

November 2022 - Walk Schedule

<p>Saturday November 5 10.00 AM</p>	<p>High Park in November Leader: Ellen Schwartzel</p> <p>Meeting Point: The park entrance at the intersection of Bloor St W and High Park Ave, South west corner</p> <p>This is a 3-hour circular walk over mostly unpaved, uneven surfaces with some steep slopes</p> <p>Beginning at the high tablelands and open oak savannah at Bloor Street, we will head south along Wendigo Creek to Grenadier Pond, where we may see fall birds. Sassafras and black cherry grow along the way. We will look for acorns and talk about overwintering strategies for turtles, beavers and other animals and plants. We will walk to the duck ponds and also check on areas that had received burn treatment back in April. We will end up at the Grenadier Café, where take-out food is for sale on weekends and washrooms are available. Sharing lunch with other TFN-ers at nearby picnic tables would be a nice option before heading back to the High Park subway station.</p> <p>Washrooms: Along the way</p> <p>What to bring: Binoculars, layered clothing, a bagged lunch or money for take-out lunch at the Grenadier Café. Wear sturdy shoes as it might be muddy.</p> <p>TTC: Take the subway to the High Park subway station on line 2.</p> <p>Parking: Note that High Park is closed to vehicles on weekends, therefore no access to any of the parking lots within the park.</p> <p>Walk Leader's Cell Number 647.463.5562</p>
<p>Thursday November 10 9.15 AM</p>	<p>Toronto Islands Nature Walk Leader: Zunaid Khan</p> <p>Meeting Point: Ward's Island ferry dock to take the 9.00 AM ferry to Ward's Island. You can purchase your tickets in advance here: https://secure.toronto.ca/FerryTicketOnline/tickets2/index.jsp</p> <p>Walk Details: A 2-hour, 3 to 5 km circular walk over mostly paved, flat surfaces</p> <p>This is a nature walk, however the focus will be on looking for winter ducks. We will start at the Ward's Island Ferry dock and do a circular walk around Ward's Island, Snake Island and Algonquin Island (time permitting).</p> <p>Washrooms: At the beginning</p> <p>What to bring: Binoculars, camera, snacks. Please dress for the weather. Bring ice grippers just in case.</p> <p>TTC: Take Line 1 to Union station, then the streetcar to the ferry terminal stop.</p> <p>Parking: there are a number of paid parking lots close to the ferry terminal.</p> <p>Walk Leader's Cell Number: 416-716-6464</p>

<p>Saturday November 12 1.00 PM</p>	<p>Beltline Trail–From Yonge to Caledonia Leader:: Paul Overy</p> <p>Meeting Point: Just outside the Davisville subway station (SW corner of Yonge and Chaplin Crescent/Davisville)</p> <p>Walk Details: A 2.5-hour, 7 km linear walk mostly paved but uneven surfaces with some gentle slopes.</p> <p>We'll walk along most of the northern portion of the Beltline Trail, with a drop-out option halfway along, at the Eglinton West subway station. We'll see how nature has returned to what used to be a rail line, and speak about the unique history of this linear park. The section from Yonge St. to Allen Road is mostly a soil path, so possibly muddy if conditions are wet. The western section, to Caledonia Road, is a paved pathway. There are many road crossings along the way, so vigilance will be important to ensure safety. The walk will end a bit west of Caledonia Road and north of Eglinton, with transit options along both those streets.</p> <p>No Washrooms</p> <p>What to bring: curiosity, water, a mask (for crowded situations, if any) and a snack if you like.</p> <p>Other information: The start point can be reached by taking the subway on Line 1 to the Davisville subway station, or any bus which goes to Davisville. This is a long (7 km) linear walk, so driving to the start point will require a long walk back or a trip on the Eglinton West bus, then south to Davisville. That said, there is a parking lot on the east side of Yonge St., just north of Davisville.</p> <p>Walk Leader's Cell Number: 647-229-1191</p>
<p>Thursday November 17 10.00 AM</p>	<p>Scarborough Bluffs from Above and Below Leader: Charles Bruce-Thompson</p> <p>Meeting Point: the south east corner of Kingston Rd and Ravine Drive</p> <p>Walk Details: This will be a 3-hour, 8 km circular walk over mostly unpaved, sometimes uneven, surfaces with a couple of steep slopes</p> <p>We'll walk through Sylvan Park and a rather attractive Scarborough neighbourhood. Then we'll explore Guild Park before descending to the Waterfront Trail, finally ascending Gates Gully to the starting point</p> <p>Washrooms are available at the half-way mark</p> <p>What to bring: Binoculars. Bits of the trail can be quite muddy and steep, so choose the appropriate footwear. Grippers: according to the prevailing weather conditions</p> <p>TTC: Take the 102 bus from Kennedy subway station</p> <p>Walk Leader's Cell Number: 416-778-5340</p>

Thursda
November 24
9.00 AM

Waterfront trail – Ferry Terminal to Ontario Place

Leader: Zunaid Khan

Meeting Point: The benches on the boardwalk, just west of the ferry terminal

Walk Details: A 3-hour, 5 to 8 km linear walk over mostly paved, flat surfaces with some gentle slopes and stairs

We walk along the waterfront heading west to Ontario via the inner harbour, Coronation and Trillium Park. This is a nature walk but we will mostly be observing winter ducks. Opportunities for great views of the lake and exploring Ontario Place, a home to many winter ducks, which could be forever changed by the proposed redevelopment plans of the Ontario government

Washrooms are available along the way

What to bring: Binoculars, camera, snacks, ice grippers just in case.

Please dress for the weather, it's always a little colder along the lake.

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