

What to Look for

More than 200 bird species can be seen at Mashomack, including nesting osprey and bald eagles. Salt marshes provide breeding grounds and nursery habitat for the smallest links in the ocean system. Intertwining woods and wetlands offer shelter and food for river otters, red fox, wild turkey, rare salamanders, five species of turtles and the reclusive hognose snake. Meadows provide the sunnier conditions preferred by wildflowers and ground nesting birds and a recently discovered species of moth, the *Sparganothis mcguinnessi*. All areas are protected and managed to provide a safe haven for native species. Our longer trails provide solitude and allow you to engage all your senses. Shorter walks are enlivened with interpretive signs and informational stations. Mashomack has something for novice and master nature lovers alike!



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Before you Hit the Trail

To protect yourself and Mashomack's delicate resources, please note:

- Only Hiking Allowed
- Remain on Marked Trails, No Beach Access
- No Pets Allowed
- No Collecting Allowed
- Carry In and Carry Out
- Check Often for Ticks, Keep yourself covered: tuck pants into socks, tuck shirts into pants, and button cuffs. Stay toward the center of trails and roads. Avoid brushy, grassy areas. Use of repellents is recommended.

Main Attractions

Harman Hawkins Visitor Center: Hands-on displays, bird watching window, gift shop and restrooms. A suggested donation of \$3 per adult and \$2 per child supports our conservation and education work. Mashomack also offers nature programs and guided hikes throughout the year.

Joan C. Coles Trail: This barrier-free trail, paired with our braille trail and boardwalk is perfect for those using strollers or wheelchairs.

Red Trail: Forests, ponds and views of Miss Annie's Creek, along with interactive features. Access a free audio guide using your mobile device or at MashomackTrails.Oncell.com

Yellow Trail: Head through a rolling meadow where sun-loving grasses, wildflowers and creatures thrive. Watch overhead for ospreys and hawks or bluebirds and tree swallows.

Green Trail: Enjoy water views. Active shellfish restoration efforts can be seen in Log Cabin Creek. Our preserve office is in the Manor House.

Laspia Family Trail: This hidden gem of a trail offers an intimate view of Sanctuary Pond's birds, turtles and lush growth.

Blue Trail: Hike along Mashomack's eastern shore with views of Gardiners Bay. Rolling hills traverse the oak-hickory forest with views of the Great Swamp, Plum Pond and Mashomack Point.



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The world we depend on depends on us

Despite the challenges our planet faces, we believe that nature and humanity will thrive together. We work with partners in more than 70 countries to conserve our planet for generations to come.

Plan Your Visit

January:

Trails and Visitor Center open weekends only, 9 AM-4 PM

February-March, November-December:

Trails open 9 AM-4 PM, closed Tuesday

Visitor Center open 9 AM-4 PM weekends

Visitor Center open noon-4 PM Monday, Thursday, Friday

Visitor Center closed Tuesday and Wednesday

April-June, September-October:

Trails and Visitor Center open 9 AM-5 PM, closed Tuesday

July-August:

Trails and Visitor Center open 9 AM-5 PM, 7 days/week

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Explore Our Changing World: Mashomack Preserve

One of The Nature Conservancy's Flagship Preserves, Mashomack contains 2,039-acres of scenic vistas and critical wildlife habitat. Located on Shelter Island, which is accessible only by ferry, the combination of interlacing tidal creeks, freshwater wetlands, forests, fields and 11 miles of coastline make it a nature lover's paradise. Miles of hiking trails, cutting-edge conservation research and educational programs all co-exist in this living laboratory.

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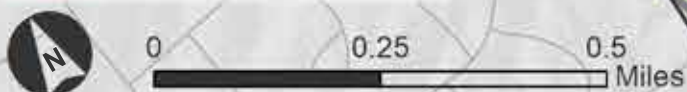


Arrows indicate preferred direction of travel on trails.
 Mileage estimates are shown between trail intersections.
 Preserve roads are for staff use only.

- Red Trail 1.4 mi
- Yellow Trail 0.9 mi
- Green Trail 2.4 mi
- Blue Trail 4.3 mi
- Laspia Family Trail 0.2 mi

- Interpretive Sign
- Parking
- Restrooms
- Scenic Overlook
- Bench
- Wildlife Blind
- Kayak Trail
- X-Ski Trail

- Habitat Types:
- Forest
 - Meadow
 - Beach (No public access)
 - Saltwater Wetlands
 - Freshwater Wetlands



To minimize your exposure to ticks and to protect wildlife, please stay on trails. No beach access.