

HOFFMAN FOREST RESERVE



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5313 Huff Road, Berlin Heights, Ohio 44814

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Highlights

A special feature of Hoffman Forest is the small Paw-Paw tree with big drooping, tropical looking leaves. The greenish fruits are shaped like bananas and taste like a mixture of banana and pineapple. Though edible, eating the fruit can cause skin irritations and upset stomachs.

The reserve features the intersection of two small intermittent branches of Old Woman Creek. The valleys cut by this stream system, the two creek branches and several smaller rivulets, give a pleasing topographic form to the land and makes the park an inviting place to enjoy nature.

This modest 40 acre park has three main ecological communities, all showing much human intervention: the creek bottom and surrounding valley, forest plantation, and mature forest. Approximately two miles of natural surfaced trails begin near the parking lot and wander through diverse habitats, over and through creeks, up hillsides and around the meadows filled with butterflies.

The park is open daily, year-round, 8 a.m. to dark. Drinking water and restrooms are not available on site.

Hoffman Forest Reserve is made possible by a lease to Erie MetroParks from Dr. H. Lowell Hoffman and reflects the owner's commitment to conservation and environmental education.



The fruit of the Common
Paw-Paw



Crossing a branch of Old
Woman Creek



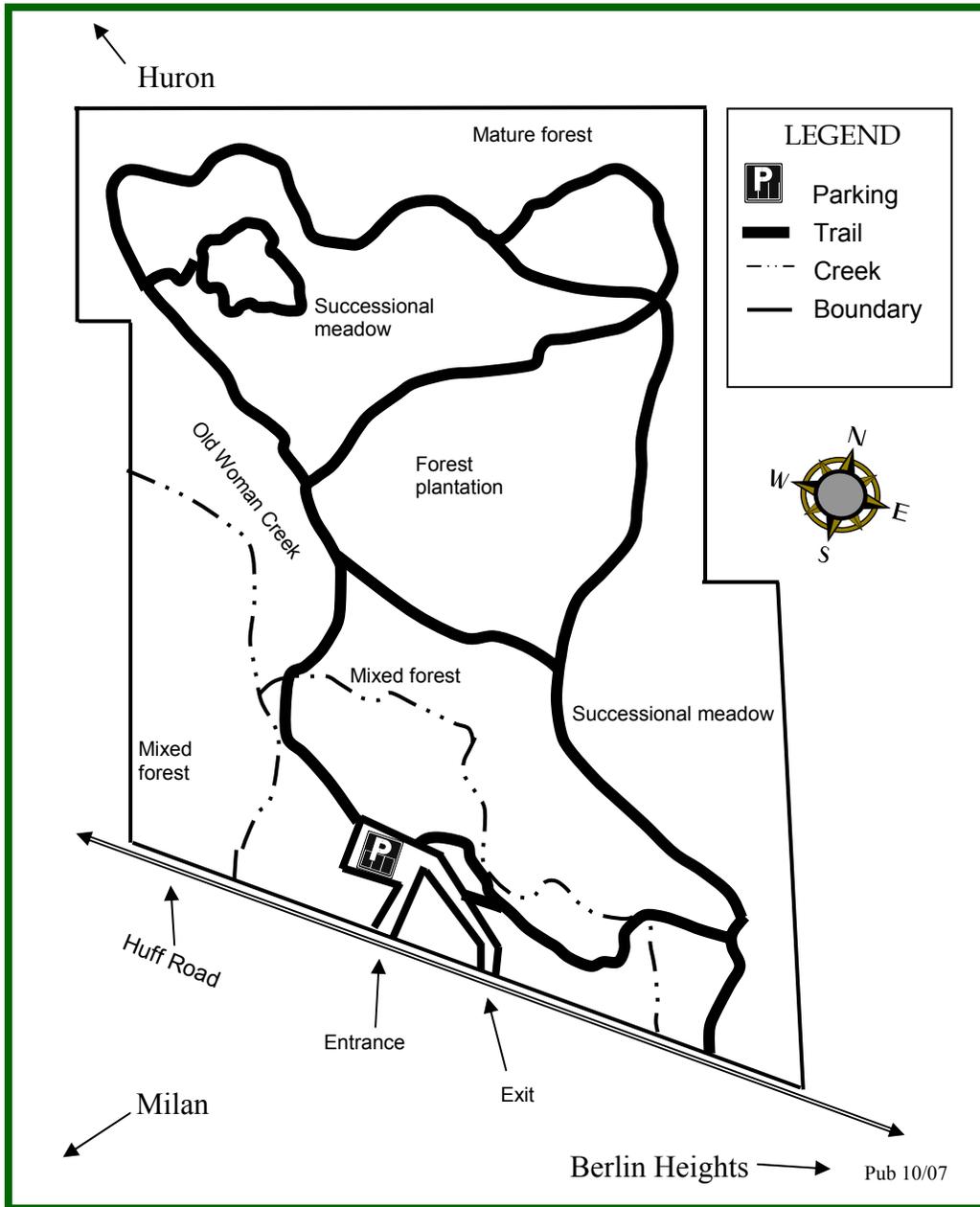
Natural surfaced trails begin
at the parking lot

Activities

- Hiking
- Wildlife viewing
- Dog walking with leash

Amenities

- Walking trails



Directions

The park is located in eastern Erie County just west of Berlin Heights. From SR 2 take SR 61 south (pass Edison Woods). Turn west (right) on SR 113 (Edison Highway), southwest of Berlin Heights. Turn north (right) on Arlington Rd. Turn east (right) on Huff Road. The park is down the road on your left.