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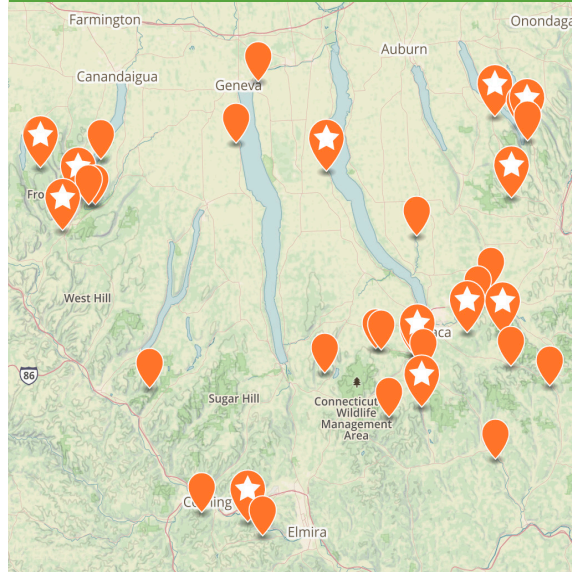
"Go Finger Lakes" is a mobile-ready web site with an interactive map showing over 650 miles of trails. It is a free public service of the Finger Lakes Land Trust promoting conservation and recreation.



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Discover over 35 free nature preserves  
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To conserve forever the lands  
and waters of the Finger Lakes  
region, ensuring scenic vistas,  
local foods, clean waters, and  
wild places for everyone.

The Finger Lakes Land Trust is a nonprofit conservation organization working across a 12-county region in Central New York. We have worked cooperatively with landowners and partners to permanently protect over 25,000 acres of treasured natural areas and scenic farmlands. The Land Trust owns and manages more than 35 conservation areas that are open to the public for quiet recreation. We hold over 150 easements on protected lands that remain in private ownership. FLLT is supported by members, and you can help us save more land.

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## HIGH VISTA NATURE PRESERVE

SCOTT, NY

### MAP & GUIDE



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**Acreage:** 139 acres



**County:** Cortland



**Trails:** 1.2 miles

We invite you to find peace and solitude in this diverse hillside forest high above Skaneateles Lake, and follow the trail to Hinchcliff Family Preserve.

## NATURAL HISTORY

The greatest diversity on the preserve is found in the older portions of the forest, with many spring wildflowers and ferns and tree species. A small wetland, full of joe-pye weed, cattails, and boneset, is hidden away in the forest. The eastern portion of the preserve has numerous seeps and springs which feed several streams. As of 2021, High Vista connects to the newly expanded Hinchcliff Family Preserve.

## HISTORY

One hundred years ago, this 139-acre property may have been devoid of trees. Bare fields have since been replaced by lovely forest, full of songs of birds and carpeted by wildflowers. The Nature Conservancy (TNC) originally owned this preserve, then gave it to the non-profit High Vista, Inc. When that organization folded, it returned the land to TNC, who gave it to the Finger Lakes Land Trust in 1993.

### ACTIVITIES

Hiking & Running  
Cross-Country Skiing  
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

See [fllt.org/highvista](https://fllt.org/highvista) for more history, natural history, photos, and an interactive map.

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