

Rachel Carson National Wildlife Refuge, Wells

Thank goodness for Rachel Carson, one of the environmental movement's heroes. It's hard to go anywhere in this part of Maine without seeing conservation signs bearing her name. This preserve is a great memorial for her. The one-mile loop trail is wheelchair accessible and very easy for any kind of walker. **Note: dogs are allowed on leashes but horses are not allowed.** The views are extraordinary, and you can pick up a trail guide at the start of the trail to learn more about the protected habitat here.

This trail can get relatively crowded on summertime weekends, and the parking area is not huge, so go early to be on the safe side.

Directions: The refuge entrance is 321 Port Road, Wells, off of Port Road (Route 9) in Wells. From exit 19, turn left onto Route 9/Route 109. At stop light, turn left onto Post Road (Route 1 North). Just past the Maine Diner, turn right onto Port Road (Route 9) and follow for approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ mile; turn right into the refuge entrance.

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