

A TRAIL FOR EVERYONE AT AMETHYST BROOK CONSERVATION AREAS

AMHERST & PELHAM, MASS



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 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**. Bear right at the fork in the trail. (Note: The red-blazed Robert Frost Trail to the left crosses the stream where a bridge is out, to be repaired in the future.) Continues through the woods until you reach a **bridge** to cross the stream. Bear right and continue toward the next **bridge**, and 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 is a nice spot to **take in the view** of the tree canopy, and check out the Native Names Poetry Box. 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. Cross back over the bridge and return the way you came in, following the red-blaze along the brook on your right now, back to the parking lot.

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WHAT YOU CAN DO HERE



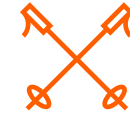
Walk/Jog



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

- Wooden bridges cross Amethyst Brook, providing places to enjoy the water
- Native Names Poetry Box

PARTNERS MAKE CONSERVATION POSSIBLE:

Kestrel Land Trust works in 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

