

Albert Schweitzer Trails At Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center

1.8 miles route #1

Easy

This loop follows the DHMC walking path around the western edge of the DHMC property. Starting at the northernmost entrance, follow the Walking Trail south. It will eventually terminate on LaHaye Drive. At this point, make a right onto the access road, and follow it into the woods where it turns back into a trail. This path will lead you all the way back to your starting point at the northernmost entrance. Care must be exercised when crossing the Loop Road – use the designated crosswalk. There is no sidewalk or defined path leading from the Loop road to LaHaye Drive; walk on the edge of the parking lot or the grass median.

Directions: Take Lebanon Street east out of Hanover. The road becomes Route 120. Then turn right into the hospital.

1. From the North Visitor lot, proceed toward the North Entrance and locate the walking path on the west side of the entrance circle. Proceed on the walking path around the building to follow route #1.
2. From the Main Patient parking lot, go toward the Main Entrance; follow the sidewalk north along the building until it joins the walking trail. Turn left on the walking trail to follow route #1.

Parking: Parking is available in the North Visitor lot and the Main Patient lot.

Uses: Trails are open to foot traffic. No motorized vehicles; no bicycles. Not wheelchair accessible. Pets are allowed, but must be leashed at all times.

Extension Suggestions:

Route #2 – **easy** to **difficult** – 2.0 miles

Route #3 – **easy** to **moderate** – 1.0 mile

Route #4 – **easy** to **difficult** – 2.1 mile

Route #2: begins at the North Entrance, follows Route #1 until the junction of Holly's Path, where it branches off to the right. It then continues along Holly's path until a second trail junction, where it bears right onto Albert's path. Eventually, Albert's path turns into water tower access road, which in turn leads into LaHaye Drive. Turn left; follow the access road to LaHaye. Follow LaHaye until the walking trail intersects on the left, then turn onto the Walking Trail to return to the North Entrance. It is easy from the North Entrance to the junction in the woods, moderate until it begins a sustained difficult climb to the high point of Albert's Path. When Albert's Path joins the Water Tower Access Road, the going is easy again.

Route #3 begins as route #2, but branches right in the woods onto Joe's Path, instead of left onto Albert's Path, which leads to a clearing near the north access road. Go across the clearing to the access road and return to the North Entrance.

Route #4 is a combination of routes #3 and #2. Start at the North Entrance, follow route #3 in reverse, and when it intersects with Albert's Path follow Albert's Path as described for route #2.

Ownership/Maintenance: The Albert Schweitzer Trails are owned and maintained by Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center.

