Welcome to DCR’s Bradley Palmer State Forest

A former private estate housing a remarkable Arts and Crafts style mansion, Bradley Palmer offers over 700 acres of park land primarily used for hiking, horseback riding and biking.

Bradley Palmer is part of the Massachusetts state park system and is managed by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), an agency of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs.

DCR oversees 450,000 acres of parks, forests, beaches, bike trails, watersheds, and dams. Its mission is to protect, promote, and enhance the state’s natural, cultural, and recreational resources. To learn about DCR and to discover more parks and recreational opportunities within the Massachusetts state parks, visit www.mass.gov/dcr. For Bradley Palmer, visit www.mass.gov/dcr/parks/northeastern/bradley.htm

Designated by a heart symbol, Healthy Heart Trails are pathways or trails used for hiking or walking that are easy to moderate in activity level and intended for routine use to help build a healthy heart.

TRAIL USE GUIDELINES AT BRADLEY PALMER
• Stay on designated trails and roads.
• Observe all posted rules and regulations.
• Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) use prohibited.
• Be alert for other trail users.
• Hikers: Allow bicyclists and equestrians to pass.
• Bicyclists: Control your bike—do not skid.
• Avoid startling horses and hikers: announce yourself.
• Equestrians: Control your horse.

LEGEND: SUMMER USE
Bradley Palmer State Park
Paved Road
Unpaved Road
Trail
Accessible Trail
Interpretive Trail
Healthy Heart Trail
Bay Circuit Trail
Picnic Area
Bathrooms
Parking
Trail Intersection
Park Headquarters
Closed Gate
Town Boundary
Wetland
Brook, River
pond
Contour Line (10 Intervals)
Willowdale State Forest
Historic Curatorship
Lease Area
Historic Curatorship scheduled events & programs

* There are no plans to discourage motor vehicle use. All other trail users are welcome to travel beyond gate.

Summer Use Trail Map