The main entrance and parking area for the Town Forest is located on Central Avenue, near the insection of Marked Tree Road. The Town Forest includes over 200 acres of rolling woodlands and forested wetlands. It is adjacent to Claxton Field, which has several ball fields and a playground, and abuts an additional 30 acres of open space owned by the Boy Scouts. A rocky outcropping called High Rock, located in the southeastern portion, provides excellent views of the surrounding area.

Horsford Road is the central trail running the length of the property connecting Central Avenue with High Rock Street and several loop trails. Trailheads are also located on Frances Street, Robinwood Avenue, South Street, Stratford Road, and Springdale Road.

- Total length of all trails: 9.4 miles
- Marking: Major trails have colored markers and color birdhouses, Boy Scout trails are not marked
- Difficulty: easy to moderate, light/rolling steep/rocky

Trail	Total Length (Miles)
White	1 1/8
Red	3/4
Blue	2/3
Green	1/2
Yellow	1/2
Orange	1/2
Light Blue	1/3
Tan	1/8

Additional parking is located at Claxton Field. The Town Forest is closed from dusk to dawn.

Trail Use Guidelines

- All motorized use prohibited.
- No littering or dumping.
- WARNING active train line. Use extra precaution at the railroad.
- Fires and camping are not permitted.
- No alcoholic beverages.
- Woodland edges contain poison ivy; for your personal protection, stay on the trails.
- Do not feed, approach, or touch wildlife.
- Take personal protection measures to reduce your exposure to ticks and mosquito bites.
- Dogs must be leashed.

Trail Class Descriptions

- Class 4 Easy, broad, flat
 8 feet wide or greater, <5% slopes
- Class 3 Easy/Moderate, wide, rolling 4 to 8 feet wide <12% slopes
- Class 2 Moderate/Challenging, rough 2 to 4 feet wide, <12% slopes
- Class 1 Challenging, narrow, rough/rocky < 2 feet wide, <20% slopes

Contact information

For additional information on Needham's trails or to report problems, please go to our website. Or you can email, call, or visit us at the Park and Recreation or Conservation Commission Office.

Website: www.needhamma.gov

Phone: 781-455-7521

Address: Town Hall, 1471 Highland Avenue, Needham, MA 02492



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