

Town of Shelter Island Open Space & Preserved Lands Map

2020-2021



This map is provided by the Town of Shelter Island for the benefit of our community and visitors. It is the Town's goal to protect the natural heritage of Shelter Island. The Town encourages the respectful public access to these treasured resources of woods, meadows, creeks, ponds, beaches and wildlife.

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1. Bunker City County Park – 42 acres
Coastal preserve dominated by red cedars and native grasses and shrubs.
Access: Menhaden Lane (parking by permit only during summer season) and dirt road off Ram Island Drive

2. Cackle Hill Preserve – 17 acres
A dirt road winds through a coastal woods of mixed deciduous trees.
Access: Stearns Point Road

3. Congdon Creek Shorefront Preserve – 1 acre
Waterfront head of Congdon Creek located proximate to Town dock.
Access: East end of Congdon Road

4. Crab Creek Preserve – 12.6 acres
Mix of pine grove, open meadow, and oak and beech woods opens to views of Crab Creek and Shelter Island Sound.
Access: Brander Parkway (by pine grove)

5. Dickerson Pond Park – 8 acres
Scenic, spring-fed pond with loop surrounded by a large field with specimen trees.
Access: Menantic Road

6. Dickerson Creek Overlook – 1.2 acres
Small property with splendid views of Dickerson Creek, West Neck Harbor, and beyond.
Access: Tarkettle Road and Charlie's Lane

7. Foxen Point Tidal Wetlands – 37 acres
Unpaved road leads to beach area on Coecles Harbor and a portion of Congdon's Creek. Private residence at end of road. Do not block active road.
Access: South of Burns Road off N. Cartwright Road

8. Gardiners Creek Preserve – 4 acres
Views of Gardiners Creek, which connects to Dering Harbor.
Access: Quail Hedge Lane (off Rt. 114)

9. Ice Pond Park – 9 acres
Contains a loop around a freshwater pond with a marsh to the south and Chase Creek to the north.
Access: New York Avenue

10. Locust Woods Preserve – 11.13 acres
Path through locust grove.
Access: Manhasset Road



11. Mashomack Preserve – 2,039 acres
Scenic vistas and critical wildlife habitat. Trails open for hiking and birding. Sometimes closed for hunting. No dogs allowed. Visit Nature.org/Mashomack for information and hours.
Access: 79 South Ferry Road - Route 114



12. Mildred Flower Hird Nature Preserve – 30 acres
Oak and beech forest leads to views of Julia Dodd Creek from the western portion.
Access: On the east and west side of Manhasset Road

13. North Menantic Preserve – 6 acres
Path around high grass meadows, shrubs, trees and ravine.
Access: North Menantic Road across from Bowditch Road



14. Old Lima Bean Fields – 14.5 acres
Three-quarter mile trail leads through former lima bean and nursery fields. An existing water pump was used for cultivation purposes.
Access: Corner of Cobbett's Lane and Manhasset Road

15. Old Nursery Woodlands Preserve – 24 acres
Former nursery with multiple loop trails that wind through unique, abandoned plant stock.
Access: Rt. 114 or St. Mary's Road

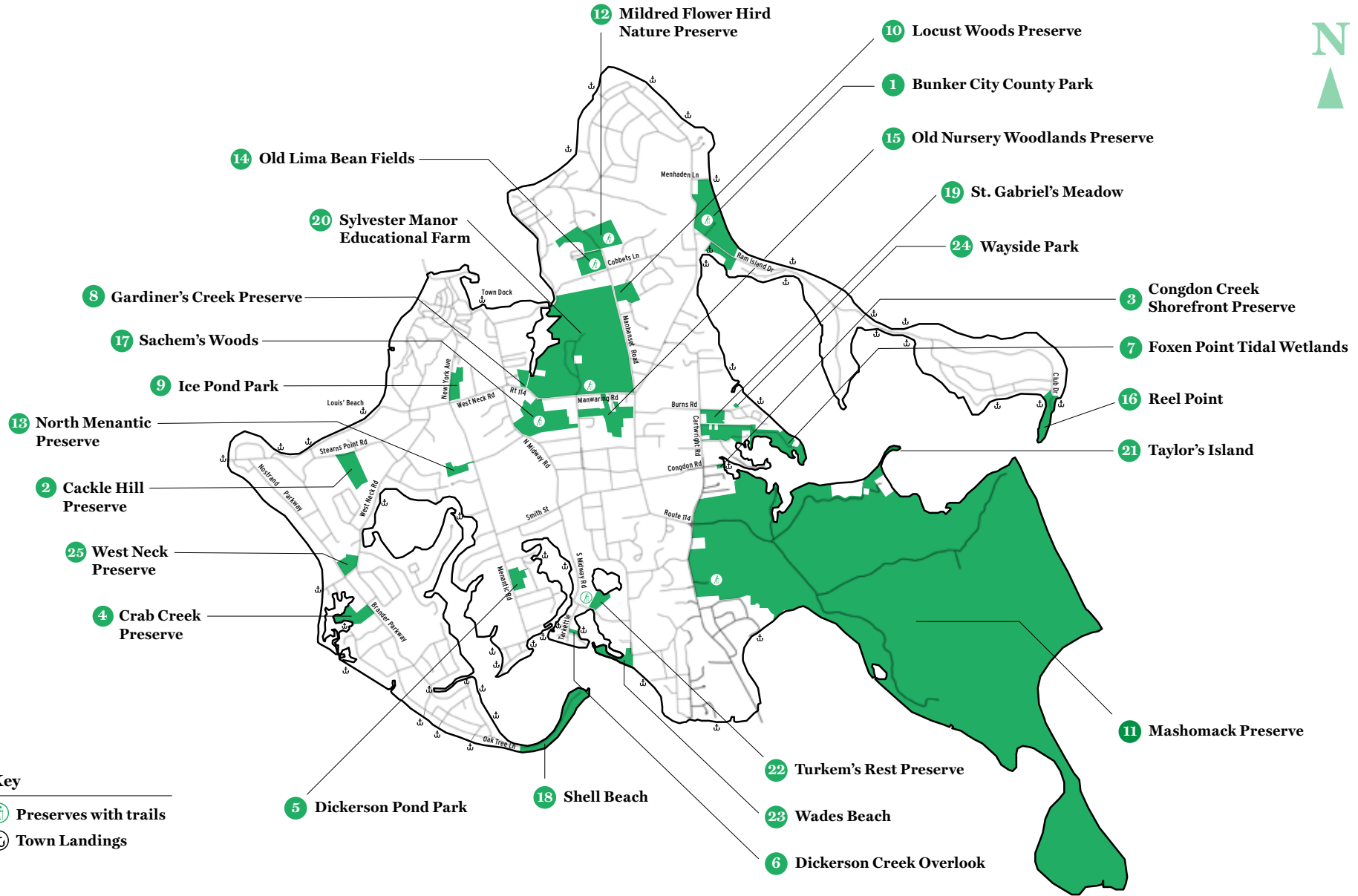
16. Reel Point – 8.5 acres
Fragile sand peninsula and haven for migratory birds and butterflies faces east to Gardiners Bay and west to Coecles Harbor.
Access: End of N. Ram Island Drive





17. Sachem's Woods – 36 acres
Mile-plus loop winds through a forest of oak and beech with a large white pine in the center clearing.
Access: N. Midway Road or Rt. 114



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18. Shell Beach – 17.1 acres

A half-mile sand peninsula contains numerous microecologies.

Access: Oak Tree Lane (parking by permit only during summer season)

19. St. Gabriel's Meadow – 7.75 acres

Large open field near Coecles Harbor provides pretty vistas.

Access: Burns Road



20. Sylvester Manor Educational Farm – 240 acres

The historic Manor grounds and trails are open April through October. Dogs on leashes permitted. Hiking trail maps inside Rt 114 main entrance. Nitrogen-reducing public restrooms and Farm Stand open May through October.

Visit sylvestermanor.org for information and hours.

Access: 80 North Ferry Road - Route 114

21. Taylor's Island – 1.5 acres

Historic Smith-Taylor Cabin located on a small island in Coecles Harbor, phone 631 749-1603 or email pat@taylorsisland.org for docent tour May – October.

Access: By kayak or shallow draft boat. Town landings on Burns Road and Congdon Road



22. Turkem's Rest Preserve – 6 acres

Trail encompasses tidal wetlands and a loop through an upland woods with views of Fresh Pond.

Access: S. Midway Road

23. Wades Beach - 8.3 acres

Public beach on West Neck Bay, contains restroom and life guard station (parking by permit only during summer season)

Access: South Midway Road

24. Wayside Park – .75 acres

With a water view and picnic table, this small park overlooks Coecles Harbor.

Access: East end of Burns Road

25. West Neck Preserve – 7.7 acres

Path around perimeter of woodland property with interior open field.

Access: West Neck Road (south end)



Dogs are allowed on leash

Dogs not allowed at Mashomack Preserve



Remember to pick up after your dog



Park in designated areas or safely off the road



Stay on paths and trails



Be aware of ticks



Pack it in, pack it out



During hunting season please check signage for entry



Stay off private property



No bicycles or motorized vehicles on trails



No camping



Do not disturb birds, nests, trees, and plants



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