Escape to the tranquility of nature at its best and explore the beauty of an unspoiled beach and over 3 miles of hiking and water trails. You’ll be rewarded with countless wildlife encounters and bird sightings.

Located on the shores of Lake Erie, the property encompasses a total of 450-acres including the nature preserve and the adjacent Mentor Lagoons Marina - which accommodate up to 500 boats along its crescent-shaped, open waterways.

The lagoons wetlands are some of the few riverine marshes still surviving along Lake Erie’s shore, and the uplands support the largest unbroken bluff forest in Northeast Ohio. Below the bluff forest is a 1/2 mile stretch of one of the finest coastal dune communities in Ohio. Together, the dunes and beach support two species of plants listed on Ohio’s threatened list and five potentially threatened species of plants, as well as a highly diverse wildlife community. Over 200 species of birds have been recorded in the preserve, making this site one of the top birding locations in the region and an Important Bird Area (IBA).

MARINA OFFICE HOURS
Monday – Friday: 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

KAYAK AND CANOE RENTAL OFFICE HOURS
Monday – Friday: 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Saturday–Sunday, Holidays: 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

The Mentor Lagoons Marina provides the perfect place to launch your boat. With direct access to Lake Erie, the Marina lies just west of Fairport Harbor and a short distance from Cleveland.

The boat ramp at the Mentor Lagoons Marina is open April 1–November 15, weather permitting. The ramp opens one hour before sunrise and closes one hour after sunset. Daily launch permits may be purchased at the Marina Office during business hours and are non-transferable and non-refundable.

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Nature Preserve & Marina
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VISITOR COURTESIES

- Mentor Lagoons Nature Preserve is a wildlife preserve. Please help keep it clean to protect and preserve its native plants and animals.
- Visitors are asked to stay on marked trails. Unmarked trails are not maintained or monitored by park personnel.
- The nature preserve closes at dusk.
- Parking is permitted in designated areas only.
- Swimming is prohibited.
- Dogs must be restrained by a lead or a leash and under the control of a responsible person at all times. No pets are permitted on the Marsh Rim Trail.
- Bicycles are NOT permitted along the Marsh Rim Trail.
- All-terrain vehicles, motorcycles, and all other motorized vehicles are NOT permitted within the Mentor Lagoons Nature Preserve.
- Enjoy our facilities, but be respectful of the rights of other visitors.
- Please report any vandalism at the marina office.
- Please place litter in the receptacles provided.
- No alcohol is permitted in the nature preserve.
- Keep amplified music at a reasonable level.
- If an emergency arises, call 911.

Over three miles of hiking trails encircle the Mentor Lagoons Nature Preserve providing four distinctly different vistas: a view of the Mentor Lagoons Marina, Mentor Marsh, upland forest and Lake Erie shoreline.