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Erie

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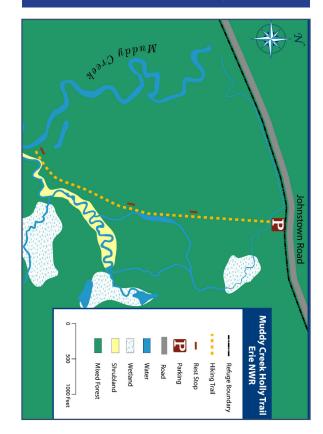
Refuge outdoor facilities are open daily, ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset, unless otherwise posted.

During hunting seasons (Sept. – Feb.), it is recommended that all trail users wear fluorescent orange. During firearm season, it is mandatory.



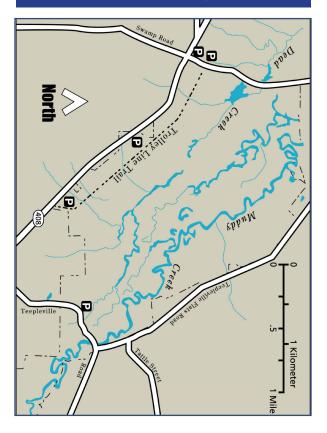


Seneca Division Muddy Creek Holly Trail: 0.75 mile one-way



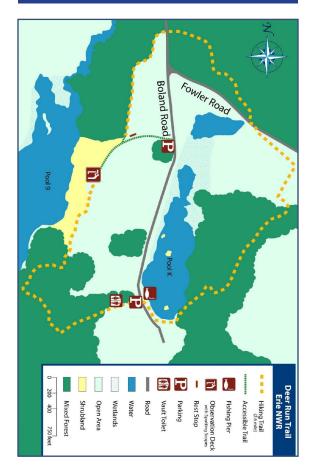
- This out-and-back trail takes visitors over the glacial and riverine sediments of Muddy Creek's valley, and will take you through the lush vegetation of the refuge's forests, leading to a viewing point overlooking Muddy Creek.
- In the spring, wildflowers abound along this trail, and it is always full of signs of wildlife.
- Trail terrain includes forests, marshes, oxbow sloughs, and meadows.

Seneca Division Trolley Line Trail: 1.8 mile one-way



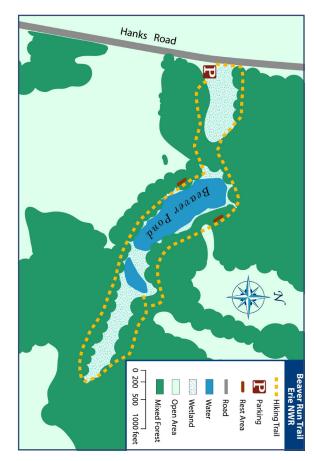
- Wildflowers and historic bridge foundations are highlights of this primitive trail, which follows an old railroad track.
- This is the most challenging trail, but majestic forest views reward the effort.
- Parking areas can be found at both ends on Route 408 and Swamp Road (not a loop).

Sugar Lake Division Deer Run Trail: 2.7 mile loop



- Deer Run Trail meanders through open shrublands, forests, wetlands, ponds, and streams.
- A 1/4 mile accessible spur trail links to Deer Run Trail, and leads to an observation deck overlooking Pool 9, complete with benches, roof, and spotting scopes. It's a wonderful spot to enjoy scenery and to watch for wildlife.
- This trail is relatively flat, with the exception of a few challenging inclines in the wooded area behind Pool K. Trail terrain includes small footbridges, defined paths through shrubland, and clearly-marked forest leaf litter/mulched paths.
- Open for snow-shoeing and cross country skiing in the winter.

Sugar Lake Division Beaver Run Trail: 1.25 mile loop



- Beaver Run Trail winds through shaded woodlands and around beaver ponds and streams.
- Walking quietly at dusk, you can sometimes see beavers at work along this trail.
- Several moderate inclines/declines make this trail slightly challenging, but benches are located at several scenic locations.
- A short distance from the Beaver Run trailhead, on the opposite (west) side of Hank's Road, there is an old sandstone springhouse that was once used as a natural refrigerator to keep perishable items, such as milk and cheese, cool in waterproof troughs.

Sugar Lake Division Tsuga Trail: 1.2 mile loop with optional 0.4 mi extension



- Tsuga Trail (named after the Eastern Hemlock, Tsuga canadensis) is a great option for visitors interested in getting a feel for the various habitats the refuge has to offer without venturing far from Refuge Headquarters. Interpretive signs are also posted along the trail, highlighting nature themes
- The 1.2-mile loop is fairly level, while the 0.4-mile extension is more of a challenge. This trail is relatively flat and well-marked, with benches located in several areas along the way.
- This trail is open for cross-country skiing and snow-shoeing in the winter.