

Turkeyfoot Preserve

LOCATION:

Just off OH-121 on Bishop Road

FEATURES:

- 60 acres of prairie & wetlands
- Hiking trails (1.35 miles)
- Prairie observation deck
- Premier birding prairie

Aquired in 2001, the preserve is the result of the Natural Resources Conservation Service Wetlands Reserve Program with additional funding through the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund. The preserve includes 60 acres of re-established prairie and managed wetlands and boasts a wide variety of grassland species, including big bluestem grass for which the park is named. A gravel serpentine trail takes visitors along an old wooded railroad bed, and then opens into a prairie and wetlands area with an observation deck that offers a spectacular panoramic view. The wetlands are a premier birding area during spring and fall migration, and the prairie hosts an outstanding variety of grassland nesting birds.







