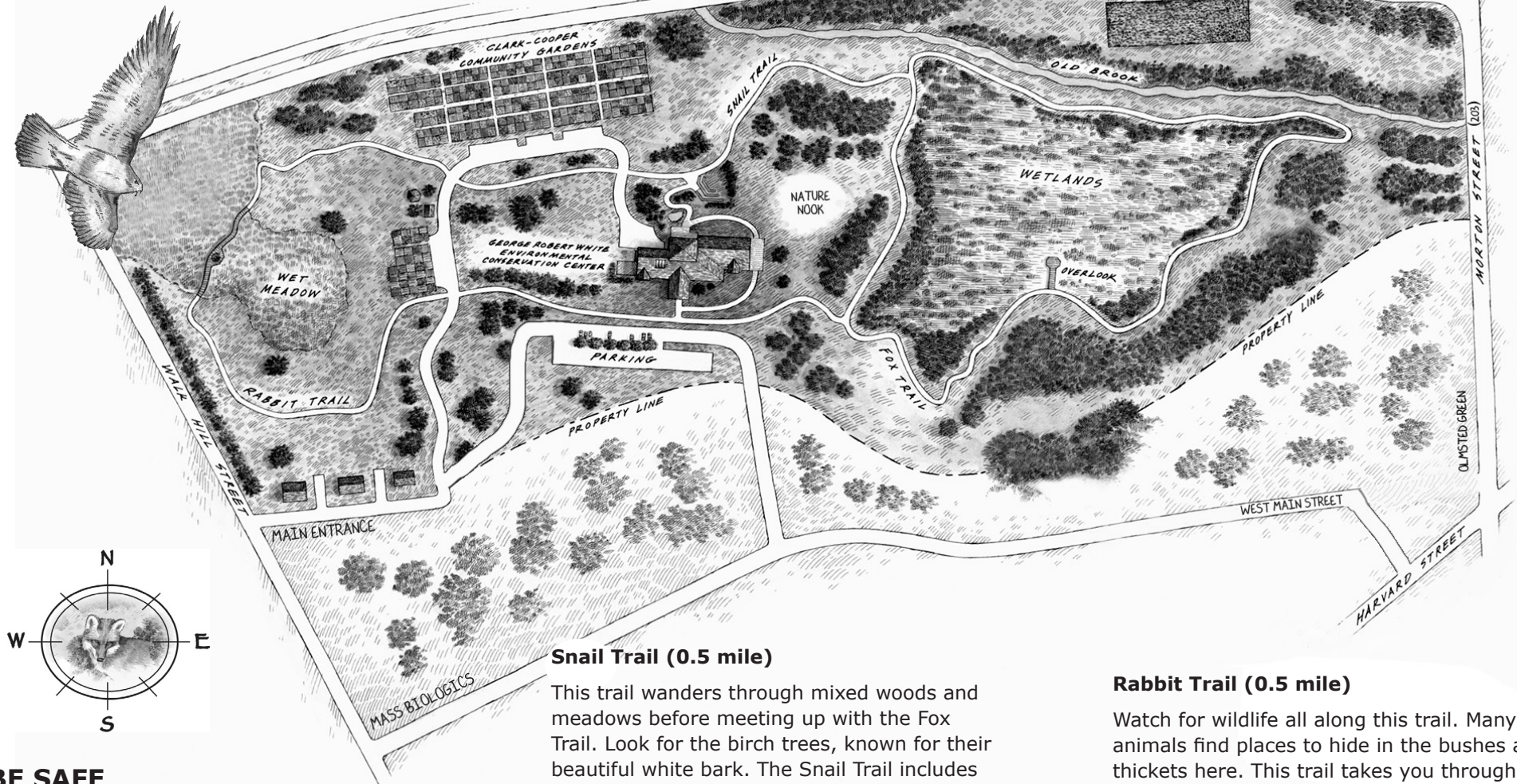


# Boston Nature Center

## Explore Our Trails

All of our trails are loops that end up back at the nature center.



## BE SAFE

Please sign in at our front desk to let us know you're exploring the trails. Also, be careful not to touch poison ivy and stinging nettle, shown below:



Poison Ivy



Stinging Nettle

### Snail Trail (0.5 mile)

This trail wanders through mixed woods and meadows before meeting up with the Fox Trail. Look for the birch trees, known for their beautiful white bark. The Snail Trail includes the patio at the back entrance of the nature center. Stop here to watch the activity at the bird feeders.

### Fox Trail (1.0 mile)

The Fox Trail leads you through fields, woods, and wetlands. Take the boardwalk into the wetland to be surrounded by native cattails. The boardwalk planks are made from recycled plastic beverage containers. The northern part of the Fox Trail follows Canterbury Brook, and the City of Boston's leaf composting site is visible here when the trees are bare.

### Rabbit Trail (0.5 mile)

Watch for wildlife all along this trail. Many animals find places to hide in the bushes and thickets here. This trail takes you through fields and wet meadows; a boardwalk at the far end of the trail is a favorite birdwatching spot. The Rabbit Trail meanders by the Clark Cooper Community Gardens, before crossing the road and leading back to the nature center.

### Nature Nook

Visit BNC's Nature Play Area and have fun digging, building, climbing, creating art & music, and more!



# Welcome



## Welcome to the Boston Nature Center

As a community education center, we strive to welcome everyone and to provide a place that is safe, inclusive, and enriching for people and for wildlife. Throughout the year, we invite all members of the community to enjoy our trails, gardens, and interactive exhibits on display at the George Robert White Environmental Conservation Center.

## Use Your Senses

There's always something new to see, hear, and experience at the Boston Nature Center. We encourage you to keep your eyes and ears open, and to visit during different seasons to observe changes. Have an outdoor adventure. Observe the diversity of plants and animals. Remember to practice respect for all living things.

## Learn More

To help people experience the natural world, we offer hands-on programs for all ages. Children ages 5-14 may enjoy February and April Vacation Programs, as well as the Summer Camp. Preschoolers can discover nature with an adult during Early Explorers. We offer customized programs for schools, senior groups, and youth groups, as well as programs for birthdays and other celebrations. For more information, or to register for a program, please call (617) 983-8500.

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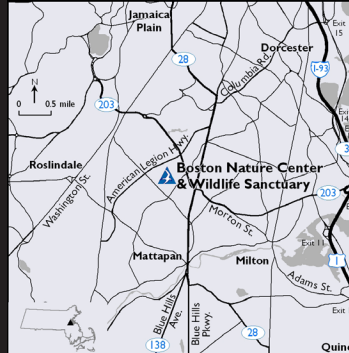
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### Nature Center Hours:

Monday - Friday, 9 am to 5 pm  
Saturday, Sunday and Monday Holidays,  
10 am - 4 pm

Parking and bike racks available.

**Trails:** Open every day, dawn to dusk



Mass Audubon works to protect the nature of Massachusetts for people and wildlife. Together with more than 100,000 members, we care for 34,000 acres of conservation land, provide educational programs for 225,000 children and adults annually, and advocate for sound environmental policies at local, state, and federal levels. Mass Audubon's mission and actions have expanded since our beginning in 1896 when our founders set out to stop the slaughter of birds for use on women's fashions. Today we are the largest conservation organization in New England. Our statewide network of wildlife sanctuaries, in 90 Massachusetts communities, welcomes visitors of all ages and serves as the base for our work. To support these important efforts, call 800-AUDUBON (283-8266) or visit [www.massaudubon.org](http://www.massaudubon.org).



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## TRAIL MAP

