



Baltimore Woods Nature Center

Nature in your hands



Hiking trails are open daily from dawn to dusk.
The Interpretive Center is open M-F from 9-4, Saturdays from 10-4, closed on Sundays.
Call (315) 673-1350 for assistance. Dial 911 for an emergency.
Donations help keep Baltimore Woods beautiful.



Trail Information

The Baltimore Woods Preserve encompasses 270 acres of forests, fields, wetlands, streams, hills and valleys. There are over 5 miles of trails ranging in difficulty from easy to moderate with hills. A wheelchair accessible stone dust path links the Backyard Wildlife and Harrison Trails to the Faust Wildflower Garden, starting from the pavilion. Trails are open dawn to dusk year round. Please remember to leave what you find, be respectful of wildlife and other visitors, and take trash home.



Backyard Wildlife Trail (.3 miles)

An easy walk around the edge of a field, this trail provides a chance to see wildlife that has adapted well to living close to humans. (Blue)



Griffiths Trail (.2 miles)

The Griffiths Flats have an unusual diversity of plant and animal life within the floodplain of Baltimore Brook. Beavers flooded the flats in 2011. Today, a new meadow grows now that the beavers have moved on, offering nice birding opportunities. (Tan)

Boundary Trail (1.7 miles)

Starting from the lower parking lot, this challenging trail allows you to visit some of the remote portions of the preserve. Highlights include shady valley stretches, sunny fields, an old sand pit, Boulder Brook, and Phillips Pond. (Pink)



Overlook Trail (.7 miles)

This popular trail follows a hilly path to three overlooks, offering revealing views of the variety of Central New York landscapes, including a rare habitat. (Orange)



Dee Atkinson Arboretum (.3 miles)

This collection of common trees and shrubs of Central New York follows the forest edge around the fields near the Interpretive Center. Nearly 70 species are represented and labeled. (Green)



Pioneer Lifestyle Trail (.2 miles)

Explore the lifestyle of Marcellus's first settlers and their connections to the forest around them. Visit the log cabin home and stroll through the gardens and forests that provided for their everyday needs. Do not miss the excellent views into and across the valley from several vistas. (Red)



Harrison Trail (.6 miles)

Looping around the hillside, this trail reveals the oldest forests on the Preserve, passes beaver meadows, and rises up the hill through some of the youngest forests, including a newly planted oak grove. (Tan)



Faust Wildflower Garden

Named after one of Central New York's finest botanists, Mildred Faust, this premiere field and forest wildflower garden holds an educational collection of the area's native plant life. The garden is wheelchair accessible. (Violet)



Field to Forest Trail (.75 miles)

This moderate trail follows the path of field abandonment, revealing the many stages through which a forest undergoes as it grows up. From shrubby fields full of birds to a maturing maple lot full of wildflowers, this is a trail worth walking any time of year. (Green)



There's so much more to do at Baltimore Woods!

Join the Volunteer Team at Baltimore Woods

Volunteers are essential to keeping our organization running smoothly. Our wonderful volunteer community helps maintain trails, cares for the gardens, restores habitat, takes care of the buildings, assists with programs, and greets visitors to the Interpretive Center.

Come to Our Programs and Events

Sign up for a program led by one of our environmental educators and learn all about the nature that surrounds you every day!

Visit the John A. Weeks Interpretive Center

The Interpretive Center has exhibits, a gift shop, nature-themed art gallery, and friendly staff and volunteers ready to answer your questions and make your visit memorable.

Open Mondays-Fridays 9am-4pm, and Saturdays 10am-4pm.



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