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RAGGED MOUNTAIN AREA Camden and Rockport, ME

The Ragged Mountain trails offer some of the steepest and most strenuous hiking in the midcoast region. The reward, however, is worth it. The trails include Ragged Mountain, Thorndike Brook, Spruce Mountain, and Mount Pleasant. They feature westerly vistas across the Georges River watershed all the way to the White Mountains in New Hampshire, while Penobscot Bay and its islands lie to the east, with the Acadian and Downeast mountains framing the horizon.

Ragged Mountain, rising up 1,280 feet, has an extensive, open summit supporting wild blueberry and fragile alpine flora, and is presently the focus of an ambitious conservation effort undertaken by our neighbor, Coastal Mountains Land Trust (CMLT). There are three routes to summit Ragged Mountain: the north via Barnestown Road, the south via Route 17, and the west via the Thorndike Brook Trail. The northern trailhead also serves the Bald Mountain Trail, maintained by CMLT.

The Ragged Mountain trails would not be possible without the generous cooperation of the Maine Water Company. Please respect this partnership while hiking these trails.

DIRECTIONS TO THE TRAILHEADS

The Barnestown Road (Camden) trailhead at the northern end of trail is 1,000 feet north of the intersection of Barnestown and Gillette Roads. The Route 17 trailhead is 2 miles north of the intersection of Routes 17 and 90 in West Rockport. Travel another half mile to Hope Street for the Thorndike Brook trailhead. The parking lot is 0.5 miles up Hope Street on the right. For the parking lot at Mt Pleasant farm, follow Harts Mill Road south from Route 17 in South Hope for 0.25 miles and bear left onto Fogler Road. Travel for 1.2 miles and bear left where main road bears right. Parking lot is 100 feet ahead on left, adjacent to farm. A small parking area on Mt. Pleasant Street bisects this trail section. From Fogler Road, travel 0.5 miles to Mt. Pleasant Street on left. Travel 1 mile to vehicle pull-out area on the left shoulder.

Leave No Trace™ on the Georges Highland Path

- Stay on the trail to minimize erosion and protect sensitive plant life.
- Carry out what you carry in.
- Be considerate to wildlife and your fellow hikers by keeping your pets leashed.
- Please leave flowers, plants, and rocks undisturbed.
- Respect others using the trail today...and tomorrow.

GEORGES HIGHLAND PATH A Unique System of Trails

The 50+ miles of the Georges Highland Path are built primarily on privately owned land thanks to handshake agreements. Please respect the rights of these generous landowners during your visit. Without their participation, this trail system would not exist.

The Georges Highland Path has been described as a “hikers hiking path” and the maintenance standard aligns with a desire to provide a back country experience within minutes of the busy towns of midcoast Maine. Expect tree roots, rocks to scramble over, wildlife, and a wonderful time!

Thanks to our sponsors and contributions from people like you, we are able to keep these trails available to all who seek the inspiration and solace of the natural world.

GEORGES RIVER LAND TRUST

Our mission is to conserve the ecosystems and traditional heritage of the Georges River watershed region through permanent land protection, stewardship, education, and outdoor experiences.

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Ragged Mountain, Thorndike Brook, Spruce Mountain, and Mount Pleasant Trails

A Section of the GEORGES HIGHLAND PATH



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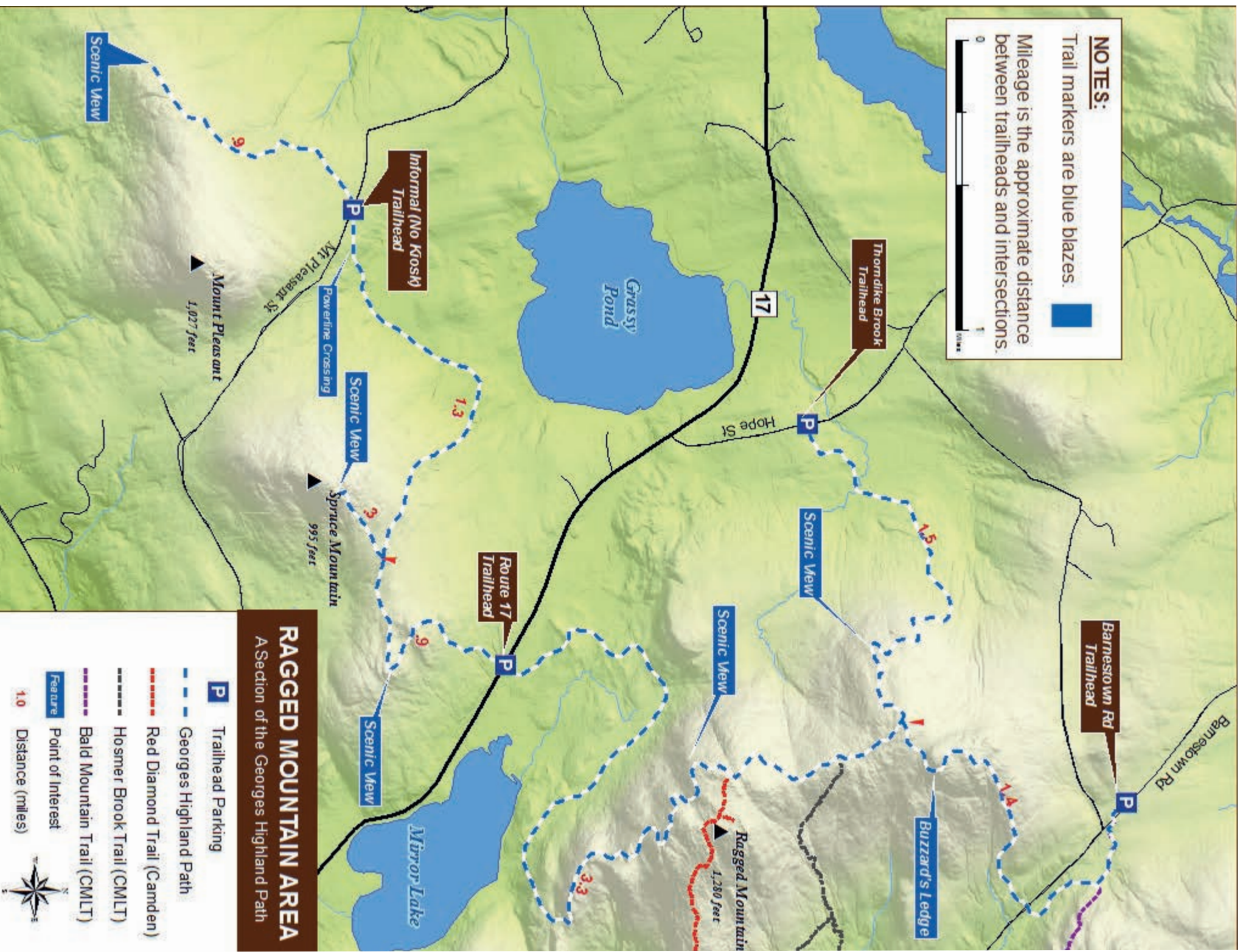
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The Georges Highland Path is a project of the Georges River Land Trust.

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The Georges Highland Path is available to the public thanks to private landowners, volunteers and donations from the hikers who use it.



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