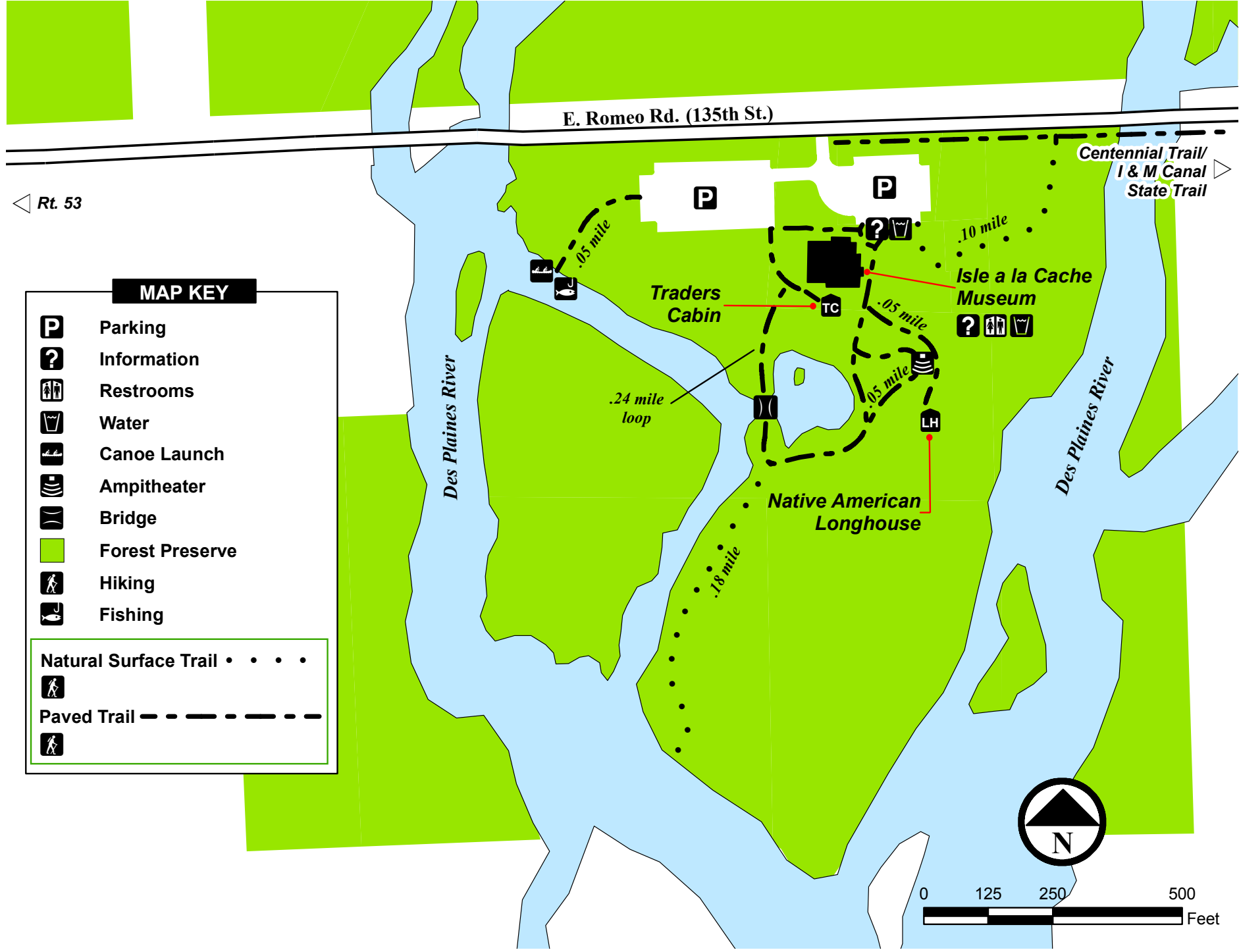


# Isle a la Cache Preserve



## Directions to Preserve:

Isle a la Cache Preserve is located on E. Romeo Road (135th Street), approximately 0.5 mile east of Route 53 in Romeoville.



For information, please call 815.727.8700 or visit [ReconnectWithNature.org](http://ReconnectWithNature.org).

# Forest Preserve District of Will County

## Isle a la Cache

This island (“isle” in French) in the Des Plaines River in Romeoville may have been used by voyageurs in the 1700s to cache their supplies and goods. In the early 1900s, the island was used for summer homes, private recreation, and sportsmen’s clubs. Between 1982 and 1997, the District secured 100 acres through purchases, land donations, and conservation easements, including the island and nearby shorelines of the river.

Located on the island on the south side of E. Romeo Road (135th Street) is the Isle a la Cache Museum. The museum and outdoor educational elements of the Isle interpret the late 18th-century fur trade between Native Americans and French voyageurs. The island has a canoe landing for river access and a connection to the Centennial and I&M Canal Trails, which are located east of the Isle. Prairie and wetland communities were re-created in 1993. The museum also underwent major renovations in 1993 and 2007. Due to the fact that Isle a la Cache preserve is an island, portions of the Preserve including its trails and walkways may become flooded.

## Preserve and Trail Hours

8 a.m. - Sunset, year-round

Trail Hours - The following select preserves are open sunrise to sunset to provide access to biking trails:

- I&M Canal Access, Joliet (I&M Canal Trail)
- Hickory Creek Junction, Mokena (OPRT)
- Black Road Access, Joliet (Rock Run Trail)
- Paul V. Nichols Access, Joliet (Rock Run Trail)
- Sugar Creek Administration Center, Joliet (WGT)
- Manhattan Road Access, Manhattan (WGT)
- Symerton Road Access, Symerton (WGT)

## Information

Call 815.727.8700 weekdays to receive free informational brochures, such as:

*Map & Guide to the Forest Preserve*  
County map showing preserve locations and complete recreational information.

*The Citizen*  
Quarterly newsletter detailing family programs and preserve happenings.

Or visit [ReconnectWithNature.org](http://ReconnectWithNature.org) for more information and to request brochures or other trail maps.

## In an Emergency, Call 9-1-1.

Please give the location and nature of the emergency.

In non-emergencies, call the Will County Sheriff’s dispatch at 815.727.6191 to reach a Forest Preserve District Officer.

## Trail Etiquette

- Slower traffic should stay to the right of the trail. Bicyclists should pass on the left, politely announcing “Passing on the left.”
- While in a group, leave room for others to pass.
- Dogs are welcome on most trails but must be leashed. Cleaning up dog waste is required by ordinance. Dogs are not allowed in designated Nature Preserves.
- No Forest Preserve trail is designed for motorized use. Assistive motorized devices permitted.

In providing programs and services to the public, the Forest Preserve District will make reasonable modifications to ensure that all people have an equal opportunity to enjoy District offerings. For more information, visit [ReconnectWithNature.org/ADA](http://ReconnectWithNature.org/ADA).