

# Connecticut Coastal Access Guide

Jarvis Creek Preserve  
40 Buena Vista Road Branford, CT 06405



**Site Description:** This neighborhood scale preserve in the village of Stony Creek on Jarvis Creek and Long Island Sound offers fine views of the Thimble Islands. The preserve contains coastal forest, tidal marsh, a small old field, an old quarry pit and other relics of the area's quarry industry. Pedestrian only trails access most of the preserve and provide vistas of the creek, marsh and Long Island Sound. Bicycles are not allowed. A boardwalk crosses the marsh to a small island and an old tide gate. The trail continues from this point onto an adjacent preserve on the east side of Jarvis Creek. Check Branford Land Trust website, [brandfordlandtrust.org](http://brandfordlandtrust.org) for maps and more information. There is an unimproved area for parking two cars on the left side of Buena Vista Road immediately after where the paved road ends. Ignore the 'No Trespassing' sign posted near the entrance to the site. The Land Trust's access easement along this roadway provides legal pedestrian access to the Preserve's trails. Parking is also available on nearby Thimble Island Road.

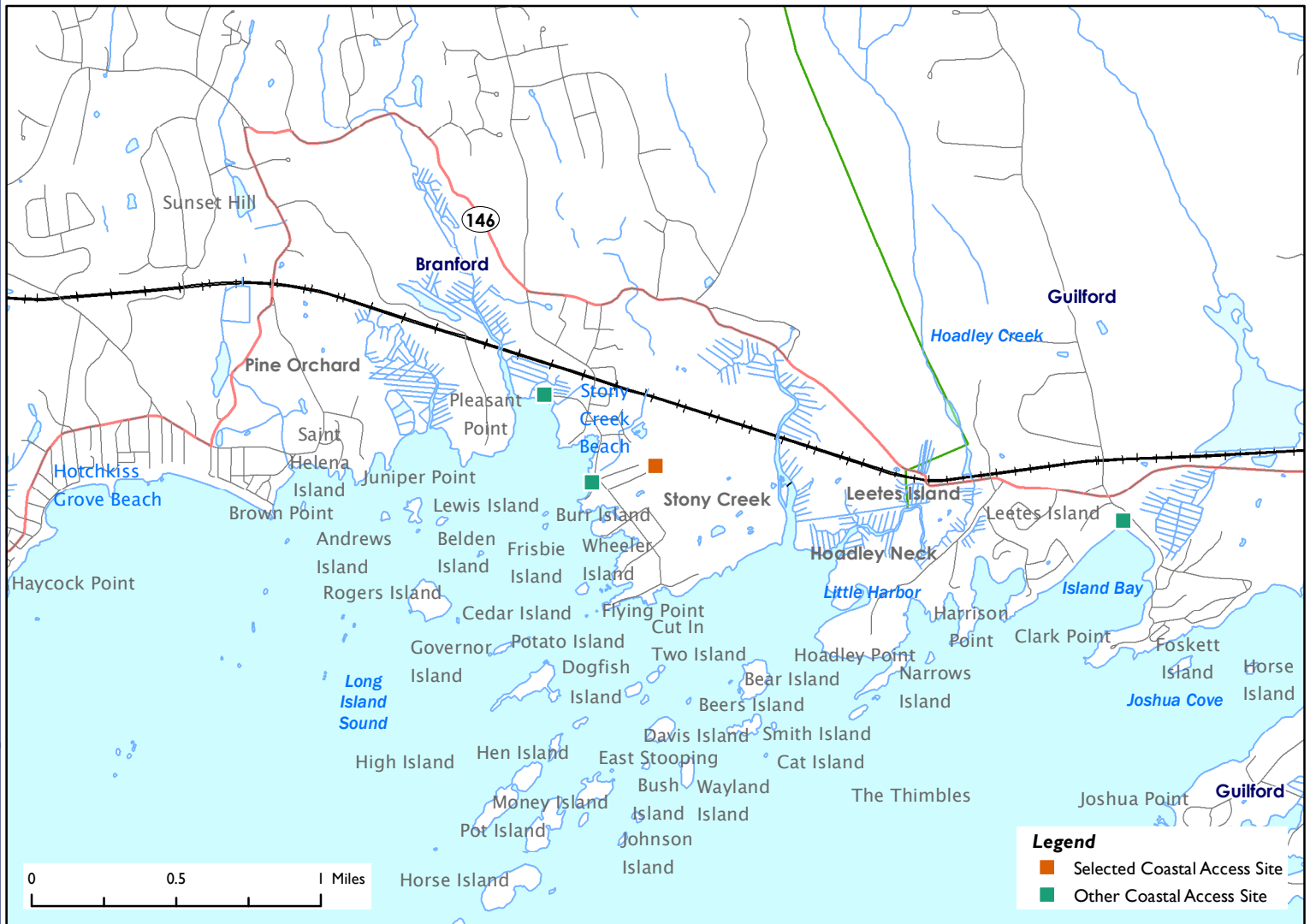


Activities			
	<b>YES</b>		<b>NO</b>
	<b>NO</b>		<b>NO</b>
	<b>NO</b>		<b>NO</b>
	<b>NO</b>		<b>YES</b>
	<b>YES</b>		<b>NO</b>
	<b>NO</b>		
Facilities			
	<b>NO</b>		<b>NO</b>
	<b>NO</b>		<b>NO</b>
	<b>NO</b>		<b>NO</b>
	<b>NO</b>		<b>NO</b>
	<b>NO</b>		<b>NO</b>
Environmental Setting			
	<b>NO</b>		<b>YES</b>
	<b>NO</b>		<b>NO</b>
	<b>YES</b>		<b>NO</b>
	<b>NO</b>		<b>YES</b>
	<b>YES</b>		<b>NO</b>
<b>Parking:</b> Parking Lot		<b>Fee:</b> NO	



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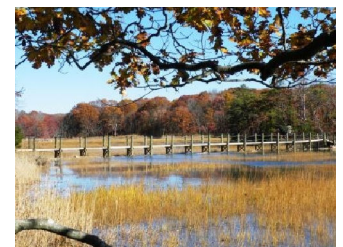


**Latitude:** 41.26588 **Longitude:** -72.74775

## Directions:

Take I-95 South to Exit 56. At the end of the exit ramp, turn left onto East Industrial Road; at the next light turn left again onto Leetes Island Road toward Stony Creek. Proceed about 1.5 miles to the four-way intersection (all stop) with Stony Creek Road and Thimble Island Road. Go straight onto Thimble Island Road. Proceed about 0.8 miles. Buena Vista Road is the second left after the post office. Follow to end of paved road and park at unpaved parking area on left immediately after edge of paved road.

Take I-95 North to Exit 56. Turn right onto Leetes Island Road toward Stony Creek. Proceed about 1.5 miles to the four-way intersection (all stop) with Stony Creek Road and Thimble Island Road. Go straight onto Thimble Island Road. Proceed about 0.8 miles. Buena Vista Road is the second left after the post office. Follow to end of paved road and park a unpaved parking area on left immediately after end of pavement.



## Additional Site Information:

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## General Questions or Comments:

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