

TOP 10 PLACES TO WALK IN COLCHESTER



Colchester Causeway

#1 Colchester Causeway - This State of Vermont owned nationally recognized Hall of Fame trail is a treasure. After passing through Airport Park and making your way along the Causeway connector path, you come to the marble causeway that many consider the highlight of the route. American elms rise from the shoreline but don't interrupt the view east to the Green Mountains or west to the Adirondacks. At 2.7 miles, the Causeway ends at The Cut, but you can ride a ferry on weekends and holidays in the spring and fall and all week in the summer. (Find rates and hours at localmotion.org.) The trail continues for another mile once you get to South Hero Island. Dress appropriately and be aware there is no bathroom available. Parking available at Airport Park and a small 10 vehicle lot on Mills Point Road.

#2 Sunny Hollow Natural Area - A 80 - acre parcel sandwiched between Route 7 and Camp Johnson provides a diverse environment to visitors. Varying grades offer walking and mountain biking trails to different levels of use, as the paths weave through steams and oak trees. A small pull-off parking lot is located on Hercules Drive.

#3 Niquete Bay State Park - This 584 acres state park in Colchester is a day-use park, located just off Route 2. A series of hiking trails provide choices to different levels of walkers and hikers. Visit vtstateparks.com for more information.

#4 Village Park - 66-acea primitive park offers a 1 mile trail loop. A 10 foot wide gravel trail offers a easy walk within a forest setting. Five car Parking lot off Main Street, behind the Water District building.

#5 Colchester Pond - Colchester Pond is an exciting spot to visit year-round. In early spring you'll find an abundance of wildflowers including yellow Dutchmen's britches and purple trout lily along the 3.5-mile trail that encircles the pond. Visit wvpd.org for more information

#6 Delta Board Walk - This elevated board walk is a half mile footpath that brings you through the extensive marshes of Delta Park, connecting to the Burlington Bike Path once you travel over the mouth of the Winooski River bike bridge. It is an excellent birding location and is designated as one of 17 site-based IBAs (Important Bird Areas) in the state by Audubon Vermont.

#7 Bayside Bike Path - This 3.3 mile paved path connects Bayside Park to Hollow Creek.

#8 Rossetti Natural Area - Located on Holy Cross Road, this short walk on a gravel trail, ends with you standing on a sandy beach overlooking Malletts Bay.

#9 Airport Park - A 1.3 mile gravel walking path takes you around the parks perimeter. A trail spur on the west side connects to a UVM Bog boardwalk.

#10 Holly Cross Path - A shared use path along Holy Cross Road. Parking at Airport Park will connect you by sidewalk to the path. Parking also available at Rossetti Natural Area.



Village Park



Bayside Bike Path



Delta Boardwalk