

VISION

Francis Small Heritage Trust will safeguard large, connected landscapes that support biodiversity, climate resilience, rural livelihoods, and local traditions. Our lands will support a variety of recreational uses while intentionally protecting habitat and wilderness; our partnerships with Indigenous communities and local residents will be strong; our organization will have the people and resources needed to sustain this work for generations to come.



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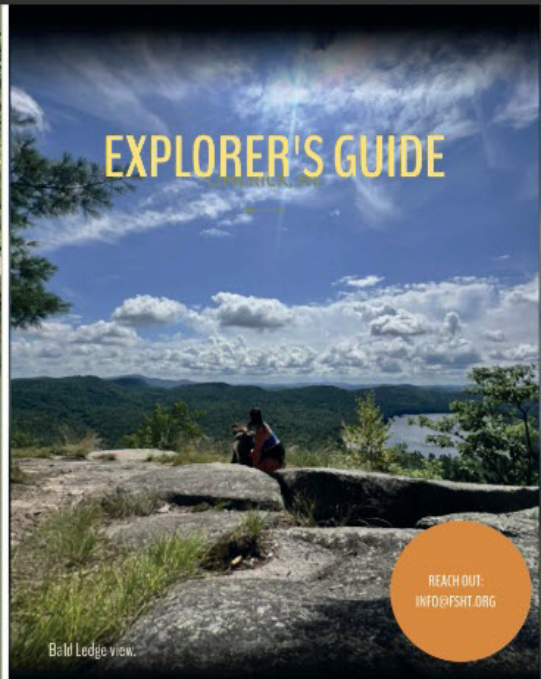
Protecting wildlife habitat, watersheds, forests, and farms in southwestern Maine to support conservation, climate resilience, low-impact recreation, traditional uses, environmental education, and to honor Indigenous connections to the land.



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TRAILS

1. INGALLS POND

Highlights: Discover a complex of interconnected shallow ponds and wetlands. This preserve offers easy walking along the shores of both Ingalls Pond and the Saco River, making it an ideal spot for birdwatching and nature study. Trail: Easy walking paths.

2. JAGOLINZER PRESERVE

Highlights: Breathtaking views of the Saco River and a hidden waterfall. Trail: ~0.5 mile loop (Easy).

3. DEVILS DEN

Highlights: Ascend to the historic Devils Den, standing at 1,118 feet, and discover panoramic vistas that rival the best in the region, including breathtaking views sweeping southwest towards Colcord Pond. For over two centuries, visitors have been drawn to this remarkable spot for its spectacular scenery and fascinating geological features. Trail: 1.0 mile out & back. Elevation Gain: 269' (Relatively Easy).

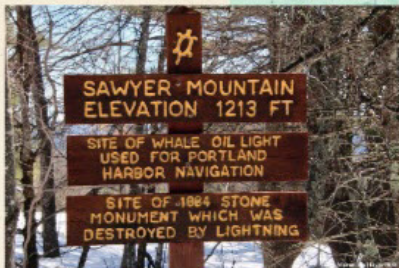
4. (SISSON) HEATH LOOP TRAIL

Highlights: This trail takes you deep into the woods to circle "The Heath," a significant local wetland. It is an excellent destination for those looking for a longer, level walk through a quiet natural habitat. Trail: 3.0-mile loop. (Easy)



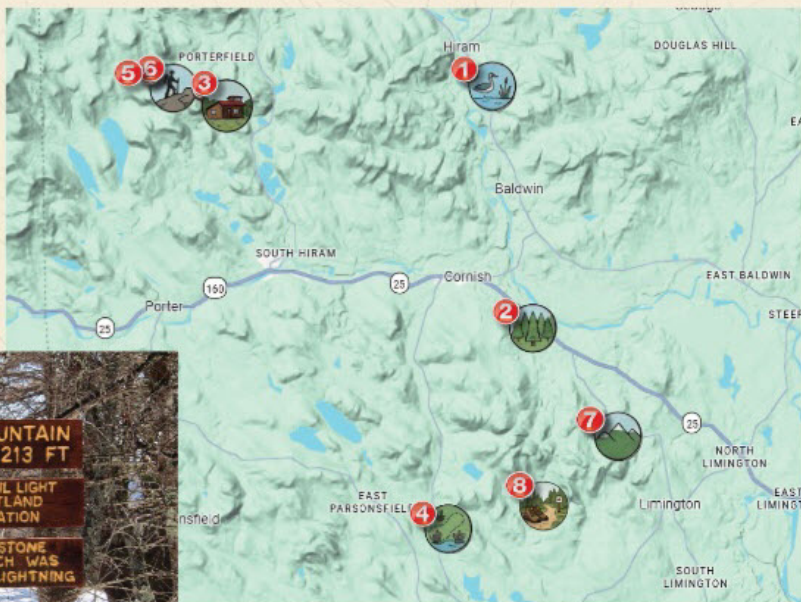
5. COLCORD TRAIL

Highlights: Experience a persistent ascent through hemlock groves and a unique ironwood-oak-ash forest community. The trail passes historical stone walls before emerging onto scenic ledges with views of Colcord Pond and the surrounding hills. Trail: 1.5 miles out & back. Elevation gain: about 544' (Moderate).



6. BALD LEDGE

The Bald Ledge Preserve - From the kiosk in the parking area, walk eastward on Varney Road for about 0.2 miles. The footpath trail departs from the road, heading south, through a break in a stone wall, marked by FSHT trail signs and red/yellow "turtle" trail markers. The trail is mostly a gentle ascent but becomes somewhat steeper as it approaches the summit ledges. At the summit, with spectacular views, the elevation is about 1185'. Trail: 0.7 miles one way. Elevation gain: about 270'. (Moderate)



7. SAWYER MOUNTAIN HIGHLANDS

The trailhead is located at a sharp turn in Route 117, 2.5 miles south of the junction of Routes 25 and 117, or 2.4 miles north of the junction of Routes 11 and 117. Trail: several 4+ miles. Elevation Gain: 1,000+ (Moderate)

8. SAWYER MOUNTAIN VIA SMITH TRAIL

The mountain is also accessible from the Limerick side, starting at the Sawyer Mountain Road, 1.1 miles north of Emery's Corner. Trail: 3 miles out & back. Elevation Gain: 695' (Moderate)

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