

## Welcome

You are invited to hike beside wetlands and through woodlands in a two-mile loop trail on the Carty Unit of the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge. Allow at least one hour to walk the trail at a leisurely pace. The trail is open during daylight hours only. Check the entrance gate for current closing time.

## Seasonal Detour

With permission from the adjacent private land owner, the north loop of the trail is open seasonally from March 1 through September 30. During the remainder of the year, this section is closed to the public to prevent conflicts between trail users and the land owner's management activities. Please refer to the map for details and abide by refuge trail signs and markers.

## Where is the Wildlife?

Birds and mammals are plentiful, but their presence can only be detected by your keen ears and eyes and walk quietly and pause often to look and listen. Animals are most active during early morning and just before dusk. Binoculars and spotting scopes will help you get better views of wildlife. Fieldguide books will help you identify the animals that you see.

