# Welcome to Sugar Grove Nature Center!

Enjoy over 5 miles of trails while exploring forest, prairie, and river habitats! Our trails are open 365 days of the year during daylight hours for foot traffic only.

Please help us preserve the Grove for education and enjoyment of future generations by observing the following guidelines:

#### PLEASE...

- Park bicycles at the nature center; do not ride on trails.
- Stay on the designated trails.
- Help out by picking up any litter.
- Notify nature center staff if the trails need any attention.
- Do not injure or remove any plant, animal, or structure.
- · Enjoy your visit!

## PETS

- Although restricted in the dedicated Illinois Nature Preserves, leashed pets are welcome on our other trails.
- Please dispose of any animal waste in provided trash receptacles.

#### **ACCESS**

- Vehicles are restricted to designated parking areas. ATV's are not allowed on any Nature Center roads or trails.
- Horses are allowed in designated areas by permission only.

Visit often to see the changing seasons in beautiful, historic Funks Grove!

#### **VISIT IMAGINATION GROVE**

Located across the covered bridge, Imagination Grove is a special place where "kids can be kids," designed to form a bond between children and nature that lasts a lifetime. This nature exploration area invites Kids of ALL ages to search for fossils and arrowheads, build a fort, tromp in the creek, pretend they are an early explorer, and so much more!

### **Our Nature Center Features:**

Bird Viewing Sanctuary Children's Discovery Den Interpretive Exhibits Live Animals

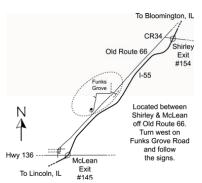
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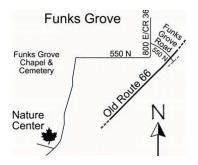
Picnic Shelter
Blacksmith Forge
Astronomy Observatory
Imagination Grove
Beautiful Gardens
Corn Crib Prairie Lookout

The mission of Sugar Grove Nature Center is to provide a place where individuals can experience, study, and enjoy the environment and history of Funks Grove, and as a result be inspired to become responsible stewards of the environment.

# Located just south of Shirley and north of McLean off of Old Route 66.

### Signs are posted along the way!

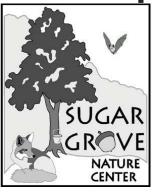






Special thanks to Farnsworth Group for their assistance in creating this trail map.

# **Trail Map**



In Funks Grove, Illinois

# Nature Center Open

November-March Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

April-October Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Saturday 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Trails Open
Dawn Until Dusk
Every Day



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