

Welcome to the Del Fairfax Preserve



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Legend

Trail 5 ft Contour Line

Feet
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Preserve Rules

- Keep pets leashed at all times for their safety and the safety of others. Remember to pick up after your dog.
- This is a wildlife preserve. No hunting, bicycles, camping, horses or ATV's allowed.
- Respect the property. "Pack it in, Pack it out"

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Property at a Glance

Acres: 50

Year Protected: 2007

Features: Wildlife habitat, walking trails, seasonal wetland, open space

Trail Information

Trail Length: 1.2 mi

Elevation Change: flat

History/Overview

Dr. George Fairfax donated this property in memory of his wife Del. He bought the property in 1973 for investment purposes, but then George fell in love with the lush forests and expansive field. George wanted it to remain unspoiled for future generations so he donated it to the Land Trust for the community to enjoy.

The 50-acre property has many features worthy of permanent protection according to Powell. Much of the property is high quality second growth Douglas fir forest, with a lush undergrowth of salal, swordfern, salmonberry, oceanspray, snowberry and wild rose. Other native plants include Indian plum, red elderberry, huckleberry, serviceberry, and Oregon grape. Near the center of the property is a beautiful, 18-acre rolling hayfield edged on all sides by native forest and a small perennial wetland surrounded by alders with an understory of willow, sedges, spirea, and rushes.



Permitted Uses

This is a wildlife preserve so we ask that you follow the preserve rules listed on the front of the map. The field is actively farmed for hay each year so please stay on the trail, keep your dog on a leash and pick up after your dog out of respect to the visitors and wildlife. Please park only in the designated parking area. Help keep the property beautiful by remembering to 'pack it in, pack it out'.

Volunteer!

Volunteers are an important part of our land stewardship program. Volunteers help with trail maintenance, controlling invasive species and restoration work at our protected properties throughout Whidbey and Camano Islands. If you are interested in helping out please email Jessica Larson, Stewardship Associate at Jessica@wclt.org or call 360-222-3310.

About the Land Trust

The Whidbey Camano Land Trust is an effective and widely respected private non-profit land conservation organization. For more than 25 years, it has been protecting land by working with willing landowners, community groups, and public agencies.

The day-to-day work of the Land Trust focuses on permanently protecting our islands' most important lands by negotiating and completing real estate transactions, writing grants to obtain land protection funding, managing our land, and monitoring our conservation easements. Governed by a voluntary board of directors and staffed by experienced land trust professionals, the Whidbey Camano Land Trust is one of more than 1,700 land trusts across the country.

For more information visit our website at www.wclt.org or call us at (360) 222-3310

Directions to Del Fairfax Preserve

From Highway 20 turn north onto Zylstra Road. Head north on Zylstra Road for approximately 3 miles until you see the Zylstra Road Fire Station on your left. Turn left onto a wide gravel road in front of the fire station and park on the right next to the fence. The Del Fairfax sign will be in front of you. Please do not block the gravel road or the Zylstra Road Fire Station bay doors.



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