



MOCCASIN TRAIL LETTERBOX QUEST

1. From Chik-Wauk Museum and Nature Center's main parking area, start at the end of the Moccasin Trail just behind the large trail map sign to the left of the outhouse.
2. Walk past a very large aspen tree to the right of the trail.
3. Walk past the marker on right with #11 on it and see a patch of invasive hawkweed.
4. Walk past some old foundation footings and steps from a former cabin of Chik-Wauk Lodge.
5. Walk past marker # 10 with four large moccasin flowers behind a juniper bush. Notice the bearberry plants covering the ground there as well.
6. Continue on the trail pass an old jack pine tree on the right and a small lichen covered boulder on the right.
7. Walk past a large standing dead jack pine on the left. See how birds and insects have made holes in it looking for insects.
8. Walk past marker # 9 near a small southerly inlet of Saganaga Lake, cross a wooden walkway and a huge boulder on the right of the bridge. Note the very old twisted tree stump with rocks among the roots and moss growing on parts of the roots. Look for moose and ducks in the water.
9. The trail now curves to the right. Look for a young balsam tree on the right and a low spreading juniper on the left.
10. Just past the balsam is an old rotten stump with lichen, moss and even a small bush growing out of it. Look for the letterbox around the stump, but walk **gently** so you don't crush small plants.
11. **CONGRATULATIONS YOU FOUND IT!** Stamp the journal page and add your name (or nickname) and date. Stamp your own journal if you have one. Please put everything back in the letterbox and close the zip lock bag and hide it back in the same place. We hope this was a fun adventure for you!