peace, joy and nature

JOIN ME FOR A DAY TRIP TO THE PRESERVE

The 426-acre Rhododendron Preserve maintained in Bremerton by the Keta Legacy Foundation, also known as Mountaineers Foundation, holds one of the largest remaining lowland virgin forests in the Puget Sound Basin. I love to explore Big Tree Trail and some of the 17 miles of streams that provide spawning and rearing habitat for salmon.

The Preserve is a special place to spend the day. You pick the date. I'll pack the lunch. Let's go!

Keta Legacy Foundation, also known as Mountaineers Foundation, has partnered with hundreds of organizations over the past 50 years to support conservation projects throughout Puget Sound. Learn more at ketalegacy.org.
FUN THINGS TO HUNT FOR AT THE PRESERVE

- Big Tree - This giant evergreen measures over 10' in diameter and is the largest publicly accessible Douglas Fir in Kitsap County.

- Trillium - If you visit during April, keep an eye along Big Tree Trail for the beautiful blooming trillium.

- Chum salmon - "Oncorhynchus keta" return each year to the Preserve between October and November. Their spawning journey is easy to spot from the bridge over Wildcat Creek or along Lost Creek.

- Beaver - Beaver dams improve stream flow and water quality that support salmon. The deep, cool ponds created by the dams are essential for Coho and the occasional Chinook.

www.ketalegacy.org/rhododendron-preserve