



We hope you have enjoyed this self-guided tour of the Goodwin Conservation Center.

The following organizations cooperatively operate the Center:

The Connecticut Forest and Park Association (CFPA)

The Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (Ct DEEP)

The Friends of Goodwin Forest

To learn more, feel free to contact the Center at 860-466-9534



FOREST DISCOVERY TRAIL GUIDE

This brochure is yours to use while enjoying the Goodwin Forest interpretive trail. If you wish to keep it, a donation of \$3.00, left in the gazebo cash box, would be appreciated.

JAMES L. GOODWIN STATE FOREST

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WELCOME!

You are on the grounds of the James L. Goodwin Conservation Center. Lying at the southern end of the Goodwin State Forest, the center includes the 83-acre Demonstration Forest where you can see state-of-the-art, professional, forest-and-wildlife-stewardship practices. We invite you to observe these practices on the Forest Discovery Trail with this guide in hand.



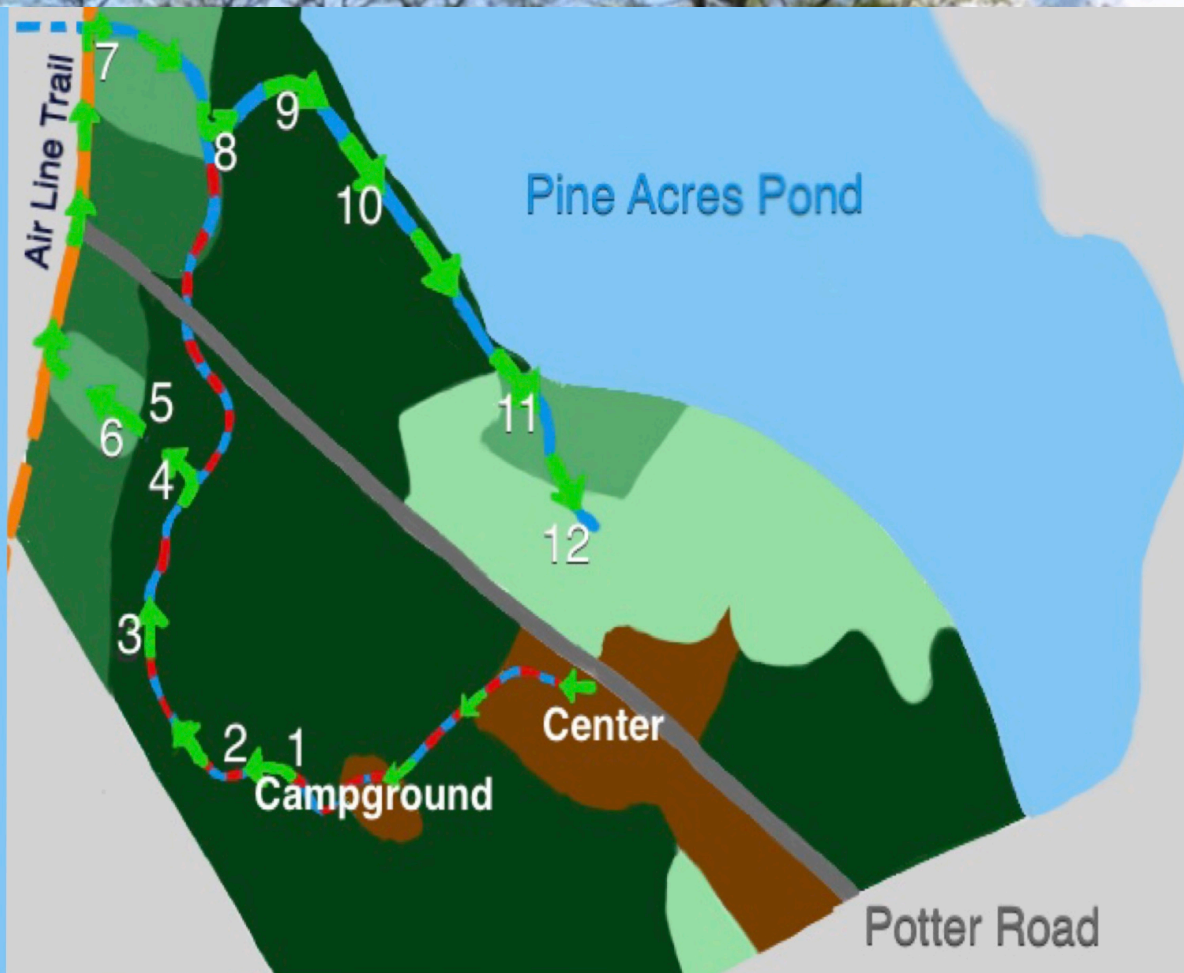
James L. Goodwin (1881-1967)

One of the first professional foresters educated in America, James Goodwin owned over 1,700 acres at Pine Acres Farm. Goodwin and his staff practiced cutting-edge forest management her for over 50 years. In 1964 he gave the entire property to the people of the state of Connecticut earmarking the house and surrounding 80 acres as a forest and wildlife education center. Due to Mr. Goodwin's vision and generosity, professional foresters have managed this demonstration forest for over a century.

The Forest Discovery Trail is marked with green arrows. It begins at the sign board across the street from the parking area on Potter Road and continues past the youth camping area at the northwest corner of the center's grounds. The numbers on the posts along the trail correspond to those in the guide.



FOREST DISCOVERY TRAIL MAP



LEGEND:

- Natchaug Trail
- Air Line Trail
- Blue Red Trail
- Forest Discovery Trail
- Goodwin Center Facilities

FOREST TYPES:

- White pine
- Oak / mixed hardwood
- Red maple /wetland
- Open / early succession habitat

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