





#### A: Junction Marker

These numbered markers can be found at important junctions in the trail. Follow the numbers to stay on the trail you'd like to follow.



#### **B: Glacial Erratic**

This is a glacial erratic--a large rock dropped by a glacier when it receded (melted). The last glaciers to cover Maine receded 10,000 years ago! How many can you spot along the trail?

The plants on top of the glacial erratic are rock cap fern (Polypodium virginianum), named because they like to grow atop rocks.



## C: Smooth Rock Tripe (Umbilicarium)

This is a lichen known as smooth rock tripe (Umbilicaria mammulata) or umbilicarium. It is one of the largest lichens in the world! This lichen grows on rocks, It can also be used to produce a purple dye.



### **D: Memorial Plaque**

This plaque commemorates Rick Beckjord, the former owner of the land that is now Baker Hill Preserve. After his death, Rick's family gave the preserve to Frenchman Bay Conservancy.



## E: Big Glacial Erratic

This is a big glacial erratic! It looks a bit like a hippo's head--or maybe a dinosaur? What do you think?



### F: Lungwort Lichen (lobaria pulmonaria)

This is a lichen known as lungwort (lobaria pulmonaria). It grows on old tree trunks, typically old birch trees. It is also often referred to as "lettuce lichen."



### **G: Squirrel Cache**

Here are remnants of a squirrel's feast on pine cones! You can spot these throughout the trail!





## H: Partridge Berry Plant (mitchella repens)

Partridge berry plant (Mitchella repens) is a native perennial, a small evergreen woody trailing vine that stays on the ground. The trailing stems root at nodes which come in contact with the forest surface and may spread into colonies several yards across. It has red berries which can still be on the plant when the white flowers bloom in late spring.