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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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VANRIPER CONSERVATION AREA WHITLOCK NATURE PRESERVE

ROMULUS, NY





CONSERVED FOREVER
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Acreage: 81 acres



County: Seneca



Trails: 0.5 miles

VanRiper Conservation Area and Whitlock Nature Preserve play an important role in protecting and providing public access to natural, undeveloped shoreline – a rarity in the Finger Lakes region.

NATURAL HISTORY

On the west side of Cayuga Lake, these magnificent natural areas together comprise approximately 1,900 feet of peaceful lakeshore, woods, and gullies. Natural shoreline is the hallmark of the preserves. The narrow beach is made up of rounded stones, shaped by years of tumbling in the waves. The cobble beach hosts a variety of shrubs, overtopped by tall, intact forest all along the lakeshore, together providing fantastic habitat for a variety of birds.

HISTORY

Louisa Whitlock donated 13 acres to the Land Trust in 1998, creating the Whitlock Nature Preserve. In February 2011, the 68-acre VanRiper Conservation Area was established when the Land Trust acquired the adjacent parcel at a discounted price from Barry VanRiper and Sharon Moran.

ACTIVITIES

Hiking & Running Cross-Country Skiing Snowshoeing Birdwatching

DOGS

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HOURS

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