AMETHYST BROOK CONSERVATION AREAS
AMHERST & PELHAM, MASS

DISTANCE: LESS THAN 2 MILES

- Suggested route
- Other trails
- Streams & rivers

**Parking**
- Community gardens
- Bridge (to be fixed 2018)
- Amethyst Brook
- Stone spiral and bridge
- Dorie Goldman Trail
- Natural spring
- Play in the stream
- Take in the view
- Field

**Locator**
A TRAIL FOR EVERYONE AT

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The conservation lands around Amethyst Brook, owned by the Town of Amherst, the Town of Pelham and Kestrel Land Trust, are loved for wonderful trails along a babbling brook.

SUGGESTED ROUTE

This double-looped trail is nearly 2 miles, and begins at the Town of Amherst’s trailhead parking lot on Pelham Road in Amherst. Follow the trail away from the road through the fields, which are home to the Town of Amherst’s Community Gardens. This red-blazed Robert Frost Trail crosses a bridge and continues through the woods along the brook. Pass a second bridge. At the third bridge, take time to walk a stone spiral on the left. Continue on the blue-blazed Dorie Goldman Trail onto Kestrel land. Follow the trail through the woods, then turn left away from the brook, notice a natural spring on the right, and walk up a short hill. At the top (the mid-way point of the hike) is a nice spot to take in the view of the tree canopy. Continue to follow the blue blazes through the woods, which are owned by the Town of Pelham, and make a left at the main red-blazed Robert Frost trail, which takes you back down the hill toward the brook. Now cross the second bridge for the second loop. Follow the red-blaze along the brook on your right now, back to the parking lot.

WHAT YOU CAN DO HERE

Walk/Jog

Play in the Water

Bring Your Dog

XC Ski / Snowshoe

Watch Wildlife

DIRECTIONS

• GPS address: Thayer St. & Pelham Rd., Amherst, MA 01002
• Parking is available on Pelham Road next to the conservation area
• Bus: 45 – Amherst/Thayer Street

YOU SHOULD KNOW

• Open dawn to dusk, year round
• Please keep dogs on leash and pick up after your pet
• Respect adjacent private property by staying on the trail

WHAT TO LOOK FOR

• Three wooden bridges cross Amethyst Brook, providing places to pause to enjoy the water

PARTNERS MAKE CONSERVATION POSSIBLE:

Kestrel Land Trust works in close partnership with municipalities to create, conserve, and care for public lands to help everyone connect with nature.

For more information about the conserved town lands located here, contact:

Town of Amherst
Department of Conservation:
413-259-3045

Town of Pelham:
Conservation Commission
413-253-0512

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