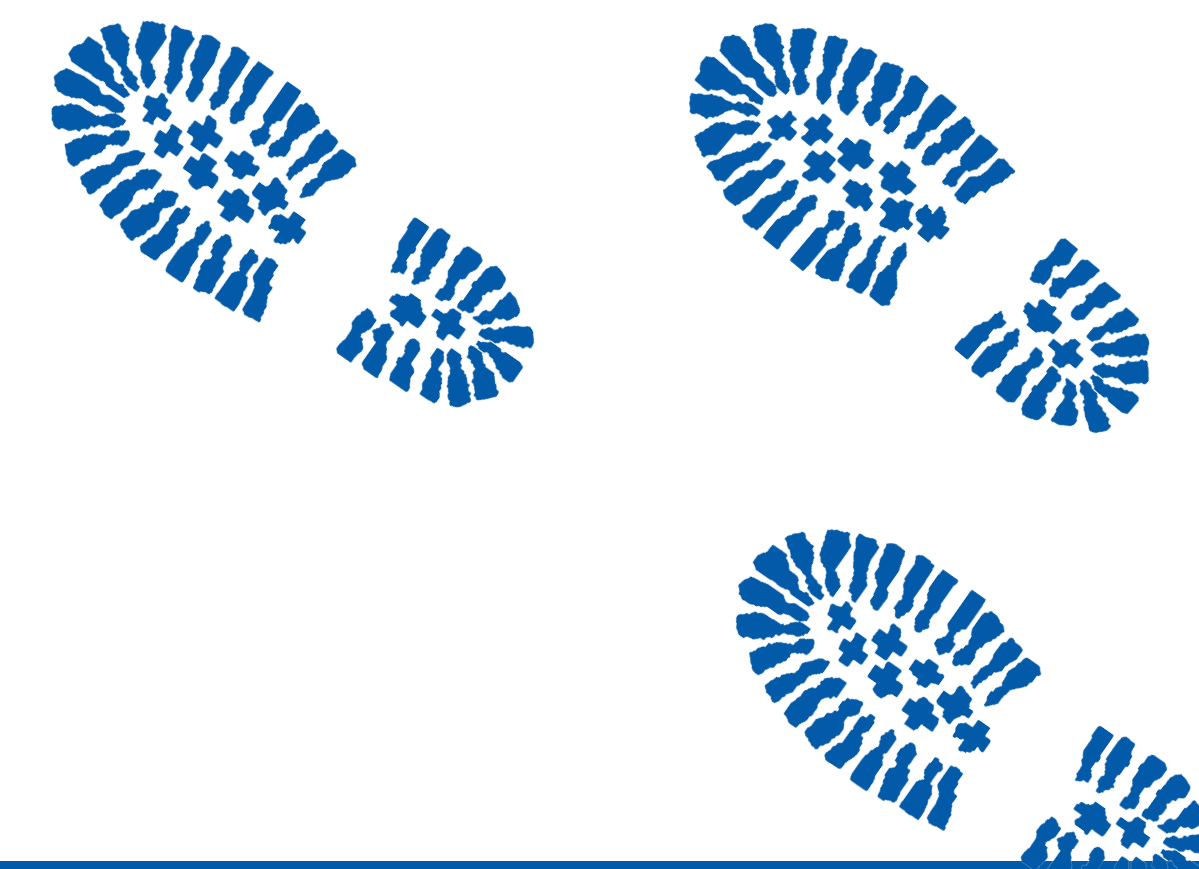


Woodland HERITAGE TRAIL



Three White Pines

Can you spot the group of three white pines on your right? Look for a straight trunk, five-needle bunches with fine, soft needles, long pinecones, and a striking silhouette with upswept branches. The white pine prefers well-drained or sandy soils.

White pine is significant in other ways. It was very important to Ontario's early economic development. Pine logging was a key Canadian industry in the 1800s. Local lumbermen floated pine logs down the Ausable River to Lake Huron for shipping around the world. The wood is light, durable, and easy to shape. The long, straight trunks were also valued for making ship's masts.



IMAGE: Eastern White Pine Tree

Eastern white pine (*Pinus strobus*) was adopted as the Provincial Tree of Ontario on May 1, 1984. It is the tallest tree in the province, often reaching 150 feet in height. It can also live for over 250 years!



IMAGE: Eastern White Pine Needles & Pinecone

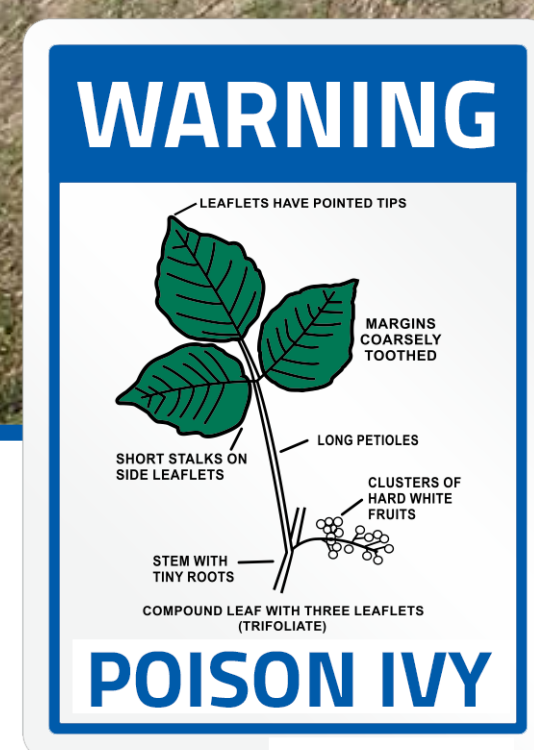


IMAGE: White Pines On The Lake Shore

