



ISLAND HERITAGE TRUST
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“The mission of Island Heritage Trust is to conserve significant open space, scenic areas, wildlife habitats, natural resources, historic and cultural features that offer public benefit and are essential to the character of the Deer Isle area.”

ISLAND HERITAGE TRUST PROPERTY OFF-SHORE ISLAND USE POLICIES

Be a "Leave No Trace" visitor!

1. Day use only. No camping.
2. Open fires are prohibited. Use cook stoves below the high tide line instead.
3. We recommend a maximum group size of 12, with small groups of 6 or fewer most preferable. Groups larger than 12, please contact IHT for visitor coordination.
4. Give wide berth to seabird nesting islands from mid-March to mid-August. Into mid-September, avoid islands with nesting eagles entirely.
5. Stay far away from ledges with seal pups from mid-May through mid-June. You are too close, if seals raise their heads to watch you.
6. Respect the wildlife: **please leave pets at home.**
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Carry out all rubbish - your own and any you find.

Use your boat holding tank if you have one. Carry out all solid human waste and toilet paper; island soils are too fragile and shallow to bury it. Solid human waste left on the soil surface is a health hazard to humans and wildlife.

Island soils are often shallow and easily eroded. Once an inch of the soil layer is lost, it can take centuries to replace. Please stay on established trails, rocks, sand, or grass.

Picnic only on rocks, ledges, or sand; avoid crushing or cutting vegetation.

Leave what you find as it is (such as rocks, shells, sticks, mosses, and other plants).

8. If you're interested in volunteering, in seeking permissions or have questions, contact the IHT office: 207-348-2455; PO Box 42, Deer Isle ME 04627; email: iht@islandheritagetrust.org

Thank you for helping us to preserve this island!