

# Borrowing from Partner Libraries

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Borrowing from our Partner Libraries is a great way to increase the scope of what you can check out, and potentially reduce the time you spend waiting between reads. Here's how!

## Partner Library Names and Limits

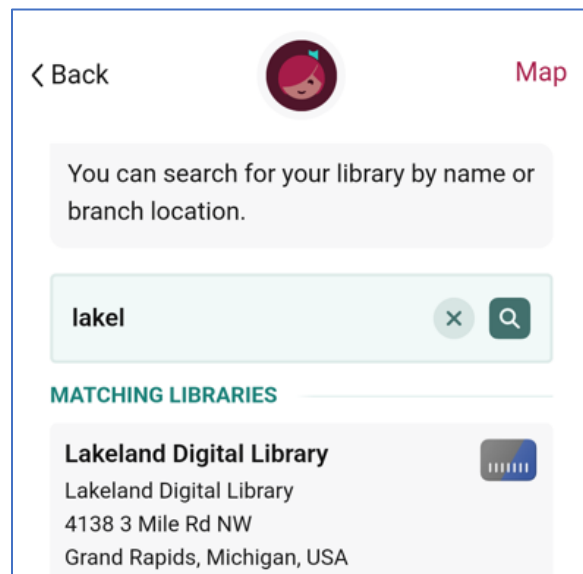
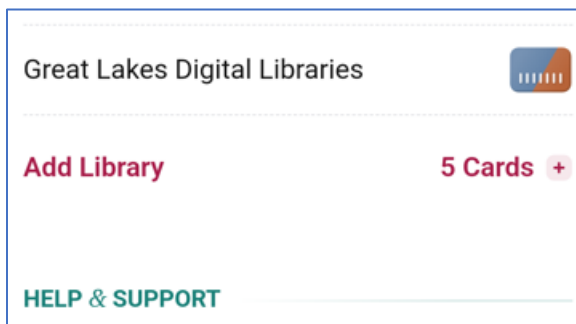
This chart details which libraries we have access to and their loan limits. You can utilize all of them.

Library Cooperative Name	Loans Limit	Holds Limit	Maximum Lending Period* (days)
Bay County Library System	5	5	14
Download Destination	6	10	21
Genesee District Library	7	7	21
Great Lakes Digital Libraries	6	4	14
Jackson District Library	20	20	21
Lakeland Digital Library	10	15	14
Metro Net Library Consortium	10	15	21
Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative	12	12	21
Southwest Michigan Digital Library	7	7	14
St. Clair County Library	5	5	14
Suburban Library Cooperative	10	6	21
Traverse Area District Library	15	10	21
Up North Digital Collection	5	5	14
White Pine Library Cooperative	5	5	14
Woodlands Downloadable Library	8	8	14

\*Like MCLS, some of these libraries default to a shorter loan period to start; you can change it when checking out a title for the first time in Libby.

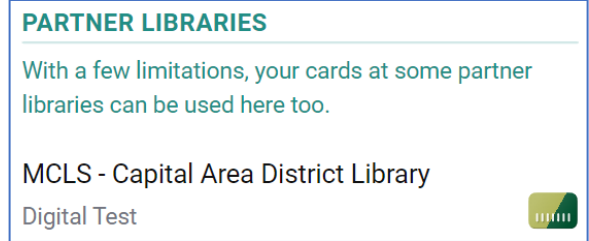
## Adding a Partner Library Card in the Libby App

1. In the Libby app, click on the menu button in the bottom center of the screen to bring up the options menu.
2. Under the "Your Libraries" section, select "Add a Library" and then search and choose one of our Partner Libraries. In this case, we'll continue with Lakeland.



3. Once you select the partner library, you'll be taken to that Library's homepage and given the option to "Sign In With My Card".

4. Beneath a few branches from that library, you should see a section called "Partner Libraries", where you'll be able to select "MCLS - Capital Area District Library". On the next screen, enter your CADL library card number.

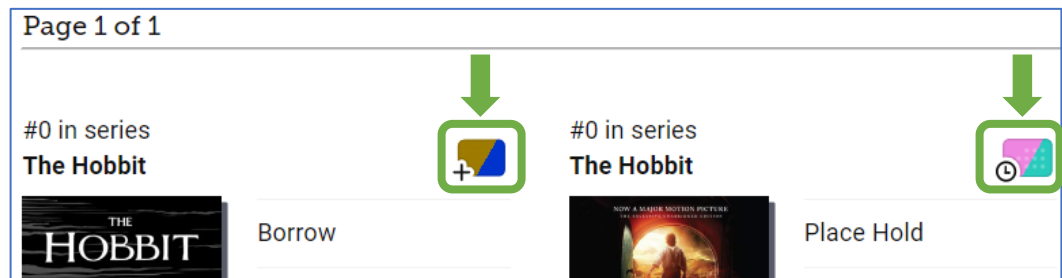


5. Once you've signed in, you can Rename your card (recommended if you have multiple users on a device or for clarity) and then hit Next to begin using it.

6. In your shelf, you'll see anything you've checked out or placed on hold, just like when using it from the CADL collection. The "gem" color will differ depending on which library the item is from.

7. You can toggle between libraries by tapping the different cards in the "Your Libraries" section of the options menu. The library you are currently using will have a star in the top right corner of the card image. Libby will save your libraries, so you don't have to re-add them every time.

8. When searching for titles, you may see options from other libraries. Libby will show results that prioritize you getting an item as soon as possible. You can tell libraries apart by the color of the "gem" next to the title.



9. Tapping on the gem will show you how long a wait is or if copies are available at any other libraries that you have a card logged in on that device.

10. Lastly, when you borrow a title or place a hold, you can tap the name of the library to change to a different one if need be (granted, availability will differ from library to library for each title).