

## MAP SET - HIKE

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#### **Hike Map 14 - Pembroke, Duxbury, Kingston - BAY CIRCUIT TRAIL route**

*As shown on Hike Map 14 updated February 2024, text updated February 2024*

#### **Know Before You Go:**

All section guides provide written directions for the trail in a **North to South (Southbound)** direction unless otherwise noted.

There are two sets of BCT maps and guides. The Hike Map Set and The Bike Map Set. Each set shows the route for its specific use. Much of the bike route overlaps with the hike route, but the separate map sets clearly display each route independently. To see where the trail uses overlap or differ, compare the map sets OR refer to the BCT Interactive Map on the Bay Circuit Trail website (<https://www.baycircuit.org>) to see the routes, and other trail use allowances, simultaneously.

#### ***Note about Trail Marking***

The BCT often follows pre-existing local trails; BCT specific blazing is a work in progress and may be sparse in segments. We encourage you to review and carry corresponding local maps on your BCT walk. [Trail Notices](#) regarding trail problems and closures are posted on the website at [www.baycircuit.org](http://www.baycircuit.org) under the Notices tab. Please review them for updates to the trail guide and maps.

#### ***Notes by Town***

##### ***Pembroke and Kingston:***

Trail is marked with white rectangular blazes on trees and utility poles. Offset double blazes indicate a turn in the direction of the upper blaze. The BCT logo is used where the trail crosses a road and as a confidence marker.

##### ***Kingston:***

BCT route, roughly following the Jones River west to east, from Silver Lake Sanctuary (Pembroke/Kingston town line) to Bay Farm (Kingston/Duxbury town line),

BCT southern terminus. Parking in informal lot (P=20) at Silver Lake Sanctuary within 200' of lake shore) From Route 27, use Barse's Lane to access the Silver Lake Sanctuary.

#### ***Duxbury:***

At road junctions BCT is marked with 8"x8" BC logos on wooden posts. At some trail junctions, some trailheads, and occasional other sites the traditional 4"x4" BC logos are nailed to trees as confidence markers. The rest of the route is occasionally marked with dollar-bill-sized white rectangular markers, painted or plastic nailed to trees. Offset double blazes indicate a turn in the direction of the upper blaze.

#### ***Alternate Routes:***

The BCT on Hike Maps 13 and 14 has two separate routes to Kingston Bay. On Map 14 refer to Point J for the split.

\*The southern branch heads to Silver Lake Sanctuary and follows the trail through Kingston.

\*The northern branch heads to Ashdod Forest and follows the trail through Duxbury.

Both routes end at the Bay Farm southern terminus of the Bay Circuit Trail.

**J** N42 02.540 W70 48.561

Main parking area for **Tubb's Meadow Preserve** (P=10) on Monroe St.

#### ***Southern Branch: Points J-K-L-M-N-P-R-S-H Pembroke to Kingston***

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0.0 Exit the parking area, turn right onto Monroe St (S) and proceed to School St (Rte. 27) and turn left.

Before the top of the hill, look on the right for two white posts with a low connecting chain, entrance to **Veterans Commemorative Town Forest**.

0.6 Enter the **Veterans Commemorative Town Forest** at the white posts. Follow the trail to a T junction and turn right. The trail follows the top of a glacial esker until the first very obvious side trail. Right on this trail, which cuts back sharply to the right, down to the bottom of the esker and then parallel to it. At the T intersection turn right. At the next T turn left.

1.1 At Y junction, follow the main trail to the left.

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*\*Note: Take side trail on right for a beautiful overlook of Silver Lake just a short walk up and to the left of the trail. Silver Lake is a reservoir for Brockton and is a beautiful, peaceful body of water with no boating or swimming allowed. Bald eagles have been seen in the area).*

- 1.2 At the T intersection the BCT (main trail) goes left. *\*Note: Side trail right goes to another view of the lake and offers a bench.*  
Continuing on the main trail, bear right at the Y and go down the hill. Very quickly come upon the next intersection and bear left. Follow the trail up the hill. Near the top, take the right fork and proceed on the wider path. Proceed straight past intersecting trails on the right and left. At the Y take the left leg and follow it for a distance out to the main entrance and parking (P=10+) where you will exit the **Veterans Commemorative Memorial Forest** at School St (Rte. 27).

### K N42 01.989 W70 48.064

- 1.6 Left briefly on School St (Rte. 27) to the intersection of School and Lake Sts. Cross School St and continue north on Lake St until you reach Plain St at Country Corner Store.
- 1.8 Right onto Plain St and go east to the Plain St trailhead on the right. Parking (P=1 or 2) on north side of Plain St under power lines.
- 2.0 Right on trail down the embankment and thru an old cranberry bog that has been allowed to go wild. Continue to a section of hummocks, walking on them thru a seasonally wet area. (Look for two 80 feet tall hemlocks with ax marks on their trunks made by a surveyor and then notice a boundary marker. Nice place for lunch.) Follow the trail to power line.
- 2.3 Cross diagonally under the power line on a bearing of 120° and bear left into woods to go down an old cart path. Continue on the cart path thru a couple of intersections, turning first right and then left. Look for a trail off to the right and follow it thru a stand of hemlocks, white pines, and holly trees until it rejoins the cart path and turns right. At the next intersection of cart paths turn right and follow the cart path until the trail goes off to the left. Walk thru a brushy area looking for high bush blueberries on the left. Cross a streamlet and enter open woodland. To the left is the first of two oak and maple swamps. Continue following the trail and come to the power line.
- 3.1 Turn left and follow the power line service road for

100 yds, then right on trail and enter a wooded area. To the right is the second oak and maple swamp. Trail takes a sharp turn to the left onto a cart path. Then stay right at an intersection. Skirt wet areas and cross the headwaters of Mirage Brook. Just before private property ahead, turn right off the cart path. Follow the trail as it zigzags thru a low area and exits right onto another cart path. (These cart paths were actively used when the area was logged and farmed.)  
After a series of hills, the trail turns off the cart path to the right just after a stone wall and descends a hill overlooking Mirage Brook. (The brook was named Mirage by local environmental activist Pine duBois because at low water it does not seem to flow). Cross the stream and climb a short hill. Crest the hill and then descend as trail goes along the edge of open woodland. After another short descent, come to Mirage Brook again and cross an unnamed feeder stream on footbridge.

### L N42 01.261 W70 47.595

- 4.2 Climb the embankment to School St (Rte. 27). End of trail in Pembroke. Left for trail in Kingston.

#### **Kingston**

- From Pembroke/Kingston town line, proceed 200 ft southeast on Rte. 27 to Barse's Lane. Use Barse's Lane to access **Silver Lake Sanctuary**.
- 4.6 From parking lot (P=20) go east along dirt road next to red barn.
- 4.8 (Side trail on right for view of Silver Lake). Leave Silver Lake Sanctuary by walking between two houses to Sheridan Dr. Left on Sheridan Dr toward Rte. 27.
- 5.1 Right on Rte. 27 at intersection with Sheridan Dr. Go southeast on sidewalk to Lake St on right. Right on Lake St. Continue past ball fields of Silver Lake Reg. HS on left and cross Jones River where it flows under the road.
- 5.5 Left at turnout onto trail down to Jones River and behind HS. (*Cross aluminum bridge and wood boardwalk.*) Follow trail along single power line and then along back of ball fields to **Cranberry Watershed Preserve**. Right at junction and continue south to bog. Right at bog and follow path around the bog, first west and then east. Right up the wide, sandy hill and follow path to exit on Grove Street.

### M N42 00.216 W70 47.097

- 6.9 Grove Street trailhead and parking is now located at this location: N42 00.369 W70 78.516, parking=6
- 7.9 Left on Grove St. Cross over RR tracks and

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continue east about 1 mile.

### N N42 00.062 W70 45.725

- 8.2 Right on Foxworth Lane at intersection with Grove St. Left at fork in paved rd and continue to power line. Right at power line and follow maintenance road.
- 8.4 Cross Foxworth Lane and reenter power line area to trail on left. Follow trail into the **Hathaway Preserve** to 3 consecutive bridges over Jones River. After crossing 3rd bridge, follow blue-blazed trail to yellow-blazed trail on left. Take yellow trail up hill and follow to intersection with access road (0.1 mile right (west) on road leads to kiosk and parking under powerlines).
- 8.9 Turn left on Hathaway Preserve access road toward Rte. 106. Parking is available where wooded access road opens up with bog on left (P=6-8).

### P N41 59.554 W70 45.779

- 9.0 Left on Rte. 106  
*\*CAUTION: Heavy traffic. Walk on left facing traffic.*  
Continue on Rte. 106 to South St on right.

### R N41 59.491 W70 45.100

- 9.7 Go right at intersection of Rte. 106 and South St. Stay on South St, then left at Water Dept pumping station behind (left of) first brick building and chain fence.
- 9.9 Follow trail at back of pumping station and into woods heading east. Turn right, follow trail to at Furnace Brook stream crossing then turn left into **Sampson Forest**. Continue 0.4 mile on newly marked (and sometimes wet) trail before turning right at a junction onto a hardened track. Follow track another 0.4 mile to emerge at trailhead.
- 11.3 Sampson Park trailhead, picnic area, ADA accessible fishing dock, parking (P=10). Left on Elm St, cross over Jones River bridge, then continue past the Kingston Water Dept. building up the hill.
- 11.6 At intersection of Elm St and Main St/Rte. 106 go right and follow 100 yds to use crosswalk to north side. Left on Green St and follow to end. Public Library on Green S (limited parking for non-library users, and no overnight).

### S N41 59.770 W70 43.782

- 11.8 At intersection of Green St and Summer St/ Rte. 3A  
*\*CAUTION: heavy traffic*

cross street to the Reed Community Bldg parking lot (P=20). Continue thru parking lot downhill on paved service road to ball field.

- 11.9 Bear right to walk around backstops of the Bailey Memorial Playing Field and continue past second ball field to parking lot for field, playground and tennis courts.
- 12.1 Exit the recreation complex uphill on paved access road to Landing Rd. Go left. Continue under RR bridge  
*\*CAUTION: narrow bridge, heavy traffic and poor sight lines.*  
Then go under Rte. 3 overpass. Right on River St. at Mulliken's Landing (P=6), a boat access for the Jones River.
- 12.9 Left on Bay Farm Rd. Where road turns to the left at #17. Don't turn corner; instead go straight next to driveway for #17 and follow trail easement alongside of meadow northward (may not be obvious if not mowed) to Bay Farm trailhead.
- 13.1 At **Bay Farm** kiosk/trailhead turn right (east). Continue along trail to Jones River estuary and then go left (north) to follow trail along shoreline into Duxbury.

### H N42 00.254 W70 42.695

- 13.5 BCT southern terminus at shoreline of Kingston Bay. Parking is due west 0.4 miles from bay toward Loring St (P=15) on Duxbury side of Bay Farm.

### **Northern Branch: Points J-A-B-C-D-E-F-G-H Pembroke to Duxbury**

#### J N42 02.540 W70 48.561

- 0.0 From the Tubbs Meadow parking lot, turn left onto Monroe St. Right onto Hobomock St, then pass Hobomock Ice Arena and the Pembroke Recycling Center.
- 1.1 Left onto Learning Lane, passing between Pembroke HS and Hobomock Elementary School.

#### A N42 03.418 W70 47.750

- 1.7 (Parking along Learning Lane near the tennis courts P=25+). Enter Hobomock School Conservation area from the wide path straight at the end of the cul-de-sac of Learning Lane. At chain link fence, bear right. In 40 yards, take a left where trail descends via a small path. At next intersection, trail bears right and then passes an area of ferns. Trail starts to ascend and bear right at next junction. Trail then

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passes through a stand of small white pine trees. Continue straight across the major intersection. At next junction, bear left. At next intersection, bear left.

- 2.3 Look for an old well to the right of the trail, another remnant of era when this area was logged and farmed. (*At top of hill the path to the right leads back to Learning Lane.*)

After a sharp curve to the right, the path divides around an old cranberry bog. Bear left and continue on the cart path across a small stream that feeds into Herring Run. Watch for blazes because the path takes a couple of 90 degree turns thru the next area. Trail leaves the cart path left and up a steep hill, then tracks along the top of a glacial esker.

- 3.1 The path crosses a footbridge and enters **Hold Fast Farm**, an old dairy farm that now boards horses. Trail eventually skirts a field around the south and west sides and then reenters the woods.

*\*Note: Please do not enter any of the pastures or feed anything to the horses.*

Trail comes out by the water tower and follows the service road to High St.

- 3.6 Turn right onto High St.

*\*CAUTION: heavy traffic. No sidewalks*

Turn left onto Old Washington St.

- 3.9 After passing a field, take trail right into the woods  
*\*CAUTION: poison ivy*

After a short distance, cross MacFarland Brook, some wetlands and a section of hummocks, then enter a mixed hardwood and pine forest, passing a large old beech tree. After crossing a stone wall the trail turns right and follows the wall until it reaches an old cart path. At the end of the cart path turn left. Trail makes a short climb, then descends to No Name Brook. Cross the brook, turn right and follow the brook. Trail turns left and becomes quite lumpy and seasonally wet as it approaches the exit onto Congress St.

### **B** N42 03.984 W70 46.579

- 4.5 Turn right onto Congress St. (Marylou's Coffee shop on right). Cross Washington St (Rte. 53) and go east on Congress St (Rte. 14)

- 4.8 Pembroke/Duxbury town line.

#### **Duxbury**

At Duxbury town line, continue east on Congress St (Rte. 14) for 0.2 mi to **Ashdod Forest** (woods just past Brook Rd (private way) on left), and left at trailhead. Follow trail north of Congress St for about 0.2 mi back to Congress St.

- 5.2 Cross Congress St to trail directly across street.

Head south in **Ashdod Forest**, crossing over two foot bridges spanning Keene Brook, for approximately 0.3 mi where trail turns east for approximately 0.2 mi to Keene St.

### **C** N42 03.526 W 70 45.707

- 5.7 Cross Keene St to trail directly across street and continue into **Lansing Bennett Forest** east for approximately 0.2 mi before trail turns northeast for another 0.6 miles. Passing over another foot bridge spanning an unnamed brook go past pond on right and cranberry bog to left, then southeast for about 0.3 mi to Union Bridge Rd.

- 6.9 Right on Union Bridge Rd for approximately 0.2 miles to the Franklin St intersection. Cross Franklin St and continue along Union Bridge Rd for about 0.1 miles to **Lansing Bennett Forest** trailhead on left side of road.

### **D** N42 03.275 W 70 44.886

- 7.2 Left into **Lansing Bennett Forest**; enter a pine forest. Follow winding footpath, generally east, up a rise, down steeply to footbridge. At T jct go right 90 yds to left turn and then to street (King Philip's Path)

- 7.7 Left along street 50 yds, then cross street. Follow gravel rd SE 0.2 mile

- 8.0 Right on footpath parallel to old stone wall for 40 yds, then left and on thru pine and oak woods. Turn right onto a cart path, go past a house on the left with a white rail fence, then cross a wide clearing under two power lines. Continue parallel to a driveway to Vine St

### **E** N42 02.799 W70 44.287

- 8.2 Left along Vine St, left onto Chandler St., right onto Mayflower St

- 8.8 Right on cart path to Duxbury Bog. Follow along earthen dam to east shoreline of a small pond. Bear right at a footbridge to continue South along edge of pond and parallel to glacial esker on left, to small meadow emerging on to a dirt road along border of cranberry bog to a trailhead and dedicated parking lot on East Street. P=12.

### **F** N42 02.177 W70 43.641

- 9.5 Left onto East St, which crosses over Rte. 3.

- 10.0 Right onto driveway just before #359 East Street, about 0.2 mi after crossing Rte. 3. At a jct about 250 yds from East Street, a left turn leads 200 feet to Mayflower Street at rock barrier (P=3 on shoulder). Go straight at the jct, (marked with both white and yellow blazes), to east side of **Round Pond** where

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there is a bench overlooking the pond. Skirt the south side of the pond, turn left (south), cross a bog on bridging, turn east, emerging by a cranberry bog. Turn Right between bog and small pond and follow dirt road past a gate onto paved Cherry Lane which leads 400 feet to Elm St.

### G N42 01.382 W70 43.048

11.6 Cross Elm St to go south on School St 0.2 miles to merge with Oak St. Continue south to cross Rte.

3A. Tremont St. Bennett's Country store sells sandwiches & beverages.

12.2 Continue South on Park St

12.6 Left onto Loring Ave. Continue straight when joining Bay Rd.

13.1 At **Bay Farm** parking lot (P=15), go left on mowed trail through meadow to granite ledge on shore of Kingston Bay.

### H N42 00.254 W70 42.695

13.4 Kingston Bay, southern terminus of Bay Circuit Trail and Greenway.

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## Hike Map 14 - Pembroke, Duxbury, Kingston - THE JEWELS

### *Pembroke:*

**Willow Brook Farm Preserve** (Wildlands Trust) - trails thru varied habitats including old cranberry bog and a red cedar grove. Observation tower for views of swamp and Herring Brook. Parking on Barker St (Rte. 14) southwest of Rte. 53.

**Hobomock School area** - Wide paths running through a densely wooded area, including a historic cart path marked on early maps. Best hiked as a linear path, starting at the parking lot at the very end of Learning Lane (off Hobomock St). Main trail marked with painted white blazes, many unmarked and unmapped side trails.

**Veteran's Commemorative Town Forest** - This beautiful pine forest nestles on the shores of Silver Lake. Many trails crisscross this hilly preserve and occasionally offer lovely views of the peaceful reservoir. Parking at the main entrance on Rte. 27 near the Pembroke Community Middle School.

**Tubb's Meadow Preserve** - 125 acres of diverse habitat including old cranberry bogs, dirt roads, a large reservoir,

unaltered wetlands and acres of oak and pine uplands. It is home to many animals and birds. Two parking areas are located off Mill St. near Center St. and off Monroe St.

**Mirage Brook Forest** - Large diverse area of woodlands, old cranberry bogs, natural wetlands, and streams. Site of two giant 80-ft high eastern hemlocks. Forest is located on the Bay Circuit Trail between Plain and School Sts.

### *Duxbury & Kingston:*

**Bay Farm** (66 acres; DCR, Kingston, & Duxbury) - purchase of land by Mass. Dept of Conservation & Recreation (then called Dept of Environmental Mgt) was one of the earliest state acquisitions for the Bay Circuit greenway. This is the southern terminus of the Bay Circuit. Unique seaside farmland site provides access to Kingston Bay with beautiful views of Gurnet Light, Saquish, Clark's Island, and Myles Standish Point. Kiosk with trail map at parking area off Landing Rd on the Duxbury side of the town line. Map online: [www.town.duxbury.ma.us/public\\_documents/DuxburyMA\\_Conservation/ConAreas/BayFarm-3.pdf](http://www.town.duxbury.ma.us/public_documents/DuxburyMA_Conservation/ConAreas/BayFarm-3.pdf)

### *Duxbury:*

**Lansing Bennett Forest** (formerly **Trout Farm Conservation Land**) (Cons. Com; 344 acres) - good trails; look for old fishing weirs along the brook. Access from Union Bridge Rd. Renamed in 2005, dedicated to Dr. Lansing Bennett, chair of Conservation Commission from 1967 to 1979. Maps online: [www.town.duxbury.ma.us/public\\_documents/DuxburyMA\\_Conservation/ConAreas/Lansing%20Bennett%20brochure%203.pdf](http://www.town.duxbury.ma.us/public_documents/DuxburyMA_Conservation/ConAreas/Lansing%20Bennett%20brochure%203.pdf)

**Thaddeus Chandler Sanctuary** (Cons. Com; 112 acres) Trails. Access from Valley St.

**Duxbury Bogs** (Cons. Com; 199 acres) - Trails with up-close views of active cranberry bogs. Access from East St.

**Whiton Woods** (Cons. Com; 49 acres) - Trails. Access from Temple St (off this map)

**Duxbury Beach** (Duxbury Beach Reservation Inc.; leased to town of Duxbury) - Along with adjacent Great Salt Marsh and its tidal rivers, this is one of the top East Coast stopover sites for migratory birds in North America. Public must respect beach closings to protect nesting areas. Beach users need permits, available at

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Town Hall. Alcohol is prohibited; dogs must be leashed. Parking lot access from Canal St off Rte. 139 in Marshfield.

**The Central Greenbelt** - Most of the trails that link to permit continuous passage between public lands are found on properties in the Central Greenbelt, generally bounded by Rte. 14 from Rte. 3A to Lincoln St, following Lincoln to Mayflower and out again to Rte. 3A. Includes the following open space parcels: North Hill Golf Course and forest (275 acres), Waiting Hill Preserve (125 acres), North Hill Wildlife Sanctuary (Massachusetts Audubon; 156 acres), Knapp Town Forest (28 acres), and Round Pond (Duxbury Rural and Historical Society; 50 acres). Along with smaller related parcels, this entire area of 1000 acres offers a linked system of open space and connected trails. Best parking and access from Mayflower St. Observe rules about permitted trail uses.

Culture: the **John Alden House** (open seasonally), historic cemeteries, folk music performances at the Tarkiln Community Center, a first-rate art museum (Art Complex, 189 Alden St), and an art gallery in the library.

**Ashdod Forest** - Purchased over several decades, this area is comprised of nearly 250 acres of wetland and upland woods along Keene's Brook, with several historic stone walls running throughout the forest. The original parcels in the preserve were purchased in the 1970's from the Lot Philips Corporation, a wooden box maker in Hanover.

### **Kingston:**

**Silver Lake Sanctuary** (93 acres) - Includes 2800 feet of public access to Silver Lake, a 640-acre lake and public water supply for Brockton. Headwater for the Jones River. Numerous cart paths & trails, including BCT, with views of lake. Regulations to allow fishing are being developed with Brockton. Parking & kiosk next to red barn at the end of Bearer's Way, a 1/3 mile dirt road on the south side of Rte. 27 just east of Pembroke town line. Green & white conservation access sign at entrance.

**Cranberry Watershed Preserve** (240 acres) - Abuts the Jones River behind Silver Lake Regional High School (SLRHS) and contains three brooks: Howard's Brook, Pine Brook and an unnamed brook. Bogs formerly farmed but are now fallow with exception of one small 'Revival Bog' that is being brought back organically. Many bog roads, cart paths & trails for passive recreational use. SLRHS cross-country routes on the

property. Fishing & hunting permitted. Pine Brook restoration efforts to improve flow, habitat & water quality are ongoing. Parking lot & kiosk off Grove St. (Green & white conservation access sign across from dirt rd. on north side of Grove St. just west of bridge over RR tracks, bear right at fork in 100 yds). Also accessible from behind SLRHS. Map online:

[www.kingstonmass.org/vertical/sites/%7B14403534-636B-4C7F-A416-D66D8321CF44%7D/uploads/OpenSpaceBrochure.pdf](http://www.kingstonmass.org/vertical/sites/%7B14403534-636B-4C7F-A416-D66D8321CF44%7D/uploads/OpenSpaceBrochure.pdf)

**Hathaway Preserve** (77 acres) - Abuts the Jones River for 1.2 miles. With adjacent Water Dept. land and another small conservation property, over 125 acres make for pleasant walking. Parking area & kiosk next to powerlines at end of dirt entrance road on north side of Wapping Rd (Rte. 106) across street from Bog Hollow Cranberry Farm. Green and white conservation access sign at entrance road. Follow entrance road right of way up the hill to the right of line of cedar trees and to left of cranberry bog. BCT and other marked trails on property. BCT traverses 3 bridges over trifurcation of Jones River and connects with Foxworth Estates off Grove Street to north and Wapping Road to south. Future plans include a boardwalk through wetland on Three Rivers Basin property (26 acres - off Grove St. to south of Cranberry Watershed) for direct connection to Hathaway Preserve along Jones River.

**Sampson Park** (166 acres) plus 4 adjacent parcels owned by the Wildlands Trust (25 acres) - Abutting the Jones River. Handicapped accessible fishing pier and picnic areas. Kiosk and parking lot off Elm St. across from Coughlin & Coughlin. Also accessible off of South St. behind Water Dept. building and Trout Brook subdivision trail through which BCT runs.

**Mulliken's Landing** (2.4 acres) - Jointly owned by DCR and Town of Kingston on BCT to Bay Farm. Trail to Jones River about 300 feet in length. Access for paddling only during fairly high tides. Walkway & float system to improve river access through marsh planned for near future. Parking lot & kiosk off of River St. near intersection with Landing Rd. Green & white conservation/Jones River access sign.

**Town Landing/Ah-dee-nah** (2.6 acres) - Town boating facilities on Jones River & Kingston Bay at end of River St. Sticker needed in boating season. Parking lot, picnic tables, & Harbormaster office. Views of river, bay, saltmarsh, birds just downriver from Bay Farm & down street from BCT.

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**Triphammer Park** (0.33 acres) – Purchased in 2009 with CPA funds. Adjacent to the 2011 Wapping Road dam removal project with direct access to Jones River for paddling, fishing, streamside picnics or a future alternate hiking route through Wildlands Trust property to Sampson Park & the BCT. Small parking area for 1-2 cars off of Wapping Road on south side of Jones River.

**Camp Nekon** (193 acres) - A former Girl Scout camp, contains many woods roads, Monk's Hill with a DCR fire tower, and small beach on Smelt Pond. Access by foot from Kingston State Forest or Raboth Rd. with parking lot & kiosk on Monk's Hill Rd.

**Kingston State Forest** (MA DCR; about 225 acres) - Contains several small ponds and numerous trails. Cut in half by Rte. 44 construction. Current access from Rte. 80 (Bishops Hwy) to south of Rte. 44

**Calista Land** (10 acres) – Purchased in 2010 with CPA funds. Open field bordering on wetlands & woodlands with views of salt marsh on the Jones River at confluence with Smelt Brook. Potential site for future community gardens. Access off of Elder Ave.

**Patuxet Park** (24 acres) - Rolling pasture along Smelt Brook and Foundry Pond. Cart paths, trails & bridge crossing Smelt Brook with views of stream and pond. Small parking area at cul-de-sac on Basler's Lane, south of Rte 3A – green & white conservation access sign on 3A.

### **Hike Map 14 - Pembroke, Duxbury, Kingston - FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Relevant USGS **topo maps** (7.5 x 7.5) are Hanover, Duxbury, Plympton, and Plymouth

**Pembroke Conservation Commission** – 100 Center St, Pembroke 02359 781-293-3844, <http://www.pembroke-ma.gov/conservationcommission.html>

**Kingston Conservation Commission** 781-585-0537; [www.kingstonmass.org](http://www.kingstonmass.org)  
Open space **map** with details of 11 properties and several points of interest. Bay Circuit Trail and other trails identified on the map available at Conservation Commission office, Town Clerk's office & Kingston Library.

**Duxbury Open Space and Recreation Planning Committee** - Large scale colored **map** with BCT route identified is available at Town Hall. Reverse side gives detailed route description and information on historic sites and natural features along the way.

Detailed self-guiding trail **maps** of the Trout Farm Conservation Land, the Round Pond trail network, and Bay Farm are available at Duxbury Town Hall and the Duxbury Rural and Historical Society office on Washington St. Maps online:

[www.town.duxbury.ma.us/public\\_documents/Duxbury\\_MA\\_Conservation/ConAreas/Round%20Pond%20brochure%204.pdf](http://www.town.duxbury.ma.us/public_documents/Duxbury_MA_Conservation/ConAreas/Round%20Pond%20brochure%204.pdf)

[www.town.duxbury.ma.us/public\\_documents/Duxbury\\_MA\\_Conservation/ConAreas/North%20Hill%2027%20Oct.pdf](http://www.town.duxbury.ma.us/public_documents/Duxbury_MA_Conservation/ConAreas/North%20Hill%2027%20Oct.pdf)

**Duxbury Rural and Historical Society** - Founded 1883; headquarters on Washington St. 781-934-6106. Numerous books and brochures on local history for sale online: [www.duxburyhistory.org/](http://www.duxburyhistory.org/)

**Duxbury Conservation Commission** - 781-934-1137, [http://www.town.duxbury.ma.us/Public\\_Documents/DuxburyMA\\_bcomm/Conservation](http://www.town.duxbury.ma.us/Public_Documents/DuxburyMA_bcomm/Conservation)

**Massachusetts Dept of Conservation and Recreation** (DCR) has some **maps** on website: [www.mass.gov/dcr/parks/trails.htm](http://www.mass.gov/dcr/parks/trails.htm)

**Massachusetts Audubon** manages North Hill Wildlife Sanctuary as well as dozens of other properties, over 34,000 acres. Guided walks and programs are offered through the South Shore Regional Center in Marshfield: 781-837-9400. Members receive a beautiful bi-monthly magazine, discounts on programs, and free admission to its many sanctuaries. [www.massaudubon.org](http://www.massaudubon.org)

**Wildlands Trust of Southeastern Massachusetts** - A non-profit land conservation organization founded in Plymouth in 1973. Works with private landowners on gifts of beloved land, conservation restrictions, and (rarely) purchases land. The Trust now owns or holds conservation restrictions on more than 140 properties, protecting over 4,500 acres of land in 26 communities and growing. Membership applications online at [www.wildlandstrust.org](http://www.wildlandstrust.org)

## MAP SET - HIKE

**Taunton River Watershed Alliance** – river and stream protection and activities. Membership info on-line. [www.savethetaunton.org](http://www.savethetaunton.org)

**Charles River Wheelmen** - very active group of bicyclists that lead rides of varying lengths throughout BC area. Excellent website lists rides, membership & other info [www.crw.org](http://www.crw.org)

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