

## About this Preserve

The Pemaquid Watershed Association accepted the formal transfer from The Nature Conservancy (TNC) of the 10-acre Bass Rock Preserve on Back Shore Road in the village of Round Pond in Bristol, Maine, in 2009. The preserve originally was donated to TNC in 1973 by Bryan and Elfrida Holme.

Bass Rock Preserve is dominated by mixed hardwoods and conifers on the bank of Muscongus Sound, with approximately 1,150 ft of deepwater frontage. A short trail leads from the road to the shore, and, near the shore, the trail diverges and leads to a rocky beach and small cove. On either side of the cove, visitors can look out upon Muscongus Bay toward Friendship from the wide expanses of exposed ledge.

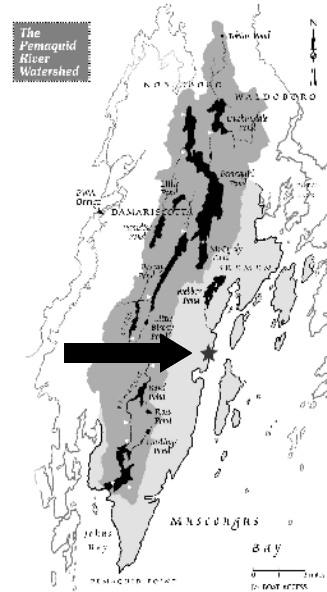


Photo by Paula Roberts

*This preserve features a geologic mystery: a 2-ft by 2.5-ft-round, 4-ft-deep hole in the ledge located on the trail to the left off the main trail.*

## Directions

Take Route 32 to Round Pond. At the Granite Hall Store, take the north fork (on the left side of the store), which is Back Shore Road. The preserve is about 1.1 miles on the right. Trail head starts at the kiosk.



*The Pemaquid Watershed Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable nonprofit organization dedicated to conserving the natural resources of the Pemaquid Peninsula of Maine through land and water stewardship and education.*

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**BASS ROCK PRESERVE**

Bristol, Maine



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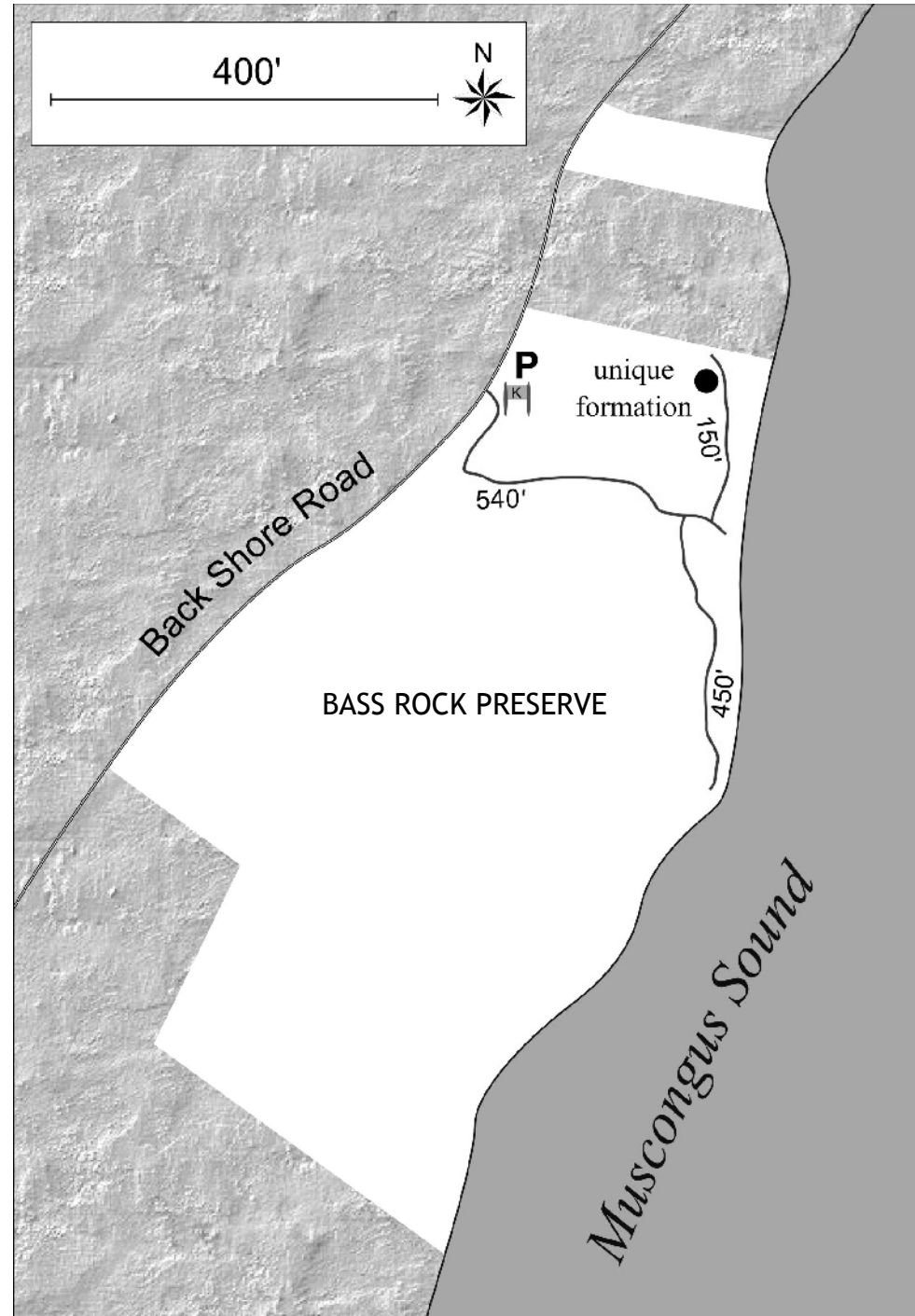


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## Enjoy Your Visit!

- ✓ Visitors are welcome to enjoy this preserve during daylight hours for hiking, skiing, and other low impact uses.
- ✓ Please sign in at the kiosk.
- ✓ Well behaved dogs on leash are permitted.
- ✓ Motorized vehicles are prohibited.
- ✓ Please stay on preserve property — Do not go beyond preserve boundary markers.
- ✓ **Leave No Trace:** carry out what you bring in.
- ✓ Return this brochure to the kiosk so someone else can use it.
- ✓ Pick up a PWA brochure at the kiosk and join us!



Note that a small portion of the preserve lies to the north,