



MARY V. FLYNN TRAIL

Description: An easy walk in the woods and along the Housatonic River, on a wide, packed-gravel trail, built mostly on the bed of the old Berkshire Street Railway trolley line. Starting with a 100 foot boardwalk, the trail goes through birch, pine, cottonwood and invasive euonymus, traverses two wooden bridges, and meets the river near a railed section. At the end of the wide trolley bed portion, a narrower section traverses two, smaller bridges as it loops back along the river through fern beds to the main trail. This trail was constructed in 2003 as part of the Laurel Hill Association's 150th Anniversary celebration.

Directions: The trail starts immediately on the left after crossing the Goodrich Memorial footbridge at the end of Park Street

Length: 1.2 miles round-trip.

Difficulty: Easy. Suitable for people of all ages and abilities. Wheelchair accessible.



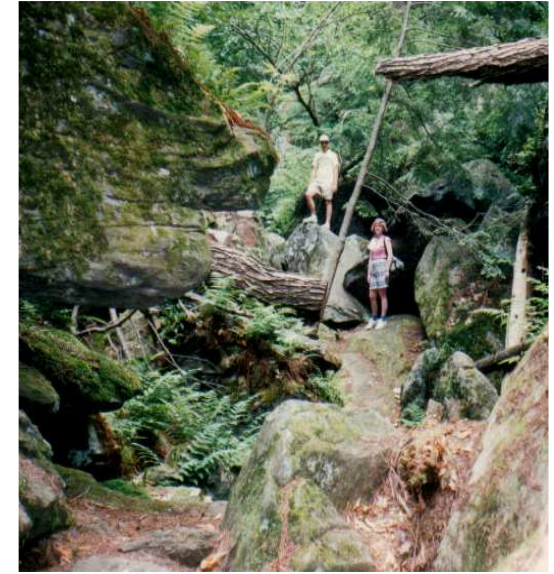
LAURA'S TOWER TRAIL

Description: A quiet, wooded ascent, starting out through old stand pine and hemlock. Midway up, a boulder outcropping gives a hint of the wonders of Ice Glen. Nearing the end of the climb is a large section of birch interspersed with mountain laurel. A metal tower at the summit provides a panoramic view of the middle Berkshires, including Mount Greylock to the north, the highest point in Massachusetts. On a clear day, one can see 68 miles west to the New York Catskills, and 50 miles north to the Green Mountains in southern Vermont.

Directions: After crossing the Goodrich Memorial footbridge at the end of Park Street, proceed over the railroad tracks and up the trail. At the fork (about ¼ of a mile), take the **left** and continue up to the summit.

Length: 1.5 miles round-trip.

Difficulty: Moderately difficult. 600' vertical ascent.



ICE GLEN TRAIL

(Ice Glen is owned by the Town of Stockbridge.)

Description: A clamber over, under and around giant boulders in a glacial ravine. The sides of the glen are covered with old stand pine and hemlock. The crags and crannies of the rocks are said to harbor ice and snow into the summer. At the north end of the glen is a flat rock face with an inscription from the donor, David Dudley Field. At the south end of the glen is reputedly the tallest pine in Massachusetts.

Directions: After crossing the Goodrich Memorial footbridge at the end of Park Street, proceed over the railroad tracks and up the trail. At the fork (about ¼ of a mile), take the **right** and continue over to the glen.

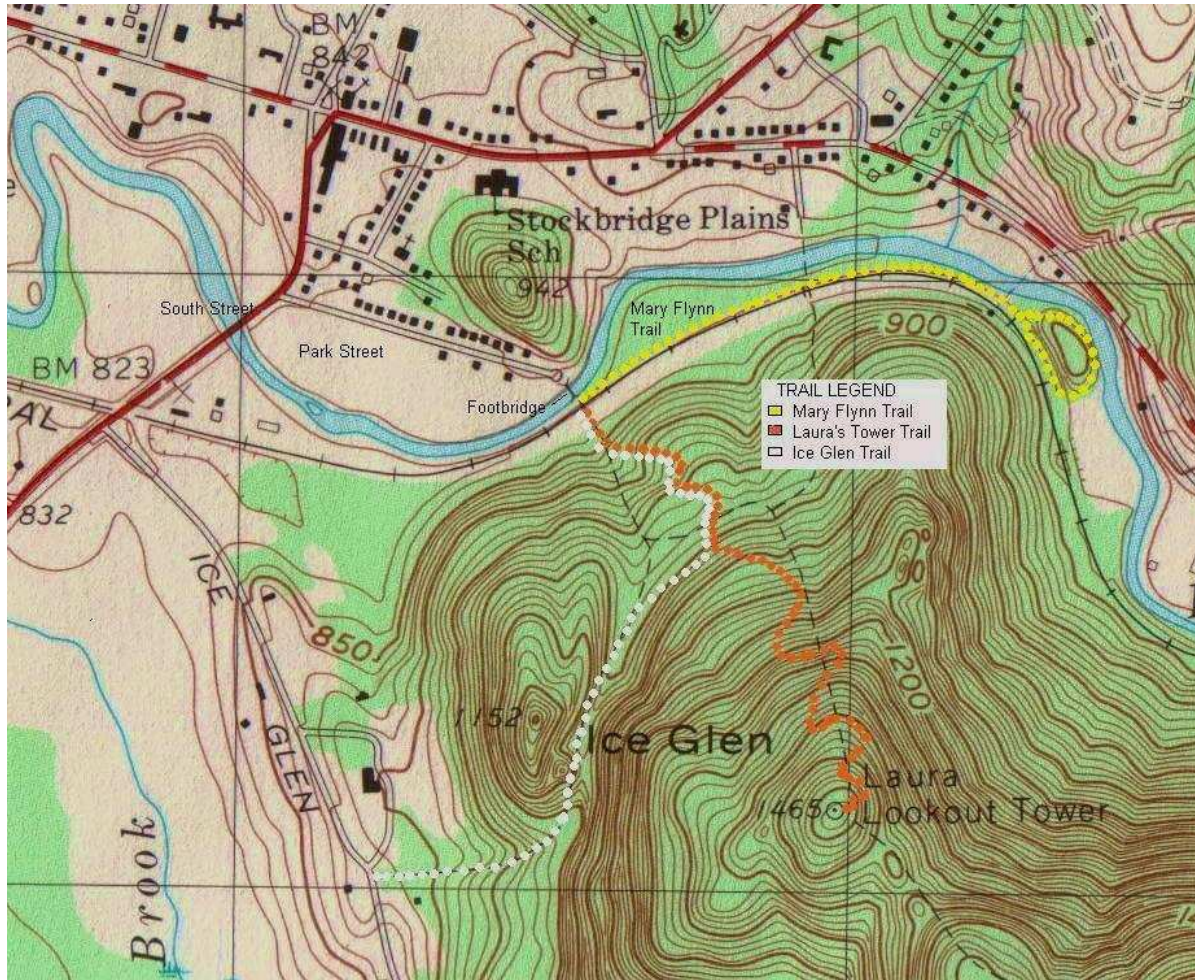
Length:

-- 1 mile round trip if retracing back through the glen
-- 2 miles round trip if returning via Ice Glen Road, South Street, and Park Street.

Difficulty: Difficult. Some sections require climbing and holding to navigate boulders.

TRAIL MAP

All three trails start after crossing the Goodrich Memorial footbridge, located at the end of Park Street.



TRAIL LEGEND

Yellow	■	Mary V. Flynn Trail
Orange	■	Laura's Tower Trail
White	□	Ice Glen Trail

THREE TRAILS

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Stockbridge, Massachusetts



THE MARY V. FLYNN TRAIL

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The Laurel Hill Association is the nation's oldest village improvement society, founded in 1853 by Mary Hopkins Goodrich.

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