**A BRIEF OVERVIEW**

**Last Great Shoreline Preserve**

The Last Great Shoreline Preserve is located in the Town of Putnam and was acquired in 2009. The preserve is comprised of four parcels totaling 351 acres.

The Last Great Shoreline Preserve (LGS) protects approximately 1,925’ feet of Lake George shoreline and is one of the most ecologically significant and undeveloped parcels on the eastern shore of Lake George. The LGS also includes Jumping Rock. Jumping Rock itself will remain accessible to the public only by water; the remainder of that property is closed to public access.

The LGS is primarily a northern hardwood-hemlock forest, the only exception being a 100-acre wetland complex of Sucker Brook. The Sucker Brook wetlands include a rare white cedar swamp and serves as an important area for wildlife, particularly birds and amphibians. The wetland also stores flood waters, recharges groundwater, and filters surface water, thereby contributing clean water to Lake George.

The Preserve’s trail system is currently xx miles in total length and includes three scenic viewspots. The kiosk and trailhead are located on the left-hand side of Warrick Road, approximately 0.8 miles from its intersection with Glenburnie Road, and a short walk from the designated parking area on the right side of Warrick Road. **Please do not park on the shoulder of the road.**

**Please enjoy our seasonal dock that will accommodate multiple boats.** Canoes and kayaks are welcome too along the shore! The dock is open dawn to dusk; we ask that you limit your time to three hours. If it is early or late in the season, call ahead for availability.

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**PRESERVE LOCATION**

Warrick Road
Putnam, NY 12861
Washington County

**Parking Coordinates:**
43.760978, -73.448860

**From Ticonderoga:**
Follow State Rt. 22 south from Montcalm Street/ Rt. 74 for 5.8 miles.
Turn right/west onto Rt. 1/Glenburnie Road.
Follow for 1.5 miles.
Turn left onto Warrick Road. Follow for approximately 1/2-mile to the parking area on right.

**From Whitehall:**
Follow State Rt. 22 north from its intersection with Rt. 4 in Whitehall for 19 miles.
Turn left/west onto Rt. 1/Glenburnie Road. Follow for 1.5 miles. Turn left onto Warrick Road. Follow for approximately 1/2-mile to the parking area on right.

**Please be mindful of cars when crossing the road to the trailhead.**

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The Lake George Land Conservancy’s nature preserves are open to the public from dawn to dusk year-round for educational, scientific, and passive recreational pursuits.

Visit us online at [www.lglc.org](http://www.lglc.org) for information on our nature excursions and events, land protection, and preserving Lake George’s unique natural heritage.
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Last Great Shoreline Preserve Trails

The Lake George Land Conservancy has established four trails at the Last Great Shoreline Preserve: the blue trail, Andia-ta-roct-te Trail (red), the yellow connector trail and the orange trail.

After a short walk from the parking area to the kiosk, the blue trail makes a short climb before following a logging road for 0.3 miles (to the intersection with the yellow trail), before starting a gradual descent for 1.0 mile to a scenic overlook that provides a west-facing view of Lake George. From the overlook the trail makes a short, but steep descent to the dock (please use caution).

The red trail is an off-shoot of the blue trail. After heading east a short distance to an opening overlooking Sucker Brook and the Green Mountains to the east, the red trail turns south along the upper edge of the Sucker Brook valley. After turning west, it reconnects with the blue trail.

Andia-ta-roct-te is the Iroquois name for Lake George, meaning "where the lake is closed in by mountains." The name was chosen to honor the native people who lived in this area and to try to keep alive their sense of connection with nature.

The yellow triangle trail connects the Last Great Shoreline with Gull Bay. Starting at the intersection with the blue trail it generally descends gradually for 0.25 miles, until it reaches a short, steep set of stairs, then goes along the edge of the white cedar swamp for 0.25 miles, before following a logging road for 0.5 miles to the intersection of the yellow trail at Gull Bay Preserve.

We welcome you to explore our newest trail (orange) that skirts along the edge of the white cedar swamp. It is flat, but may be wet and have uneven footing.

Preserve Use Guidelines

• Please park in the designated parking lot only; do not park along the road.
• Please hike only on the marked trails shown on the trail map.
• Please be courteous of other guests at the preserve.
• No unauthorized removal of plants or animals. Hunting is allowed by LGCLC permit. No trapping is allowed.
• No motorized or non-motorized recreational vehicles of any kind allowed on the preserve.
• The dock is available for use seasonally (see “overview” for details).
• Please keep dogs leashed at all times.
• No camping or fires. Please do not litter.
• Use of drones by special permission only.