

Nature Preserves You Can Visit

Plan your next
nature walk
on the beautiful
public lands protected by
Mississippi Valley Conservancy.

1	Angel Bluff*	17	Wilton Hemlocks*
2	Water's Edge Woods*	18	Eagle Eye State Natural Area
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* Owned and maintained by Mississippi Valley Conservancy

** Onalaska Natural Lands Protection Program property

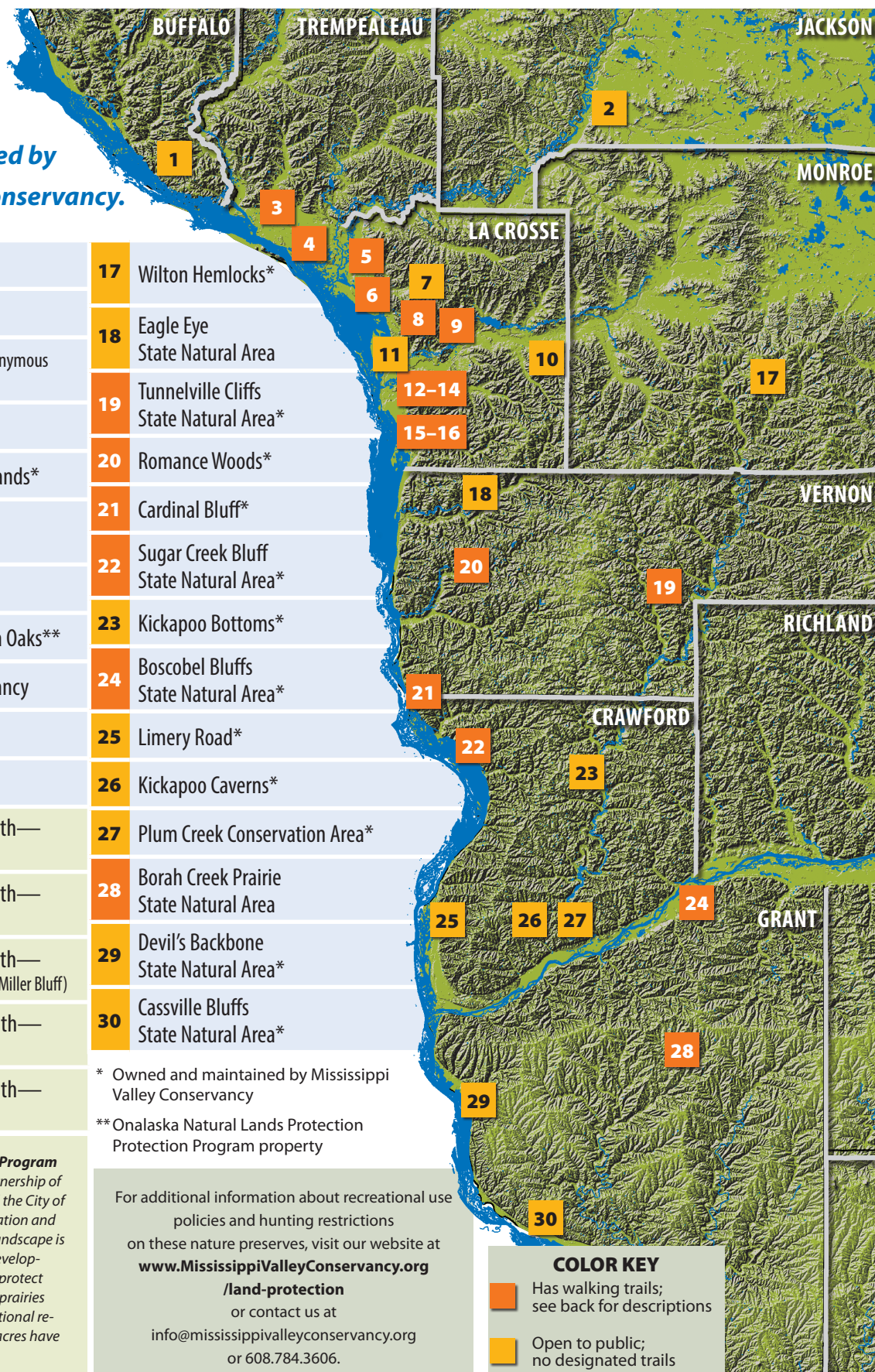
La Crosse Bluffland Protection Program

This land was protected by the partnership of Mississippi Valley Conservancy and the City of La Crosse to provide scenic preservation and ensure that the beauty of the city landscape is not destroyed by poorly planned development. The program was created to protect rare natural communities like bluff prairies and provide an outstanding recreational resource for the public. Nearly 1,000 acres have been protected with this program.

For additional information about recreational use policies and hunting restrictions on these nature preserves, visit our website at www.MississippiValleyConservancy.org/land-protection or contact us at info@mississippivalleyconservancy.org or 608.784.3606.

COLOR KEY

- Has walking trails; see back for descriptions
- Open to public; no designated trails



Enjoy a Walk in Nature!

These properties have walking trails. Download trail maps at www.mississippivalleyconservancy.org/protected-land.

3 Little Bluff

This 0.5-mile out-and-back hike begins with a steep stairway and continues upward to a marker pointing to a blufftop with three earthen mounds, interpretive signs, and a view of the Mississippi River and the Village of Trempealeau. ☆☆

4 Trempealeau Lakes

A 0.75-mile flat, wide loop trail traverses a former pine plantation with side trails to fishing spots along spring-fed Second Lake. Trail may be flooded or wet during spring and other high-water periods. *A portion of the trail (beyond #2 on the trail map) is currently not accessible due to a habitat restoration project.* ☆

5 New Amsterdam Grasslands

The trails follow the boundaries of an open, rolling prairie. A short loop hike (a little over 1 mile) is open year-round. A longer one (2.8 miles) is closed during nesting season, April, May, June, and July. Great birding! ☆

6 Holland Sand Prairie State Natural Area

The 1.3-mile main loop hike follows the boundaries of an open, rolling prairie. Over 150 plant species have been identified here. ☆

8 Greens Coulee—Savanna Oaks

Greens Coulee comprises a network of trails accessible from Stonebridge Ave. in Onalaska. The 1.2-mile out-and-back Savanna Oaks hike, accessible from Clifford Dr., connects to the Greens Coulee trails, climbs 440 feet, and ends at a lovely overlook. ☆☆☆

9 La Crosse River Conservancy

Descend a gentle hill to flat river-bottom land. Choose among routes ranging from .9 to 1.9 miles. About half the trail is along the La Crosse River, where you may see a variety of birds and mammals. Trail may be flooded or wet during spring and other high-water periods. ☆☆

12 La Crosse Blufflands North—County B Trailhead

A 1.6-mile out-and-back hike that climbs almost 500 feet to the top of a bluff. Your reward at the top is a beautiful view of the Mississippi River. ☆☆☆

13 La Crosse Blufflands North—County FA Trailhead (Mathy)

Mostly open, rolling terrain in an old quarry. There's one somewhat steep climb to the quarry's rim. The main loop trail is approximately 2.75 miles. Side trails add another 2.75 miles. ☆☆

14 La Crosse Blufflands North—Rim of the City Road Trailhead (Miller Bluff)

Walk .25 mi on a flat trail to three rocky bluff cliffs overlooking the La Crosse River Marsh. ☆

15 La Crosse Blufflands South—Easter Road Trailhead (Hass)

The main trail is approximately 1 mile (one way), rising 400 feet to a blufftop with a panoramic view of La Crosse. An optional trail leads to a view over a goat prairie and blufflands to the south. ☆☆☆

16 La Crosse Blufflands South—Crown Boulevard Trailhead

A narrow, sometimes steep 2-mile out-and-back trail sits atop a bluff overlooking Mormon Coulee Road and the backwaters of the Mississippi River. ☆☆☆

19 Tunnelville Cliffs State Natural Area

North Trail: This 1.6-mile out-and-back hike follows a ridge past a small goat prairie and ends on a wooded ridge with an overlook. **East Trail:** Enjoy a 2.5-mile out-and-back hike on gently rolling mowed trails on this large property with access to Cambrian sandstone cliffs and the Kickapoo River. *The entrance to this trail may be flooded or wet during spring and other high-water periods.* ☆☆

20 Romance Woods

This 1.5-mile out-and-back hike descends through woods on an old logging road. ☆☆

21 Cardinal Bluff

This short hike (0.6 mile out-and-back) along a wooded trail climbs a bluff 340 feet high for a beautiful river view and a look at some interesting rock formations. ☆☆☆

22 Sugar Creek Bluff State Natural Area

A slightly rolling 1.5-mile out-and-back hike along a wooded ridgetop that ends at a wildflower-filled prairie overlooking the Mississippi River. ☆☆

24 Boscobel Bluffs State Natural Area

Approximately 4 miles of trails, including some branches, through woods and prairie. *The trails here are currently closed due to tornado damage and restoration work.* ☆☆☆

28 Borah Creek Prairie State Natural Area

Cross a scenic remnant prairie on a gently sloping 1-mile (out-and-back) farm road southwest of Fennimore. ☆☆

Visit MississippiValleyConservancy.org and click on **Nature Preserves** at the top of the page for maps and more information about all of these properties. While you're there, sign up to receive our monthly email with conservation news and outdoor event information.



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Trail difficulty: ☆ = Easy ☆☆ = Medium ☆☆☆ = Challenging