Open Space Trails in Manchester

All of these trails are included on *the Manchester-Essex Conservation Trust (MECT) Trail Map*. These can be purchased in Manchester for \$5.00 at the *Manchester ACE Hardware* and *Seaside Cycle*. Maps are free with new MECT memberships. See www.mect.org for more information.

PLEASE MAINTAIN AT LEAST 6 FEET BETWEEN YOU AND OTHER VISITORS AT ALL PROPERTIES AND WEAR MASKS WHEN WITHIN 6 FEET OF OTHERS

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| Property Name | Description | Location | Parking | Approx Acres | Owned/ Managed by |
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| Clara Winthrop Nature Preserve | Small woodland with vernal pool | Off Jersey Lane | No — accessible on foot from the east side of Jersey Lane | 7.6 | MECT |
| Cranberry Pond Reservation | Hilly woodland and wetlands near the border of Manchester and Gloucester | East Manchester (south of 128) and Gloucester | Very limited, from Dexter Pond or Forest Lane | 47 | Essex County Greenbelt Association |
| Dexter Pond Conservation Area | Shallow pond and woods with trail around pond | Colburn Road | Yes, small parking lot off Colburn Rd. | 20 | Manchester Conservation Commission |
| Eaglehead Wildlife Study Area | Wetland and upland. Good birding opportunities | Trail leads from Sweeney Park to Eaglehead Road | Yes, at Sweeney Park, off Summer Street | 27.5 | Manchester Essex Regional School District |
| Great Hill and Brookwood Conservation Areas | Hilly woodlands | West Manchester, south of 128 | Limited — from the end of Crooked Lane or Brookwood Road | 38 | Manchester Conservation Commission and MECT |
| Hooper Trask Pasture | Rocky forested upland with view of ocean from top | East Manchester, west from end of Magnolia Ave. | Yes — along the street, near the end of Magnolia Ave. | 23.5 | MECT |

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| Long Hill | Trail from Colburn Rd; connects with Dexter Pond Conservation Area. <u>Note</u> : includes steep sections. | East Manchester, just north of the railroad tracks | Yes – at Dexter Pond parking area. | 118 | MECT (Conservation Restriction) |
| Manchester-Essex Woods (Wilderness Conservation Area) | The largest swath of protected land in Manchester, these parcels span north Manchester and Essex. Well-marked trails traverse pristine forests and wetlands. | North Manchester (north of 128) and Essex. | Yes – at Cedar Swamp Conservation Area in Manchester located on School Street, about .25 miles north of Atwater Ave. | 1,943 | MECT, Essex County Greenbelt and the Towns of Manchester and Essex |
| Powder House Hill Reservation | Woodlands in the center of Manchester with loop trails and an historic restored powder house at summit | Central Manchester, accessible from Pine, Elm, Friend and Pleasant Streets | Limited —small parking area on south side of Pleasant St. Also on Friend St. | 55 | Manchester Conservation Commission and MECT |
| Wyman Hill Conservation Area | Upland forest; poorly marked trails | West Manchester, south of 128 | Limited — from the end of Crooked Lane | 68 | MECT and Manchester Conservation Commission |