

WEANTINOGE HERITAGE LAND TRUST

Lappin Bird Preserve, New Milford, 13.4 ac

OVERVIEW: Easy walking through open understory; no formal trail.

HIGHLIGHTS: Elizabeth Lappin gifted this land, one of Weantinoge's earliest preserves, in 1970 in memory of her husband, Frank. She donated the Preserve just a few months after the Millers donated 12 acres on the opposite side of the East Aspetuck River. Together with the Town of New Milford's Carlson's Grove, these three preserves create a tranquil spot next to the busy Route 202 corridor. Be sure to see the "1870" stone spire east of the old wood road leading up from the parking area. There are also some interesting rock formations where the hill drops off to the river valley. This area was very busy in post-colonial days. The marble for Connecticut's first capitol building came from a small quarry less than a mile to the northeast.

CONTACTS: As with a visit to any Weantinoge preserve, if you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call the Weantinoge office at (860) 927-1927 or email us at info@weantinoge.org.

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