

Gaffney Wildlife Area

(1856 Firefly Rd, Manchester, Iowa)



Legend



Parking Area



Park Boundary

Acres: 22.0

Habitat: 19.0 ac. Upland Woodland
3.0 Wetlands

Species: Deer, Turkey, Small game, Furbearers

Open to hunting and trapping according to
DNR seasons with County restrictions

The Gaffney Wildlife Area is located 1 mile north of Manchester in section 17 and 18 of Delaware Township (T89N-R5W), Delaware County, Iowa.

In 1961 the Delaware County Conservation Board purchased 22.0 acres from Vincent Gaffney as a public hunting area and named the area after the family. This property is heavily timbered with a variety of trees such as:

- Elm
- Hackberry
- Cottonwood
- Cherry
- Walnut
- Bur Oak
- Hickory
- Green Ash
- Maple

This area also provides an opportunity for outdoor recreation and enjoyment on an undeveloped natural area. Due to its proximity to a neighboring housing development hunting is restricted to bow hunting. Visitors enjoy hiking, bird watching and mushrooming throughout this area.

The 3.0-acre wetland on the southeast corner of this property filters surface water run-off and provides habitat for variety of waterfowl such as wood ducks and other birds requiring wetland habitat. It is also a great place for amphibians.

The Gaffney Wildlife Area provides habitat for white tailed deer, wild turkey, furbearers, song birds and other species. It is managed as a walk-in area with undeveloped trails which allows people the opportunity to enjoy the natural features of this area.



Delaware County Conservation

2379 Jefferson Rd
Manchester, IA 52057
563-927-3410
delawareccb@gmail.com