

TOP 10 PLACES TO WALK IN COLCHESTER

Enjoy some of Colchester's outside treasures, while maintaining the proper social distances!



Colchester Causeway

#1 Colchester Causeway - Currently closed and under construction, this regional destination still had to make the list at #1. After passing through Airport Park and making your way along the Causeway connector path, you come to the marble causeway that many consider the highlight of the route. American elms rise from the shoreline but don't interrupt the view east to the Green Mountains or west to the Adirondacks. At 2.7 miles, the Causeway ends at The Cut, but you can ride a ferry on weekends and holidays in the spring and fall and all week in the summer. (Find rates and hours at localmotion.org.) The trail continues for another mile once you get to South Hero Island.



Village Park

#2 Sunny Hollow Natural Area - A 80 - acre parcel sandwiched between Route 7 and Camp Johnson provides a diverse environment to visitors. Varying grades offer walking and mountain biking trails to different levels of use, as the paths weave over streams and through oaks and pine trees. A small pull-off parking lot is located on Hercules Drive.

#3 Niquette Bay State Park - This 584 - acre state park in Colchester is a day-use park, located just off Route 2. A series of hiking trails provide choices to different levels of walkers and hikers. Visit vtstateparks.com for more information.

#4 Village Park - This 66-acre primitive park offers a 1 mile trail loop. A 10 foot wide gravel trail offers an easy walk within a forest setting. A five-car parking lot is located off of Main Street, behind the Water District #3 building.



Bayside Bike Path

#5 Colchester Pond - Colchester Pond is an exciting spot to visit year-round. In early spring you'll find an abundance of wildflowers including yellow Dutchmen's britches and purple trout lily along the 3.5 mile trail that encircles the pond. Visit wvpd.org for more information

#6 Delta Board Walk - This elevated board walk is a half -mile footpath that brings you through the extensive marshes of Delta Park and connects to the Burlington Bike Path once you travel over the mouth of the Winooski River via the bike bridge. It is an excellent birding location and is designated as one of 17 site-based IBAs (Important Bird Areas) in the state by Audubon Vermont.

#7 Bayside Bike Path - This 3.3 mile, 10 ft. wide paved path connects Bayside Park to Hollow Creek Dr. in Colchester Village.

#8 Rossetti Natural Area - Located on Holy Cross Road, this short walk on a gravel trail makes up for its short distance by ending at a sandy beach overlooking Malletts Bay.

#9 Airport Park - A 1.3-mile gravel walking path takes you around the park's perimeter. A trail spur on the west side connects to a UVM Bog boardwalk.

#10 Holy Cross Path - A shared use path along Holy Cross Road. Parking at Airport Park will connect you by sidewalk to the path. Parking is also available at Rossetti Natural Area.



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