

2011 Purple Woods Maple Syrup Festival

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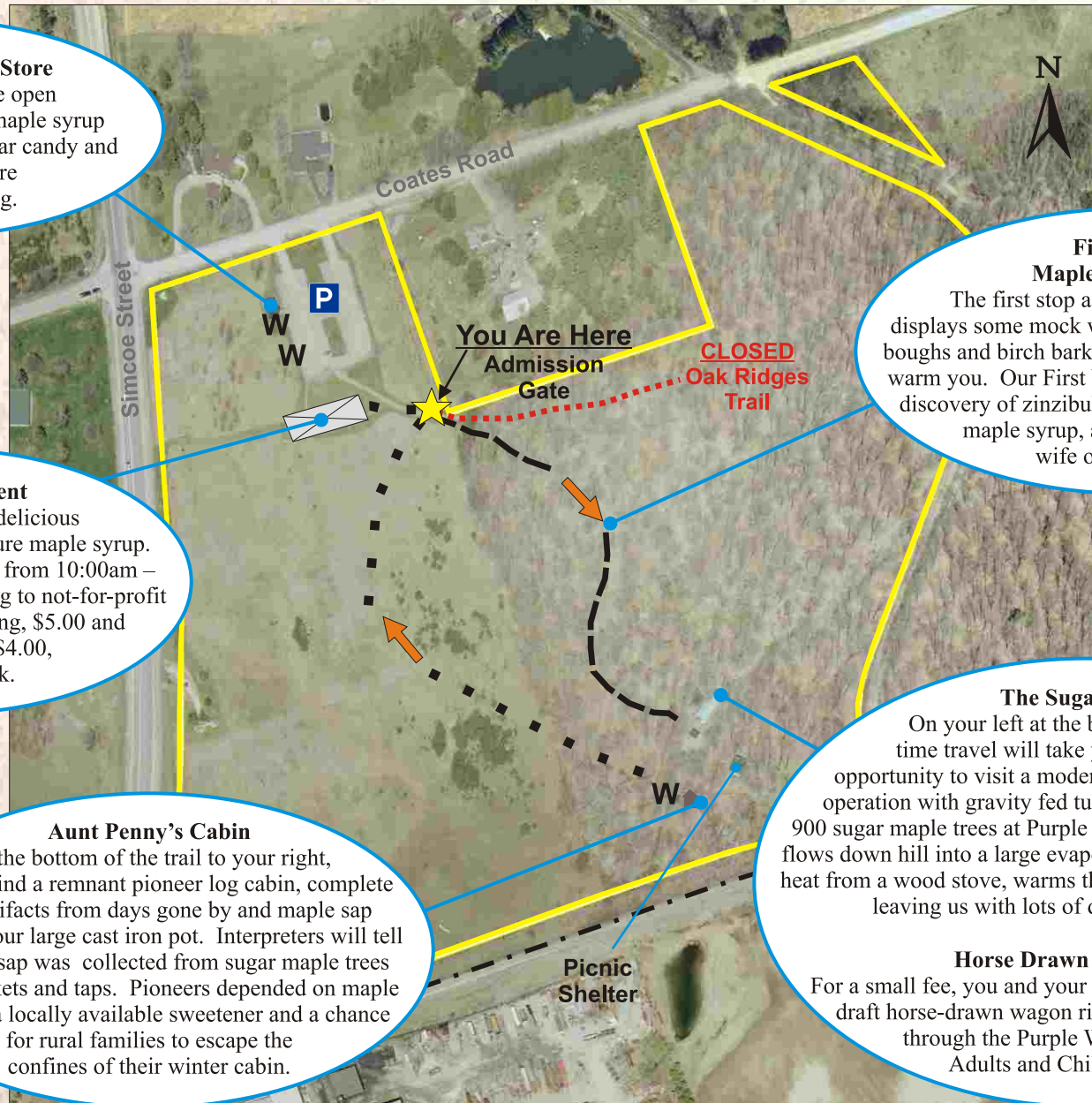
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□ Purple Woods Conservation Area Boundary



The Purple Woods General Store
The General Store will be open daily for visitors to purchase maple syrup and maple products such as sugar candy and fudge. Washrooms are located in the building.

First Nations Maple Syrup Display
The first stop along the Sugar Bush trail displays some mock wigwams, covered in evergreen boughs and birch bark complete with a cooking fire to warm you. Our First Nations interpreters recount the discovery of zinzibukwud, the traditional name for maple syrup, and its discovery by the wife of Chief Woksis.

The Pancake Tent
Enjoy a stack of hot delicious pancakes covered in 100% pure maple syrup. Pancakes will be served daily from 10:00am – 2:30pm with the proceeds going to not-for-profit organizations. Adult serving, \$5.00 and children's serving \$4.00, includes a drink.

Aunt Penny's Cabin
At the bottom of the trail to your right, you will find a remnant pioneer log cabin, complete with artifacts from days gone by and maple sap boiling in our large cast iron pot. Interpreters will tell you how sap was collected from sugar maple trees using buckets and taps. Pioneers depended on maple syrup as a locally available sweetener and a chance for rural families to escape the confines of their winter cabin.

The Sugar Shack
On your left at the bottom of the trail, time travel will take you to 2011, and an opportunity to visit a modern maple syrup production operation with gravity fed tubing, connecting more than 900 sugar maple trees at Purple Woods. Using gravity, the sap flows down hill into a large evaporator, where evenly distributed heat from a wood stove, warms the sap and evaporates the water, leaving us with lots of delicious maple syrup.

Horse Drawn Wagon Ride
For a small fee, you and your family, can still hop onto the draft horse-drawn wagon ride and travel back in time through the Purple Woods Sugar Bush. Adults and Children \$2 each.