

About Harpswell Heritage Land Trust

Harpswell Heritage Land Trust is the only organization dedicated solely to protecting the natural and cultural resources of Harpswell, Maine. Our mission is to protect Harpswell's natural open spaces, islands, shoreline and cultural heritage for current and future generations through education, conservation and landowner assistance.

Become a Member Today!

Harpswell Heritage Land Trust is a small nonprofit that relies on the support of people who love Harpswell. All donations are tax-deductible, much appreciated and put to good use! Please make your checks payable to HHLT and mail to:

Harpswell Heritage Land Trust
PO Box 359
Harpswell, ME 04079

Your can also donate online at:
www.hhlmaine.org

Want to get Involved?

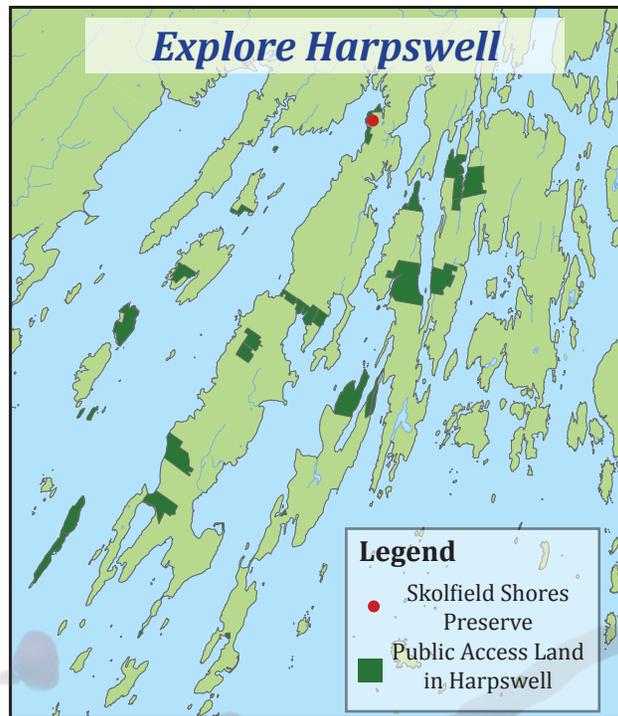
We offer a variety of public programs for all ages and volunteer opportunities for many interests. Visit our website for more details. While you're there, we encourage you to sign up for our email newsletter.

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We look forward to hearing from you!

ENJOY THE TRAILS!

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For information on other trails and preserves, please visit: www.hhlmaine.org

Directions

From the intersection of Rt 24 and Rt 123 at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, follow Rt 123 south for 4.6 mi. Turn right into Skolfield Place and then take an immediate left into the parking lot for the preserve.

Features and Amenities at Skolfield Shores Preserve



Hiking Scenic Views Benches Access to Water



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About the Preserve

With fields, saltwater marsh and more than 4,000 feet of shoreline on Middle Bay Cove, Skolfield is well-suited for walking with friends or family or spotting a wide range of birds, from meadowlarks to terns. Two trail loops, for a total of a mile, wind through varied forest habitat and provide views of the cove, the saltwater marsh separating Brunswick and Harpswell and the fields of historic Merrucoonegan Farm. A spur trail leads to an old stone ferry wharf and a turn of the century boathouse along the shore.

The word Merrucoonegan derives from a Native American term for “easy carrying place.” Traditionally, this area was used by Native Americans to move up and down the coast using protected waters. Later it was a center for the Skolfield Shipyards in the heyday of wooden ship building.

With the field and woods across from the entrance to the preserve also protected by a conservation easement, it is hoped that this gateway to Harpswell will retain its historic appearance and natural beauty for generations.

Visitor Guidelines

- Carry in, Carry out.
- Pedestrian use only.
- No overnight parking.
- No open fires.
- No camping.
- No dogs allowed.
- Hunting is allowed. Wear blaze orange and take appropriate safety precautions during hunting season.
- Trapping is allowed with written permission from HHLT.
- Please respect wildlife, neighbors and other users.