

Goose Pond Reservation

 Lee, MA

112 acres

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Goose Pond Reservation is managed as a wilderness area, yet is accessibly located in the heart of the Berkshires. The 2 mile trail steadily climbs nearly 300 feet from the parking lot to the crest at 1,753 feet. Exploring the wooded ridge, you can catch glimpses of Lower Goose Pond, a mountain lake anchored by steep slopes. The lake and its surrounding forest are adjacent to conservation land owned and managed by the National Park Service, which contains a section of the 2,100-mile Appalachian Trail.

What makes Goose Pond a special place?

The hike up the two-mile trail is strenuous in places, as it climbs nearly 300 feet to the ridge at an elevation of 1,753 feet. Exploring the ridge, you catch glimpses of Lower Goose Pond, a mountain lake anchored by steep ridgelines, that also supports a remote section of the Appalachian Trail as it passes through parts of Massachusetts on its 2,100-mile journey from Georgia to Maine. The lake and its surrounding forest are adjacent to conservation land owned and managed by the National Park Service.

Trails

We are grateful to the Lee Land Trust for providing access to Goose Pond Reservation with their parking lot on Route 20 and the 2 mi. trail which climbs upward from there.

Getting Here & Directions

Access via boat ramp on Ridge Street
Lee, MA 01238
Telephone: 413.213.4751
E-mail: westregion@thetrustees.org

Latitude: 42.274417
Longitude: -73.200889

[Get directions on Google Maps.](#)

Parking lot and access to the reservation is on the property of our partner, Lee Land Trust; please be respectful of our partner's land. Wear bright colors and avoid carrying anything white during hunting seasons. Note: there is no access to the pond itself.

From Mass Turnpike, take Exit 2 onto Route 20 East and follow for 0.8 miles. Turn right onto Forest Street and follow for 1.5 miles. Forest Street becomes Goose Pond Road. Follow Goose Pond Road 0.4 miles to Ridge Street on left. Follow Ridge Street 0.2 miles to public boat ramp at southern end of Lower Goose Pond. Park in the boat ramp parking area and put in there.

Once on the pond, travel north to the end of Lower Goose Pond. The reservation is on the left (north) bank and is the only continuous stretch of undeveloped shoreline. The reservation may only be accessed by canoe or kayak from the shoreline; note that the shoreline is very rocky, and it may be difficult to go ashore.

Please do not attempt to access Goose Pond Reservation from any local roads. Access is only by boat.