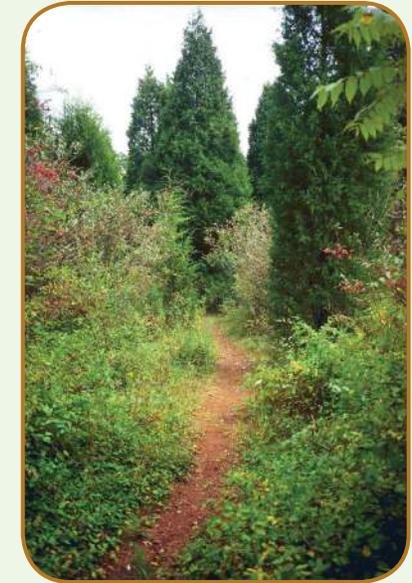
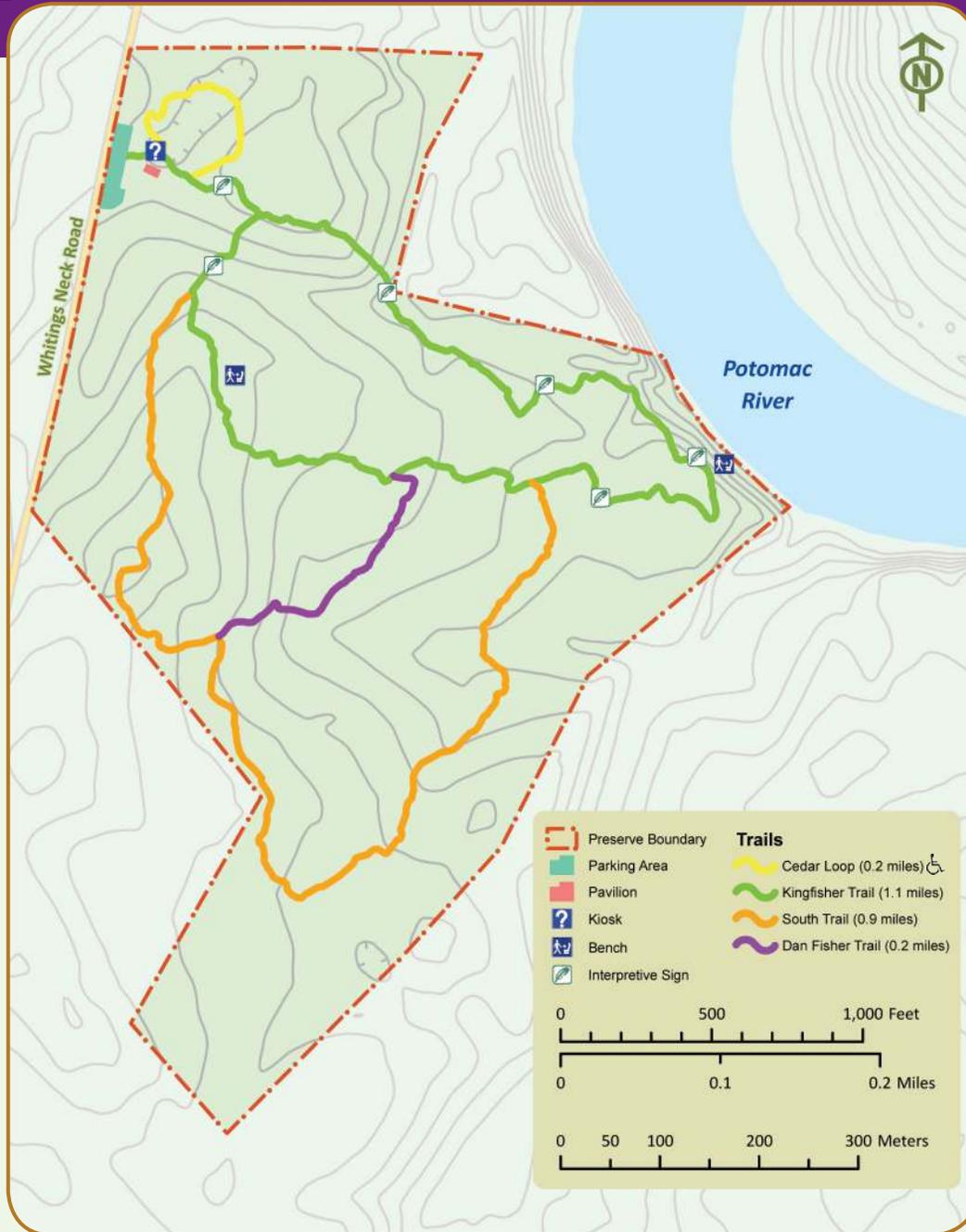




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## Bringing Nature and the Community Together

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# Welcome to the Yankauer Nature Preserve!

This 104-acre nature preserve, operated by the Potomac Valley Audubon Society (PVAS) in partnership with The Nature Conservancy (TNC), has been set aside as a special place for those who appreciate the natural world and seek to learn from it.

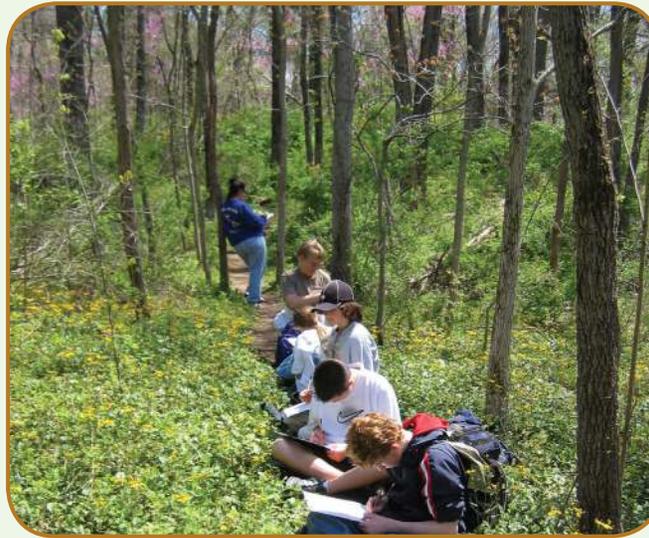


## The Yankauer Story

The preserve is named after Dr. Alfred Yankauer, a prominent physician and medical researcher, who donated it to TNC in 1967. It has been co-managed by PVAS since 1996.

It was Dr. Yankauer's vision that this land be preserved as a place for people to enjoy nature as he and his family had done for many years.

PVAS, TNC, and their many volunteers, partners and friends are committed to fulfilling this vision. Through environmental education programs, youth summer camps, a self-guided trail network and many other opportunities, we invite visitors from near and far to enjoy Dr. Yankauer's legacy.



## Wander the Trails

Most of the preserve is gently rolling former farmland that is gradually returning to its natural forested state. This transitional forest makes an especially interesting and informative natural laboratory where visitors can view a constantly changing blend of fast-growing shrubs and trees, red cedar glades, and the reemergence of an old oak forest.

The preserve also includes a section of wooded, high limestone bluffs overlooking the Potomac River, which adds variety to the landscape and habitat mix along with a wonderful view.

More than 100 plant species have been identified on the preserve and wildflowers are abundant in the spring. Animal life is equally diverse, with more than 100 species of birds. Waterfowl can be seen along the river during their spring migration. Breeding season welcomes sweet-singing warblers and vireos as they nest among the cedars. Barred Owls are often heard calling.

**ENJOY YOUR VISIT!**

## Location & Directions

The preserve is located on Whiting's Neck in north east Berkeley County, West Virginia.

Directions from Shepherdstown are as follows: From the 4-way stop at the intersection of Routes 45 and 480, take 480 north for 1/4 mile and turn left onto Shepherd Grade Road. Follow that road about 1.5 miles to a "Y" intersection and bear left on to Scrabble Road. About 1.5 miles further, a road intersects on the left; stay to the right to remain on Scrabble Road. After another 1/2 mile, turn left to remain on Scrabble Road. Go 2 more miles and turn right onto Whiting's Neck Road. The preserve is about 1/2 mile on the right.

From Martinsburg, go north on Route 11 for 1 mile past the Berkeley Plaza and turn right onto Berkeley Station Road. Follow that road 6.3 miles (after 3 miles it becomes Scrabble Road), then turn left on Whiting's Neck Road. The preserve is about 1/2 mile on the right.

There is ample parking at the preserve.

## Please Help Us Keep the Preserve Clean and Safe!

- Please be sure to carry out any trash and leave the preserve as you found it.
- Because of the potential for injury and damage to the environment, the use of ATV's or other motorized vehicles and horseback riding cannot be permitted on the property.
- For the safety and comfort of other visitors and to help protect sensitive habitats, please leave dogs at home.
- Because forest fires can be devastating, camping and campfires cannot be permitted.
- If you smoke, be very careful for the same reason.
- For liability reasons, possession or use of alcohol cannot be permitted.
- We encourage observation of plants and animals; we discourage collecting.
- For safety reasons, hunting cannot be not permitted.