Welcome to the Saint John's Abbey lands. Please respect the land and enjoy your visit as our guest.

### Legend
- **LAND TYPES**
  - Abbey Boundary
  - Hardwood Forest
  - Conifer Forest
  - Oak Savannah
  - Grass, Fields, and Brush
  - Campus
  - Lakes
  - Wetlands

- **TRAILS**
  - Old Entrance Road
  - Chapel Trail 3.0 mi.
  - Logging Road 3.4 mi.
  - Lake Hilary Trail 3.5 mi.
  - Boardwalk Loop 1.5 mi.

- **Winter Only Trails**
  - Pine Knob Trail 2.5 mi.
  - Old St. Joe Road 3.0 mi.

### Trails and Areas
- **Lake Hilary Trail** 3.5 mi.
- **Chapel Trail** 3.0 mi.
- **Old St. Joe Road** 3.0 mi.
- **Old Entrance Road**
- **Lake Hilary Trail** 3.5 mi.
- **Boardwalk Loop** 1.5 mi.
- **Winter Only Trails**
  - Pine Knob Trail 2.5 mi.
  - Old St. Joe Road 3.0 mi.

### Other Maintained Trails
- **Logging Road** 3.4 mi.
- **Lake Hilary Trail** 3.5 mi.
- **Boardwalk Loop** 1.5 mi.

### Bikes
- Bikes allowed only on paved surfaces.

### Pets
- No dogs or other pets are allowed.

### Boats
- No motorized boats allowed on the lakes.

Reference Use Only – Not Ground Accurate
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About Saint John's Abbey Arboretum

Saint John's Abbey Arboretum is more than 2,500 acres of lakes, prairie, oak savanna and forest owned by Saint John's Abbey and surrounding Saint John's University. Saint John's is advantageously located in the unique area of terminal moraines (glacial deposits) that distinguish central Minnesota. Our arboretum contains the highest concentration of native plant communities in the area, including oak and maple-basswood forests, tamarack and mixed-hardwood swamps and wet meadows.

Since 1856 the Benedictine monks who have lived on and worked the land at Saint John's have placed a high value on preserving, sustaining and improving it. This long history of environmental stewardship, an enduring sense of place and the educational mission of Saint John's Abbey and University inspired the designation of these lands as a natural arboretum in 1997.

Preservation, sustainability and restoration are principles that guide management of the Abbey Arboretum. A strong emphasis on educational outreach offers the public many opportunities to benefit from environmental and outdoor activities.

Abbey Arboretum Mission

- Preserve the native plant and wildlife communities of the Abbey lands;
- Provide opportunities for education and research;
- Model practices of sustainable land use;
- Make accessible a natural environment that invites spiritual renewal.

Saint John's Outdoor University Mission

Saint John's Outdoor University provides environmental and outdoor education in pursuit of:

- Environmental literacy and connections to the natural world that motivate responsible environmental decisions;
- Leadership development and personal growth through experiential learning;
- Sustainable land use and conservation;
- Learning, recreation, and spiritual renewal in the Abbey Arboretum and other great outdoor spaces.

Our Shared Vision

We celebrate the unique beauty and richness of God's creation in central Minnesota and foster the Benedictine tradition of land stewardship, education and environmental respect.

Guidelines

Abbey Arboretum lands are privately owned by the Benedictine monks of Saint John's Abbey. Guests are welcome to enjoy the natural beauty of Saint John's while respecting established guidelines and restrictions.

You are welcome to:

- Walk, run and ski the trails;
- Bike only on paved surfaces;
- Walk and snowshoe on and off the trails (except in the Monastic Gardens, which are private);
- Use non-motorized watercraft;
- Fish from shore and from non-motorized watercraft (with an appropriate MN fishing license);
- Observe and study nature;
- Take photographs.

Your safety is our concern, but it is your responsibility. Users of Abbey lands assume all liability.

Restrictions

- No dogs or other pets are allowed anywhere at anytime, except as service animals;
- No biking on unpaved surfaces;
- No driving vehicles on any trails or land without written permission;
- No open fires without written permission;
- No tenting or camping without written permission;
- No building of forts or other types of structures;
- No gathering or harvesting of any plants, plant materials, animals, fungi, or inorganic material without written permission;
- No motorized watercraft or motorized augers (including electric motors);
- No swimming outside the designated beach area or without a lifeguard on duty;
- No firearms or other weapons;
- Additional restrictions may apply.

Contact us to learn more or to obtain specific permissions.