

# Pocomoke Pollinators

Good day Quester!

We welcome you to the Shad Landing Area of Pocomoke River State Park!

We hope to find you well and by reading this introduction, we believe we will take only roughly about **EiGhT MiNuTeS** of your time. With the documents you have printed, which usually take between **FiVe SeCoNdS** and **FiFtY-OnE SeCoNdS** depending on the speed of your printer, you have all you will need to start your quest! You are welcome to start at any of the locations mentioned within the downloaded packet! If you need help finding these locations, you can use your map or even a GPS!

We will provide the GPS coordinate for each of the main questing locations! To read coordinates it comes in four sections: the first section is the number of degrees, the second section is a number called minutes, the third section is a number is called seconds, and the final section describes the longitude and latitude and is represented by the directions North, South, East, and West. By visiting and completing tasks at each location, you will gain clues to the final stamp and be able to stamp your flower of knowledge! When finished, feel free to decorate your flower and have it hung in the Park Store for the summer!

Could you complete this quest in **TwEnTy-SiX MiNuTeS**?

Probably not.

But whether it is **SeVeNtY-FiVe DeGrEeS** Fahrenheit or **ThIrTy EiGhT DeGrEeS** Celsius your journey will take you all around Shad Landing!

And after you finish with our quest here, we highly encourage you to seek out other quests across the state! **NoRtH** or **WeSt** wherever your adventures take you...we're sure you'll have fun exploring!

So have fun, be safe, and happy questing!

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# Park Store

GPS Coordinate: 38° 8' 22" N/ 75° 26' 26" W

Butterflies and skippers are some of our more colorful and well-noticed pollinators! Located here are several photos of these fancy flighted friends along with several facts about their species. Using these photos and facts, you can answer the questions below and find your first clue! Please show your completed sheet to a Park Store attendant to receive your stamp!

1. I look like one of my colleagues but that is just for self-defense, if I camouflage myself as one of them, it will hopefully make predators think twice about eating me. (The last letter is the first of the clue)

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2. I rely on the Paw Paw tree, as part of my life cycle and my proboscis is shorter than others of my species, which means I prefer shorter, flatter, flowers. Perhaps if you take a trip over to Milburn landing you might see me! (There are three of this letter in the answer and you'll use it twice in the clue)

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3. I have been in an age long struggle with my host plant but I need it to survive. I have even been able to adapt its poison into my own body to repel predators, pretty smart eh? (The letter you'll need is in the middle of an abbreviation for a day of the week)

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4. You can identify me by my white/silver spot and my hook like antennae! (The letter you need has taken Q's place between these two letters in the alphabet, singing the song might help!)

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5. We have mentioned three of these species you can find within the park, named so because they have a feature similar to that of a birds. (The letter you need is at the start of the tail)

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Final Stamp Clue

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# Marina Playground

GPS Coordinate: 38° 8' 28" N/ 75° 26' 25" W

Some pollinators just do not get as much credit as the others. Oftentimes the reason for that is because we are too busy swatting them away. See if you can find a few of these underappreciated pollinators and learn a way to show them some love; don't leave them feeling **BLUE**.

## Hints:

I like to live underground and am a big fan of whatever you have got cooking. Find me in the picnic area near a stump.

It might not be the best smell in the world but I like it! Find me south of the Jungle gym where people can dispose of something smelly.

Typically, I prefer stagnant water but I guess this will do. You can find me next to the boat store.

Final Stamp Clue

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# Nature Center

GPS Coordinate: 38° 8' 10" N/ 75° 26' 20" W

Stop by the Nature center between 10:30am and 3:30PM to learn about the hummingbird and see if they are visiting!

Final Stamp Clue

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