

Welcome!

The State Museum of Archaeology

The discovery of ancient stone tools led archaeologists here, where they found 65 historic sites! In 1983 Mary "Marvin" Patterson donated this land to protect those sites and their history. The new park was named for her late husband: Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum (JPPM) was born.

Explore and grow closer to the past while preserving it for the future - here, history and nature surround you!

Park Grounds

Open Daily Year-Round
7:30am - Dusk

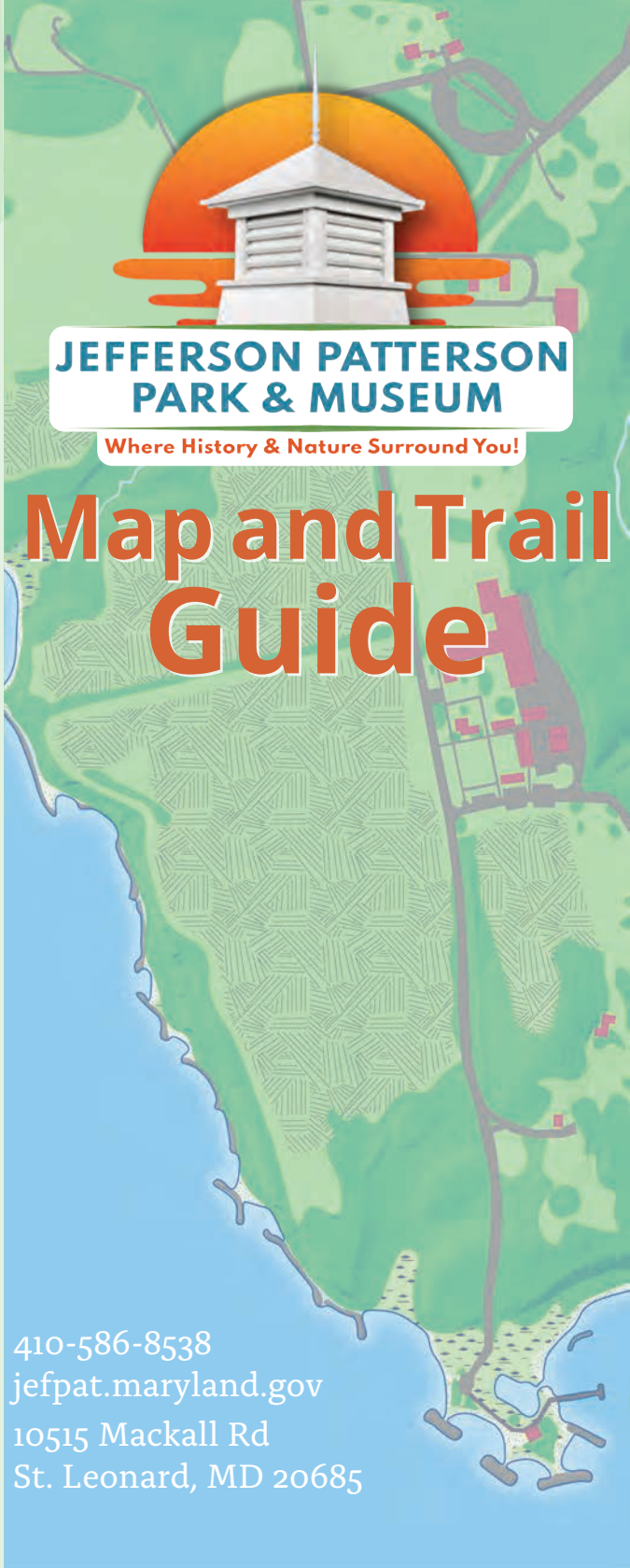
Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day.

Visitor Center

Open Daily Year-Round
10:00am - 5:00pm

Closed state holidays and the weeks of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's.

Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum is a program of the Maryland Historical Trust, part of the Maryland Department of Planning



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Trails

Walkers Welcome!

Dashed lines on the map show our walking trails. Interpretive trails are highlighted.

Interpretive Trails

Layers of Time Trail

So much of the past is hidden under the layers of time. Dig into history and see a colonial plantation site and replica Woodland Indian village.

Length: 1 mile
Difficulty: Easy  **ADA Accessible**

Point Trail

Take in the landscape that has charmed people here for centuries. This trail winds down to Peterson Point, featuring scenic views and a pier on St. Leonard Creek.

Length: 1.7 miles or .9 mile short loop
Difficulty: Moderate

War of 1812 Trail

See how war came to the Patuxent over 200 years ago. Explore the site of a British blockade and then step back in time with an exhibit about battles fought nearby.

Length: 1.8 miles
Difficulty: Easy to moderate

Woodland Trail

Long ago most of Maryland was forested much like this. Get back to your roots on this path through a wooded stream valley.

Length: 1 mile
Difficulty: Moderate to hard



Jefferson Patterson with one of his prize cattle. The park was once Mr. Patterson's model farm.

Archaeology

Walk Where History Happened

Visit archaeological sites (shown on map) with signs that reveal what they once were:

Stearns Site 1300 - 1500
Native American village

King's Reach Site 1690 - 1711
Smith's St. Leonard Site 1711 - 1754
Colonial plantations

Sukeek's Cabin Site late 1800s - early 1900s
Tenant House Site late 1800s - early 1900s
African American tenant homes

Legend

- Parking
- Restroom
- Picnic Area
- Shoreline Access

North

0 50 Meters
0 250 Feet



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