

Beaumont Reservation Hiking Trails

The 2400 acre Beaumont Scout Reservation has six ‘loop’ trails for hiking. They were originally laid out to follow ridges, valleys, shelves, logging roads, and straight up or down between hills to eliminate the need to notch the tread into the side of the hills to eliminate berms.

This map shows the four, 2.5 to 9 mile trails known as the Shippey Color Trails. All of the foot trails start and end at the Shippey Trails Center, located in the Harris Scoutcraft Field, between the Emerson Center and the Coin Co. Aquatics Center.

The foot trails are marked with colored plastic, diamond shaped markers. Each color corresponds to the named color trail. For example, you will find green diamond markers on the Shippey Green Trial. The markers are only visible if hiking the trails in a clockwise direction. The trails can be hiked in either direction; counter-clockwise may add a bit of difficulty. Where the trails make abrupt turns, cross other trails or roads, or separate from shared trail sections, there will be two colored markers, one above the other. When you see this, treat it as a warning and make sure you know which way your trail heads.

All persons hiking trails should keep in mind the Outdoor Code and Leave No Trace. Avoid littering or causing damage along the way, detracting from the trails beauty for Scouts in the future. Groups should keep together and maintain visual contact at all times.

The council has available for purchase a trail hiker neckerchief slide for all hikers of the Color Trials. It is designed so, as each trail is completed, the hiker can color the foot print representing the trail accomplished.

The Red Trail (approximate hiking time of 3 hours) trail is 5.2 miles in length and starts by going 11 degrees North from the trail center to the main camp road. From here the trail heads West along the main camp road to a point about 100 yards past the Ray Nature Lodge. At this point the trail turns into the woods up onto a shelf halfway up the hill. The trail follows this shelf to the west about 3/8 of a mile, then drops downward with a slight turn and heads East up the hill to its peak. The trail stays in the woods along the field at the top of the hill and turns to the left with the Tomahawk Trial (white blazes) along the ridge toward Blackberry Hollow. Follow this ridge about 1/4 mile until it crosses the Pioneer Trace (orange blazes). At this point the Red Trail turns down

the valley to Blackberry Hollow. After passing the old (out of service) well pump, the trail turns south and follows the valley back up the ridge once again. At the top of the ridge go right for about 1/8 mile and turn left down past the chapel and directly to the trail center.

The Green Trail (approximate hiking time 2.5 hours) is a 4.4 mile long and starts at a compass reading of 44 degrees from the trail center. It crosses the main camp road and continues on a bearing of about 23 degrees up the hill past the camp chapel to one of the highest points on the Reservation. From there it follows a logging road eastward. After about 1/4 mile the trail turns off to the left following a major back ridge until it drops into Toad Hollow. The return follows the draw out of Toad Hollow and then rises abruptly passing through a depression that once formed a pond for watering livestock. After reaching the ridge, the trail follows the logging road to the left for about 1/2 mile. The trail then turns right down a path leading to the valley that was once Fabick Lake. Due to the areas high composition of limestone, the lake drained into caves and could not be sustained. The trail stays to the South of the lake bed and rises straight up the hill to the old cement water storage tank. From here the trail turns to the right down a double track trail to the main camp road near Lantz cabin. Follow the main camp road to the right to a point about 100 feet before reaching the pipe line crossing. Here the trail turns left into the woods crossing a short foot bridge and skirting the west edge of Orrick Campsite. Continue across the drive to Sverdrup Lodge and past the pool to the trail center.

The Blue Trail (approximate hiking time 5 hours) is 9 miles long and starts on a bearing of 86 degrees past the swimming pool to the drive to Sverdrup Lodge. Turn left at the drive to the main camp road. Hang a right on the main camp road and follow the pipe line cut. As you head up on your right, you will pass what was once Fabick Lake. Due to the areas high composition of limestone, the lake drained into caves and could not be sustained. You will eventually join the Green trail and Tomahawk Trail (white blazes) and pass the old water storage tank. At this point the Blue trail leaves the Green Trail and follows the Tomahawk past Nusser field, up the ridge, across the power cut, and switchbacks down to the valley near the Nagel Explorer Base pasture. From here the trail goes North to the south end of Laemmli Camporee field and across Little Antire Creek. The Blue trail then heads South across the power cut and west of the Nagel Explorer Base. From here the trail travels steeply diagonally up the hill to once again cross the power cut, this

time heading North. The trail follows this ridge northward for a little over 3/4 of a mile. At this point the trial turns back South to the end of the Cub World valley and then back North on the East side of the valley down to the shelf where the Blue Trail leaves the Tomahawk Trail. The trail crosses Cooley Campsite at a bearing of about 25 degrees. Then, the trail continues crossing Little Antire Creek onto Harris Scoutcraft Field and back to the trail center.

The Yellow Trail (approximate hiking time 1.5 hours) is 2.5 miles long and starts at a compass reading of 11 degrees from the trail center. The Yellow Trail follows the Red Trail almost entirely except for a small section that cuts across a logging road to eliminate the Blackberry Hollow section of the Red Trail. From the trail center, travel northwest along the camp road until about 100 yards past the Ray Nature Lodge. At this point the trail turns into the woods up onto a shelf halfway up the hill. The trail follows this shelf to the West about 3/8 of a mile, then drops downward with a slight turn and heads East up the hill to its peak. The trail stays in the woods along the field at the top of the hill. At the access road, the trail falls South down a logging road. It emerges from the woods making a quick left behind the Trading Post, then a right, to the main camp road.

Tomahawk Trail (approximate hiking time 7 hours) is 12 miles long and begins at the trail center near the pool. The Tomahawk is marked with white blazes and follows the outermost portions of the color trails except for a short cut-off between Blackberry Hollow on the red trail and Toad Hollow on the green trail.

Notes: _____



- REGULATIONS**
- Written permit from Greater St. Louis Area Council required. See permit for more regulations.
 - BSA members only. No underage children or siblings.
 - BSA adult leadership standards apply.
 - No pets, firearms, hunting, fireworks, alcohol, non-medically prescribed drugs, or swimming.
 - State of Missouri fishing regulations and licenses apply.
 - Respect property boundaries.

Review the *Guide to Safe Scouting* for safety and planning guidelines, available for downloading from the Resources page at www.stbsa.org.

LEAVE NO TRACE

- Plan ahead and prepare
- Travel and camp on durable surfaces
- Dispose of waste properly
- Leave what you find
- Minimize campfire impacts
- Respect wildlife
- Be considerate of other visitors

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| • Stay in the middle of the roadway of wet or muddy trails to concentrate impact. Hike single file. Don't cut switchbacks. | • Trails and ¼ mile from trailheads, public-use areas, and scenic areas. Build no rock fire rings, tables, lean-tos, trenches, etc. | • Absent toilet facilities, bury human waste in "vatholes" dug 6 inches deep, 200 feet from water sources; cover and disguise. |
| • Camp at least 100 feet from water sources and surfaces. | • Camp in groups of 10 or fewer on durable surfaces. | • Carry out what you carry in. Pick up litter. Don't cut on trees. |

Read more in the
fieldbook.



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BEAUMONT SCOUT RESERVATION

HIGH RIDGE, MO

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Permission required for property use

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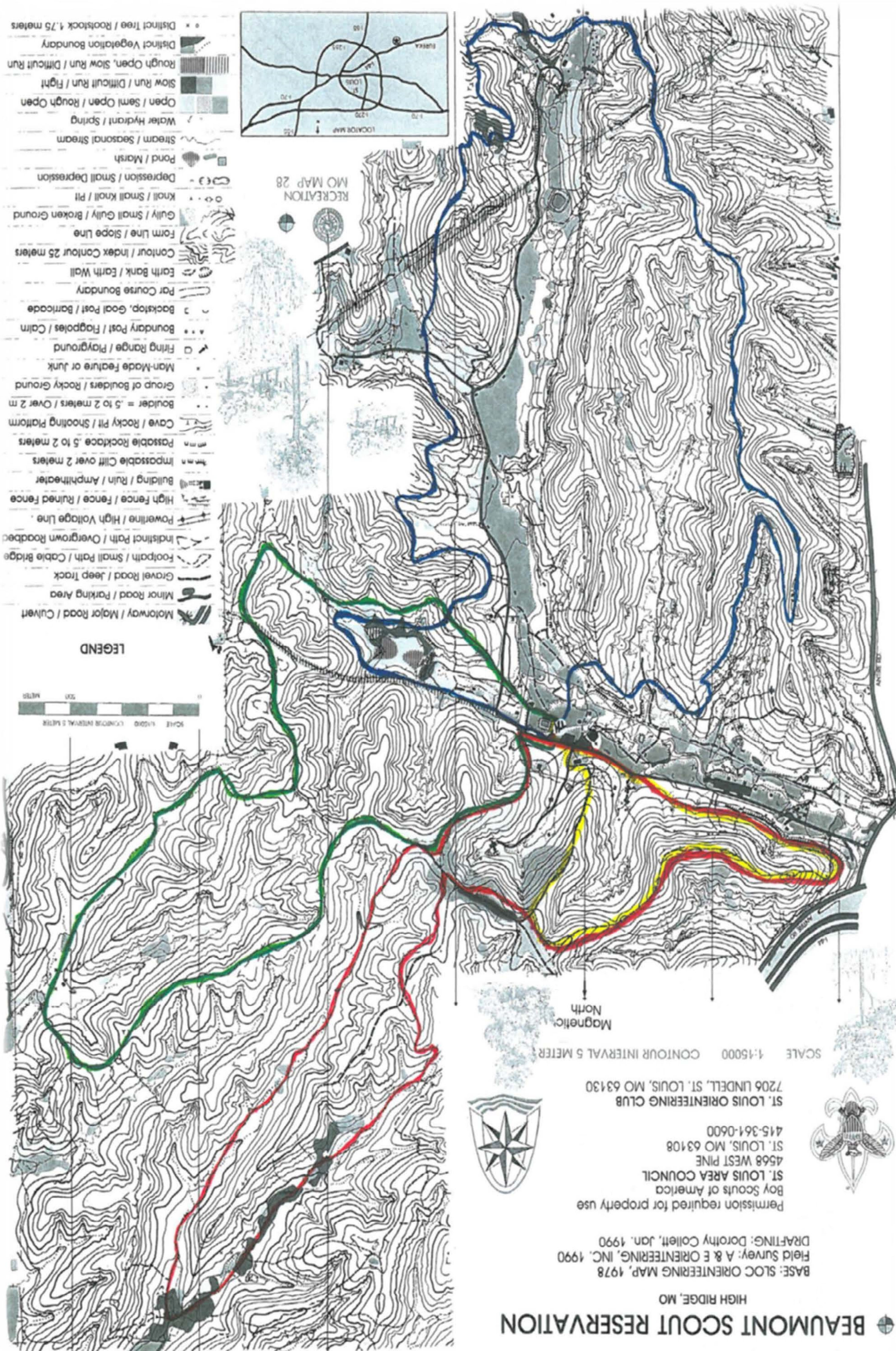
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SCALE 1:15000 CONTOUR INTERVAL 5 METER

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LEGEND

- Motorway / Major Road / Culvert
- Minor Road / Parking Area
- Gravel Road / Jeep Track
- Footpath / Small Path / Cable Bridge
- Indistinct Path / Overgrown Roadbed
- Powerline / High Voltage Line
- High Fence / Fence / Ruined Fence
- Building / Ruin / Amphitheater
- Impassable Cliff over 2 meters
- Passable Rockface .5 to 2 meters
- Cave / Rocky Pit / Shooting Platform
- Boulder = .5 to 2 meters / Over 2 m
- Group of Boulders / Rocky Ground
- Man-Made Feature or Junk
- Firing Range / Playground
- Boundary Post / Flagpoles / Cairn
- Backstop, Goal Post / Barricade
- Par Course Boundary
- Earth Bank / Earth Wall
- Contour / Index Contour 25 meters
- Form Line / Slope Line
- Gully / Small Gully / Broken Ground
- Knoll / Small Knoll / Pit
- Depression / Small Depression
- Pond / Marsh
- Stream / Seasonal Stream
- Water Hydrant / Spring
- Open / Semi Open / Rough Open
- Slow Run / Difficult Run / Fight
- Rough Open, Slow Run / Difficult Run
- Distinct Vegetation Boundary
- Distinct Tree / Rootstock 1.75 meters

RECREATION
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