



Why No Dogs?

We understand how important our canine friends are to their human companions. However, we ask that you leave your dog home when you choose to visit this Nature Conservancy preserve.

The Nature Conservancy's mission is:

To preserve the plants, animals, and natural communities that represent the diversity of life on Earth by protecting the lands and waters they need to survive.

The Nature Conservancy's preserves are among New Hampshire's most ecologically significant areas. Many support irreplaceable biodiversity features and offer important sanctuaries for wildlife. With the mission in mind, we aim to provide low-impact public access to our preserves for the purpose of enjoying and observing nature, plants, and wildlife.

We do not allow dogs on this nature preserve because of the following concerns:

- ❖ Some wildlife species perceive canines as threatening, thereby causing wildlife to alter their resting and feeding behaviors when canines are nearby.
- ❖ Preserve visitors looking for sightings of mammals and birds may be less likely to see wildlife if they are visiting during or shortly after a canine visit.
- ❖ Dogs that are allowed to run off-leash may wander freely off trail, impact fragile plant species, harass ground-nesting birds, and disrupt other wildlife.
- ❖ Some young children and adults have a fear of dogs. We prefer to minimize potential user conflicts.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. We hope you enjoy your visit to this beautiful natural area.

*For more information, please feel free to contact The Nature Conservancy at:
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