

# THE PRESERVE

at VASSAR

## OVERVIEW

The Preserve at Vassar encompasses over 500 acres of multi-use space. It is located at 20 Vassar Farm Lane.

The Preserve's mission is to deepen our connection to and understanding of the natural world through research, recreation, teaching, and caring for the land. It is a biological field station that is home to:

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**The Priscilla Bullitt Collins Research Station**  
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**The Vassar Environmental Cooperative**  
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**The Vassar Barn**  
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**The Vassar Community Gardens**  
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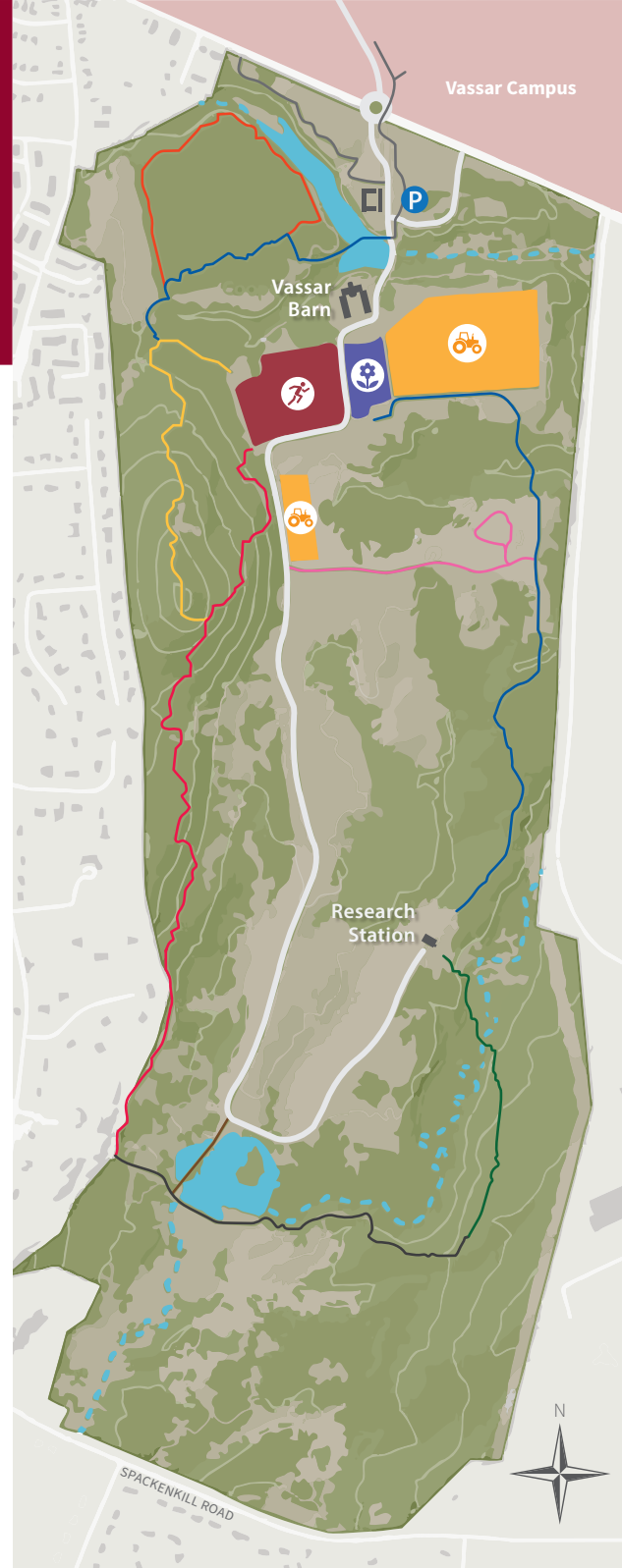
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**Vassar Athletics Rugby Field and Cross-Country Courses**  
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**Public hiking trails**  
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**The Poughkeepsie Farm Project**  
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Note that the Poughkeepsie Farm Project is an independent non-profit and is not a Vassar College entity.

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### LEGEND

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|  Poughkeepsie Farm Project |  Hiking Trails |
|  Community Garden          |  Access Road   |
|  Athletics Fields          |  Stream        |
|   |  Parking       |



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## The Priscilla Bullitt Collins Research Station at Vassar

The Research Station, officially known as the Priscilla Bullitt Collins Research Station at Vassar, is the research and stewardship branch of the Preserve at Vassar. The Research Station team stewards the over 500 acres of the Preserve at Vassar, oversees the many uses of the Preserve, and works to engage Vassar faculty and students in using the land as an educational resource.



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## The Vassar Environmental Cooperative

The Cooperative is the education and outreach branch of the Preserve at Vassar. The Environmental Cooperative team implements programs that bring people to the Vassar Preserve and collaborates with organizations to help people experience the natural world. Through its signature program “Exploring Science,” the Cooperative team engages over 1,500 children a year in outdoor education.



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## The Vassar Barn

The Vassar Barn serves as a convening space for community members and houses office and program space for the Vassar Environmental Cooperative. Additionally, the Vassar Barn provides office space for partnering organizations.



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## The Vassar Community Gardens

The Vassar Community Gardens is a place where individuals can lease a garden plot to grow both produce and flowers. The Community Gardens are self-managed by members supported by Vassar.



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## Vassar Department of Athletics and Physical Education Tony Brown Rugby Field, Charles Williams '80 Rugby Field, and Cross Country courses



Vassar Athletics' Rugby fields, officially The Tony Brown Rugby Field and The Charles Williams '80 Rugby Field, and Cross Country 5k, 6k, and 8k courses are on the Preserve. These facilities are open to use by local schools and organizations with permission from the Athletics department.

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## Public hiking trails

Visitors are welcome to use the Preserve's 7-miles of marked trails to explore many habitats, including streams, wetlands, ponds, forests, and old fields. The trails range in difficulty from easy to difficult and provide opportunities for all skill levels. Biking is allowed on select trails. The Preserve is open to visitors from dawn to dusk. Leashed pets are permitted. All visitors should minimize their impact and visitors should leave no trace.



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## The Poughkeepsie Farm Project

The Poughkeepsie Farm Project, an independent non-profit, leases 12 acres of land at 51 Vassar Farm Lane from Vassar College. They have administrative office space in the Vassar Barn. Although the Preserve at Vassar has an agricultural history, the Poughkeepsie Farm Project is the only functioning farm on the land.



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