

Washington Native Plant Society - South Sound Chapter
Native Plant Hike

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2019

Title/Location: Tenalquot Preserve

Hike Leader: Cyndy Dillon

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Departure Time: 1pm Estimated Return Time: 3pm

Departure location: parking area inside gate by shed Number of people: 12

Hike Description: Wildflowers should be near their peak at Tenalquot, a 125 acre preserve neat the town of Rainier and owned by the Nature Conservancy. The land became a preserve in 2006 when it was donated by the previous owner. The preserve is comprised of mostly prairie land and some forest. South Sound Prairies occasionally has weekly work parties at the preserve, but it's usually not open to the public.

Any special requirements: Dress for the weather. Water and cookies will be provided.

Directions: If coming from the north, take exit 109 and follow Martin Way and turn left (east) on College Street. If coming from the south, take exit 108 to College Street. Head east on College Street—it will turn into Rainier Road after crossing Yelm Highway. Continue onto Rainier Road, staying straight as you go through roundabouts. Travel about 9 miles, turn right onto Military Road and follow it for about .5 mile. Turn right onto the gravel road *at the Prairie Event sign*. If you pass a yellow-brown house, you have gone too far on Military Road and need to turn around. *At the Prairie Event sign*, go through the gate and continue down the hill. Park in the open area near the shed. The road is uneven and rough into the preserve.