

Monroe County Forever Green

GEOCACHING CHALLENGE



What is Geocaching?

Geocaching is a real-world outdoor treasure hunting game using GPS-enabled devices. Participants navigate to a specific set of GPS coordinates and then attempt to find the geocache container hidden at that location.

Geocaches can be found all over the world. It is common for geocachers to hide caches in locations that are important to them, reflecting a special interest or skill of the cache owner. These locations can be quite diverse. They may be at your local park, at the end of a long hike, underwater or on the side of a city street.

Your device will take you to the general location, but you'll still have to comb the area to find the cache yourself. Don't give up too easily the fun is in the hunt!

When you find the cache, sign the logbook and return it to the exact place you found it. You can take an item from the cache if you like, but it is customary to leave something of equal or greater value in its place.

Many cachers use geocaching websites to log their caches and share their experiences with others. One of the most popular sites is geocaching.com



Types of Geocaches

There are many types of geocaches, some of the most popular are...

Traditional Caches: This is the original type of geocache. These caches will be a container at the given coordinates. The size may vary, but at minimum, all of these geocaches will have a logbook. Larger containers may contain items for trade and tracking.

Mystery Caches: This type may involve complicated puzzles or extra steps that you will need to solve to determine the correct coordinates of the final bonus cache. Our series would be considered this type of cache.

Multi Caches: These geocaches involve two or more caches that provide you with the coordinates to locate the final cache. There are many variations, but typically once you're at the find the final cache you receive a token for completing the series.

The Geocacher's Code

Safe · Legal · Ethical

When placing or seeking geocaches, I will...

Not endanger myself or others.

Observe all laws and rules of the area.

Respect property rights and seek permission where appropriate.

Avoid causing disruptions or public alarm.

Minimize my and others' impact on the environment.

Be considerate of others.

Protect the integrity of the game piece.