

## Care for & Enjoy

**Open from dawn to dusk.** No overnight camping or fires.

**Foot traffic only.** No motorized vehicles, bikes, or horses.

**Carry in and carry out** trash and waste, including pet waste.

**Dogs must be leashed or under voice control** of the owner. Please pick up after your dogs.

**Stick to established trails.** No cutting of new trails.

**No hunting or trapping** due to donor wishes.

**Groups of 10+ people or dogs, tours, and events by permission only.**



Fritz Wiessner

## Protected Forever

In 1992, Muriel “Moo” Wiessner and her children donated the 79-acre Wiessner Woods to the Stowe Land Trust in memory of their late husband and father, Fritz Wiessner, who was an ardent conservationist and celebrated mountaineer and climber. The generosity of the Wiessner family ensures that these forests, views, habitats and trails will remain intact and open to the public forever.

**Stowe Land Trust** is a local, member-supported, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to the conservation of scenic, recreational, and productive farm and forest lands for the benefit of the greater Stowe community.

- ◆ Land Protection: Saving Land Now
- ◆ Stewardship: Caring for Land Forever
- ◆ Land Management & Recreation
- ◆ Education & Events

### Join Us!

- ◆ Become a member
- ◆ Make a donation
- ◆ Volunteer
- ◆ Share ideas & suggestions

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# STOWE LAND TRUST Wiessner Woods



**Volunteers** have put in hundreds of hours of work to help care for the trails and habitats at Wiessner Woods and on other **Stowe Land Trust** properties. Join them today! [stowelandtrust.org](http://stowelandtrust.org)

A Community Natural Area  
Owned and Managed by  
Stowe Land Trust

## Trail Map & Guide

# Exploring Wiessner Woods

① **Meadow Overlook** Enjoy views toward Mt. Mansfield that are framed by **old stonewalls** dating back to the 1800s when Wiessner Woods was a farm. Look for signs of fox, coyote, and other wildlife traveling along the edge of the meadow where there is good cover and food.



② **Vernal Pool** Woodland salamanders and frogs lay their eggs in these shallow pools in the spring. Pools dry up in the summer. Look for **Pink Lady's Slipper** growing nearby.



Pink Lady's Slipper

③ **Spruce-Pine-Hardwood Forest** Some of these pines are almost 100 years old! Birds, snowshoe hare, and other animals hide in the low spruce cover. Look for their tracks in winter. Listen for **birdsong** in the spring.



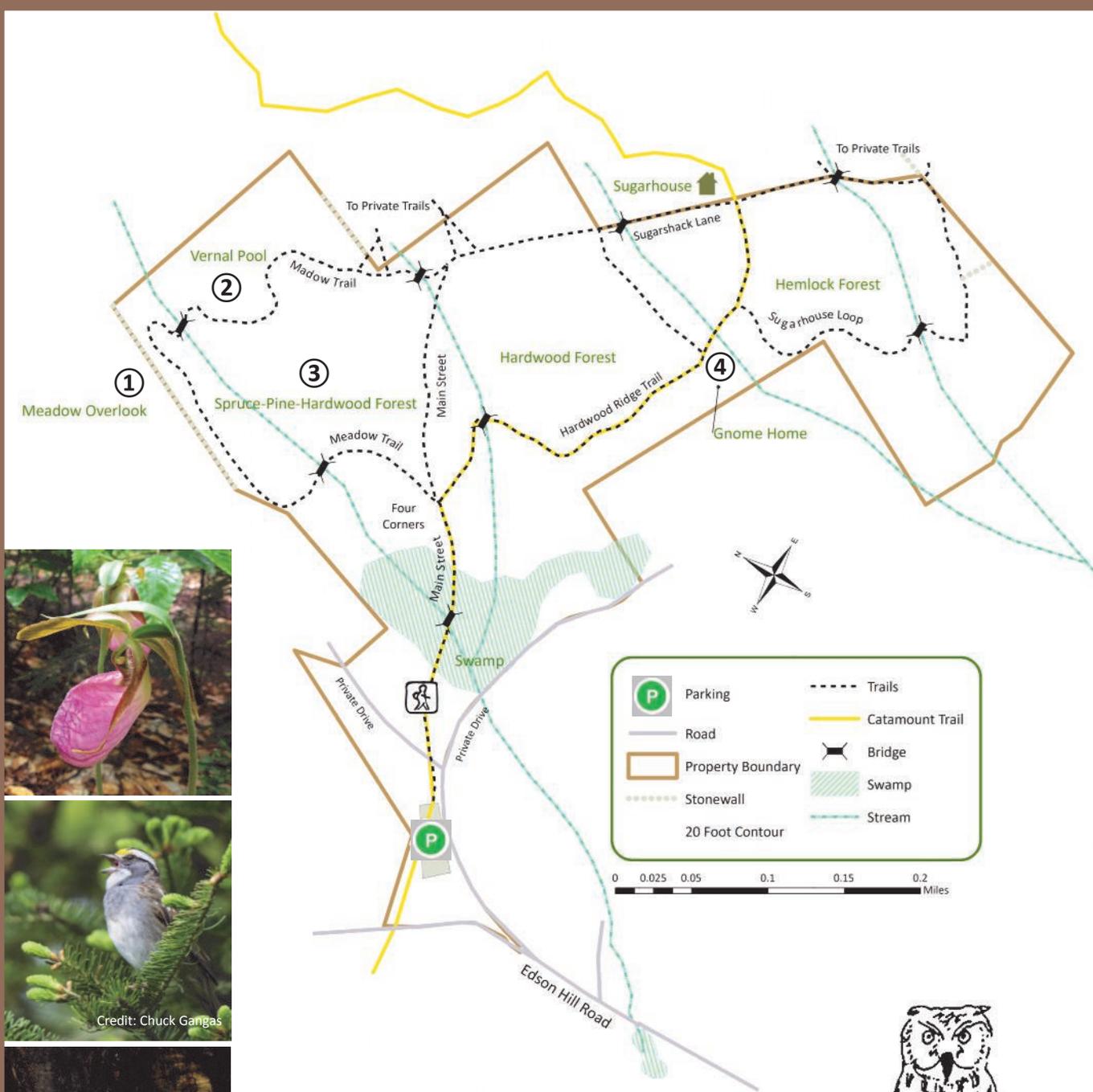
White-throated Sparrow

④ **Gnome Home** On your way to the Sugarhouse Loop, look carefully for the **gnome** of Wiessner Woods. Sometimes he's hiding!



Credit: John Sharpless

Gnome of Wiessner Woods



Thanks to Lynn Jeffery for the owl motif used on the Wiessner Woods trail markers. Owls and other birds nest the big trees at Wiessner Woods.

