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To conserve forever the lands and waters of the Finger Lakes region, ensuring scenic vistas, local foods, clean water, and wild places for everyone.

The Finger Lakes Land Trust (FLLT) is a nonprofit conservation organization working across 12 counties in Central New York. Since 1989, we have worked cooperatively with landowners and partners to protect some of the most treasured natural areas and open spaces in these vital watersheds. FLLT manages dozens of conservation areas that are free and open to the public for quiet recreation year-round. We also hold easements on protected lands that remain in private ownership. FLLT is supported by members, and you can help us do more!

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# GOETCHIUS WETLAND PRESERVE

CAROLINE, NY

# MAP & GUIDE



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Acreage: 103 acres



County: Tompkins



Trails: 0.4 miles

At the Goetchius Preserve, a successful wetland restoration partnership has been underway for over 10 years and continues to flourish.

### **NATURAL HISTORY**

Conservation enthusiasts gravitate to the preserve for its mix of natural wetlands, newly created wetlands from former agricultural fields, open grassland, and dry woods – a mix that has demonstrated the benefits of habitat diversity and wetland restoration efforts. Unlike most marshes, the large natural wetland that is partly on the preserve is unique because it drains to both the north and the south, contributing to the St. Lawrence and Susquehanna River watersheds.

### **HISTORY**

To honor the memory of their parents and protect a precious piece of land, Susan Creed and Paul Goetchius donated the first 18 acres to the Finger Lakes Land Trust in 1995. Subsequent acquisitions and a restoration partnership with the Upper Susquehanna Coalition have resulted in the current form of the preserve, which now totals 80 acres.

### **ACTIVITIES**

Hiking Snowshoeing Birdwatching

### **DOGS**

Keep your dog under control at all times

### **HOURS**

Open dawn to dusk all year

### **POLICIES**

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### **LEARN MORE**

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