

Because many people visit and enjoy the Montour Preserve throughout the year, we ask for your help in keeping the Preserve a safe and beautiful natural recreation area. For your safety and the protection of the natural resources, we ask that you adhere to the following rules while at the Preserve:

- Preserve hours are sunrise to sunset.
- Leave all pets at home.
- Vehicles must be parked on paved surfaces in designated spots.
- Do not swim in the lake, ponds or streams.
- Alcoholic beverages, narcotics and firearms are prohibited.
- Boating in Lake Chillisquaque is prohibited from March 15 – April 30.
- Boating in the Goose Cove refuge area is prohibited year-round.
- Gasoline engines may not be used on the lake; electric motors are allowed.
- Visitors must obtain a permit from MARC before entering the wildlife refuge and observation blinds.
- Fishing is allowed in Lake Chillisquaque, but not in preserve ponds or streams.
- Do not move picnic tables.
- Hunting and trapping are not allowed in the Preserve.
- Collecting of plants, animals and other natural resources is not allowed except in the Fossil Pit.
- Open fires are not allowed except in charcoal grills or gas grills.
- Radios and other sources of noise must be kept at a level that will not disturb other Preserve visitors.
- Camping is not allowed in the Preserve.



Photo by Katie Garber

The Montour Preserve offers a wide range of year-round opportunities for free, family-friendly outdoor activities. With a variety of fields, forests and streams and features like the sugar shack, fossil pit, boat launch, fishing pier, wildlife observation blinds, visitors' center/environmental education center, pavilions, children's play areas, more than ten miles of trails and much more, all centered around the Preserve's signature feature – the 165-acre Lake Chillisquaque – the Montour Preserve offers something for everyone. Enjoy ice fishing, cross-country skiing, maple sugaring, birding, nature study, photography, fishing, boating, picnicking, hiking, trail running, fossil collecting, quiet reflection ..... the possibilities are nearly endless! Learn more by visiting:

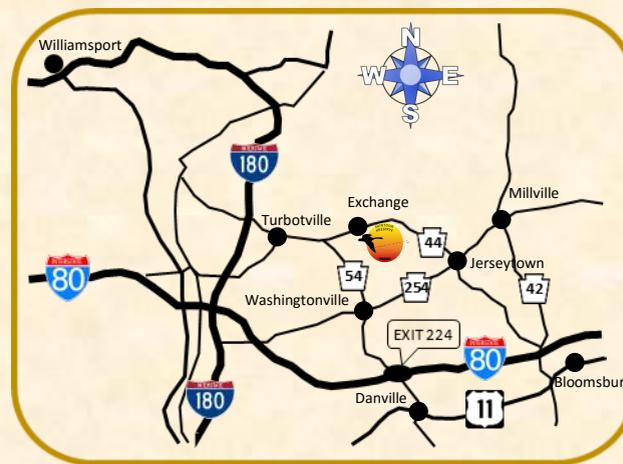
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The Montour Preserve is open to the public at no charge year-round from sunrise to sunset. The Visitors' Center / Environmental Education Center is open Monday-Saturday 8am-4pm from mid-February through mid-December, then Monday-Friday 8am-4pm during the winter months.

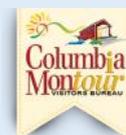
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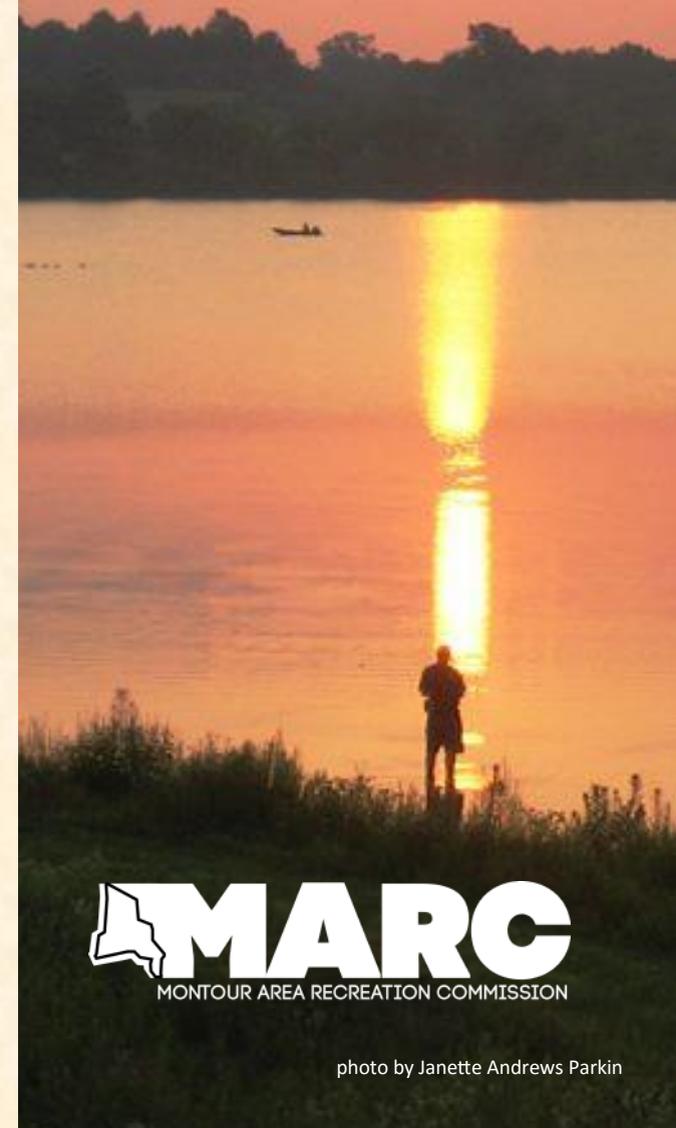


photo by Janette Andrews Parkin

MONTOUR PRESERVE TRAILS	TRAIL LENGTH (miles)	TRAIL SURFACE	LOOP TRAIL?	NOTES
Alder Swamp Trail (permit required)	0.3	grass/forest	no	access to Smokehouse Blind (permit required)
Bluebird Trail	0.8	grass	yes	access to meadow area and bluebird nest boxes
Braile Trail	0.3	mulch	yes	includes aids for the visually impaired
Chillisuagi Trail	3.9	grass/gravel/forest	yes	trail encircles Lake Chillisquaue
Goose Woods Trail	0.9	mulch	yes	access to Sugar Shack and environmental study pond
Hummingbird Trail	0.2	crushed gravel	yes	accessible to users with restricted mobility
Laura Smith Trail of History	0.2	grass	yes	access to pollinator garden
Oak Woods Trail (permit required)	0.3	grass/forest	no	access to Muskrat Blind (permit required)
Ridgefield Point Trail	0.7	grass/forest	yes	accessible from Chillisuagi Trail
West Branch Trail	2.1	grass/forest	no	connects the Montour Preserve to the West Branch Recreation Area
Wildlife Management Trail	0.8	grass/forest	yes	access to wildlife food plots

### MAP LEGEND

- A Sugar Shack
- B Environmental Study Pond
- C Visitors' Center/Environmental Ed. Center
- D Goose Cove Overlook Pavilion
- E Goose Cove Pavilion 1
- F Goose Cove Restrooms
- G Goose Cove Pavilion 2
- H Goose Cove Pavilion 3
- I Muskrat Blind (permit required)
- J Smokehouse Blind (permit required)
- K Fossil Pit
- L Fishing Pier (May – October)
- M Boat Ramp (May – October)
- N Heron Cove Pavilion B
- O Heron Cove Restrooms
- P Heron Cove Pavilion A
- Wildlife Refuge Boundary
- Montour Preserve Boundary
- Trail
- Service Road
- Forest
- Lawn
- Dam
- Restrooms
- Boat Ramp
- Fossil Pit
- Visitors' Center
- Road/Parking Lot
- Lake Depth Contour
- Field
- Pond
- Bridge
- Pavilion
- Fishing Pier
- Wildlife Blind



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