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# 2026 Pinelands National Reserve Wall Calendars Now Available for Free at 10 Locations in the Pinelands

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Copies of the 2026 Pinelands National Reserve wall calendar are now available free of charge at 10 locations in the Pinelands.

The calendar highlights the importance of water in the 1.1-million-acre Pinelands National Reserve of southern New Jersey. The Pinelands lies above the Kirkwood-Cohansey aguifer system, which consists of layers of sand and gravel and some clay. The aquifer system contains an estimated 17.7 trillion gallons of water, and it provides fresh drinking water for more than one million people in southern New Jersey. Recreational opportunities abound in the Pinelands, thanks to the rivers, lakes, ponds, and other water bodies. Water is also vital for the region's agriculture, including cranberries, blueberries, and row crops.

This is the tenth edition of the Pinelands National Reserve wall calendar, and it was funded by the National Park Service.



**Above**: The front cover of the 2026 Pinelands National Reserve wall calendar features a photo of an Atlantic white cedar swamp in the Pinelands. Photo/John Bunnell

The Pinelands Commission worked with Rowan College at Burlington County to produce the calendar. All 38 photos in the calendar were taken by members of the Commission's staff. Aside from the photos, the calendar includes State holidays, dates of Pinelands Commission meetings, Commission events, and important dates in Pinelands history.

Copies of the calendar can be obtained at the following locations, while supplies last. You may want to call ahead to confirm the hours of operation.

**Bass River State Forest (office)** 

762 Stage Road

Bass River Township, NJ (609) 296-1114

#### **Batsto Visitor Center**

31 Batsto Road Hammonton, NJ (609) 561-0024

#### **Belleplain State Forest (office)**

1 Henkinsifkin Road Woodbine, NJ (609) 861-2404

## **Brendan Byrne State Forest (Office)**

Mile Marker 1 Highway Route 72 East Woodland Township, NJ (609) 726-1191

# **Cloverdale Farm County Park (Visitors Center)**

34 Cloverdale Road Barnegat, NJ 08005 (609) 607-1861

# **Estell Manor Park (Warren E. Fox Nature Center)**

109 NJ Route 50 Mays Landing, NJ 08330 (609) 625-1897

### Jake's Branch County Park (Nature Center)

1100 Double Trouble Road Beachwood, NJ (732) 281-2750

# Richard J. Sullivan Center for Environmental Policy & Education (Pinelands Commission headquarters; open M-F, 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.)

15 Springfield Road Pemberton Township, NJ 08064 (609) 894-7300

#### Wells Mills County Park (Nature Center)

905 Wells Mills Road (Route 532) Waretown, NJ 08758 (609) 971-3085

## Whitesbog Village (General Store; open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.)

**GPS Address**: 799 Lakehurst Road, Browns Mills, NJ 08015

(609) 893-4646

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**Above**: In 2023, the Pinelands Commission adopted rules to strengthen the protection of the Kirkwood-Cohansey aquifer. Photo/Paul Leakan



**Above:** New Jersey is one of the U.S.' top producers of cranberries, which need clean water for growing and wet-harvesting. Photo/Joel Mott



**Above**: The American beaver is a large, semi-aquatic rodent with webbed feet for swimming. Beavers live in family groups and are monogamous, often mating for life. Photo/John Bunnell



**Above**: Capable of staying underwater for up to eight minutes, the North American river otter is a semi-aquatic mammal that is found throughout the Pinelands. These carnivores have a voracious appetite. Photo/Paul Leakan



**Above**: Named after an early Swedish settler, the 50-mile Mullica River offers jaw-dropping views of nature for kayakers and canoeists in the Pinelands. Photo/Paul Leakan



**Above**: Atsion Lake in Wharton State Forest is a popular site for fishing, boating, nature photography, and swimming, when lifeguards are on duty during the summer months. Photo/Paul Leakan