

More Places to Visit

PORTER PRESERVE (1.1 miles of trail)

Barters Island, Boothbay

A 23-acre wooded property with lovely views of the Sheepscot River including a small off-shore island and a beach. Porter Preserve is home to the BRLT Memorial Grove as well as the working waterfront Roberts Wharf.

Directions: Traveling North from Boothbay Harbor, turn left at the monument in Boothbay Center onto Corey Lane. Proceed 0.3 mile and turn right onto Barters Island Road. Travel 2.2 miles, crossing two bridges. Turn left onto Kimballtown Road. In 0.5 mile, turn left onto a dirt road. Proceed 0.1 mile to the small parking area on the right. Please do not block the road.

SAUNDERS PRESERVE (1 mile loop)

Pleasant Cove Road, Boothbay

A 22-acre parcel on the Damariscotta River located where the Kelly Brook flows into Pleasant Cove. Parts of the trail are steep.

Directions: From the traffic light in Boothbay Harbor take Rte. 96 for 0.9 mile. Turn left onto Back Narrows Road. Proceed 3 miles to the intersection with Pleasant Cove Road. The parking lot is directly across from the stop sign.

SCHOOLHOUSE POND (1.2 mile loop)

Barters Island, Boothbay

This 42-acre wooded preserve includes a variety of wild flowers, mixed forest, interesting rock formations and a beautiful old stone wall.

Directions: Traveling North from Boothbay Harbor, turn left at the monument in Boothbay Center onto Corey Lane. Proceed 0.3 mile and turn right onto Barters Island Road. Proceed 2.1 miles, crossing two bridges, then turn right onto East Side Road. The preserve parking area is 1.9 miles on the left.

SINGING MEADOWS (0.5 mile loop)

Cross Point Road, Edgecomb

A 16-acre hardwood-rimmed field, once part of an old salt farm. Teeming with wildlife, the crickets, katydids, grasshoppers and cicadas add their “voices” to the amphibians’ croaking and the birds’ songs, making this truly a Singing Meadow.

Directions: From the monument in Boothbay Center, travel North on Rte. 27 for 8 miles. Turn left onto the Eddy Road and travel 0.5 mile. Turn left onto Cross Point Road, and parking is 0.3 mile on the right.

ZAK PRESERVE (2 miles of trails)

Rte. 27, Boothbay

This large preserve has open fields and tidal wetland fed by a freshwater stream. Great spot for wildlife viewing.

Directions: From the traffic light in Boothbay Harbor, take Rte. 27 North for 5.3 miles. The parking lot is on the right.

Islands

DAMARISCOVE ISLAND

A 210-acre island located 5 miles out to see from Boothbay Harbor, this preserve is a National Historic Landmark. The island offers hiking and picnicking. There are resident caretakers during summer months and a small museum is open to visitors. The northern half of the island is seabird nesting habitat and is closed from April 1 – August 31. Because of the island's fragile ecosystem, dogs are not permitted on the island at any time. Please respect the privacy of the owners of the former Coast Guard Station, now a private home.

Damariscove has an excellent small harbor at the southern tip. Two moorings are available and courtesy dinghies are provided as no tie-ups are permitted at the dock.

INDIANTOWN ISLAND

A 60-acre island in the Sheepscot River, BRLT owns the Northern half, with trails open to the public. The Southern half and the dock on the West shore are privately owned with trails open only by permission of the owner.

Indiantown is accessible by canoe, kayak or dinghy via the BRLT dock on the Northwestern end of the island. One mooring is available as no tie-ups are permitted at the dock.

SPECTACLE ISLAND

Located in the Sheepscot River, this small island is owned jointly by BRLT and Sheepscot Valley Conservation Association. The island is popular with picnickers, but boat access facilities are not provided.

Spectacle is easily accessible by canoe or kayak. Larger boats should anchor off the Eastern shore and gain access by dinghy.

OUR MISSION

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

PROPERTY USE

BRLT properties are open to the public year-round, free of charge, for quiet, low impact activities. Overnight camping and fires are not allowed. Please keep your pets under control and within your sight at all times. Carry out all litter. Parties of 10 or more are asked to obtain prior permission. Commercial use is not

EDUCATION

To support our mission, Boothbay Region Land Trust has a vibrant environmental education program that links people to our preserves. BRLT offers numerous free conservation focused events and activities throughout the year including guided hikes, kayak trips, lectures and more. BRLT also collaborates with the BRYMCA and local schools throughout the year to implement a multi-disciplinary, environmental education curriculum called “The Osprey Program” which is also available to scout troops, daycares, homeschoolers and other organized youth groups. The Osprey Program introduces children to the outdoors and BRLT preserves through recreation and educational activities.

SUPPORT PUBLIC ACCESS AT BOOTHBAY REGION LAND TRUST PRESERVES

Please consider a tax-deductible donation to help BRLT maintain public access by land or water to these preserves. Donation envelopes are available at most trailhead kiosks, the BRLT office, or visit www.bbrlt.org, or call 207633-4818.

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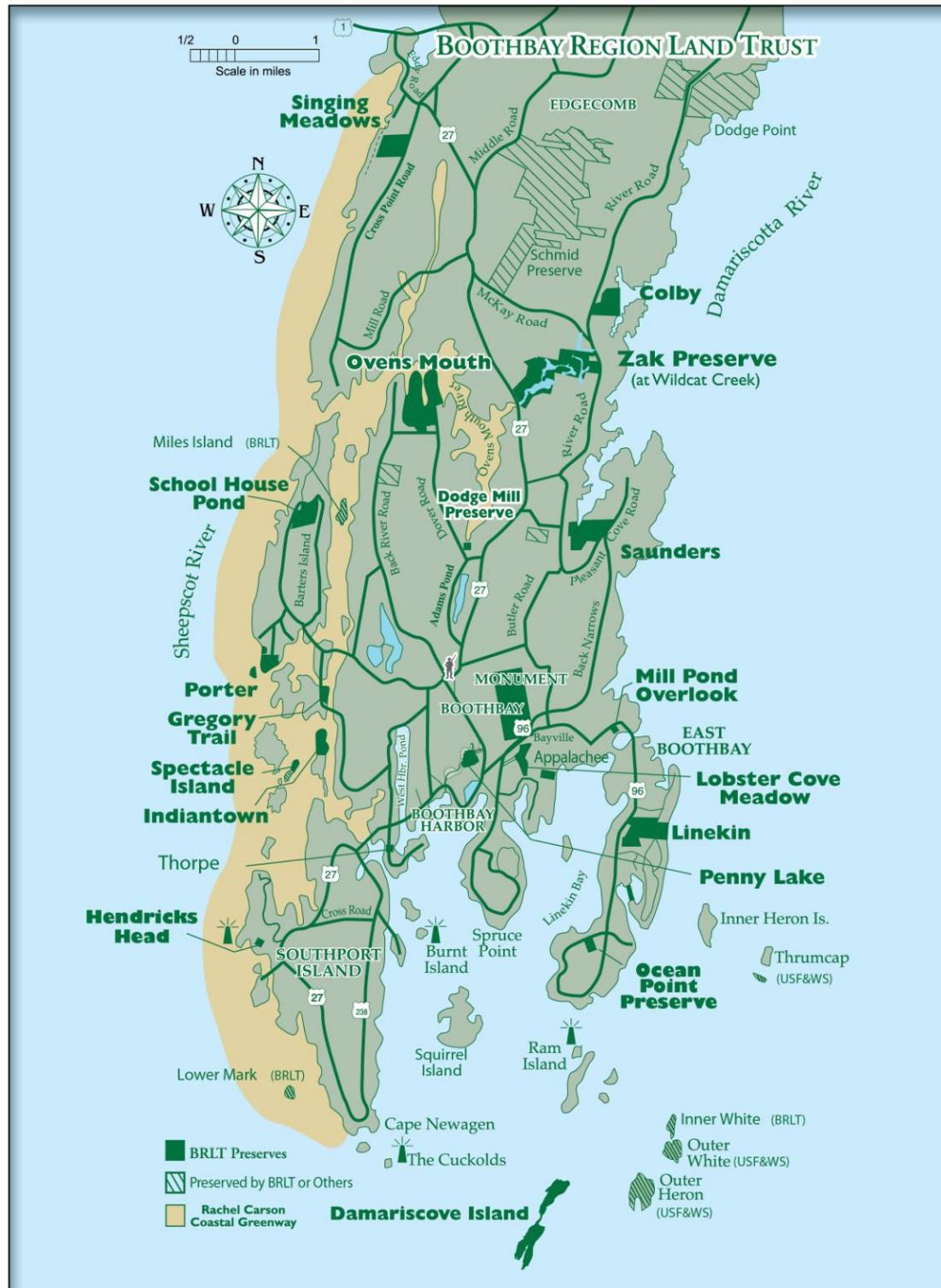
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PLACES TO VISIT

COLBY PRESERVE (0.6 mile loop)

River Road, East Edgcomb

A 12-acre parcel on Salt Marsh Cove on the Damariscotta River. This cove was site to a salt works, ice works, a brickyard, ferry landing, sawmills, and gristmills. Now in its natural state, the Salt Marsh Cove is of environmental importance to the health of the Damariscotta River.

Directions: From the monument in Boothbay Center, travel North on Rte. 27 for 2.9 miles. Turn right onto River Road and proceed 3.2 miles to the preserve on your right.

GREGORY HIKING TRAIL (0.8 mile loop)

Sawyers Island, Boothbay

A 20-acre preserve along the Back River. The trail features beautiful views of the Back River as well as an abandoned lobster boat washed up on shore. Please stay on the designated trail as this is private property. BRLT has permission for the trail's use, thanks to the generosity of the landowner.

Directions: Traveling North from Boothbay Harbor, turn left at the monument in Boothbay Center onto Corey Lane. Proceed 0.3 mile and turn right onto Barters Island Road. In 1.7 miles, turn left onto Sawyers Island Road. Proceed 0.5 mile to preserve parking area on left.

LINEKIN PRESERVE

& BURLEY LOOP (2.75 miles of trails)

Rte. 96, East Boothbay

137 acres stretching from Rte. 96 to the Damariscotta River. This property includes 651 feet of frontage on the river. The Levison & Burley families donated their lands so that the public could continue to enjoy them. Please be respectful of private property.

Directions: From the traffic light in Boothbay Harbor travel on Rte. 96 for 3.8 miles to the well hidden parking lot on the left.

LOBSTER COVE MEADOW (1.5 miles of trails)

Eastern Avenue, Boothbay Harbor

This 47-acre preserve, with its freshwater wetland, field and forested upland is a wonderful spot for bird watching. Short sections of trail are moderately steep, but the old road offers an easy walk.

Directions: From the traffic light in Boothbay Harbor travel on Rte. 96 for 0.3 mile. Turn right onto Eastern Avenue and in less than 0.1 mile you will see the area for parking and a BRLT kiosk on your left. Please stay on the trail and respect the privacy of the abutting home owners.

MILL POND OVERLOOK (short path)

Rte. 96, East Boothbay

Magnificent view across the Mill Pond and Linekin Bay. Great spot for a picnic!

Directions: From the traffic light in Boothbay Harbor travel on Rte. 96 for 2.1 miles. Parking is on the right

OCEAN POINT PRESERVE (0.9 mile loop)

Van Horn Road, East Boothbay/Ocean Point

A 25-acre preserve located in the largest wetland area on Linekin Neck. Designated by the Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife as significant waterfowl and wading bird habitat, this lovely preserve is perfect for bird watching. The 2.5-acre Tibbetts Pond makes this a popular ice skating location in the winter. A short spur trail leads to a wonderful wetland viewing location.

Directions: From the traffic light in Boothbay Harbor travel on Rte. 96 for 5.2 miles. Turn right onto Van Horn Road and proceed 0.3 mile to a small parking area on your left.

OVENS MOUTH EAST (1.6 miles of trails)

Dover Road Extension, Boothbay

OVENS MOUTH WEST (3.7 miles of trails)

Dover Cross Road, Boothbay

Combined, these preserves comprise 175 acres of forested shoreline bordered by swift tidal water, quiet coves and salt marshes. Hiking on the East preserve is easier while the West preserve contains more strenuous sections of trail. The Ovens Mouth East and West trail systems are connected by a footbridge.

Directions to East: From the monument in Boothbay Center, travel North on Rte. 27 for 1.6 miles. Turn left onto Adams Pond Road. Proceed 0.1 mile and turn right onto Dover Road. Continue 1.9 miles and bear right onto Dover Extension. The parking area is at the end of Dover Extension.

Directions to West: (See directions to East to Dover Road) After traveling 1.9 miles on Dover road, bear left onto Dover Cross Road. The parking lot is 0.2 miles on the right.

PENNY LAKE PRESERVE (1 mile of trails)

Rte. 27, Boothbay Harbor

Adjacent to Penny Lake wetland, rich in wildlife including beaver, muskrat, waterfowl and amphibians, there is a 16-acre field as well as forest.

Directions: From the traffic light in Boothbay Harbor travel 0.1 mile North on Rte. 27. Turn left by the Boothbay Harbor Region Chamber of Commerce and proceed 0.1 mile to the parking area, leaving the Carousel Theater on your left.