

## **Spear's Park Trails**

### **Access to the trails:**

From Mountain Road/Route 132, head north onto Sanborn Road, go about 0.3 miles and look for a trailhead on your right, turn right up a small hill to a parking area. The trails are straight ahead.

### **The trails:**

Hiking travel time: about 1 hour  
Distance: about 2 miles total

The Spear's Park trails are a series of small loops all moderately flat to moderately hilly terrain. The trail system in Spear's Park consists of several foot trails, snowmobile trails and logging roads that connect to the powerline corridor that travels through this area. In general, these trails are easy, except where trails get narrow. They only get narrow for 30 to 40 feet at a time. The major hill is on the powerline tree edge.

As you start on the trail, look for field sparrows and juncos at the entrance near the parking area. Forty feet into the trail is a white mailbox where the trail splits. Many kinds of wildlife and birds are observable in this park. Look along the wood line and see if you can see the brown creeper, woodpeckers, white winged cross bills or saw-whet owls.

### **History:**

Lester Spear, a tree farmer, owned and nourished this property for many years. In 1995, he was named Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year by the Merrimack County Tree Farm Committee. Lester and his wife Yvette were deeply concerned that the farm they loved never be developed. They first gave a conservation easement on the land to the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests. Later, the Spears gave the land to the City of Concord, in memory of Lester's parents, to be designated as Spear's Park and to be forever open to the public for recreational and educational purposes.



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***Concord Trail System***

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