

Dyer Cove

Access: Moderate Walkability: Difficult Effort: Difficult
This beach has a lot of rubble! A partner and totes are recommended.



Beach Sections

Total Distance: 0.36 mile

Section 1 – 0.08 mi: Western creek mouth to the end of the rubble associated with the western-most house.

Section 2 – 0.06 mi: From the riprap to the end of the middle two houses, including the beach in front of the parking area.

Section 3 – 0.07 mi: From the third house to the end of the fourth/last house. Only accessible on a low tide.

Section 4 – 0.15 mi: After the last house to the eastern creek mouth. Only accessible on a low tide.

RTF has permission to access the western-most property, but when rescuing crabs in the bulkhead and rip rap do not move, remove, or alter the existing structure. If the crab cannot be rescued via simple extraction, do not attempt to alter the structure in any way.

Beach Information

Access: Open

Sponsoring Organization: reTURN the Favor

Ownership: State, Private

Other Activities: Horseshoe crab egg density surveys, large-scale restoration project

Known Impingements

Section 1 – this section includes the bulkhead (**house**) and rip rap (**rip rap/bin blocks**) around the western most house, and structures associated with an old boat ramp and dock that are no longer functioning (**rubble**). **See note in red.**

Section 2 – may have some **rubble** strewn across the beach.

Section 3 – new **rubble** has been exposed in this section and can be severe. Two people and totes are recommended.

Section 4 – mostly free of man-made hazards.

2025 Summary

Total rescued crabs	4,735
Total rescue walks	35
Total crabs per walk	135.3
Overturned crabs	3,208
Impingements	1,527
Rubble	975
Marine debris	172
Natural - Overwash	146
House	142
Bin blocks/riprap	82
Natural - Veg/peat below high tide line	8
Natural - Veg/peat above high tide line	2



Safety: The rubble is severe on this beach. Please use extreme caution when rescuing in the rubble. We recommend at least two volunteers and totes.

Courtesy: In some sections you will be passing near private homes. Please be quiet and respectful of their privacy and do not trespass on property without permission.

Contact Information:

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Directions:

From South: While heading North on Rt 553/Main St, turn left on to 732/Methodist Rd just after the Downe Township Municipal Building. Where Rt. 732 meets Landing Rd and Baptist Rd, turn left. Make a quick left onto Fortescue Rd/Rt. 637 at the blinker.

From North: Follow 553 South from Cedarville to Rt. 629. Turn right onto Rt. 629. Turn right at the T onto Rt. 656/Baptist Rd. Travel one long block to turn left onto Fortescue Rd/Rt. 637 at the blinker.

From Millville/Rt. 55/Rt 49: Turn off Rt. 49 onto Cedarville Rd (Cedar St) at the blinker just west of the Maurice River Bridge in Millville. Follow Cedarville Rd past the airport across Buckshutem Rd and shortly after take the left fork at the 'big oak tree' onto Newport-Centre Grove Rd/Rt. 629. Continue on this road, crossing over Rt. 553. When the road ends at Rt. 656/Baptist Rd, turn right. Travel one long block to turn left onto Fortescue Rd/Rt. 637 at the blinker.

From the blinker for Fortescue Rd: Once on Fortescue Rd/Rt. 637 travel to the split at Rt. 643/Newport Rd and Fortescue Rd/Rt. 637. Take the slight right for Rt. 643 toward Money Island and Gandy's Beach. After about 2.1 miles, make a left for Dyers Creek Rd and travel to the end of the road.

Parking:

At the end of the paved road, please park to the right in the parking area in front of the dune between the first two houses.

Beach Access:

The path to the beach is marked through the dune when you park to the right of the paved road. **Do not access via the roped off dirt road.**