

## **Mine Hill & Carrter Prserves**

## Mine Hill Loop Trail

## Mine Hill Main Loop (Roxbury)

Length: 3.5 miles

**Highest Elevation:** 881 ft **Lowest Elevation:** 758 ft

**Surface:** wood's roads and footpaths

**Difficulty:** Moderate

Parking: Mine Hill road parking lot.

Roxbury Land Trust's Mine Hill Preserve is on the National Register of Historic places — and for good reason! It contains significant stone and brick structural remains associated with a cold fired blast furnace that reached peak production following the Civil War. There are nine self-guided interpretive stations along the trail, which includes a variety of habits from riverine vegetation and open fields to broadleaf woodlands. The trail passes nearby iron mine tunnels and charcoal hearths associated with the



furnace. Bats now hibernate in the mine shafts and a maturing forest covers land once cleared for charcoal. Those wishing to extend their hike by an additional 1.5 miles can access a loop trail to Roxbury Land Trust's Carter Preserve in New Milford at about the midway point of the Mine Hill Main loop trail.

**Manager** Information

Trail Map

