

## From the Quarries to the Brook

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**Hike # and title** - #1 Forest Path and Dark hollow loop with Houghton's pond extension

**Type and difficulty of trail** - loop - easy to moderate difficulty

**Distance** - 10k - 6.2 miles

**Elevation** - 500f

**Parking and starting point** - Park on Chickatawbut road opposite Forest Street, just west of route 28. Enter the park at either 2175, 2164 or 2153

**Description** - This loop trail takes you around the very perimeter of this 2000 section of the park with the option of adding on Houghton's Pond if you have time and energy. It's relatively flat with wide paths so it makes for a great running trail also. The trails are mostly wooded paths with little or no rock clamoring.

If you want to shorten the walk/run, take Burnt Hill path north at 2092 to eliminate Houghton's pond. This will reduce the distance by around .15 - 2 miles.

### Map

