

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Preserve Hours: Dawn till Dusk

- Follow Posted Signage at All Times
- Dogs Must Be on a Leash at All Times
- Pack Out All Trash and Dog Waste
- Stay On Marked Trails
- The Following Are Prohibited:
 - Hunting
 - Excessive Noise
 - Alcohol and Glass Containers
 - Camping and Fires
 - Collecting of Plants, Animals or Artifacts
 - Overnight Parking
 - Mountain Bikes
 - All-Terrain Vehicles
 - Horseback Riding

**IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY
CALL 911**

Beech Ridge, a 64-acre preserve, sits at the headwaters of Belcher Creek, and hosts a mature deciduous hardwood forest with a large assemblage of mature and sapling American beech on sunny, south-facing slopes. Numerous mature oak and tulip poplar dominate the higher canopy, with evergreens including Eastern red cedar and hemlock.

Several springs emerge from the preserve's uplands, feeding wetlands and headwater streams. The wetlands are dominated by pin oak, green ash, red maple, and swamp white oak. A marshland dominated by red maple, willow, and hummock sedges bounds the southern edge of the preserve, in which native ephemerals such as trout lily, mayapple, addersmouth, spring beauty, and dwarf ginseng can be seen in the springtime. Black bear and gray fox frequent this area as well as pileated woodpeckers, turkey, and other forest birds.



**ADDRESS FOR PARKING AREA:
60 Belcher Road, Blairstown NJ 07825***

*closest street address, parking area is 1/10 mile westbound on Belcher Rd

**GPS COORDINATES:
40.9544, -74.9909**



Beech tree illustration by Jennifer Ramirez, 2019

RIDGE AND VALLEY CONSERVANCY



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ABOUT US

Ridge and Valley Conservancy (RVC) is a private, non-profit land trust that preserves natural lands in northwestern New Jersey. We strive to practice sound ecological management of the lands we've protected, safeguarding sensitive habitats and the native species that inhabit them. Many RVC preserves have hiking trails, and we offer nature education, guided hikes, and other special events for the community and for schools. Learn more about us at ridgeandvalleyconservancy.org.

Scan this QR code to see the trail map on your device.

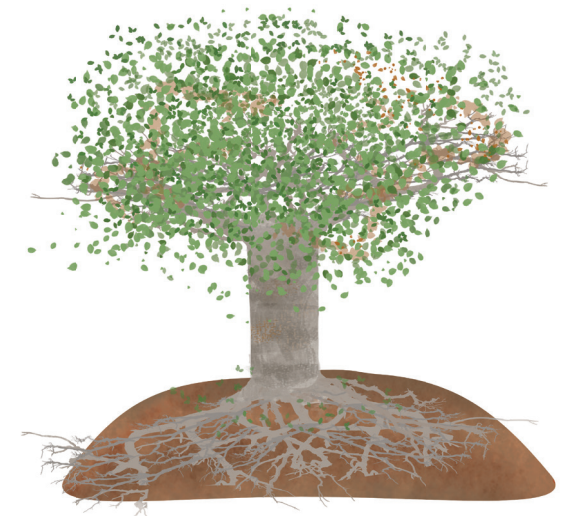


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BEECH RIDGE PRESERVE TRAIL MAP



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