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Wilmington Trails Map

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1. The Valley Trail

Start at Reardon's Crossing footbridge. Cross to the North side of the street and travel briefly along the road (west). The trailhead will be on your right. This trail travels all the way to Dover. Distance: 9.0 miles. See the Valley Trail map for parking options and multiple trailheads for access.

2. Hoot, Toot & Whistle Trail

So named because it roughly follows the old Hoot, Toot & Whistle railway bed. Start at Reardon's Crossing footbridge. Follow this trail to the right (west and south) of the Village. It follows the North Branch of the Deerfield River and then south along the shore of Lake Whitingham until it reaches the boat launch and swimming area. Distance: 2.0 miles. To create a 4.0 mile loop, return via Fairview Avenue. Turn left onto Castle Hill Road and then left onto West Main Street to return to Wilmington center.

3. Downtown Loop

Start at Reardon's Crossing foot bridge on the west side of the village. Cross over the bridge and take the first left, then down Mill Street and Shafter Street to South Main Street. Turn left toward the center of the village, then left again on West Main Street to return to your starting point at Reardon's Crossing. Or weave through the quaint shops and delicious restaurants in the village. Distance: 0.5 mile

4. Beaver Brook Trail

This 0.7 mile trail hugs a section of the Beaver Brook as it flows south into Wilmington and the Deerfield River. Begin at Buzzy Towne Park on South Main Street and continue onto the gravel path just beyond the basketball courts. With the river ecosystem dominating on the right, the path winds behind the town athletic facilities and Old School Community Center, ending at the sidewalk on East Main St.

5. Lisle Hill to Whites Road

From Wilmington Center, head North on Route 100. Turn immediately right onto Lisle Hill Rd and travel 0.6 mi to the trailhead located on the left. The trail goes over Lisle Hill with some rugged steep sections. There are two connections onto Whites Road, which allow for a 1.1 mile total "lollipop loop". Return to Lisle Hill via Route 9 for a 2.4 mile loop or continue across Whites Road and onto the Primitive Trail.

6. Primitive Trail (Whites Road to West Lake Road)

This trail begins on the east side of Whites Road, just after the bridge over Beaver Brook. The Trail briefly follows Beaver Brook, descending steeply to cross a tributary, then rising steeply onto the ridge. From there, it is more gentle, crossing through old forest, old cross country ski trails, high ridges and low beaver ponds, arriving at the southwestern shore of Lake Raconda. Distance: 2.75 miles

7. Lake Raconda Trails

Park beyond the kiosk in the parking area for Green Mountain Beach, above Lake Raconda Road. You can make three loops from here.

1) Town Forest: Start from the northeast corner of the parking area, and head left for a 0.3 mile loop through the woods. For longer loops 2 and 3, head right. The trail passes through woods then heads uphill on Stearns Avenue, veering off to the right onto a driveway and trail.

2) Turn left onto Ware Road and continue onto the trail to Old Stage Road (downhill). At the end of Old Stage Road, turn left onto Lake Raconda Road and back to the parking area. 2.8 miles in all.

3) Or turn right onto Ware Road and follow it to Lake Raconda Road. Turn right to return to the parking area. 2.5 miles in all.

8. Ware-Homestead & Hogback Connector

This trail can be accessed via the Green Mountain Beach Parking lot or from the Raconda Ridge Parking Area. The trail is 1.1 miles from its junction with Lake Raconda Trail to the Hogback Mountain Conservation Area. You can loop back via the Raconda Ridge Trail.

9. Raconda Ridge Trails

Follow Ware Road for 0.7 miles to Raconda Ridge gate and its trailhead on your right. For a 1.3 mile hike, you can follow the trail and loop back to the trailhead. The trail also connects to the Hogback Mountain Conservation Area Trails.

10. Shearer Hill Trail

Park on the right at the Intersection of Shearer Hill and Parsons Road just past the quarry. Walk along Shearer Hill Road for approximately 0.5 miles to the trailhead on the left side of the road. This trail ascends Mt. Olga and includes a steep section near the beginning. After 1.5 miles, it connects with Molly Stark State Park's trails, and on to the Mt. Olga fire tower and the Hogback Mountain Conservation Area.

11. Monument Trail

A mostly gravel footpath from the parking area behind St. Mary's in the Mountains Episcopal Church down to the Beaver Brook Trail.

Other Nearby Trails

Catamount Trail

This is a section of a cross-country ski trail that extends the length of the state. The section near Wilmington parallels the west side of Harriman Reservoir, and ends in the town of Whitingham. Find more information and maps at catamounttrail.org

Haystack Mountain

Trailhead signs are on Chimney Hill's Upper Dam Road. The marked trail is a moderately steep 2.0 mile hike to the summit of Haystack Mountain.

Hogback Mountain Conservation Area

Trailhead kiosks are located on either side of Route 9, just after passing into Marlboro, near the "100 mile view". Hogback has many trails and some connect back to the Wilmington trails. Find more information and maps at hogbackvt.org.

Molly Stark State Park

This park is on Route 9 East, approximately 3.5 miles from the center of Wilmington. There is a seasonal fee for use. The park's trails ascend Mt. Olga and connect to Shearer Hill Trail 10 and the Hogback Mountain Conservation Association's trails. Find more information at vtstateparks.com/mollystark.html

Rules of the Trails

1. **Respect the Landowners** who have given permission to pass through their land. Stay on the trail. Keep pets on leash and pick up after them.
2. **Leave what you find:** Take only pictures, leave only footprints. Don't disturb plants and, rocks. Don't feed or disturb wildlife.
3. **No motorized vehicles**
4. **Be aware of hunting season.**