

Directions to Zak Preserve:

From Boothbay Harbor travel north on Route 27 for 5.3 miles from the traffic light. Preserve parking area is on the right.

The Boothbay region is known for its spectacular natural beauty, rocky shores, coastal islands, and river corridors. Since 1980, the Boothbay Region Land Trust has preserved the beauty of the Boothbay region by conserving land for the benefit and enjoyment of the residents and visitors

Our Mission

To conserve for public benefit the natural habitat, scenic beauty and working land of the Boothbay region.

BRLT relies on charitable contributions. These donations help support land conservation, stewardship of the preserves, and educational programming. Please consider a contribution.

Thank you for your support.



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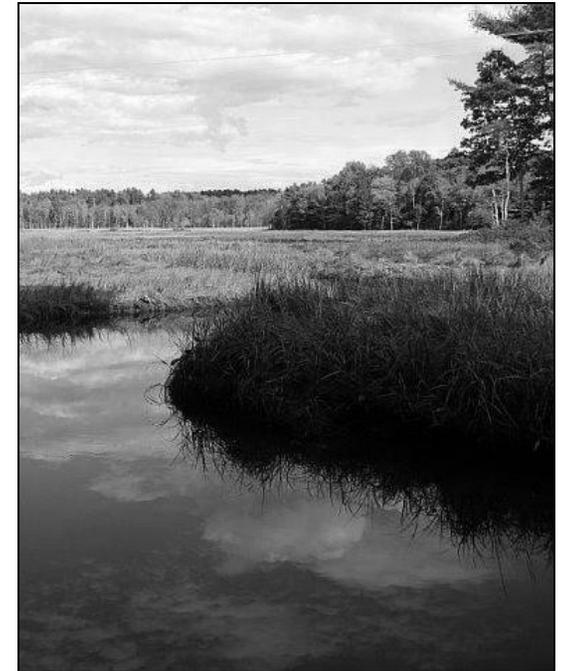
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About Zak Preserve

Zak is BRLT's largest preserve, stretching from Route 27 all the way to the River Road, generally straddling the watershed of Wildcat Creek in the western half and its headwaters in the eastern half, and is an important piece of the wildlife corridor between the Sheepscot and Damariscotta Rivers. Its 208 acres encompass a large open field (one of the few remaining on the Boothbay Peninsula), salt marsh, wetland, bird habitat, and extensive woods, with 2.2 miles of year-round trails which are particularly suited to snow shoeing and cross country skiing in the winter months. Kayaks and canoes can be launched on favorable tides.

In 2003 Michael and Roxanne Zak donated significant funds toward the purchase of 149 acres, to which they added 52 acres of their own land, thus protecting and preserving this significant natural habitat forever. More than half of the land, bordering Route 27, was zoned commercial and could have been developed for business or industrial use. Instead, we can enjoy this gateway into the community with its open fields and woods, meandering creeks, and abundant wildlife.

Zak preserve is an important part of River-Link, a partnership among BRLT and neighboring land trusts, several state agencies, Land For Maine's Future and several towns seeking to preserve a continuous natural corridor between and along the two rivers that define the Boothbay peninsula, much of it with hiking trails open to all.

