# **Phillips Farm geocache descriptions**

Geocaching is a fun activity you can do outdoors with a GPS unit or a cell phone (where you have good cell reception)! Visit the website geocaching.com to learn more and to sign up for an account, or use these descriptions printed from the website to help you find the 7 geocaches hidden at Phillips Farm County Park. Navigate to the coordinates located, solving puzzles for extra clues to help you! Please replace the caches carefully, just as you found them, for others to find later. Good luck!!!

# Virgil's Verdant Valley View: N 46° 48.918 W 117° 00.852

An easy multicache with a great view.

Posted coordinates take you to a sign that will help you determine the final coordinates: N 46 48.ABC W 117 00.DEF

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A= (No Firearms...) PLUS (No Alcohol...)
B= (Walk in only...)
C= (No paintball...) MINUS (No unauthorized...)
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D= (Hunting...) PLUS (Day use...)
E= (...Golf...) MINUS (...Plant cutting.)
F= (Off-road...) MINUS (...Gate closed)
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# Over the Creek: N 46° 48.601 W 117° 01.052

The cache is in a wooded area of Virgil Phillips Farm. In early Spring, there a number of wild flower varieties. It is also a good place to view native plants.

Take a small path off the main trail, cross a small stream which may be dry in the summer. Continue about 15 feet to a Y, take a left and continue a short distance to the cache. The container is sandwich sized. There are a number of trinkets for swapping.

**Additional Hints** (This can also be automatically decrypted at geocaching.com) Ybbx nebhaq gur onfr bs gur ohfurf. Fbzrgvzrf crbcyr er-uvqr vg gbb jryy haqre cvar arrqyrf, gurer fubhyq or bayl n srj fpnggrerq ba gbc. Gurer ner ab ovepu gerrf nebhaq.

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Decryption Key

A|B|C|D|E|F|G|H|I|J|K|L|M

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N|O|P|Q|R|S|T|U|V|W|X|Y|Z

(letter above equals below, and vice versa)
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# Misguided 2: N 46° 48.694 W 117° 01.305

Enjoy the Heritage Trail and pick up a smiley in the process. You are looking for a "misguided" Pop and Pop. Area is open from dawn to dusk. Bring a pen or pencil to sign the log. Unsigned logs will be deleted. "Reindeer Games" for FTF.

**Additional Hints** (This can also be automatically decrypted at geocaching.com) Jurer vf gung fuhgbss inyir? Abg gbb sne bss gur genvy.

Decryption Key
A|B|C|D|E|F|G|H|I|J|K|L|M

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N|O|P|Q|R|S|T|U|V|W|X|Y|Z (letter above equals below, and vice versa)

#### Traditional Cache: N 46° 48.823 W 117° 01.275

By trail in woods on easterly aspect. You don't have to go cross country, a main trail will eventually go near the location.

Formally a Nalgene bottle (someone handily replaced it with a plastic box), moved a few feet away from the original spot to avoid the ant/termite/carpenter ant colony. Still look for something white and you will find it with no problem at the coordinates listed. Refurbished with good sign-in book 6/1/15, Left new note pad, leave some trinkets; all I had have been removed. Enjoy. Tread lightly.

**Additional Hints** (This can also be automatically decrypted at geocaching.com) fbzrguvat angheny naq juvgr

Decryption Key
A|B|C|D|E|F|G|H|I|J|K|L|M

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N|O|P|Q|R|S|T|U|V|W|X|Y|Z (letter above equals below, and vice versa)

# Misguided: N 46° 48.815 W 117° 01.127

This cache is a Letterbox Hybrid (LBH), which is both a Traditional cache and a Letterbox cache.

- 1. If you treat this as a Traditional cache, then all you need to do is find the cache using the posted coordinates and sign the log book.
- 2. If you treat this as a Letterbox cache (and you have brought your Letterboxing stamp with you), then you can add your stamp's imprint to the cache's log book and stamp this cache's stamp in your own log book.
- 3. Or, as Letterboxers seem to do, you can treat this as both a Traditional and a Letterbox cache, i.e., trade stamp imprints, as well as sign the log book. Regardless of which way you go, your "Found It" log will blossom into a Letterbox Hybrid smiley.

At the posted coordinates, you will find two small lock-and-locks. One contains the log book and some SWAG, and the other contains the letterbox stamp and a small ink pad. The stamp and ink pad are not tradeable items and should be left in the cache container. PLEASE LEAVE THE STAMP AND THE INK PAD WITH THE CACHE!!

### Virgil Phillips Higher: N 46° 48.518 W 117° 01.253

After visiting Virgil Phillips farm for this cache, we decided it's an outstanding project and we hope to encourage more visitors.

This is a traditional cache (ammo can) hidden on the hill overlooking Virgil Phillips park. To do the cache, start by finding the original cache placed by luv2fish and Hucklebuddy. After finding it, head up the hill. The difficulty for this cache is finding a suitable trail once in the trees. There are small "trails" running all over the hillside and several will take you close. There is fairly heavy tree coverage at the cache location so our readings may not be exact. Feel free to post your own coordinates if you find ours to be off. If you are not up to the search, you might want to view the spoiler picture first.

#### **Additional Hints** (Decrypt)

Hagre n ohfu juvpu vf arkg gb gur 3 ynetr gerrf ng gur L va gur genvy.

Decryption Key
A|B|C|D|E|F|G|H|I|J|K|L|M

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N|O|P|Q|R|S|T|U|V|W|X|Y|Z (letter above equals below, and vice versa)

### Scat, Scoot, Scram, Skedaddle! N 46° 48.745 W 117° 01.070

This county park is open from dawn to dusk all year long. Enjoy the trails and if you see a critter, remember the magic words "scat, scoot, scram, skedaddle".

Your cellphone may not be much help here; cell reception is spotty at best, so make sure that your GPS is loaded with all the relevant info for this field puzzle mystery.

Bring your own pen/pencil (BYOP) and please be careful with the cache container.

The Final is located at N 46 48.ABC W 117 01.DEF

At the posted coordinates you will find a chart showing a number of items for you to count.

A=Moose minus 2 B=Badger minus 1 C=Weasel

D=Chipmunk minus 3 E=Jackrabbit minus 10 F=Beaver

In lieu of a geochecker, your checksum for the digits A through F = White Tailed Deer minus 8 (Checksum is where you add up all of the digits.)

**Additional Hints** (This can also be automatically decrypted at geocaching.com) Vg'f n cevilyrtr gb freir lbh.

Decryption Key
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