Welcome to the Huyck Preserve Trail System!

NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation.

Huyck Preserve trail system upgrades funded in part by the funds of the Preserve’s members, who agree that their contributions will be used for the preservation, protection, and enhancement of the Preserve. As a member, your dues support not only our mission of connecting people to nature through programs, merchandise, and books sold at events. Join the Huyck Preserve for nearly 80 years the Huyck Preserve and Biological Research Station has excelled at our mission of connecting the public to nature through our research, education, conservation, and recreation. As a member, your dues support not only our mission, but maintenance of the trails and facilities as well as our education and public programming. Members are also entitled to receive our newsletter, and discounts on Preserve programs, merchandise, and other local events in the Visitor Center. In addition, your membership gives you the privilege of voting at our Annual Meeting.

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Partridge Path (Connector trail and Loops One, Two, and Three)

Our partridge path is a connector to the Preserve’s trail system, the Partridge Path can be accessed from either the Wheeler-Watson trail, Ordway Trail, or from Peasley Rd. Its three loops cross the northern 1,200 acres of the Preserve. Additionally, Loop Three connects with the famed Long Path in Partridge Run Wildlife Management Area. The trail runs through a variety of different habitats, including large tracts of mature sugar maple forest (look out for evidence of the former sugar industry in the area) and small wetlands of cattails and wild calla lilies.

Total Distance: ~3 miles

Difficulty: Moderate to Difficult due to several short climbs and uneven terrain.

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Wheeler-Watson, Race Track and Ordway Trails

Wheeler-Watson and Ordway trails mostly act as connectors to the Lake Myosotis trail and the Race Track which leads to Partridge Path. The Wheeler-Watson trail begins off of Pond Hill Rd. near the Eldridge Research Station parking area, approximately 1 mile west of the Eldridge Research Center. From the parking area, the trail climbs up through mixed deciduous forest before the trail narrows following closely the edge of the Pond.

Total Distance: ~1.5 miles

Difficulty: Uphill climbs on Wheeler-Watson and Ordway Trails and slightly uneven terrain make these trails Moderate to Difficult. Race Track’s flat and wide surface make it ideal of cross country skiing and an Easy trail to walk.

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Huyck Preserve Rules and Trail Etiquette

In order to keep our trails pristine and our research areas undisturbed, we ask that you respect the following:

- Please keep pets on a leash.
- Please stay on the trails.
- Horses, bicycles, and motorized vehicles prohibited.
- No hunting or trapping.
- Fishing allowed in Lake Myosotis only.
- Camping and fires prohibited.
- Take only pictures, leave only footprints.
- Trails open dawn to dusk.