



Leaders in Conservation Happy Valley Forest Fall Colours Tour

During this guided tour you will embrace the cool morning, breathe in the crisp air and observe the beautiful fall colours in the Happy Valley Forest. **Learn all about NCC's work to protect and restore one of the last remaining intact deciduous forests on the Oak Ridges Moraine.**

Lunch to follow the tour at the nearby Pottageville Pavilion provided by Pine Farms Orchard.

Event-day schedule

Time	Activity
9:45 a.m.	Meet at Goldie Feldman Nature Reserve
10:00 a.m.	Check-in: Welcome, orientation and safety
10:10 a.m.	Fall Colours tour of Goldie Feldman Nature Reserve
12:00 p.m.	Wrap up tour and travel to nearby Pottageville Park Pavilion
12:15 p.m.	Picnic lunch at Pottageville Pavilion (provided by NCC)
2:00 p.m.	Wrap-up and thank you

Event details

Date: Thursday, October 5, 2023

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Location: Goldie Feldman Nature Reserve, Happy Valley Forest, King City

Meeting details: Meet at Goldie Feldman Nature Reserve – 4093 17th Sideroad, King City

Parking available in lot at property and roadside as needed on 17th Sideroad

Click [here](#) to see exact location on Google Maps.

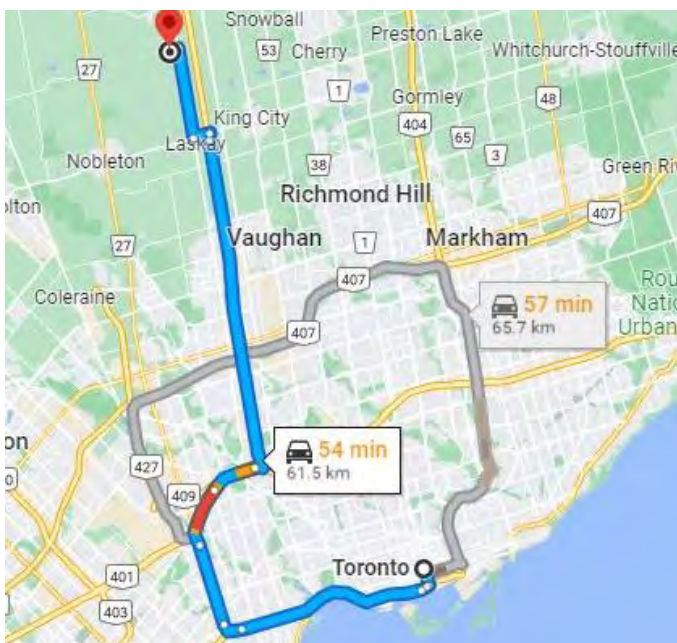
Following the tour, you are invited to join us for lunch at the Pottageville Pavilion at Pottageville Park, 4380 18th Side rd.

Click [here](#) to see exact location on Google Maps.



On-site facilities

There will be portable washroom facilities available at the Goldie Feldman Nature Reserve. Washroom facilities available at Pottageville Pavilion (lunch location)



Driving directions

Directions from Toronto to Goldie Feldman Nature Reserve:

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| 1. From Toronto, head west on Gardiner Expy W | 1.9 km |
| 2. Take ON-401 E and ON-400 N to King Rd/York Regional Rd 11 in King. Take exit 43 from ON-400 N | 51.7 km |
| 3. Take Weston Rd/York Regional Rd 56 to destination | 8 km |
| 4. Arrive at Goldie Feldman Nature Reserve – 4093, 17 th Sideroad, King City, L7B 1K4 | |

Click this [Google Maps link](#) to follow directions.

Directions from Goldie Feldman Nature Reserve to Pottageville Pavilion (for lunch):

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| 1. Take 17 th Sideroad to Weston Rd/York Regional Rd 56 | 650 m |
| 2. Turn left onto Weston Rd/York Regional Rd 56 | 2.9 km |
| 3. Turn left on Lloydtown-Aurora Rd/York Regional Rd 16 | 2.3 km |
| 4. Turn left on 7th Concession Rd | 750 m |
| 5. Turn left on 18th Side Rd | 350 m |
| 6. Arrive at Pottageville Park Pavilion – 4380 18 th Side Rd, Kettleby LOG 1J0 | |

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Safety notes

- There is possible poison ivy on the property – your NCC event leader will help you identify and avoid this plant wherever possible.
- Deer ticks have been reported in the area. Close-toed footwear, long pants and long-sleeved shirts are recommended to limit exposure.
- The hike difficulty is easy to moderate. Hike is 3 - 4 km.

Cancellations

If for any reason you cannot attend this event please inform us in advance by email or phone.

Inclement weather

This event will run rain or shine, but if there are thunderstorms in the area this event will be cancelled.

If this occurs, all attempts will be made to contact you.

Lost or running late?

Call me!

Sara Meyer, Conservation Biologist
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What's provided

- Extra water
- Picnic lunch
- Safety equipment (first aid kits, etc.)
- Sunscreen & insect repellent



What to bring

- Backpack or day pack
- Refillable water bottle
- Weather-appropriate clothing (full-length pants are recommended)
- Closed-toed, sturdy walking shoes
- Rain gear (just in case)
- Camera, binoculars (optional)

General information For visitors to NCC properties

When accessing Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) properties please note:

1. You may be hiking/walking on terrain that may be steep, uneven, slippery, or jagged, or where solid footing is obscured by vegetation. Be sure to have good walking shoes with ankle support and treads.
2. Since you will be visiting rich natural areas, you will encounter many types of plants and animals, on land and in the water, some of which may be dangerous or poisonous to humans. It is your responsibility to learn **about the environment you'll be visiting, and how to avoid natural threats**, especially in areas inhabited by large carnivores.
3. You must help keep these areas beautiful by packing out everything you bring in, including garbage.
4. You will be enjoying the outdoors in all kinds of weather, from bright sun to rainy conditions. Be sure to bring sunscreen, preferably waterproof with a high protection factor, and apply it frequently. Bring rain gear. Wear layers of clothing that will allow you to be warmer or cooler during different parts of the day.
5. Black flies/mosquitoes and other biting/stinging insects may pose a problem at certain times of the year.
6. Many of the habitats on Nature Conservancy of Canada properties are ecologically sensitive. Be aware of your impact: do not pick flowers, avoid crushing plants and do not feed or harass wildlife.
7. Some Nature Conservancy of Canada properties are fenced and use cattle or other livestock for grazing. As these animals may be unpredictable, refrain from approaching or harassing them.
8. Some Nature Conservancy of Canada properties contain abandoned buildings and/or mineshafts. If encountered, do not enter or approach any of these structures due to unknown hazards and risks.
9. Fires of any sort are absolutely prohibited on Nature Conservancy of Canada property.
10. Even with appropriate precautions, accidents can happen. The Nature Conservancy of Canada does not provide any trained medical professionals or any hazard or emergency evacuation facilities.