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**Coastal Mountains Nature Program walk: *Mushrooms and Other Fungi***

Camden – Coastal Mountains Nature Program presents *Mushrooms and Other Fungi* on **Saturday, September 17 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** at the St. Clair Preserve (Knights Pond) in Northport. The popular Coastal Mountains Nature Program is a series of monthly naturalist-led walks and talks exploring the natural history of Mid-Coast Maine.

Dr. David Porter, emeritus professor of mycology at the University of Georgia, will share his broad and in-depth knowledge of mushrooms. During the first hour, after a brief demonstration of how to describe a mushroom and make spore prints, we will spread out to collect mushrooms along the trails in and around the St. Clair Preserve. During the second hour, we will meet in the parking lot to identify the mushrooms and talk about their biology and ecology.

**DIRECTIONS**

Take Route 1 to Northport, turn west on Beech Road for 2.3 miles, turn left on Knights Pond Road and drive 1.8 miles to the end.

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The Coastal Mountains Nature Program is hosted by Coastal Mountains Land Trust. This program hosts walks and talks exploring the natural history of Mid-Coast Maine to educate the public about environment issues and increase opportunities for residents to explore the outdoors.

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Coastal Mountains Land Trust has worked since 1986 to permanently conserve land to benefit the natural and human communities of the western Penobscot Bay. The Land Trust has protected over 12,000 acres to date, offering 50 miles of trails for public access.