



Area WNC WOODCOCK NATURE CENTER



Wilton Side of Pond Looking Towards Ridgefield End

Size: 146 acres

ACCESS/PARKING: 56 Deer Run Road, Wilton, off of Nod Road in Ridgefield. [GPS Address: 56 Deer Run Road, Wilton]

DIFFICULTY: Easy. 1 hour.

FEATURES: This is a non-profit, educational facility staffed by full-time naturalists. The Nature Center Interpretive Center and trails are open to the public.

Trails include a handicapped-accessible boardwalk extending into a swamp and 3 miles of woodland trails with views of vernal pools and Spectacle Brook. Laurel, oak, hickory, beech, sweet pepperbush, and ferns abound in the preserve. Wood ducks often nest here and otters have been sighted.

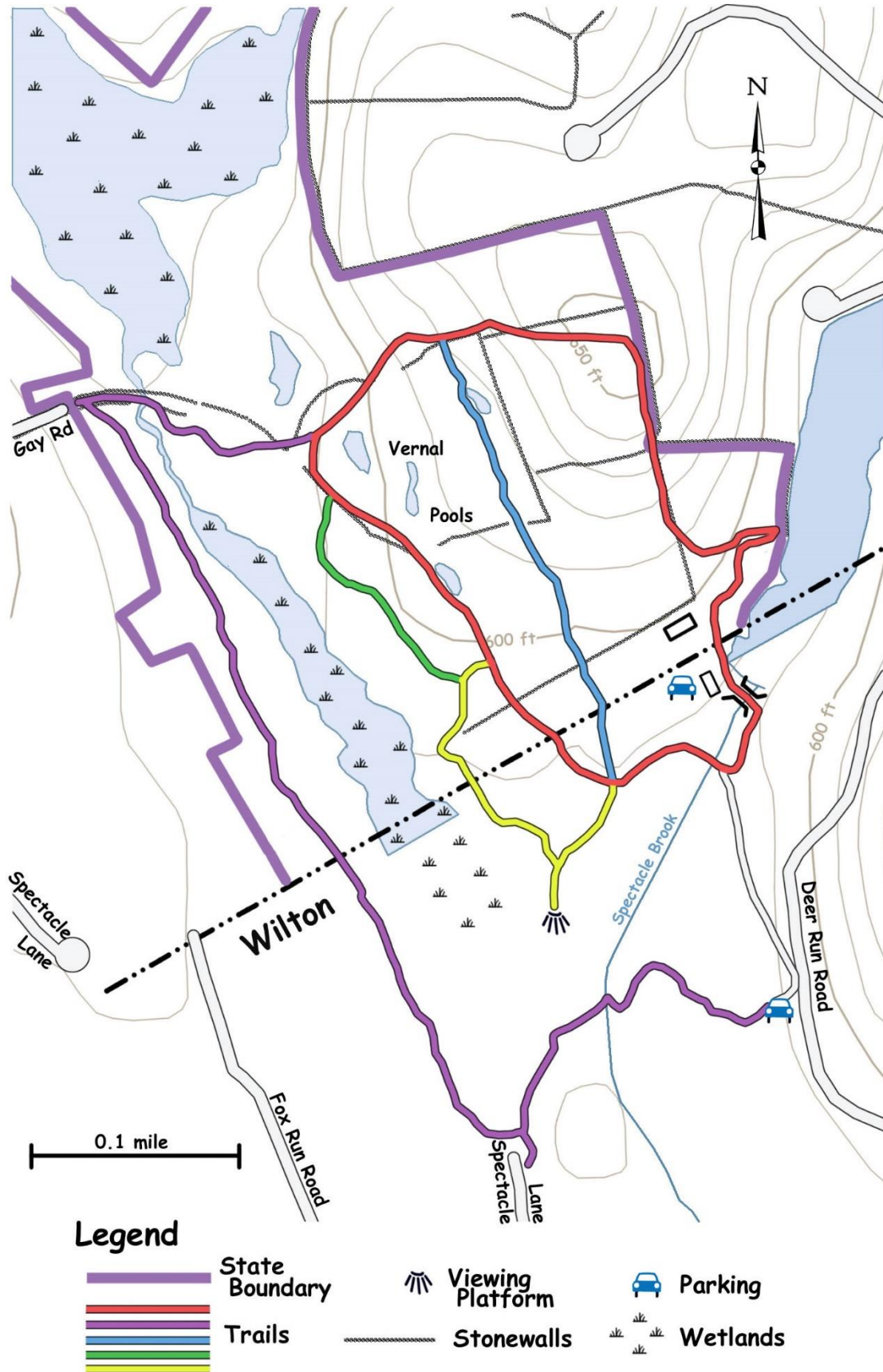
The center is home to a variety of living local and exotic creatures including snakes, frogs, and lizards, and a small number of injured birds of prey.

Go to www.woodcocknaturecenter.org for information on summer camp programs or call (203) 762-7280.

HISTORY: This tract of land, the Spectacle Brook Section of the Norwalk River Flood Control Project, was purchased by the State of Connecticut as a result of damaging floods in 1955. Most of the 146 acres are wetlands with a small area of uplands on the Ridgefield/Wilton border containing the Nature Center and trails. The removal of any animal or plants is strictly prohibited

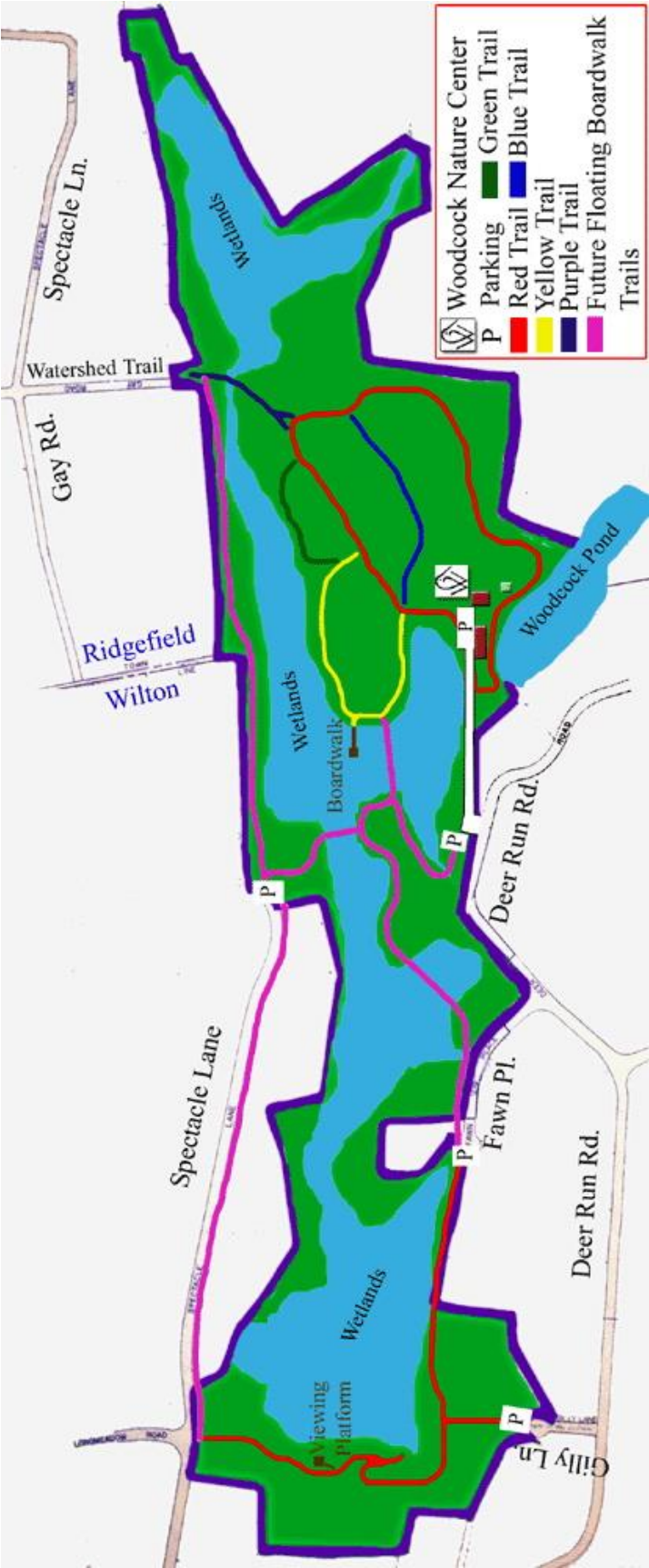


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