

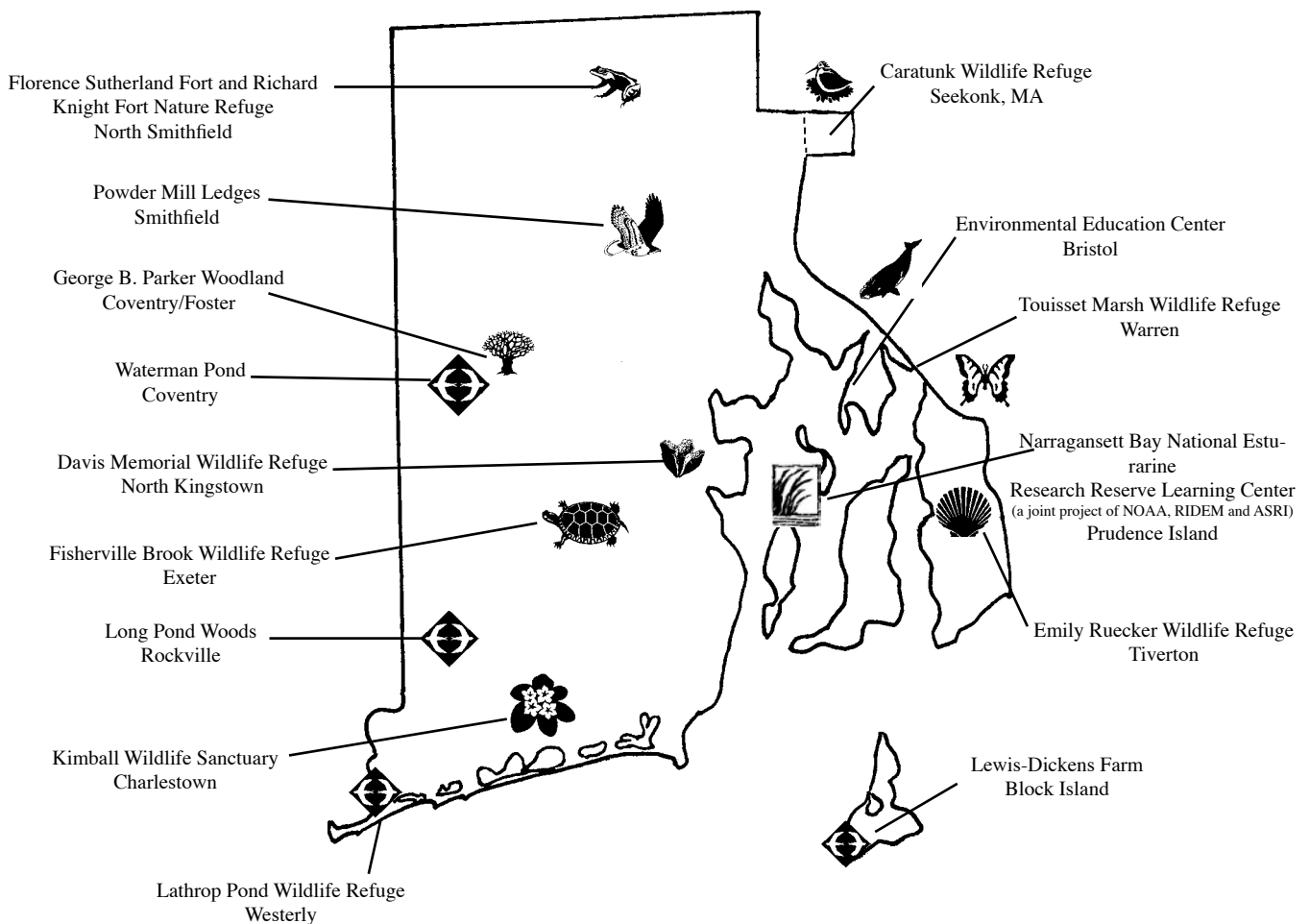


100 YEARS OF EDUCATION, CONSERVATION, & ADVOCACY

Audubon Society of Rhode Island

REFUGES OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The Audubon Society of Rhode Island owns or protects over 9,500 acres of property in and around Rhode Island. The properties shown below offer groomed trails for public use in hiking or observing nature.



A WILDLIFE REFUGE IS A SPECIAL PLACE It is NOT a park or playground

IT IS A PLACE TO:

- WALK quietly on the trails
- OBSERVE & LEARN about wildlife
- PHOTOGRAPH plants and animals
- ENJOY the solitude of this area
- RESPECT the rights of others
- PROTECT the life that abounds here

IT IS NOT A PLACE TO:

- Drive motorized vehicles
- Ride horses or bicycles
- Walk dogs or jog
- Run and make noise
- Hunt, fish or trap
- Picnic or camp
- Leave refuse of any kind
- Collect plants or natural objects

HELP US KEEP OUR REFUGES SPECIAL PLACES by

Staying on the trails provided -- Taking only pictures -- Leaving only footprints



ASRI REFUGES OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Environmental Education Center, Claire D. McIntosh Wildlife Refuge, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol — (401) 245-7500

This 28 acre refuge is the home of the new Education Center with interpretive displays, classrooms and a gift shop. The refuge features a wide variety of habitats, from upland meadows to fresh and salt marshes to Narragansett Bay. **Directions: From Providence**, take I-195 East to Exit 7 in East Providence. Go south on Rte. 114, through East Providence, Barrington and Warren, to the Bristol town line. Entrance is on right, immediately after the Bristol/Warren line. **From Fall River**, take I-195 West to Exit 4 in Swansea. Go west on Rte. 103 to Rte. 114 South, in the center of Warren. Turn left onto Rte. 114 south to the Bristol/Warren town line. Entrance is just after the Bristol/Warren line. **From Aquidneck Island**, take the Mt. Hope Bridge to Rte. 114 North. Travel north on Hope Street (Rte. 114 North). Entrance is approximately 5 miles from the bridge, on the left, just before the Bristol/Warren line.

Caratunk Wildlife Refuge, 301 Brown Avenue, Seekonk, MA — (508) 761-8230

This 196-acre refuge is easily accessible from Providence, and features fields, woods and a large nature center. From I-195 take the Rumford/Pawtucket exit (8), in East Providence. Bear right at the bottom of the ramp onto Warren Avenue. Turn right at the first set of lights onto Rte. 114 north. Travel approximately 2 miles and then turn right onto Rte. 152 North. Continue on Rte. 152 across a reservoir and into Seekonk. After you pass the middle school on the left, turn right onto Brown Avenue. Caratunk is 7/10 of a mile on the right.

Davis Memorial Wildlife Refuge, Davisville Road, North Kingstown

A 96-acre property of woods and wetland located on the Hunt River with access for canoeing. Take Exit 7 (Frenchtown Road/Davisville) off Rte. 4 south. Davisville Road (Rte. 403) is the left fork (follow signs toward Quonset Point/Davisville). Parking is on the right within 1/2 mile of the exit, immediately after the guardrail marking the Hunt River.

Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge, Pardon Joslin Road, Exeter — (401) 295-8283

This 937-acre property contains fields, diverse forest habitats, pond, streams (including a waterfall) and a historic cemetery. Take I-95 to Rte. 4 to Rte. 102 north. Turn right onto Widow Sweets Road (just after the Exeter Town Clerk's Office and across from Anderson's Place). Take the second right onto Pardon Joslin Road (a dirt road). Travel approximately 1 mile. Parking lot is on the right side of the road by a large Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge sign.

Florence Sutherland Fort and Richard Knight Fort Nature Refuge, Providence Pike, North Smithfield

The headwaters of the Woonasquatucket River rise on the 235-acre woodland. Three small ponds and a variety of deciduous and coniferous trees provide diverse habitat for wildlife. Take I-295 to Exit 8B (Rte. 7 North). Follow Rte. 7 north; bear right on Providence Pike. Go straight at light at Rtes. 5 and 104. Refuge is 1/2 mile on the left, the first left after the Primrose Fire Station.

Kimball Wildlife Sanctuary, Watchaug Pond, Charlestown — (401) 874-6664

A 29-acre property gem located on the southern shore of Watchaug Pond. The land abuts Burlingame State Park and trails lead from the refuge to state land. Turn north off Rte. 1 at Prosser Trail, take the first left onto Montauk, and follow the signs to Kimball. At the bottom of the hill turn left and follow Sanctuary Road to the Nature Center.

Lewis-Dickens Farm, Cooneymus Road, Block Island

Coastal grasslands set on the bluffs above the Atlantic provide habitat for raptors and passerines. Walk from entry on south side of Cooneymus Road near West Side Road intersection.

Long Pond Woods, North Road, Hopkinton

A beautiful 218-acre parcel of stately hemlocks and rock outcrops bordering Long and Ell Ponds. ASRI's land is part of a large conservation area with trails connecting to Connecticut. Take Canonchet Road south from Rte. 138, then take the first right onto North Road.

George B. Parker Woodland, 1670 Maple Valley Road, Coventry

An 860-acre property consisting of majestic old forest, brooks, fields, and mysterious rock cairns. The caretaker's house was built in the 1700s. The barn has been converted into a nature center. From Providence take I-95 south to Rte. 102 north (exit 5B). Take Rte. 102 north approximately 10 miles. Turn right (east) onto Maple Valley Road (across Rte. 102, on the left, is Waterman Hill Road). Turn into second driveway on the left for the trailhead or the first driveway for programs. Look for the Parker Woodland Wildlife Refuge sign.

Powder Mill Ledges Wildlife Refuge, 12 Sanderson Road, Smithfield — (401) 949-5454

This 120-acre refuge houses ASRI's headquarters. The refuge has fine stands of pines, a pond and a brook. The headquarters has a library, gift shop, teachers' resource center, and a bird-feeding station. From I-295 take exit 7B onto Rte. 44 west. At fourth set of lights, turn left onto Rte. 5 (Sanderson Road). Turn left at second driveway into the parking lot.

Emilie Ruecker Wildlife Refuge, Seapowet Avenue, Tiverton

A 50-acre parcel of woods and salt marsh with a nature center and fine views of the Sakonnet River. The refuge has blinds for observing and photographing nature. From Providence take I-195 east to Rte. 24 south (in Fall River, MA). Travel Rte. 24 south to the Rte. 77 south exit. Follow Rte. 77 south to Seapowet Avenue. Turn right onto Seapowet Avenue and continue down the hill to the refuge parking lot on the right.

Touisset Marsh Wildlife Refuge, Touisset Road, Warren

These 66 acres are a fine example of salt marsh and bordering upland field and wooded habitat. A trail from the Touisset Fire Station on Touisset Road leads through fields to the Kickemuit River. Take I-195 east to Rte. 136 in North Swansea. Take Rte. 136 South to Rte. 103 (Child St.) in Warren. Go left (east) on Rte. 103 to Long Road. Go right onto Long Road and follow to end at Barton Ave. Go left on Barton then take first right onto Touisset Road. Follow it south to the second sharp left corner at fire station. Turn right into parking lot area and park at the westernmost edge of parking lot.

Waterman Pond, Plainfield Pike, Coventry

Of high value to wildlife, the wetlands on this property support beaver, mink, and ducks. The north end of Sisson Pond lies within the refuge. Take Rte. 102 north to Waterman Hill Road, turn left on Waterman Hill, follow to Plainfield Pike (Rte. 14), where there is a sign.

Lathrop Pond Wildlife Refuge, Shore Road, Westerly

This 86-acre property situated along the northern shore of Winnapaug Pond consists of coastal shrub land, freshwater wetlands, and salt marsh. A short trail leads from the parking lot down to the pond. From Rte. 1 south, take a left onto Rte. 1A (following signs to Misquamicut State Beach). Follow Rte. 1A approximately 3 miles. Look for sign off left shoulder of the road.