

The Northland Arboretum encompasses over 400 acres in the heart of Brainerd/Baxter, Minnesota. This member-supported, non-profit organization was founded with the closure of the Brainerd Landfill in 1972. Left untouched, the 40-acre landfill site now supports a prairie restoration project that is full of native grasses, shrubs and trees.



Showy Lady's Slipper

The Arboretum owns a beautiful Norway Pine Plantation on the north end of the expansive property and leases land from Crow Wing County. The Nature Conservancy owns nearly 200 acres within the Arboretum's boundaries – with one of Minnesota's premier examples of a Jack Pine Savanna.



Yellow Lady's Slipper

Open dusk to dawn, seven days a week to offer respite to residents and visitors. Sit in the gazebo, linger on the bridge, stroll along a path or wind through the winter woods on skis—whether you have an hour or a day, tranquility will surely enhance your visit.

There are many magnificent gardens to view including the Garden Gazebo, where many beautiful weddings have been held. There are also other gardens that feature a memorial area, water falls and aquatic plants.

This site has a mosaic of habitats including grasslands and restored prairie, jack pine forest, wetlands, a stream, shrub bog and of special importance, a jack pine savanna. Native jack pine and bur oak dominate the sand plain, but beautiful gardens of wild and cultivated flowers have been carved into the setting.



Stemless Lady's-Slipper



Eastern Bluebird

Bluebirds and butterflies flitting about, a replica of Monet's garden pond and backyard wildlife landscaping sites make this songbird sanctuary special. It will be easy to see why this oasis in the midst of city has been designated as an Important Bird Area (IBA).



Stop in our gift shop for Minnesota themed gifts, books and apparel.

**A Scavenger Hunt that Rocks!**  
Enjoy spending creative time in nature with family and friends. When you find a rock you can either keep it or re-hide it.



Find the golden rock and win a prize!



Members are welcome to come out to find rocks anytime. Non-members must pay a daily use fee.

Kids nature backpacks are available for kids to checkout. - Free for members. **Visit the visitor center for more details.**



Poison Ivy is common in the woods at the Arb. If you stay on the mowed trails you should be able to avoid coming into contact with it.



American dog ticks



Blacklegged ticks

To avoid tick bites:

- walk on trails & avoid moving through grassy areas.
- wear protective clothing, such as long-sleeved shirts and pants that are light-colored.
- use repellents like DEET or permethrin.

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Find all of the Arboretum's upcoming events and classes at [northlandarb.org](http://northlandarb.org)



## Hiking Trails Map



### Visitor Center Hours

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Saturdays & Sundays 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

### Arboretum Trail Hours

Sunrise to Sunset

Restrooms are open until 10 pm - available on the west end of the visitor center.

Daily use fee \$5.00 adults and \$1.00 for kids 15 and under (includes parking). Non-members should pay at the kiosk when visitor center is closed. All proceeds help to maintain the grounds.



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