

STORY OF THE LAND

WHAT YOU MIGHT SEE



Reef Point is a 55-acre preserve owned by Midcoast Conservancy. It is open to the public year-round for low-impact recreation.

Hiking, skiing, and snowshoeing are all encouraged, and hunting is also permitted with permission. In order to maintain the ecological integrity of this preserve, the use of motorized vehicles is limited to snowmobiles on the designated snowmobile trail.

Medomak Valley Land Trust (now Midcoast Conservancy) purchased Reef Point Preserve in 1996, thanks to a generous contribution from Mary and Joe Fiore through the Falcon Foundation. This was MVLV's first preserve.

The Fiores hoped that Reef Point would allow public access to the Medomak River for recreational and educational purposes while also protecting the land, river, and natural habitat. Much of the property was cut over several decades ago, and an old logging road still crosses the preserve. An intermittent stone wall running along part of the southern boundary suggests that part of the land was once used for pasture.

Midcoast Conservancy currently maintains one walking trail at Reef Point. The trail is marked with bright blue blazes and wooden arrows at trail junctions. Parts of the trail can be very muddy in the spring or after a rainstorm, and hikers should also keep an eye out for poison ivy near the river.

The Reef Point preserve is situated on the eastern bank of the Medomak River, and includes 984 feet of river frontage. The preserve is primarily forested, consisting of mixed second growth with common species including **red oak, balsam fir, white pine, red spruce, eastern hemlock, red maple, birch, beech, big-tooth aspen, quaking aspen** and **white ash**.

A dense understory of herbs and ferns occurs throughout the preserve, which is a great place for viewing spring wildflowers such as **Canada mayflower, starflower, bunchberry, and lady slippers**. Several small wetlands and an open field add diversity to the landscape.

DURING YOUR VISIT

- Carry out what you carry in
- Keep dogs under control
- Please clean up after your pets
- Wear blaze orange during hunting season
- Hunting by permission only
- No ATVs or bicycles
- Park on edge of bus turnaround



HOW TO GET THERE

From Waldoboro: From Route One, head north on Depot Street and continue after it turns into Wagner Bridge Road. Turn right onto Reef Road.

From Jefferson: Take Route 32 south, and turn left onto Wagner Bridge Road about a mile after Orff's Corner. Stay on Wagner Bridge Road for ¾ of a mile, then turn left onto Reef Road.

The preserve is located at the end of the tarred road. A school bus turnaround located on the left at the end of the road may be used for parking when school is not in session, otherwise park to one side of the road just beyond this point. Reef Point Preserve is located 0.6 mi from the end of Reef Road, and must be accessed by foot via the dirt road.

GET INVOLVED

Support from members and volunteers makes this preserve possible.

Join Today

- Keep Midcoast Maine** a beautiful place for all
- Special events** for Members
- Free professional advice** on controlling erosion on your property
- Member discounts** on courses, workshops, events, cabins, and campsites
- Biannual newsletter** & bimonthly e-news

Volunteer

You can help maintain trails and buildings, staff recreational events, lead guided walks, and more. You too can make a difference in your community!

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Reef Point Preserve

Waldoboro, Maine



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WE ARE ALL ON THE SAME TRAIL

Reef Point Preserve

Enjoy Medomak Valley's first preserve on a peaceful trail surrounded by the Medomak River and forest.

Total Acres: 55

Total Trail Length: 1.4 miles



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Map Key

--- Woods Loop
Trail Length: 0.8 Mile
Difficulty: Moderate
Highlights: River views

--- Access Road
Trail Length: 0.6 Mile
Difficulty: Easy
Highlights: Snowmobile trail, stonewalls

Midcoast Conservancy Property

10-foot contour line

