AMETHYST BROOK CONSERVATION AREAS
AMHERST & PELHAM, MASS
DISTANCE: LESS THAN 2 MILES

NOTE: NO BRIDGE

Take in the view

Play in the stream

Stone spiral and bridge

PRIVATE CONSERVED FARMLAND

KESREL LAND TRUST LAND

Robert Frost Trail

Community gardens

Field

Parking

PRIVATE LAND

WHITNEY CONSERVATION AREA
Town of Pelham

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Other trails

Streams & rivers

Suggested route

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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 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, bearing right to pass by the Town of Amherst’s Community Gardens. Cross a bridge and turn right to continue following the trail along the brook.

Look for a stone spiral meditation labyrinth on the left. Then bear right and pass another bridge to 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 midway 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.

Turn right to follow the trail back the way you came along the brook to the first bridge and cross the brook to follow the trail 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

WHAT TO LOOK FOR

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

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

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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