

PASSPORT TO NATURE


MAY-NOVEMBER 2022



ISLAND NATURE TRUST

EXPLORE PEI'S PROTECTED PLACES
ALL YEAR LONG!

THIS PASSPORT BELONGS TO:



Island Nature Trust acknowledges that the land which we own and manage is unceded Mi'kmaq territory, and we pay our respects to the Indigenous Mi'kmaq people of this territory; past, present and future.

WELCOME

This passport is designed to help Islanders and visitors alike experience and learn more about PEI's wild places.

Our mission at Island Nature Trust is to help you discover and understand the rich wildlife these special places have to offer!

Events can be best enjoyed if you wear the appropriate clothing and footwear. Be prepared to walk several kilometers for each event. Bring water and snacks.

Donations to support our ongoing work will be gladly accepted at all events!

**This Passport to Nature is brought to you by
Island Nature Trust.**



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**Want to learn more about our work
across the Island or how to get involved?
Get in touch with us!**

www.islandnaturetrust.ca

WHO ARE WE?

We are Prince Edward Island's first and oldest private land trust, working since 1979 to protect land in PEI and manage it responsibly. We believe we need to retain some land as undeveloped, for its intrinsic and wildlife values, but also to provide the natural services Islanders depend on for clean water, clean air and a livable environment.

PEI's population is growing and our rural landscapes are under increased pressure from residential development, resource use and climate change. Now more than ever there is a great need for Islanders to work together to protect the natural assets we love while ensuring we support a sustainable way of life for Islanders. Island Nature Trust invites you to join us in working to protect the Island's natural spaces, both for our children and the diversity of wildlife that live here.

OUR MISSION

In a race against time, our mission is to preserve and steward forever a network of natural areas and wildlife habitats across PEI and bring together those who care about preserving PEI's natural legacy for future generations.

We are a key provider of technical, science-based knowledge on land stewardship and wildlife in PEI for landowners, governments and partner environmental groups.

We provide mentorship and employment opportunities to people committed to land stewardship, conservation research and wildlife monitoring who will continue building on the long tradition of Island Nature Trust as the premiere land trust on the Island.

How To Use This Passport

Our Passport to Nature was created with you in mind - those who want to explore PEI's protected places, experience new things, and meet like-minded people. To make the most of your Passport, here are five basic steps to plan your next adventure and get involved in the work of Island Nature Trust



Register

Either by phone or computer on our website as soon as possible! Some events will fill up quickly.



Attend

Don't forget a water bottle and comfortable footwear!



Take Notes & Share

Post your experiences and new found knowledge with friends using [#givingbacktonature](#) on your social media updates.

We'll stamp your booklet upon attendance at each event!

Sign Up!

Become a member of Island Nature Trust and get updates on more upcoming nature events!



KAYAK THE MORELL RIVER

TIME: 11AM - 2PM

WHEN: MAY 22ND

OF PARTICIPANTS: 15

COST: BY DONATION

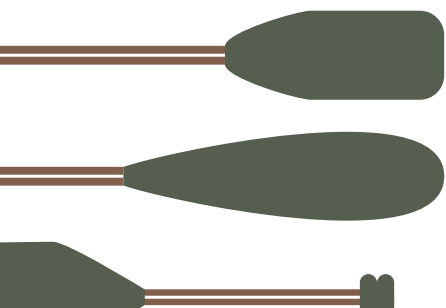


Come join us to celebrate the International Day for Biological Diversity with a leisurely paddle on the beautiful Morell River! This area, rich in biodiversity, is a great place to spot wildlife. We will kayak along the river, go past several INT natural areas and see them from a different perspective.

Please bring your boat, PFD, equipment, water bottle, lunch, binoculars (optional) and clothing and shoes that can get wet.

Note: This trip is open to kayaks *only*. Please bring your own kayak and equipment to the launch point.

We are trying this trip for the first time. If all goes well, we may open it to canoes next year! We will email all registered participants trip details before the event. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.



IRIS FOREST WALK

REGISTER
NOW!



TIME: 1PM - 3PM

WHEN: JUNE 19TH

OF PARTICIPANTS: 30

COST: BY DONATION

What better way to celebrate Father's Day this year? Come join us for a forest walk through one of Island Nature Trust's newest natural areas in Southeastern Kings. Learn about the forest and river found within Iris Natural Area and discover local flora and fauna. All ages welcome!

Please bring proper footwear, water, a snack and if you have binoculars, bring them along!

LOCATION: Meetup point to be confirmed by email



PADDLING THE PERCIVAL RIVER

TIME: 1:30PM-5:30PM

WHEN: JULY 18TH

OF PARTICIPANTS: 20

COST: BY DONATION



Come join us for a special paddling trip along the Percival River. This pristine region is home to the largest unbroken tract of salt marsh in PEI! The Percival River is a critical habitat for migratory birds and shorebirds. Old growth Wabanaki (Maritime Acadian Forest) and the river supports rare undisturbed habitat. This is one trip you will not want to miss!

Please note: this trip will require you to **bring your own** paddling gear (boat, PFD, paddles, etc.). This includes transporting your boat. Please bring your water bottle, a snack, your head lamp, binoculars (optional) and clothing and shoes that can get wet.

LOCATION: Meetup point to be confirmed by email



WALK TO ST. PETER'S ISLAND

WALK #1 : PUBLIC

TIME: 1:30PM - 5:45PM

WHEN: AUGUST 9TH

OF PARTICIPANTS: 40

COST: BY DONATION

REGISTER NOW



WALK #2 : INT MEMBERS

TIME: 2:30PM - 6:45PM

WHEN: AUGUST 10TH

OF PARTICIPANTS: 40

COST: BY DONATION

REGISTER NOW



Join us for our annual walk across the tidal flats to St. Peter's Island. We will walk over on the dropping tide and enjoy some time exploring the island before we race the incoming tide to make it back to the mainland! We will discuss the rich history of St Peter's Island, from farming to fishing to fossils.

Note: Please bring enough water. It is important that appropriate footwear and clothing are worn for this event. Make sure you are wearing something you are prepared to get wet in. On the walk back the water may be quite high. Wear light old sneakers or closed toe sandals. DO NOT wear open sandals. DO NOT wear rubber boots. The water can get high enough to fill your boots. We are moving with the tides- leaving at the appropriate time is crucial to avoid getting stuck at St. Peter's Island! The walk will take about 4 hours and be approximately 6km.



MEDICINE WALK

TIME: 4:30-6:30PM
WHEN: SEPTEMBER 14TH
OF PARTICIPANTS: 20
COST: BY DONATION



Come join us for a medicine walk with Helena Perry. We will learn about the fascinating and healing plants that grace the DeRoche Pond Natural Area. We will also learn about the importance of these plants to the Mi'kmaq whose territory we reside upon.

Please wear appropriate footwear. Be prepared to walk about 4-6km on uneven terrain. Feel free to bring a notebook and a headlamp should it get dark while we are out.

LOCATION: Meetup point to be confirmed by email



MUSHROOM WALK AND TALK

TIME: 2-4PM

WHEN: OCTOBER 1ST

OF PARTICIPANTS: 20

COST: BY DONATION



Join INT this fall for a trail walk and mushroom talk with Ken Sanderson. Ken will take us on an immersive walk through the Buote Heritage Woods Natural Area to look for and identify our local fungi friends.

Please wear closed toed shoes that can get dirty. Feel free to bring a water bottle and notebook. Be prepared to walk about 4km in steep, uneven terrain.

LOCATION: Meetup point to be confirmed by email



TRIVIA NIGHT FOR NATURE NERDS

TIME: 7-9PM

WHEN: NOVEMBER 3

OF PARTICIPANTS: 30-35

COST: BY DONATION



Come join the INT community for a fun night of nature trivia!

With teams of 4-5 people, we will compete to discover who amongst us are the biggest nerds.

Register with INT as a team (maximum 5 people per team) or join us on your own and team up with new friends.

LOCATION: Meetup point to be confirmed by email



YOUR NOTES:

Record what you learn and don't forget to post and share your new found knowledge with us on social media using the tagline **#givingbacktonature**



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YOUR SKETCHES:

Draw away and don't forget to post and share your observations with us on social media using the tagline **#givingbacktonature**





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ADDITIONAL EVENTS

We'll be adding new events to the series throughout the year.
Be sure to check out www.islandnaturetrust.ca/passport-to-nature for updates.

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WAYS TO SUPPORT

Since 1979, Island Nature Trust has been dedicated to the protection of Natural Areas in Prince Edward Island. Here is how you can help:



JOIN

Support natural areas with INT membership. Become a member today and help protect wildlife at the places in our care, for everyone, for ever.



PROTECT

Guardians are our eyes and ears on the ground in our natural areas and they keep our stewardship mission alive. Visit our website to learn more about becoming a Guardian volunteer.



GIVE

Everyone needs nature, now more than ever. Donate today and you could help people & nature to thrive at the places we care for.



SHARE

Spread the word to your friends and family. We want all Islanders to know the importance of protecting PEI's beautiful landscape.

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