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## CLAY PITS POND STATE PARK PRESERVE - Fall Events Guide (October-December)

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Clay Pit Ponds State Park Preserve is a 260-acre natural area near the southwest shore of Staten Island. Once the site of clay-mining, the Preserve today contains a mixture of unique habitats such as wetlands, fields, sandy barrens, spring-fed streams and woodlands. As a terminal point for some northern and southern species, the area is rich with a variety of plant and animal life.

Clay Pit Ponds is New York City's first State Park Preserve. It is managed to retain its' unique ecology. The Preserve is an Audu-bon Bird Conservation Area and is home to Gericke Farm, where organic garden-ing is still practiced and taught.

Preserve Headquarters (83 Nielsen Ave.) open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily.

See the attached Fall Events Guide.