



Fanny Mason Forest Trail - Walpole, NH (0.9 miles)

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1.0 miles (Easy to moderate)

Starting point 43.05085, - 72.44513 Elevation 385'

The trail is located in the Fanny Mason Town Forest. It winds through a heavily forested area. The variety of large trees alone is worth the visit. The easiest way to find the trail is to start from the rest area on the east side of Rte.12, north of the Connector Road. See the parking description for more detail. Climb a small slope at the left (north) end of the parking area to go into the forest. Continue onward to fairly sharp turn to the left and meander over mixed terrain. Make a short turn to the right along a narrow, steep bank to a small footbridge. You will see a pole barn before coming onto an old farm road that twists and turns on its way back to Rte.12. A chain gate separates this road from the small, grassy parking spot noted below. It would not be unusual to spot deer running through. Currently this is an out-and-back trail, but there are plans in place for creating a loop.

Parking

Parking for the southern end of the trail is located at a picnic/rest area, on the eastern side of Rte.12, north of the Connector Road. There is also a small pull-off to the northern end of the trail, on the same side, 0.8 miles to the north of the rest area. It sits just before a telephone pole on which is posted a small green and white sign labeled, "650." If you are coming from the north, it is just a little over 0.2 miles past River Rd. (River Rd. is on the west side of Rte.12.) The pull-off is a grassy drive and easy to miss. Note that there is very little visibility exiting onto Rte. 12.

Motorized vehicles are not permitted in the Fanny Mason Forest.

Note that the forest is popular with hunters.

Risk

All trails come with inherent risks. Please take precautionary measures to protect yourself from ticks, poison ivy, and other potential hazards. Please respect that this area is home for a variety of wildlife.

For emergencies call 911

Please remember to practice "Leave No Trace"
(Int.org/why/7-principles/)

Plan ahead and prepare
Travel and camp on durable surfaces
Dispose of waste properly
Leave what you find; take what you bring
Minimize fire impact
Respect wildlife
Be considerate of others