

Rules and Information

Park only in designated areas.
No motorized vehicles are permitted beyond parking areas, including ATV's, dirt bikes or snowmobiles.

Trails are open to the public daily, **from dawn until dusk**.

No hunting without a permit.

Stay on the marked trails.
Many of the trails are adjacent to private property.

Please **leave only footprints and take only photographs**.
Carry out all trash, and do not disturb wildlife, vegetation or property.

If you would like more information about Hunterdon County Parks or Trails, please contact the Hunterdon County Department of Parks and Recreation.

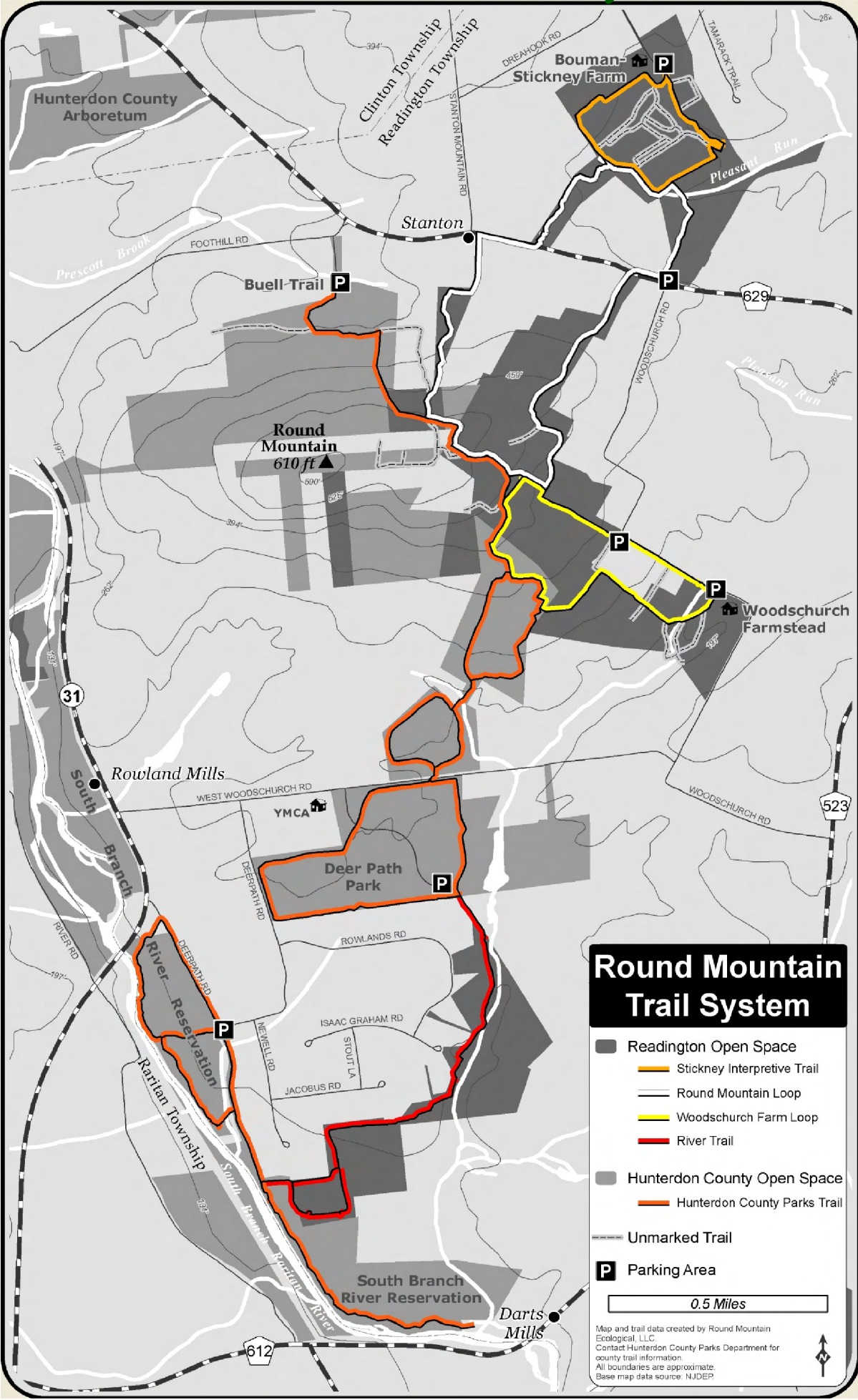
Some public lands are open to hunters during designated hunting seasons. It is advisable that you are aware of hunting activity before using the trails.

About the Round Mountain Trail System

This trail system is a result of the combined efforts of employees and volunteers of Readington Township and the Hunterdon County Parks Department.

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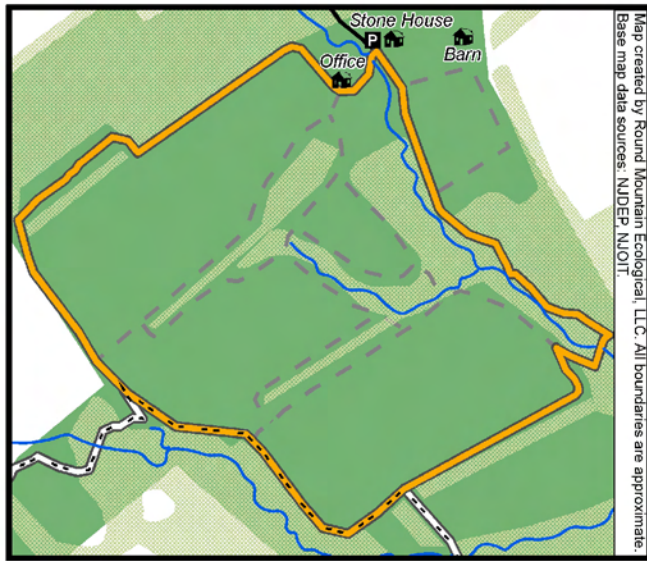
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Bouman-Stickney Loop

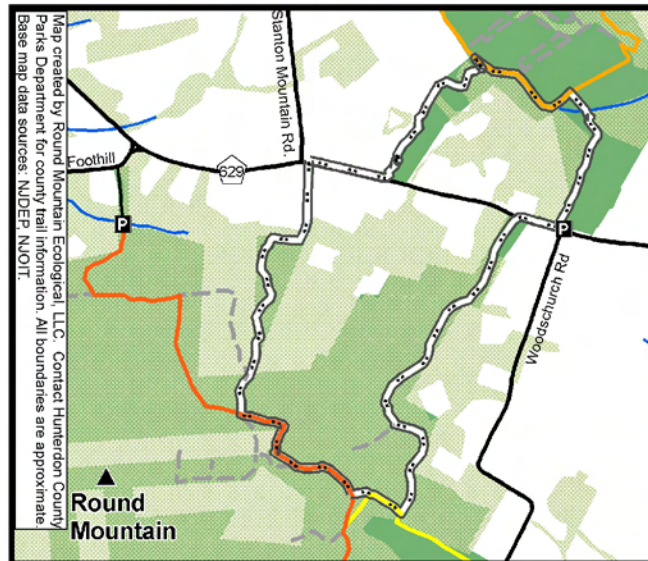


 (Orange) The Bouman-Stickney Loop is a 1.0-mile loop through the fields and forests of the Bouman-Stickney farm. The trail has a difficulty level of EASY, covering mostly dry, level ground with the exception of a single, small stream crossing. This trail offers a glimpse at the architecture and agricultural landscapes of our colonial past, including historic stone farmhouse, Dutch barn, fields, springs and orchards, along with scenic views of Cushetunk and Round Mountains, to the north and south.

Directions:

From Rt. 523, take Stanton Rd. (Rt. 629) towards the village of Stanton. Turn right at the General Store onto Stanton Mountain Rd. and make the first right onto Dreahook Rd. Turn into the Bouman-Stickney Farm entrance, approximately 1/4 mile on the right. The trail head is on the right, across the bridge and along the edge of the field and forest.

Round Mountain Loop

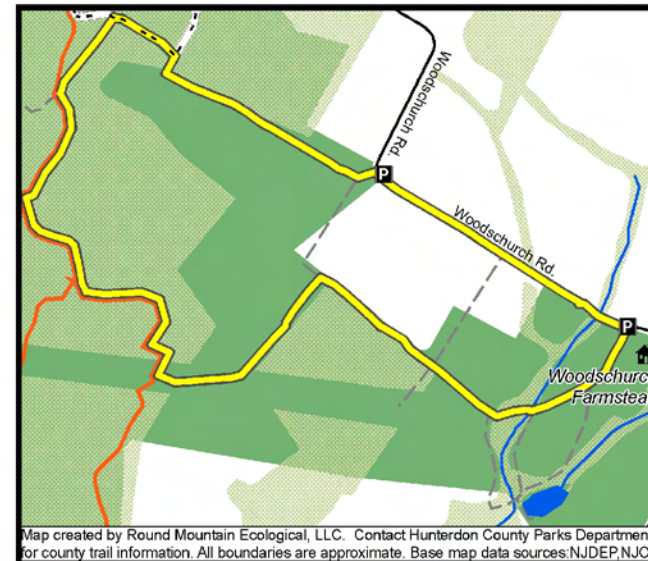


 (White) The Round Mountain Loop is a 2.5-mile trail covering the northeast side of Round Mountain. This area is one of the largest contiguous forests remaining in Hunterdon County, and is home to a rich diversity of wildlife, including several endangered plant and animal species. The trail has a difficulty level of MODERATE, due to its challenging 250' ascent up the mountain, as well as occasional rocky or wet terrain and stream crossings. The trail may be extended by connecting with the Stickney Interpretive Loop, Buell Trail, and/or the Woodschurch Farm Loop.

Directions:

From Rt. 523, turn down Stanton Rd. (Rt. 629), and park on the right, across from the intersection with Woodschurch Rd., OR continue down Stanton Rd. and park at the Stanton General Store, at the intersection with Stanton Mountain Rd. on the right. The trail can also be accessed by parking at the trailheads for the Woodschurch Farm, Stickney Farm, or Buell Trail (Foothill Rd.), and hiking a short distance to connect with the Round Mountain Loop.

Woodschurch Farm Loop

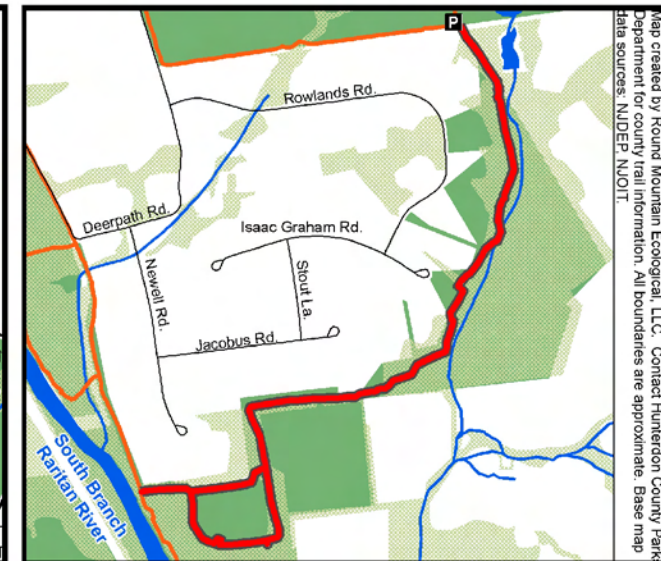


 (Yellow) The Woodschurch Farm Loop is a 1.5-mile trail beginning at the historic farmstead on Woodschurch Rd. and extending up the east side of Round Mountain. The trail has a difficulty rating of EASY-MODERATE, due to the steady 250' climb, which can be made easier by taking one of the two available connecting trails to shorten the loop. Nestled at the foot of the mountain, the Woodschurch Farm is one of the most scenic farms in the Readington Open Space system. The upper fields offer views of the Watchung and Sourland Mountains in the distance.

Directions:

From Rt. 523, turn down Woodschurch Rd. and after the second 90-degree turn, park behind the large red barn on the left, at 42 Woodschurch Rd. Alternatively, continue down the road and park at the second trailhead, which is located on the left, up the gravel drive at the corner of the next 90-degree turn in the road.

River Trail



 (Red) The River Trail is a 1.4 mile trail connecting Deer Path Park with the South Branch of the Raritan River, and adjoining trails in the Wings Section of the park. The difficulty of the trail is EASY-MODERATE, with little elevational change, but multiple stream crossings and extensive wet, muddy areas at certain times of year. The trail offers views of riparian forests, fields, and wet meadows, and may be turned into a loop trail by following County Park trails along the Raritan River and returning to Deer Path Park by way of Deer Path Rd.

Directions:

From Rt. 523, turn down Woodschurch Rd and take the first left onto West Woodschurch Rd. Turn left into Deer Path Park and follow the park road past the soccer fields to the parking lot/trailhead located at the edge of the forest on the right. Alternatively, continue down West Woodschurch Rd. and turn left onto Deer Path Rd. Park on the left at the second 90-degree turn in the road, at the gated entrance to the Wings Section of the County Park trails.