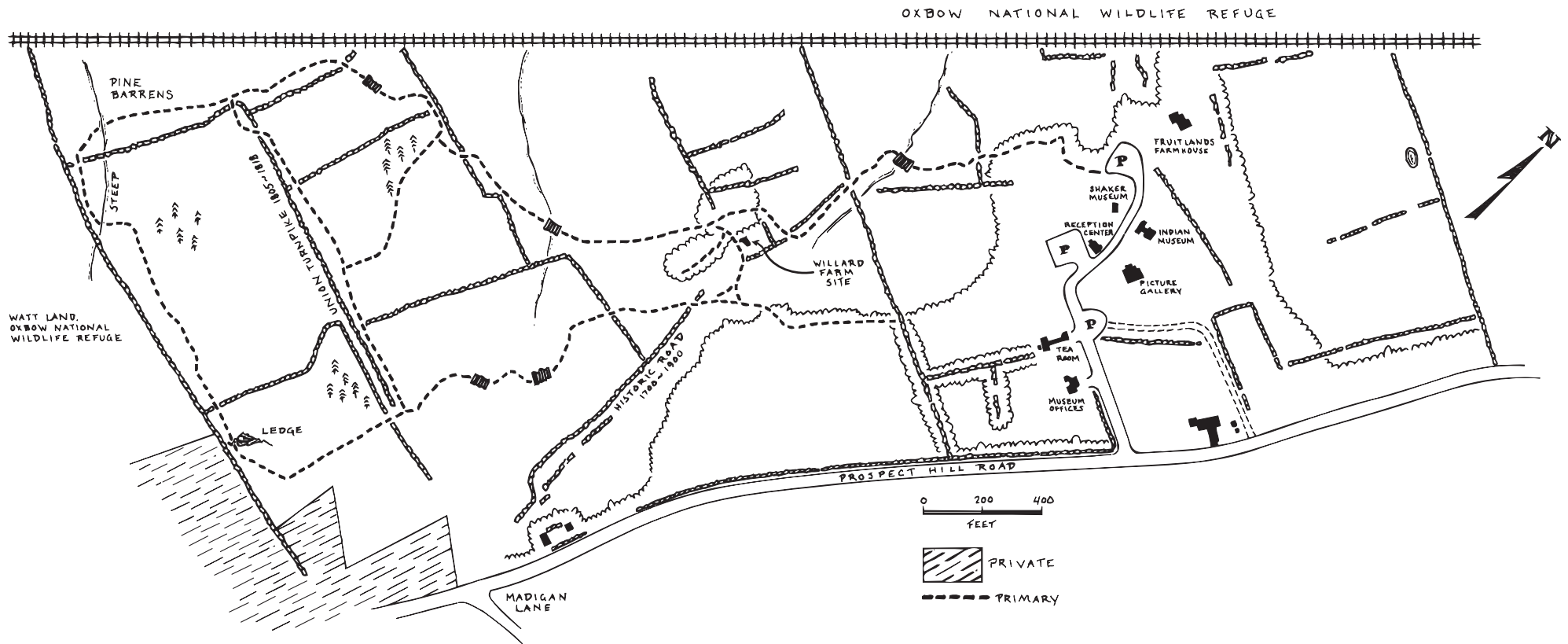


FRUITLANDS MUSEUMS



Fruitlands Museums is a private nonprofit museum with four museum buildings, several outdoor sites, a restaurant and museum store. The museum has over 200 acres, 150 of which are wooded, with panoramic views over the Nashua River Valley.

The museum buildings include the Fruitlands farmhouse, the Shaker Museum, the Indian Museum and the Gallery. Fruitlands is a National Register Historic District and the Fruitlands Farmhouse is a National Register Historic site. Museum buildings are open seasonally from mid-May through the end of October.

The trails on the museum property meander through a variety of habitats, historical areas, and interpreted sites. Areas on the trails are maintained to reflect different periods of land use history and habitat diversity. The trail system at Fruitlands supports a land stewardship program and focuses on open space planning for education, passive

recreation, and forest and wildlife management. Education programs and interpretive materials identify specific features on the landscape that relate to the geology and natural and cultural history of the area. Self-guided tours for the trails are available at the Reception Center.

The trails are open year round from 10 am to 5 pm for hiking and cross-country skiing. All visitors are asked to park in designated parking areas and not along Prospect Hill Road.

Use of the trails is a benefit of membership or is included the price of admission for museum visitors. Trail maintenance is supported through museum admissions, donations and memberships. For seasonal information, visit their web site at www.fruitlands.org.