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## Georgian Bay Land Trust

### VISITOR'S GUIDE

#### *I'm doing my part to save the Bay!*

I understand that visiting GBLT natural reserves is a privilege. If we all follow these few simple rules, we can all help to keep these special places safe for visitors and the flora and fauna – for today, and for the future.

Every time I visit a GBLT property, I always:

**Trash my trash** – If I brought it in, I bring it out. I know this includes all biodegradable materials, especially human and pet waste.

**Leave it as I find it** – If I pick the flowers or collect the rocks, you can't enjoy them. With many people visiting the properties, the less impact we each make, the longer we will enjoy what we have.

**Keep wildlife wild** – I respect wildlife by observing it from a distance, and leaving it in peace. I avoid any conflict, and I don't feed the animals.

**Manage my dog** – I keep my dog nearby and under control; I pay attention to signage, I ask others before allowing my dog to say hello, and I always pick up after my dog.

**Keep it small and short** – To reduce the impact of my visits, I keep my group small (fewer than 10 people) and I only stay for a couple of hours so others can enjoy a visit too. I read the signs about access and I know that red flags mean a property is at capacity.

**Cold not hot** – Although cooking hotdogs over a fire is fun, I NEVER use portable stoves or BBQs, and I NEVER light fires on GBLT properties. I know that even small fires damage rocks.

**Keep it light** – I love visiting GBLT properties for low-impact activities like picnicking, swimming, taking photographs, hiking and bird watching. I NEVER camp overnight, light fires, leave garbage, damage or remove natural materials, make loud noise, or use motorized vehicles.

**Spread the word** – I share this guide with others in the Georgian Bay community so they can help too.



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The Georgian Bay Land Trust is a private, registered charity (#131958811RR0001).

Its mission:

*To preserve the unique archipelago and its adjacent water bodies which lie along the eastern shore and North Channel of Georgian Bay that are of ecological, geological and historical importance and to promote the appreciation of this special area.*

This property is privately owned by the GBLT for the purpose of conserving its natural & historical values. GBLT welcomes visitors but asks you to follow the *Visitors Guide* as outlined on the reverse.

If you would like more information, you can reach the Georgian Bay Land Trust in the following ways:

**Website:** [www.gblt.org](http://www.gblt.org)

**Address:** 920 Yonge Street, Suite 609

Toronto, ON M4W 3C7

**Phone:** 416-440-1519

**Email:** [info@gblt.org](mailto:info@gblt.org)

Please be advised that the *Visitor's Guide* is subject to change without notice in order to ensure the protection of the reserve's natural & historical features.

If you are interested in contributing to the Georgian Bay Land Trust, do so by mail to the below address:

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or donate online at [www.gblt.org/donate](http://www.gblt.org/donate).

Thank you for your interest and support of our efforts. Together we can leave a lasting legacy for future generations so that they can enjoy & appreciate the natural beauty of this globally unique area!

