Hiking Crotched Mountain Trails

Things to know before you go:



The Dutton Brook and Gregg Trails were built using the U.S. Forest Service accessibility standards. These are wilderness trails, so it is important to be prepared and know your own physical, mental, and technical abilities as well as your restrictions. Please review the info below and adjust your plans accordingly. This way you can prevent problems that might result in personal injury or injury to others.

The amount of time needed to hike the entire trail and return to the trailhead varies with each hiker. You should allow at least 45 minutes to several hours depending on your ability and hiking speed.

Dutton Brook Trail:

Trail includes a loop that winds around an abandoned beaver-built wetland. The trail features diverse forest and animal habitats.

- Observation decks
- Interpretive signs
- Full trail loop is 2.0 miles
- Maximum 4% grade change
- Mostly shaded

Gregg Trail:

Trail is a series of switchbacks rising 200 feet to the top of the knoll. There are panoramic views to the west, south and east of Grand Monadnock.

- Observation deck
- 1.6 miles round trip
- Maximum 8% grade change
- Mostly exposed to sun

Remember:

- Before you leave inform someone of your itinerary and expected time of return
- For safety, it's a good idea to have a buddy hike with you especially if it's your first time
- Pets and animals are not permitted on the trails (service animals are allowed)
- There are <u>no bicycles or motorized vehicles</u> allowed on the trails (motorized and manual wheelchairs are allowed)
- No camping, open fires, glass, or smoking permitted on the trails
- Stay on the trails; stepping off the trails can lead to erosion and other trail damage
- Keep your distance from any wild animals you encounter
- Carry in, carry out

Hiking Checklist	
☐ Trail map	In case of an emergency on the trails find the
Weather appropriate clothing	nearest location identification marker (such as a trail
Hiking shoes	education sign, an identifying trail marker, or a
Water	structure like a bridge)
Charged cell phone	then call 911
Fully charged wheelchair battery	
Sunscreen	If it is not an emergency and you need assistance call
Insect repellent	the Crotched Mountain switchboard at 603-547-3311

Trail Hours

Trails open 30 minutes after sunrise and close 30 minutes before sunset depending on trail conditions.

Trail Openings and Closures

These trails can be damaged if weather conditions such as excessive rain make them too soft. It may be necessary for Crotched Mountain to close the trails in these circumstances. **Visit us for trail opening and closure information before your hike. www.crotchedmountain.org/trails**

