



Cockermouth Forest

1,206 ACRES, GROTON, NH

Reservation Details

The Cockermouth Forest in Groton and Hebron is a favorite with hikers, as it offers a variety of trails, incredible views, and opportunities for viewing wildlife year-round. The internal road network and old cellar holes indicate that much of the property was farmland in the early to mid 1800s. At the height-of-land, atop Bald Knob, visitors can see the White Mountains and Lake Winnepesaukee on a clear day, as well as the turbines of the Groton Wind Farm on the slopes of Tenney & Fletcher Mountains.

Did you know? The name “Cockermouth Forest” has historical significance in that from 1760 to 1790 the town of Groton was known as

Trail Information

There are many possible hiking routes at Cockermouth Forest. One very nice hike is the Bald Knob Trail, which can be accessed via old roads that lead out from the parking area. At 0.4 miles turn right onto Old North Groton Road. In another 0.6 miles you will find the junction with the Bald Knob Trail on your left, to the North, which will bring you to top of Bald Knob. Any number of other trails from the top make excellent loop hikes, or simply come back down the way you went up.

- 🔗 **DIFFICULTY:** Strenuous
- 🔗 **ROUND TRIP DISTANCE:** 3.6 miles to Bald Knob and back
- 🔗 **TRAIL MARKINGS:** Yellow rectangles

Getting There/Directions

The entrance road & parking for the Cockermouth Forest is about 2 miles north of the center of Groton, NH on North Groton Road. At the property sign (visible from the road) follow a narrow dirt driveway a hundred yards to the small parking area. Please, do not block the gate.

- 🔗 **Google Maps:** There is no street address, however, entering “470 North Groton Road, Hebron, NH” in the google maps search will get you specific directions to the entrance road from your location. Look for the Cockermouth Forest property sign.

Recreational Opportunities

- 🔗 Hiking
- 🔗 Nature observation
- 🔗 Snowshoeing/XC skiing
- 🔗 Hunting, Fishing
- 🔗 Dog walking

Available Amenities

- 🔗 Small parking area, not plowed in winter
- 🔗 Please note NO bathroom facilities are available at this location.

Recreational Use Guidelines

- 🔗 No motorized wheeled vehicles permitted (dirt bikes, ATVs, trucks)
- 🔗 Bicycles allowed only on vehicular access road
- 🔗 Carry In, Carry Out all Trash
- 🔗 No camping or campfires
- 🔗 Do not disturb plants, animals or cultural features.
- 🔗 Dogs must be under owner control at all times, and all dog waste packed out

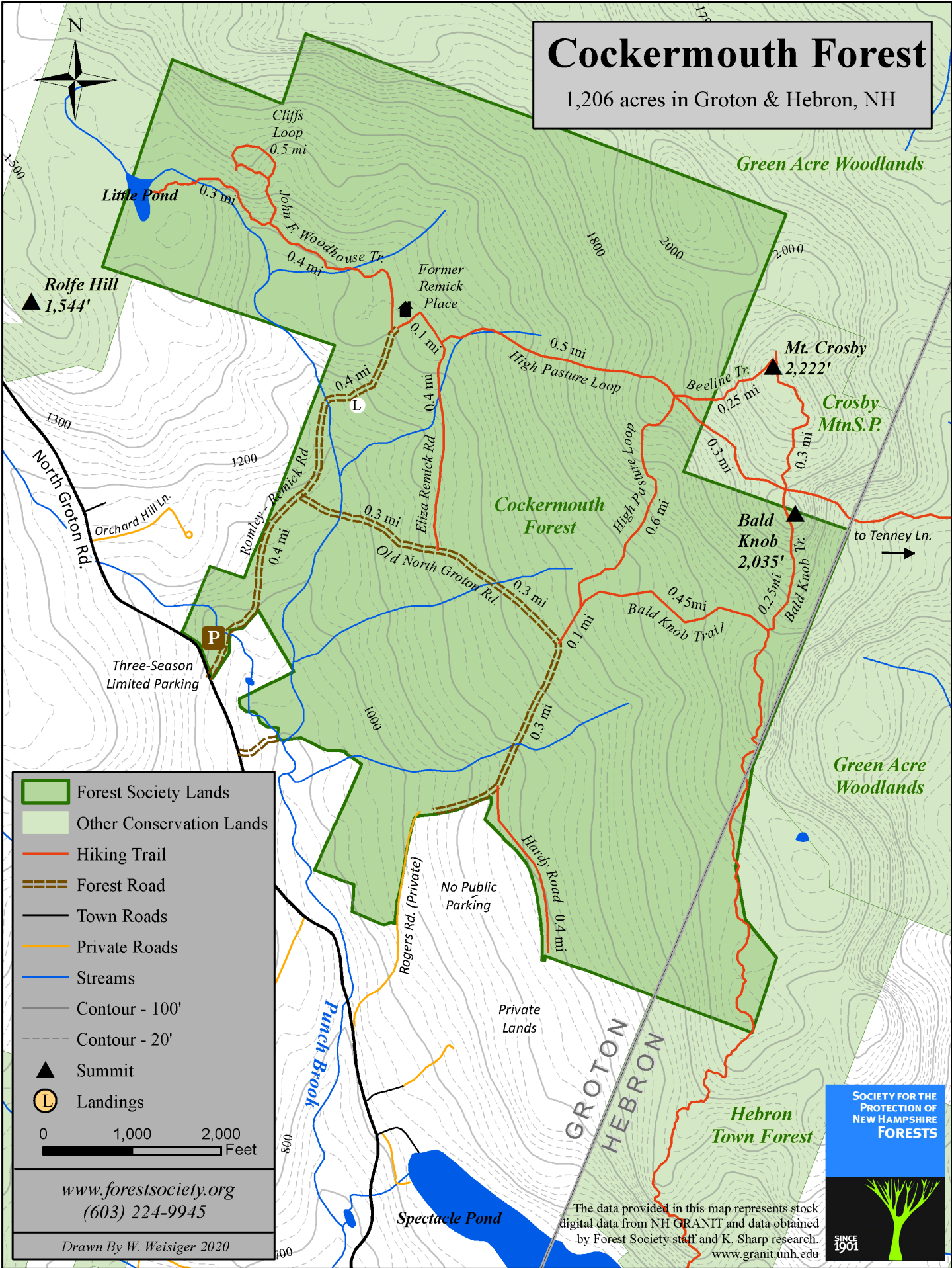
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HIKE SAFE TIPS

- Allow 6+ feet of distance between unrelated groups. Step off the trail to allow others to pass.
- Bring a mask or face covering and hand sanitizer in case you need it
- Don't attempt anything risky or outside your comfort zone
- BYO lunch and plenty of water!

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1,206 acres in Groton & Hebron, NH



- Forest Society Lands
- Other Conservation Lands
- Hiking Trail
- Forest Road
- Town Roads
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- Contour - 20'
- Summit
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