

Duke Forest Deer Management Program

September 27 - December 17, 2021

The Office of the Duke Forest is preparing for its 14th hunting season through the NC Wildlife Resources Commission Deer Management Assistance Program. The 2021 season will begin on September 27th and continue through December 17th. During this time, the **Durham, Korstian, and Blackwood Divisions of the Duke Forest will be closed to all public access Monday through Friday**. All divisions of the Forest (except Dailey) will be open on Saturdays and Sundays and on November 25th and 26th in observance of Thanksgiving. The Edeburn and Hillsboro Divisions will remain open as usual throughout the fall.

We appreciate that the ongoing pandemic means that the demand for nature-based recreation remains high, and that the Duke Forest offers respite during this challenging time. However, deer management remains an indispensable tool for protecting the health of the Duke Forest and its role as a teaching and research laboratory. Please help us safely and effectively take care of the Duke Forest by observing all posted signs and seeking alternate locations for weekday recreation.

Deer management is conducted by two pre-selected hunt groups; it is not open to the general public. The Durham and Korstian Divisions will be hunted with bow and arrow only while the Blackwood Division will have both bow and gun hunting.

Researchers, teachers, and students with upcoming or ongoing work in the Forest should contact the Office as soon as possible to discuss arrangements for use during the deer season.

The Office of the Duke Forest appreciates your support and cooperation throughout the program. If you have any questions, please contact the Office via e-mail at dukeforest@duke.edu. You can also learn more about this program at our website: dukeforest.duke.edu/dmap.

Duke Forest Closure Quick Reference Calendar

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- Durham, Korstian, and Blackwood Divisions closed to all public access
- All divisions open as usual, dawn to dusk

FOREST CLOSED

For the Deer Herd Reduction Program

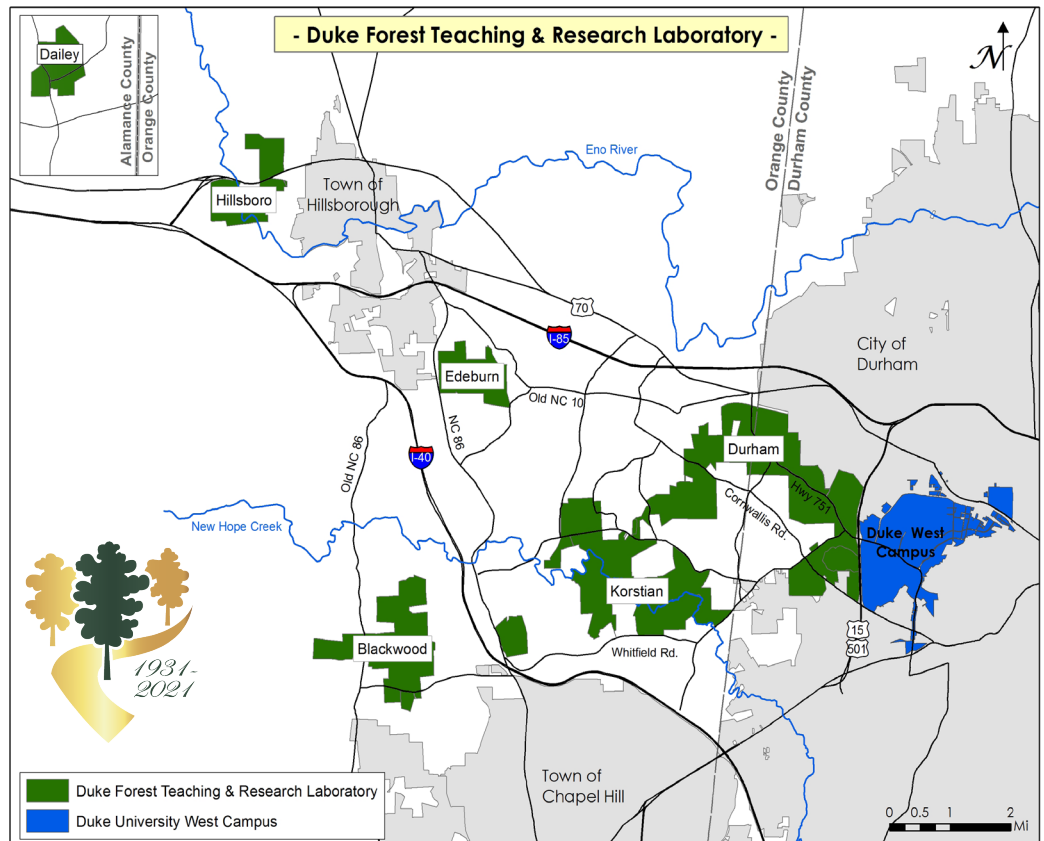
MONDAY through FRIDAY

SEP 27 – DEC 17 2021

DO NOT ENTER

Duke Forest Office
919-613-8013

Signs will be posted at all gated entrances to the Duke Forest. Staff will be issuing citations to any unauthorized users found in the Forest during the hunt.



2021 Deer Management Program Notice Summary

From September 27, 2021 through December 17, 2021, the following divisions of the Duke Forest will be **closed to all public access** Monday through Friday:

Durham Division | Korstian Division | Blackwood Division

Edeburn and Hillsboro Divisions will remain open.

This closure is **for your safety** and for the effectiveness of the Deer Herd Reduction Program. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. The Al Buehler Cross Country Trail and the East Campus Trail are alternate locations for public recreation at Duke.

(See reverse for more information and a map.)



Learn more about this program and read FAQ's at dukeforest.duke.edu/dmap

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Did you know...?

Overabundant deer populations reduce the diversity of plants and animals in our forests.

Think about the natural places you love the most and consider how overabundant deer might be negatively affecting them!

Learn more at:

dukeforest.duke.edu/wildlife-mgmt



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