

POWWOW RIVER WOODLANDS



TRAIL GUIDE



Trailheads and Parking

Jewell Street, South Hampton

7.30 acres • .2 mile easy trail

Canoe and kayak access



Go For a Paddle

The Powwow River Woodlands is a lovely 7.3-acre forest featuring shoreline along the Powwow River which flows from Danville to the Merrimack River in Amesbury, Massachusetts. It is located in the Jewell Town District which encompasses a colonial-era industrial village that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The river once served as a power source for successive Jewell Family members beginning in 1687 when Thomas Jewell settled in South Hampton. At one time, a grist mill, fulling mill, bog iron works and more than one sawmill were located there.

Sisters Priscilla Coffin and Susan True inherited the land from their mother and donated it to SELT in memory of their parents, Priscilla and Jack Coffin. The Town of South Hampton provided funding from the Conservation Fund to pay the transaction costs and the long-term management of this land and holds deed restrictions ensuring it remains open space.

The Woodlands are located within a relatively large, unfragmented block of land in South Hampton including Cowden State Forest, the Halberstadt conservation easement and land owned by the Howfirma Trust, as well as extensive conserved lands in Amesbury that include the Woodsom Farm, the Capp/Halberstadt Greenbelt, and public water supply properties.



Trail Description

A 0.2 mile trail begins at the parking area on Jewell Street and winds long the Powwow River before making a short loop back to the trail head. Wooden benches are located on the river bank. Paddlers can walk their canoes or kayaks on the path to the water front access and enjoy a tour of the river.

Here, the Powwow is a slow moving, meandering river. Downriver it flows into Lake Gardner, a popular kayaking and swimming destination for local residents.

Upstream the river also turns south into Massachusetts where it flows through the 370-acre Woodsom Farm in Amesbury and then passes through dense hardwood thickets and an Atlantic white cedar swamp as it turns north back into New Hampshire.

This stretch of the river can only be traversed during high water by canoe or kayak.



Enjoy the Trails!

The Powwow River Woodlands are owned and managed by SELT and is open for public enjoyment. Please follow these visitation guidelines:

- Carry out what you carry in.
- Leave things where and as you find them – no cairns, rock art.
- Stay on marked trails, respect designated trail uses and prohibitions and use only designated trailhead parking.
- Respect wildlife.
- Respect other users of the trails and our neighbors.
- Control your dog(s). Be aware where they may be required to be on leash or any areas they may not be allowed.
- Hunting is allowed on most SELT lands. Be aware of hunting season and wear blaze orange for your own safety.

The following uses are not permitted:

- Camping
- Fires
- Target Shooting
- Trapping
- All motorized vehicles

About SELT

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**Powwow River
Woodlands**

South Hampton
7.3 acres

- Powwow River Woodlands Boundary 
- Other Conservation Lands 
- Parking Area 
- Kiosk 
- Foot Bridge 
- Canoe/Kayak Launch 
- Trails 
- Public Roads 
- Contour Lines 
- Water 
- Wetlands 
- River/Stream 