The Maritime Forest

The forest here on Bald Head Island is the largest of any NC barrier island, and we’re very proud of it!

The most common trees you’ll see standing tall and strong in our forest are Live Oaks, Red Cedar, Wax Myrtle, and Loblolly Pine.

The deep roots of old growth trees anchor the soil and sand, providing a stable foundation for more vegetation to grow on top of.

The maritime forest provides habitat for many animals, including white-tailed deer, raccoons, possums, owls, and many other species.

Learn more about the maritime forest on our Island Nature Tour and Guided Forest Hike!