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[00:00:00] **Speaker 1** Quick.

[00:00:01] **Speaker 2** So we were talking about national parks. That's what my family loves to do visit different national parks. My husband and I have been to 27 and the children have been to 17. I think we haven't been to all of the parks on here, but we absolutely love the national parks so much that we have decorated our entire basement with national park posters and these are fantastic and beautiful. I shared we just recently went to Isle Royale for our backpacking adventure because when the children turn 13, we take them to the national park and take them on a backpacking adventure. And we love it. It's fantastic.

[00:00:41] **Speaker 1** Walk me through like, what's a what's one of your favorite ones up here?

[00:00:44] **Speaker 2** Yes. I don't think my favorite one is up there. So I love Glacier National Park the most. My partner loves Acadia the most. So the different patches we get, patches we have to earn our patches. We do not get to just have patches. We earn them by hiking or backpacking. This is the most significant one because this is where we do our. When the children turn 13 and we do their little backpacking adventure at the Isle Royale. So this one is very much earned by everybody involved.

[00:01:17] **Speaker 1** To the point that they want to get.

[00:01:18] **Speaker 2** From. Thank you. I mean, that is fantastic. Actually, this one was Mesa Verde was a ton of fun. The sand dunes, I think I shared a photo with you of the kids standing up there with their like, sand boards where you can surf down the sand dunes. So that's a ton of fun. We love national parks.

[00:01:41] **Speaker 1** Is Cuyahoga.

[00:01:42] **Speaker 2** Oh, gosh. Yeah. You're going to make me see it. No, it's not magical. It's great. It's not. It's not that great. Don't maybe don't put that on there. But, you know, they have their national park and it's there and you can visit it to.

[00:01:59] **Speaker 1** Check it off.

[00:01:59] **Speaker 2** It's not my favorite. You can check it off on your way to something else. Maybe we were surprised we went to this one. Is this. That's not the that's the Colorado. But we went to the Indiana one, which just became a national park a few years ago. I feel like the bear. We know it's dunes also.

[00:02:18] **Speaker 1** Yeah, the one itself.

[00:02:19] **Speaker 2** Right? Right. Kind of by Gary I think. And they need a national park there, so that's good. It'll bring people in and it's fun. It's an interesting visit. Shenandoah we did for our ten year wedding anniversary, I believe. And we backpacked the a portion of the Appalachian Trail.

[00:02:40] **Speaker 1** You go through some total, you know, if you solve the mystery.

[00:02:43] **Speaker 2** Oh, they have the green. Yeah. Greenstone Ridge. That's. That's what we did with the last one. Lots of ups, lots of woods. I was the Voyageurs is in Minnesota. We weren't prepared for that one. You kind of need a boat for it. So we didn't know that. And so we just went there and ended up finding a local guy that had a boat. And he took us out and took us around. But we kind of failed on that one. So we'll probably have to go back and try that one again. Black Canyon I don't know if you've made it there.

[00:03:19] **Speaker 1** Gunnison It's.

[00:03:19] **Speaker 2** So beautiful. It's outstanding. It's. I really like.

[00:03:23] **Speaker 1** Parks. Well, that's.

[00:03:24] **Speaker 2** Cool. Look, here's another look at how proud we are of this. We really fight for that one.

[00:03:32] **Speaker 1** Yeah. How is wind Cave?

[00:03:34] **Speaker 2** Wind Cave was part of a multi park trip, and that was a very good way to do it is what I'll say was a very good way. Smoky Mountains. Yes, that's fantastic, too. So many. There's so many great ones. Shenandoah is beautiful. So many beautiful, beautiful ones. Acadia Glacier, which you really like, great Glacier. Rocky Mountain National Park is super special because I went on a bucket list adventure with my brother in law there. So he died in 2018 of leukemia, and we did a bucket list adventure on to Rocky Mountain National Park. And it was amazing and so fun and beautiful. So that one's always a little bit special. And we haven't we haven't done Yosemite, but it's there as like, Oh, right. Like, we will get there. And Zion, I've heard, is also really fantastic. Yeah, this is our national Park room. We love it. There's a actually there. I can show you a picture of the kids. I've got very few pictures in my home.