



The Beeton Heritage Forest

Access and Parking

5927 7th Line, New Tecumseth

Trail Use

Please stay on the one designated, blazed trail. There may be safety hazards on closed, informal or unauthorized trails. The trail in the forest is marked for you to enjoy at your own risk.

Trail Marker Legend

 Indicates trail continues straight

 Indicates trail direction heads left

 Indicates trail direction heads right

**PLEASE STAY ON THE
BLAZED TRAIL**

The Oak Ridges Moraine Land Trust

Since 2000, the Oak Ridges Moraine Land Trust has worked across the Moraine, Greenbelt, and into Simcoe County to conserve environmentally important land, in perpetuity. With the donation of this Heritage Forest, the Land Trust is providing a protected trail for the public to use and enjoy.

Donations to support the stewardship and maintenance of the property can be made to the Land Trust, directed to the, "Beeton Heritage Forest Fund"

www.oakridgesmoraine.org

905-853-3171

landtrust@oakridgesmoraine.org

Charitable Registration #87320 8920

Beeton Heritage Forest Preservation Society

The trails in this forest are being maintained in partnership with the Beeton Heritage Forest Preservation Society, a volunteer group of citizens. Incorporated in 2018, they hope to carry on the tradition of caring for the forest with your help.

To volunteer in the forest, contact heritageforeststewardship@gmail.com

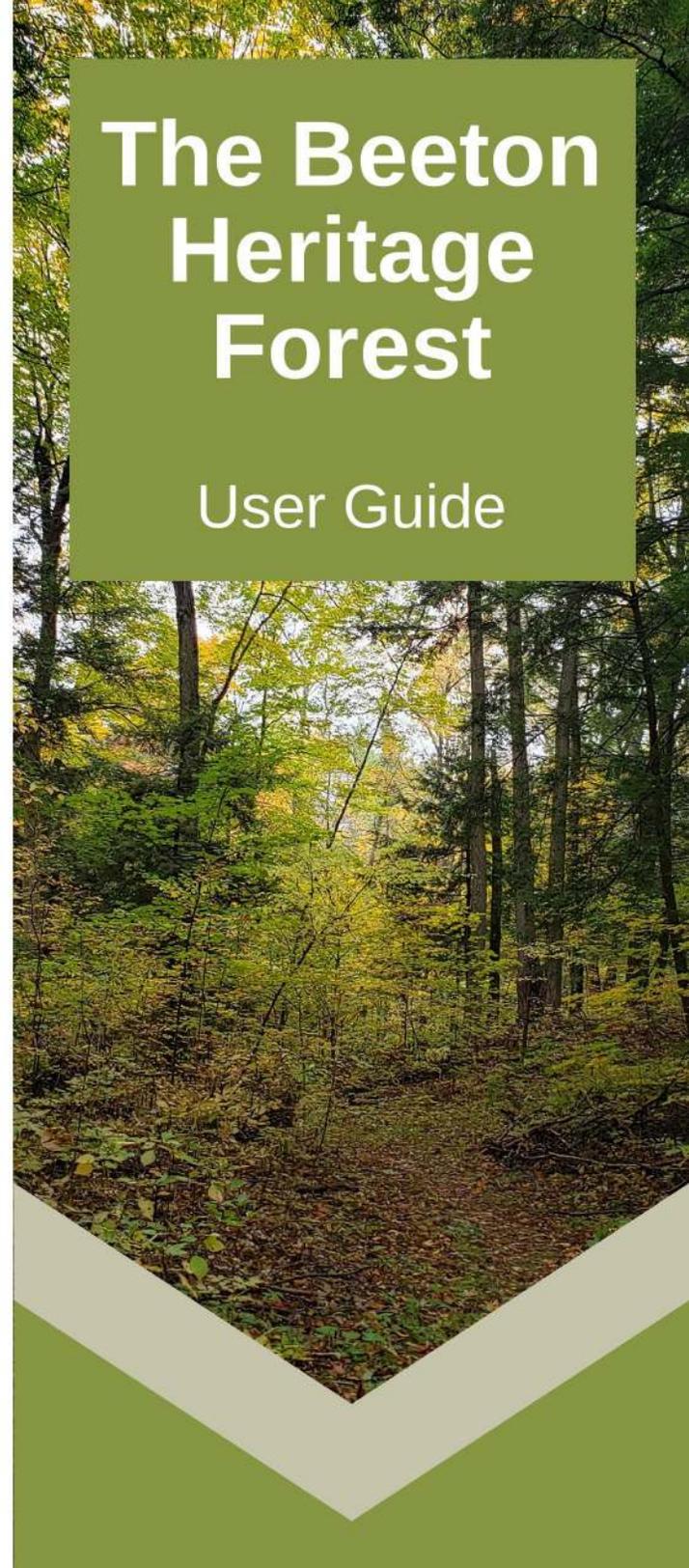
Other Important Contacts:

 Police Non-Emergency:
705-434-1939

 To report dogs in the forest; Canine Bylaw: 905-729-2972

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User Guide



About the Forest

The Beeton Heritage Forest was donated by the Town of New Tecumseth to the Oak Ridges Moraine Land Trust in 2019 and provides great value to our environment and users including:

-  Purifying your air and filtering water
-  Controlling flooding
-  Providing habitat for wildlife species
-  Providing privacy, peace and opportunities to watch and enjoy nature

Protecting the Forest

-  Stay on marked trails at all times
-  Leave only footprints, take only photographs. Please, no foraging.
-  Give wildlife space and enjoy being an observer from afar

While enjoying the forest, please minimize your impact on the natural environment. You are required to stay on the marked trails while visiting the forest. These trails have been designated to help users avoid getting lost, keep you safe from areas of high natural hazards and to protect sensitive areas. Staying on trails keeps you and the forest safe, so both can be appreciated by future generations.

Please, No Dogs in the Forest



There is an off-leash dog area located 3km from the forest at 10th line & Stewart St E in Beeton.

Unfortunately, due to the disregard of leash laws in the forest by some owners and the highly sensitive ecosystem of the forest, dogs are no longer permitted.

- Off-leash dogs have a negative impact on the natural ecosystem of the forest and its users, and are prohibited in the Town of New Tecumseth. (Bylaw #2017-77).
- There have been recorded instances of wildlife and other dog fatalities due to off-leash dogs. Your dogs may also be injured or even killed by the wildlife that live here.
- Wild animals see dogs as a threat. Domestic dogs are in much higher concentrations than natural predators, and native species cannot continually handle this level of predator avoidance and stress.
- Rare and Species at Risk ground nesting birds inhabit this forest, and disturbances by off-leash dogs can damage the nests.
- This trail is meant for the use of people, and we would like to ensure that everyone can use it safely, without worrying about off-leash dogs.

We appreciate your understanding. Our priority is protecting the natural and cultural heritage features of this wonderful forest.



Keeping Safe in the Forest

The Beeton Heritage Forest is the perfect place to enjoy fresh air and connect with nature.

To stay safe when you visit, please remember:

-  Check weather forecasts and dress accordingly
-  Avoid ticks and other insects, wear insect repellent, close-toed footwear, light colored and long-sleeve shirts and long pants. Tuck your pants into your socks.
-  Stay on the trail - off-trail conditions may be unsafe.
-  Be careful of poison ivy, it is common in this forest.
-  Follow the "3 C's": Common sense, communication, and courtesy.

Please advise the Town Bylaw office or the Oak Ridges Moraine Land Trust immediately if you see any suspicious, illegal, or damaging activity in the forest.

For Emergencies, please call 911.