

GET EYE TO EYE  
WITH NATURE

# VINS

NATURE CENTER

- Outdoor exhibits of owls, eagles, falcons and other birds of prey
- Flight demonstrations
- Ecology programs about the landscape and wildlife of Vermont
- Walking trails
- Nature shop featuring science kits, field guides, binoculars, toys and gifts



## VINS NATURE CENTER

VINS (Vermont Institute of Natural Science) has transformed 47 acres on Route 4 in Quechee into an environmental learning center and living museum. Visitors of all ages will enjoy getting up close and personal with Vermont wildlife and learning about the ecosystems native to the Green Mountain state.



## RAPTOR EXHIBITS

If you're familiar with Hedwig and the other owls in the Harry Potter books, you know that they are terrific flyers. See owls and other birds

of prey—Peregrine Falcons, Red-tailed Hawks, Bald Eagles and nearly 20 additional species—on display in a series of outdoor enclosures.

## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Daily bird-on-glove and “Predators of the Sky” flight programs allow visitors to come eye-to-eye with birds ranging in size from tiny Screech Owls to enormous Golden Eagles.



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## NATURE TRAILS

Enjoy naturalist-led and self-guided walks on 40 acres of untouched Vermont land. Explore stream-bank and forest communities

with a large variety of animal life. Quechee Gorge—a geological wonder of cliffs, deep pools and waterfalls—is connected by walking paths.

## VINS NATURE SHOP

The VINS Nature Shop offers fun and educational equipment for discovering and studying the natural world. It is well stocked with science kits, field guides, gifts, art, books, toys and jewelry for nature lovers of all ages.



CAN OWLS SMELL?

HOW FAST CAN A FALCON FLY?

HOW WAS THE QUECHEE GORGE CREATED?

*Get the answers to your nature questions at the VINS Nature Center.*



*Discover the nature of Vermont.*

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## EXPLORE. LEARN. ENJOY.

Be eye to eye with an eagle. View hawks in flight. Learn about the natural wonders of New England. Shop in a nature store. It's all right here at the VINS Nature Center.

VINS Nature Center is open year round, seven days a week.

## HOURS

9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

(May 1 to October 31)

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

(November 1 to April 30)

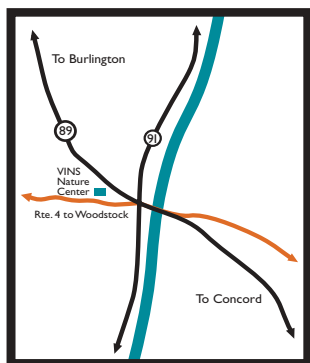
Closed Thanksgiving,  
Christmas and New Year's Day.



## ADMISSION

Adults, \$8; Children 3-16, \$6.50; Members, free.  
Group rates are available.

VINS Nature Shop, raptor exhibits and some nature trails are wheelchair accessible.



## DIRECTIONS

VINS Nature Center is located on Route 4 near the Quechee Gorge. From I-89, take Exit 1 to Route 4 West.

## VINS NATURE CENTER

Route 4 (next to the Quechee Gorge)

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