Welcome to
Weedon Island Preserve
A Pinellas County Government Program

The Rules
• All plants and animals are protected under Pinellas County Code (PCC), Chapter 90 - 50.
• Releasing animals into the preserve is illegal.
• Stay on marked trails.
• Park only in designated areas.
• Place trash in designated containers.

The following are PROHIBITED:
• Smoking on trails
• Pets
• Alcohol
• Weapons as defined in PCC Chapter 90 - 60
• Fireworks and unauthorized campfires
• Unauthorized motor vehicles
• Overnight parking
• Bicycles on trails and Boardwalks
• Fishing on the Bayside and Tower Boardwalks
• Drones

Hiking Trails
• 2 miles of boardwalk and paved trails
• 2.7 miles of natural trail loops
• 45-foot observation tower
• 3 observation platforms
• Picnic facilities

Pier and Paddling Trail
• 200-foot fishing pier with restroom facilities
• State and federal fishing regulations apply
• 4-mile loop, self-guided paddling trail
• Canoe/kayak launch site
• Wash station for canoe/kayaks
• All water activity must end 30 minutes prior to posted closing time.
• On-site kayak/ canoe/ paddleboard rentals available through Sweetwater Kayaks (727) 570-4844

Center Activities and Amenities
• Environmental education programs for all ages
• Guided hikes, including specialty hikes
• Exhibit gallery
• Gift shop
• Refreshment vending machine

Get Involved
Volunteer opportunities:
• Exhibit Hall Docents
• Hike Guides
• Land Management Assistants
Join Friends of Weedon Island, Inc.
Call (727) 453-6500 for information.

Legend
Accessible Parking
Drinking Fountain
Restrooms
Information
Picnic Area
Picnic Shelters
Observation Areas
Bench
Canoe Launch
Kayak/Paddleboard Rentals
Fishing

TRAILS
Road
Hiking Trail
Fishing Pier
Parking
Canoe Launch
Fishing Pier (Staff only)
Sweet Paddling Trail

From Parking Lot to:
Observation Tower 0.34 miles 0.55 km 15 minutes
Bay Observation Platform 0.8 miles 1.3 km 35 minutes
Lookout Point 0.8 miles 1.3 km 35 minutes

Approximate distance and time for average adult walk pace.

Be Prepared to Explore
Lock your vehicle. Preserve is not responsible for your property.

Strongly recommended for the outdoors:
• Sturdy walking shoes
• Drinking water
• Sun hat/glasses
• Sunscreen
• Bug repellent
• Trail map and compass

Suggested Items:
• Cell phone (water protected if paddling)
• Camera (water protected if paddling)
• Binoculars
• Identification guides

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Weedon Island Preserve
Cultural and Natural History Center
1800 Weedon Drive NE, St. Petersburg, FL 33702

Center Hours:
- Visit www.weedonislandpreserve.org or call (727) 453-6500 for current hours.
- Closed all county holidays.

Preserve Hours:
- Open daily, 7 a.m. to time posted, approximately 15 minutes before sunset.
- Daily closing time is posted at the entrance to the preserve.
- Closed day after Thanksgiving & December 25.

Wild animals live here; domestic pets are NOT allowed.

Understanding the natural and cultural history of the preserve empowers citizens to make informed decisions about the environment and demonstrates how people and the natural world shape each other. The center offers this opportunity through interpretive tours and hikes, programs, exhibits, presentations and workshops, and other events.

Completed in 2002, the center blends the past and present into a truly exciting experience. The Native American and early European history of the preserve is fascinating and helped shape the preserve as we know it today. Come explore the center’s exhibits and learn how we still depend on the Tampa Bay estuary through workshops and presentations.

To hear an audio about Weedon Island Preserve, scan this QR code or visit: www.weedonislandpreserve.org/audio_tours/WeedonEntrance.mp3

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