

# EXPLORE THE

Great Peninsula Conservancy invites you to get outside and enjoy these

## Banner Forest Heritage Park

6471 Banner Rd SE, Port Orchard



Hike, walk the dog, hunt for mushrooms, or grab your mountain bike and go! With over 636 acres to roam you are likely to have the forest to yourself no matter what trail you choose. Be sure to wear your waterproof hiking boots as the trails can get a bit muddy.

## Chico Creek Estuary

4270 Kittyhawk Dr, Bremerton



The best time to view this beautifully restored estuary is during the return of salmon in the fall. Chico Creek produces the largest run of wild chum salmon in Kitsap County - 30,000 to 80,000 chum pass up the creek each year. Come for the salmon, stay to see other wildlife like heron and eagles. Wear your waterproof boots. It's muddy here in the fall and winter.

## Clear Creek Trail

9641 Levin Rd NW, Silverdale



Almost 7 miles of trails perfect for all levels of walking, jogging, and biking. Enjoy this quiet urban oasis along Clear Creek. Leashed dogs are allowed on the path, or you can let them burn off a little energy at the dog park.

## Cowling Creek Forest Preserve

20325 Miller Bay Rd NE, Poulsbo



Park at the Cowling Creek Salmon Center and enjoy the trails in this 42-acre forest preserve also home to bear, eagles, and river otters. Visit in the fall to see over 30,000 chum salmon return to the creek to spawn.

## Filicy Bay Preserve

Longbranch (Coming Soon!)



Once an ancient fishing cove for First Peoples, this quiet tree-lined bay soon will be easily accessed by kayak from nearby Longbranch or a short 10 minute walk on a maintained wooded trail. GPC is working to open this new preserve to the public, so stay tuned!

## Guillemot Cove Nature Reserve

19235 Stavis Bay Rd NW, Seabeck



Looking for a great view of the Olympics? A short but steep hike down to the beach will reward you with beautiful views across Hood Canal. Take the kids and search for starfish and crabs on the beach. Be sure to check out the old stump house along the way.

## Hansville Greenway

6959 Buck Lake Rd NE, Hansville



With over 8 miles of well-maintained and well-marked trails, a walk in the Greenway is perfect for all ages. Explore the 260-acre wildlife corridor and you'll see two beaver ponds and the perfect-for-a-beach-day shoreline at Buck Lake.

## Indianola Waterfront and Woodland Preserve

8001 NE Seaview Ave, Indianola



An official stop on the Kitsap Water Trail, this is the place to land your kayak, stick your toes in the sand and enjoy a panoramic view of Mt. Rainier. Rugged hiking trails through the woodlands are also great for stretching your legs.

## Kingston Trails

272nd Avenue off Lindvog Road, Kingston



Beautiful wooded trails just a stone's throw from downtown Kingston. Walk through licorice ferns and trilliums while gazing up at old big-leaf maples. Listen for woodpeckers, wrens and the flutelike song of Swainson's thrush. Be prepared for trails that can be rugged and muddy in places. Trails run on private property so please be respectful.

## Klingel Wetlands Wildlife Refuge

2091 NE HWY 300, Belfair



If you are an avid birdwatcher this is your place. Visit this 94-acre wetland on Hood Canal and you might encounter regulars like bald eagles, heron, osprey, or the elusive Virginia rail. Each winter the refuge is a favorite spot for mallards, pintails, wigeon and green-winged teal.

## Newberry Hill Heritage Park

SE corner of NW Newberry Hill Road and Tieton Place NW, Silverdale

GPS (N47 38.062 W122 45.319)



Great loop trails for hiking, trail running, walking leashed dogs, or just meandering while seeking out everything from mushrooms to salamanders. This 1,100 acre park has over 15 miles of trails, many of which connect to other local trail systems. Be sure to make a stop at the beaver pond.

## North Kitsap Heritage Park

24701 Miller Bay Road NE, Kingston



If you are looking for a variety of trail types, head here. You can choose from narrow foot paths to wide gravel trails to wander or ride through the forest. Take time to explore the wetlands that are the headwaters of Grovers Creek.

## Port Gamble Forest Heritage Park

28901 HWY 104, Kingston



The trail options are endless along the old service roads and rough trails of this 1,890 acre park - a favorite of mountain bikers, trail runners, equestrians, and hikers. If it is water views you want, enjoy a quiet walk along the bluff trail overlooking Port Gamble Bay.

# OUTDOORS

the special places protected with the help of GPC, our partners, and you!

## Poulsbo Fish Park

288 NW Lindvig Way, Poulsbo



Perfect for those seeking an easy scenic walk, 3 miles of gentle trails are ideal with young kids in tow. Look for fish-themed art along the path and keep your eyes (and ears) alert for birds along the trail. The salmon viewing platform at Dog Fish Creek is a popular spot in the fall.

## Sehmel Homestead Park

10123 78th Ave NW, Gig Harbor



There is something for everyone here. Over 4 miles of maintained nature trails for hiking and walking the dog, ball fields for the kids, a heritage garden, ponds and meadows for birdwatching.

## Tahuya Legacy Forest

Mason County

Logging roads provide some public access to 2,300 acres of private forestland between Tahuya State Forest and Green Mountain State Forest. See [www.PopeResources.com](http://www.PopeResources.com) for information on permitted uses and a map.

## Taylor Bay Park

17916 76th St KPS, Longbranch



In the mood for a quiet picnic overlooking the water? This rustic park is the place to go. If you're feeling a bit more adventurous, wheel your kayak down to water's edge and head out for a paddle, but be sure to check the tides before you go.

## Ueland Tree Farm

Lebers Lane NW, Bremerton  
GPS (N47 34.800 W122 43.082)



Trails through this private FSC certified tree farm are open to the public for hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding, leashed dog walking, trail running and even mushroom and berry picking. See if you can find the hidden path to the waterfall about ½ mile into Chico Trail.



Hiking



Kayaking



Leashed Dogs



Bird Watching



Biking



Equestrian



Picnic Tables

