbas 810-338-3799.

OCT 28 (SAT) 10:00 AM **SOUTHERN LINKS TRAIL-COLUMBIAVILLE**. 4 miles. Easy. Hike the Southern Link trail from trailhead in Columbiaville north to Hollenbeck Rd. and then return. Meet at trailhead. Dogs allowed on leash. Downtown Columbiaville next to Curlys Lakeside Grill. Take M-15 to Mt. Morris Rd., East to Marathon Rd. North to Columbiaville. Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

NOV 1 (WED) 11:00 AM **SUTHERLAND NATURE SANCTUARY HIKE** 3 miles or less. Easy. From M15 Take Hill Rd East (Hill Rd. becomes Pratt Rd) or from M24 Take Pratt Rd. West Then continue on Pratt Rd. to Diehl Rd. (east of Hadley). South on Diehl Rd. to entrance of Sanctuary on the right (west side), 3960 Diehl Rd. Park on west side of Diehl Rd. in front of Sanctuary if the lot is impassable. Dogs welcome. Restaurant stop at the Lake Inn, 3711 Hunt Rd., Lapeer, 810-667-0941, after the hike. Leader: Linda S. Berker 810-348-8664

NOV 4 (SAT) 10:00 AM **SOUTHERN LINK TRAIL, OTTER LAKE-SOUTH.** 5 miles. Easy. Hike Southern Lake Trail from Otter Lake South to Hollenbeck Rd. and return. Dogs allowed. Take I-69 to M-15 to Lake, East to Otter Lake. Trailhead and parking lot is on the southern edge of town. Dogs allowed on leash. Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

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NOV 11 (SAT) 10:00 AM **SOUTHERN LINK TRAIL, OTTER LAKE-NORTH.** 5 miles. Easy. Hike Southern Lake Trail from Otter Lake North to Birch Run Rd. and return. Dogs allowed on leash. Take I-69 to M-15 to Lake, East to Otter Lake. Trailhead and parking lot is on the southern edge of town. Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

NOV 18 (SAT) 10:00 AM **NEW FLINT FARMER'S MARKET or FLINT INSTITUTE OF ARTS URBAN HIKE.** 1 Mile. Easy. Start your morning at the New Flint Farmer's Market and join walkers for a nice urban walk. Meet in the atrium inside Farmers Market on 300 E. First St., Flint, MI 48502. Contact: Mike Haley 810-686-6354 thaley01@att.net

DEC 2 (SAT) 10:00 AM **SOUTHERN LINK TRAIL, MILLINGTON SOUTH.** 4 miles. Easy. Hike Southern Lake Trail from Millington south to Birch Run Rd. and return. Dogs allowed. Take I-69 to M-15 to Millington. at the light, turn East. Cross the Rail tracks and turn right at the next street. School is on the left and trailhead is at the end of the street. Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

DEC 8 (FRI) 6:30 PM **SECOND FRIDAY ARTWALK: BUCKHAM GALLERY.** 1 Mile. Easy. Meet at Buckham Gallery as we view art, walk to the Greater Flint Arts Council and other venues. Buckham Gallery is at 134 1/2 W. Second Street, Flint, 48502 Contact: Mike Haley 810-686-6354 thaley01@att.net

DEC 9 (SAT) 12 noon - 5 PM **SIERRA CLUB ANNUAL HOLIDAY CHRISTMAS PARTY at LIGON.** Easy. Ligon Outdoor Center. Pot-luck. No pets. 5213 E. Farrand Rd. Clio. Take M-57 East to Genesee Rd., North to Farrand Rd., East 1/2 mile to Ligon entrance on left/North Side. Take service drive back to the lakeside cabin by the lake. Contact: Denny Crispell 989-624-5038

DEC 13 (WED) 11:00 AM **MURPHY LAKE HIKE.** Difficult. Hike about 7 miles long. Very Hilly terrain through beautiful old growth Hemlock forest to the lake and back. Take M-15 to Millington to the stop light. Go East 4 miles on Millington Rd. to trailhead on North side of road. Trailhead is across from Mt. Kotarski sign, Park on North Side of Highway Facing West. Hike Leader: Gloria Bublitz 810-895-1778

DEC 16 (SAT) 10:00 AM **NEW FLINT FARMER'S MARKET or FLINT INSTITUTE OF ARTS URBAN HIKE.** 1 Mile. Easy. Start your morning at the New Flint Farmer's Market and join walkers for a nice urban walk. Meet in the atrium inside Farmers Market on 300 E. First St., Flint, MI 48502. Contact: Mike Haley 810-686-6354 thaley01@att.net



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