

## Scouts Valley Loop Trail

City of Orillia

**Trails:** 2 km / each **Difficulty:** Moderate **Parking:** 15th Line N, Orillia

The City of Orillia donated this conservation easement to the Couchiching Conservancy in 2007. Encompassing 228 acres, Scout Valley is a trail system that winds through the park's natural landscape of forest and streams making it a popular destination for passive recreation.

The property contains a variety of

habitats and is also important as habitat for a variety of animals, including interior forest songbirds.

Three loop trails are located on the Scout Valley property – Algonquin Trail, Sugarbush Trail and Homestead Trail. Each 2 kms in distance and starting in separate locations.

### Points of Interest

#### Algonquin Trail:

1. Trail head is at the SE corner of the north parking lot off Old Barrie Road.
2. Follow trail up to top of shoreline ridge and turn right to reach the viewing platform, or stay to the left and proceed down the hill to reach the connecting side trail (#3).
3. Proceed straight to cross the bridge on the connecting Sugarbush Trail or turn right to complete loop back to the parking lot.

#### Sugarbush Trail:

4. This trail starts from the west parking lot with a short link to the main loop.
5. Turn right at junction to start loop.
6. Once you meet up with Homestead Trail, turn left. Homestead trail turns right at number 13.
7. Watch for the sharp left turn at the junction of another trail.
8. Sugarbush Trail meets up with the connecting side trail to Algonquin Trail across the bridge over the creek. Turn left to complete the loop, which leads to the west parking lot.

#### Homestead Trail:

9. This trail starts from the south parking lot with a short link to the main loop.
10. The trail turns left up a hill.
11. Turn right onto the start of the loop. Watch for the remains of a log building on the left.
12. The trail proceeds left up the hill.
13. Turn left to complete the Homestead Trail or right to complete the Sugarbush Trail.
14. The Sugarbush Trail turns right, but turn left to loop back to the start.
15. Return to the parking lot and when entering number 11, follow the same short connecting trail that was used to enter the trail.

*The following trail is owned and maintained by the Couchiching Conservancy. Please note that trails are maintained periodically throughout the year, though fallen hazards and debris may appear due to weather.*



