Map Highlights

TRAIL SYSTEM
A 17-mile trail system and numerous service roads are suitable for hiking and provide access to the Nature Reserve’s diverse natural features. Trail guides providing ecological and natural history information are available at the Visitor Center.

VEHICLE ACCESS
The Pinetum Loop Road (1.7 mile) and the Trail House Loop Road (3.2 mile) are open to cars daily, road conditions permitting. Please maintain speeds below 15 miles per hour for the safety of visitors and wildlife.

WAGON TOURS
Learn about the history and current restoration, horticulture, and education programs on a 1-hour wagon tour. Visit shawnature.org for upcoming tours. Private tours scheduled by reservation only.

DANA BROWN OVERNIGHT CENTER
These artfully restored 18th-century log and timber frame buildings provide an ideal setting for 1-day and overnight educational programs, workshops, and private events.

For reservation information, call (314) 577-9555 or visit shawnature.org

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1. **VISITOR CENTER**

- Learn about current conditions and seasonal highlights or picnic nearby.
- Browse the Nature Reserve bookstore, display cases, maps, and a variety of books, gifts, and more.

2. **SHAW NATURE RESERVE**

- 307 Pinotum Loop Road • Gray Summit, MO 63039
- Near the intersection of Hwy. 100 and I–44
- (314) 577-9555 • shawnature.org
- HOURS: Please call 314-577-9555 or visit shawnature.org for seasonal hours.
- ADMISSION: Adults $6; students and seniors 65- $3. Free for Missouri Botanical Garden members and all children 12 and under. Special admission charges may apply for some special events.

3. **SENSE OF WONDER WOODLAND**

- Woodland. Stroll along the Storybook Walk, get a birds-eye view from the lookout tower, and cross the bald cypress trees and surounded by a gently scatted oak trees. In spring thousands of daffodils guarantee the spring’s best wildflower show. The property is a beautiful midway resting spot.

4. **ARTICULATE CLASSROOM**

- A unique computer lab and world-class educational facility. The classroom is an exceptional outdoor laboratory equipped with interactive computer stations.

5. **WHITEWATER WILDFLOWER GARDEN**

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6. **ERICA SHAW GARDENWAY BUS STOP**

- This small stone structure was built in 1939 by the Civilian Conservation Corps along Route 66 in nearby Allenton. In 2002, it was preserved from demolition and moved to Shaw Nature Reserve, where it provides shelter and a water fountain.

7. **HERITAGE WALK**

- Expansive views out and visible along 10 miles of Peachey Creek galaxy. Two parking areas are located along this walkway: one near the Maritz Trail House, the other near the Whitmire Wildflower Garden. Both these areas are a beautiful midway resting spot.

8. **APRIL TRAIL**

- This .75-mile trail originates at the south end of Maritz Trail House. The trail skirts the Whitmire Wildflower Garden, provides shelter and a water fountain.

9. **SOD HOUSE**

- Houses were once common on the treeless prairies that covered parts of the area across from the Henry Shaw Gardenway Bus Stop. It was built in 1879 and is on the National Register of Historic Places. Now protected on the preserve, the sod house offers an inspiring spot for a picnic or just a break.

10. **MARITZ TRAIL HOUSE**

- Departing from here, walkers can explore glades, prairies, wetlands, and woodland habitats, and the Whitmire Wildflower Garden. The parking area east of Pinetum Lake marks the beautiful midway resting spot.

11. **CRESCENT KNOLL OVERLOOK**

- A short distance west of the Maritz Trail House, the parking area marks the beautiful midway resting spot.

12. **WILDFLOWER TRAIL (RED MARKERS)**

- Branching off Brush Creek Trail, this .75-mile trail meanders through the prairie, ending at the wetland observation deck at the crest of the hill provides sweeping views. The boardwalk provides sweeping views of one of the Nature Reserve’s largest glades. The trail also passes through Long Glade and along a narrow bluff, skirting the Meramec River floodplain.

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14. **BLUFF OVERLOOK TRAIL (GREEN MARKERS)**

- This gently sloping, .75-mile trail connects the Trail House and bluff overlook. It passes through an oak-hickory forest and along a narrow bluff, skirting the Meramec River floodplain.

15. **HENRY SHAW GARDENWAY BUS STOP**

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17. **SERPENTINE WALL**

- Patterned after serpentine walls designed by Thomas Jefferson, this collection of restored 19th-century log and timber frame buildings can be reserved for school groups, workshops, and private events. The buildings provide instruction by Nature Reserve staff.

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- This .5-mile trail meanders through a dolomite glade into a valley forest that boasts over 500 species of plants including many showy wildflowers. A sheltered picnic area is available.

21. **THE OAK GARDEN**

- The garden is a place to remember and enjoy the beauty of our region’s native plants and natural communities. The Whitmire Wildflower Garden showcases the beauty of our region’s native plants and natural communities.

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23. **TELEGRAPH GARDEN**

- In addition to members-only events and discounts in the shops and on classes. The membership will support an organization that leads the world in plant research and conservation, protected restoration, environmental education, and sustainability.

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