

Griggstown Native Grassland Preserve
Geo Cache Trail

The Griggstown Grassland Preserve Geotrail is a unique journey through Local New Jersey history across the scenic landscapes of the Griggstown Grassland Preserve. Participating cachers will have the chance to visit the grounds of the preserve to tour many interesting sites and discover some cultural landmarks around this Franklin Township property.

The Griggstown Geotrail is designed to be very family friendly and accessible by the greatest number of people, but in the interest of hidden off the paved trail, they are not all wheelchair accessible.

The Griggstown Geotrail caches are placed with approval by Franklin Township, no new caches will be allowed at their Griggstown Native Grassland Preserve property without first obtaining written permission by Franklin Township.

What is a Geotrail?

Geocaching is a global treasure hunt in which participants use Global Positioning System (GPS) receivers to find geocaches hidden throughout the world. Caches can be as small as a dime or as large as a military ammo can. When cachers find a cache, they usually log their visit in a log book found in the cache. They may also trade trinkets, or swag, in the caches. Currently, there are over 2 Million caches and 6 million geo cachers.

A "geotrail" is a series of caches tied together by a common topic or theme and to showcase an historic location. Geocachers who complete

the GEOTRAIL will receive a commemorative Token of their adventure. (one per registered Geocaching name only) The Griggstown Geotrail is a geocaching trail consisting of many different type geocaches placed around the beautiful Native Grassland Preserve. Geocachers should plan to spend enough time to explore the area while completing the geotrail. the trail area covers 376 acres, **and will take a few hours to complete.**

What do I need to go Geocaching?

The only necessities are a GPS device or a GPS-enabled mobile phone so that you can navigate to the cache, and a [Geocaching.com](http://www.geocaching.com) Membership(FREE).

<http://www.geocaching.com/>

You may also want to bring along small trinkets or swag to leave in the cache for the next geo cacher to find and trade.

What are the rules of geocaching?

1. If you take something from the geocache (or "cache"), leave something of equal or greater value. Also called Swag or a Trinket.
2. Write about your find in the cache logbook.
3. Log your experience at www.geocaching.com.
4. Follow the rules of the Griggstown Native Grassland Preserve.

Rules:http://www.franklintwpnj.org/detailed_trail_maps.html

Completing the Geotrail

To complete the Griggstown Geotrail, you must locate all the Griggstown Geotrail caches totaling TWENTY-EIGHT(28) caches, locate the North and West coordinates which are hidden inside FOUR (4) of the caches, and locate the NINE(9) letter secret phrase. The Griggstown Geotrail final cache will contain a 4 X 6 official certificate which you must obtain, complete the secret word to receive a completion token, pathtag, from the township of Franklin.

Secret Word

Inside NINE(9) of the Griggstown geocaches is a laminated clue card with a specific letter; cachers must collect all these NINE letters to uncover the secret word to fill out on their official certificate located inside the final Griggstown Geotrail cache. Geocachers then bring their completed certificate for redemption and verification of completion as outlined on the certificate to receive a commemorative Franklin Township Commerative Pathtag Token.

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GRIGGSTOWN NATIVE GRASSLAND PRESERVE

**1091 Canal Road
Princeton (Franklin Township), N.J. 08540**

GEO CACHE TRAIL



www.franklintwpnj.org

To report an emergency, call 911.

To report non-emergency violations, call the Police Department at 732 873-5533.

For more information please contact the Franklin Twp. Land Preservation and Management Consultant at 732.873.2500, ext. 6230 or at franklintrails@gmail.com

The Northern New Jersey Cachers, NNJC is about promoting a quality caching experience in Northern New Jersey. New Jersey Cachers group you can visit: www.nnjc.org.

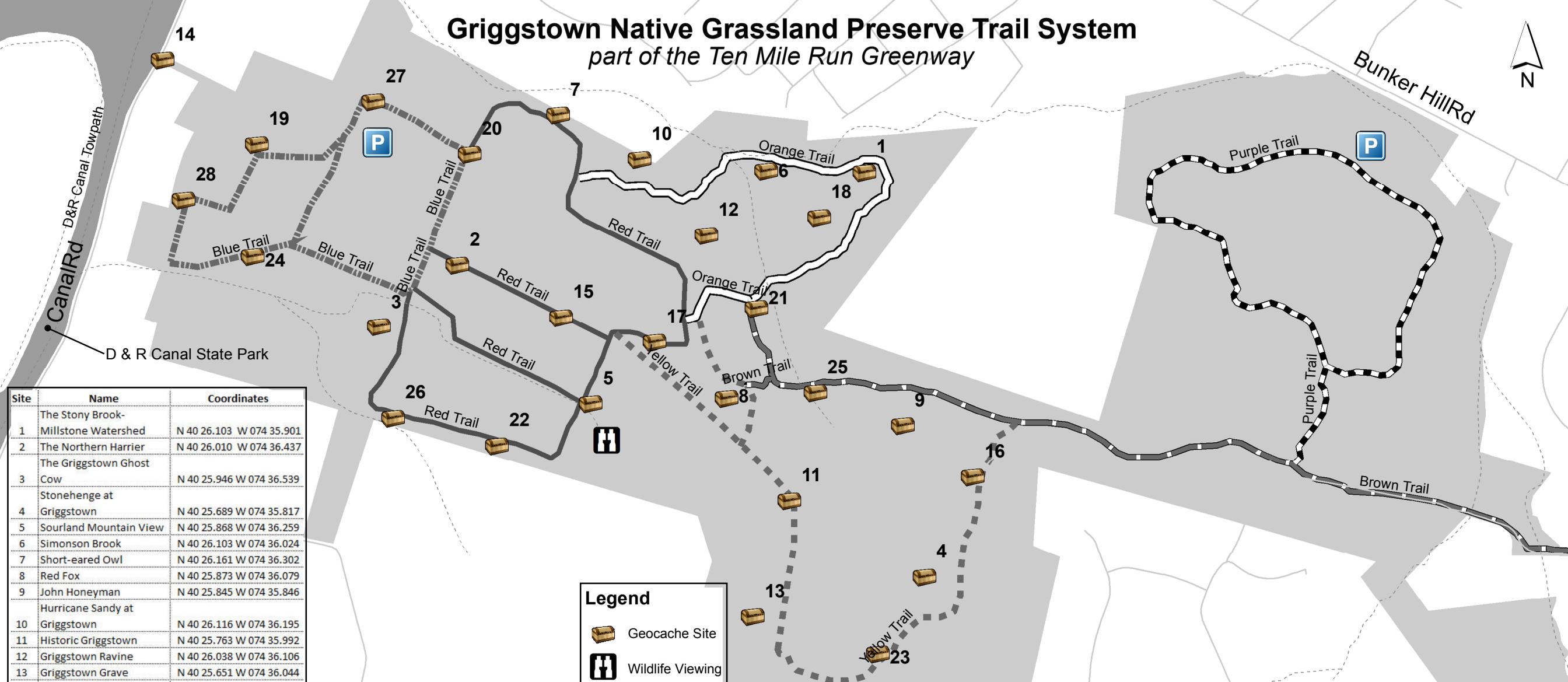
Promoting quality & safe geocaching



In Northern New Jersey

Griggstown Native Grassland Preserve Trail System

part of the Ten Mile Run Greenway



Site	Name	Coordinates
1	The Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed	N 40 26.103 W 074 35.901
2	The Northern Harrier	N 40 26.010 W 074 36.437
3	The Griggstown Ghost	
3	Cow	N 40 25.946 W 074 36.539
4	Stonehenge at Griggstown	N 40 25.689 W 074 35.817
5	Sourland Mountain View	N 40 25.868 W 074 36.259
6	Simonson Brook	N 40 26.103 W 074 36.024
7	Short-eared Owl	N 40 26.161 W 074 36.302
8	Red Fox	N 40 25.873 W 074 36.079
9	John Honeyman	N 40 25.845 W 074 35.846
10	Hurricane Sandy at Griggstown	N 40 26.116 W 074 36.195
11	Historic Griggstown	N 40 25.763 W 074 35.992
12	Griggstown Ravine	N 40 26.038 W 074 36.106
13	Griggstown Grave	N 40 25.651 W 074 36.044
14	Griggstown Grassland Preserve Geotrail	N 40 26.217 W 074 36.825
15	Griggstown Dragonfly	N 40 25.956 W 074 36.297
16	Griggstown Copper Mine	N 40 25.793 W 074 35.753
17	Grasshopper Sparrow	N 40 25.930 W 074 36.175
18	Eastern Wild Turkey	N 40 26.027 W 074 35.956
19	Cooper's Hawk	N 40 26.131 W 074 36.701
20	Common Nighthawk	N 40 26.121 W 074 36.419
21	Chipmunks	N 40 25.968 W 074 36.042
22	Carolina Wren	N 40 25.825 W 074 36.382
23	Captain John Rule	N 40 25.614 W 074 35.878
24	Bobolink	N 40 26.017 W 074 36.697
25	Benjamin Griggs	N 40 25.878 W 074 35.961
26	Barn Swallow	N 40 25.854 W 074 36.503
27	American Kestrel	N 40 26.174 W 074 36.545
28	Great Horned Owl	N 40 26.074 W 074 36.797

Legend

- Geocache Site
- Wildlife Viewing
- Parking
- Streams
- Trails**
- Blue Trail
- Red Trail
- Orange Trail
- Yellow Trail
- Brown Trail
- Purple Trail

Trails may not be utilized by equestrians whenever the trails may be damaged due to weather conditions.



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Trail and Length (miles)	Difficulty Level	Walking	Cross-country skis	Equestrian (permit required)	Bicycles	Snow-shoes	Dogs on Leash
Blue (0.9)	Easy	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Red (1.1)	Easy	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Orange (0.7)	Easy	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Yellow (0.8)	Easy-moderate	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Brown (0.9)	Easy	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Purple (1.0)	Easy	✓	✓			✓	✓