



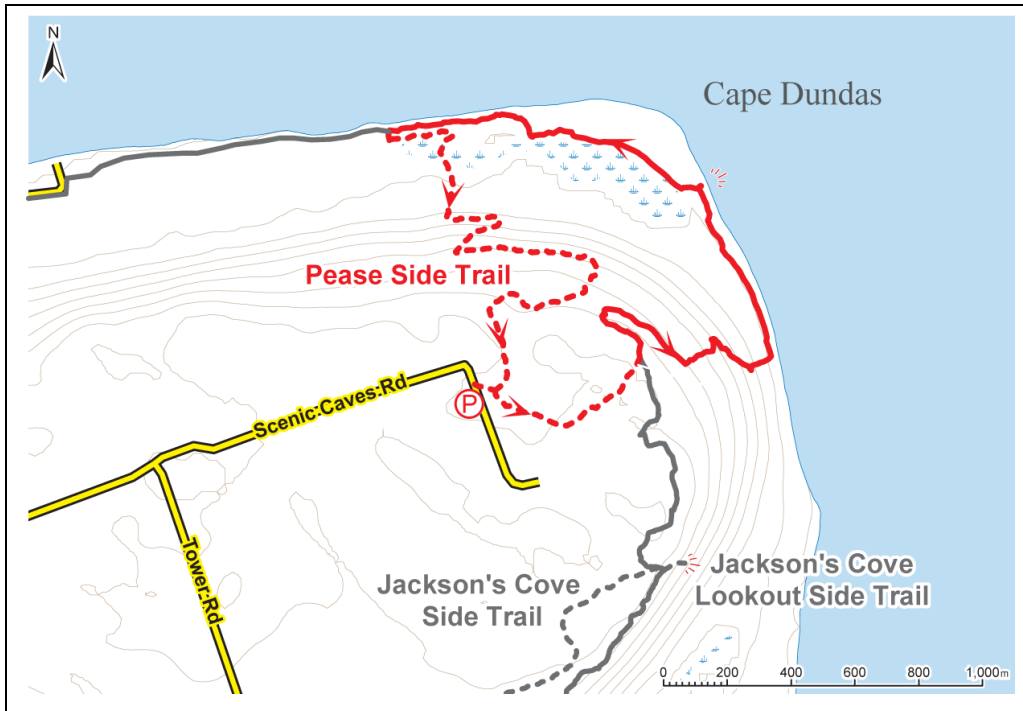
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THE BRUCE TRAIL
CONSERVANCY

Cape Dundas Loop

Hike Length: 6.1 km

Section: Peninsula Bruce Trail Club



How to get there and Where to Park: From Bruce Road 9 (north of Hope Bay), take the Scenic Caves Road to the east as far as you can go. Just after the road turns sharply to the right (south), there is a small parking lot for hikers.

Description of the Hike: The Cape Dundas loop was created four years ago with the kind permission of the landowner who granted the Bruce Trail a “handshake agreement.” From the parking lot, take the blue-blazed Pease Side Trail through the upland forest for 630 m. The loop then joins the white blazes of the main Trail as it continues north, before descending to the east through an old glacial terrace among huge boulders to a mixed forest and the elevated shoreline of Georgian Bay. The Trail then turns north, with fine views over the water to Barrier Island. Here is a great spot for a picnic lunch.

At the north end, in May 2007, the main Trail will be rerouted onto the Rush Cove property, purchased in 2006 for \$700,000 as part of the Bruce Trail’s acquisition program to secure in perpetuity a conservation corridor along the Niagara Escarpment.

With this reroute in early May, the white blazes of the main Trail returning back to the parking area will be re-blazed blue; follow this new side trail (former main Trail) south (left) as it crosses open alvar and then climbs to the top of the Escarpment to return to the parking lot.