



In the winter months identifying trees means assessing the character and presence (or absence) of leaves and growth habitat. Homeowners will be interested in its size at maturity, shape, and bark features; and should consider whether it is native or non native to North America.

Legend used here:

- multiple specimens of this type on trail

Deciduous ~ lose their leaves in winter

Evergreen ~ retain; mostly needle-like

differentiated by length, number, and arrangement in the bundle; presence of pinecones (or not)

N/NN= **Native** or **non-native** (Country of origin, if known)

[] = tree specific note

Size classification =

- S = Small - height 15' to 30'
- M = Medium - height 30' to 50'
- L = Large - height 50' to 80'
- VL= Very large - height 80' plus

To learn more about trees, visit.....

The West Hartford Library

www.fs.fed.us/gt

(US Dept. of Agriculture)

www.dof.virginia.gov

(VA Tech Dept of Forestry

Resources

& Environment Conservation)

www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/plantindex

www.wikipedia



Club members enjoy monthly

(September through June) fun and educational meetings on a variety of topics of interest to gardeners and floral arrangers, plus.....

- ~ opportunities to interact with the community for the enjoyment of horticulture in youth and adult settings and for non-profit fund-raisers;
- ~ conservation education and beautification of public grounds around town; and
- ~ season-long garden support for area historic gardens.

Check out our website!

West Hartford Garden Club

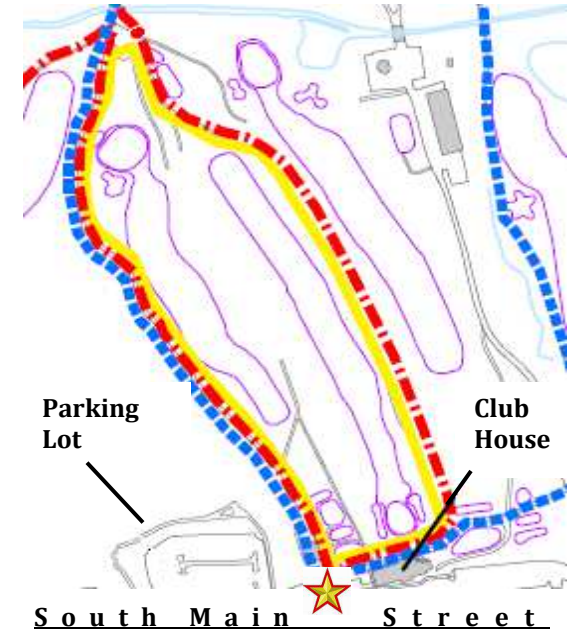
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Winter Trail System
Featuring Trees on the
"Yellow Trail" ★

ROCKLEDGE GOLF CLUB
289 South Main Street




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Rockledge Golf Club Winter Trails


Legend

-  - **Yellow Trail (0.6 mi.)**
-  - **Red Trail (1.6 mi.)**
-  - **Blue Trail (2.2 mi.)**

All three trails start at the Rockledge Pro Shop

 The Yellow Trail (0.6 mi.) will lead you to the most interesting and unusual trees that thrive in New England. The trail starts at the Rockledge Pro Shop and is clearly marked with colored markers, spaced .1 mile apart- so following the trail is safe and easy. The Yellow Trail at the Rockledge Golf Club is the perfect place for learning about the different varieties of trees in New England.

Trail Guidelines

- Park only in the Rockledge Golf Club parking lot adjacent to South Main Street.
- Trails are open from dawn to dusk, every day including holidays.
- Stay on the designated trails to avoid hazardous areas and prevent damage to the greens and tees.
- Bicycles, snowmobiles, ATV's and motorized vehicles of any kind are not allowed.
- Dogs are welcome- but must be leashed and cleaned up after. All waste must be bagged and removed from the area
- Please- leave no trace behind....except your footprints 

The trees are identified with metal plates affixed to them and listed herein in approximate order from where first seen on the yellow trail at the south side rear of the Clubhouse, proceeding west and back around to the north of where the trail began.

1. **Bradford Pear**
Pyrus calleryana 'Bradford' D/N/S
[brittle & short-lived, 12-25 yrs]
2. **Columnar Maple**
Acer rubrum 'Columnaris' D/N/M-L
3. **Kousa Dogwood**
Cornus kousa D/Asia/S
4. **White Ash**
Fraxinus Americana #/D/N/L
[Asian Emerald Ashborer]
5. **Scots (Scotch) Pine**
Pinus sylvestris #/E/Europe/M
6. **Hinoki False Cypress**
Chamaecyparis obtuse 'Hinoki' /Japan/L
(unless dwarf variety)
7. **Babylon Weeping Willow**
Salix babylonica D/N/M
8. **Sweet Gum**
Liquidambar styraciflua D/N/L
[fruit =spiny "gumballs"]
9. **Pin Oak**
Quercus palustris #/D/N/L
10. **Blue Spruce**
Picea pungens E/N/L
11. **White Pine**
Pinus strobus #/E/N/L-VL
12. **Norway Maple**
Acer platinoides D/NN/L
13. **Red Maple**
Acer rubrum #/D/N/S-M
14. **Crabapple**
Malus spp #/D/N/S

15. **Limber Pine**
Pinus flexilis E/N/M
16. **White Spruce**
Picea glauca #/E/Canada/L
17. **Common Beech**
Fagus sylvatica E/Europe/M-L
18. **Concolor Fir**
Abies concolor #/E/N/L
19. **Ginkgo**
Ginkgo biloba #/D/Asia/ M-L
20. **Japanese Umbrella Pine**
Sciadopitys verticillata E/Japan/S
21. **Dawn Redwood**
Metasequoia glyptostroboides D/China/L
22. **Eastern Red Cedar**
Juniperus virginiana E/N/M
23. **Honey Locust**
Gleditsia triacanthos D/N/L
[sharp thorns on trunks & branch]
24. **Sugar Maple**
Acer saccharum D/N/L-VL
25. **Norway Spruce**
Picea abies E/NN/VL
26. **Bloodgood Maple**
Acer palmatum 'Bloodgood' D/Japan/S
27. **American Elm**
Ulmus americana 'Liberty' #/D/N/L
[Dutch Elm resistant variety]
28. **Purple Beech**
Fagus sylvatica 'atropunicea' D/Europe/L
[winter leaves may remain]
29. **Linden**
Tilia cordata D/N/L
30. **Black (Austrian) Pine**
Pinus nigra E/Europe/L
31. **Red Pine**
Pinus resinosa E/N/VL