

## ANDROSCOGGIN RIVERLANDS

### Homestead Trail

**Location:** Turner, Androscoggin County

**Description of Hike:** There are 15 miles of multiple use trails and 8 miles of hiking trails in the Riverlands. The "Homestead Trail" was created by local students and explores the history of the property. There are still foundations of homes that lined the shores of the river from the 1870s until 1927 when they were razed to construct the Gulf Island Dam.



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**Directions:** From Route 4 in Turner, take Route 117 east about 2 miles turning right at a fork just before a four-way intersection. Continue straight passed the store onto Center Bridge Road and proceed another 2 miles to the parking lot on the right. The property is also accessible by water from the public boat landing 1/3 mile beyond the parking lot.

**Total Distance:** Not available

**Hiking Time:** Not available

**Maps:** DeLorme Maine Atlas and Gazetteer Map 11, C/D-5

**Local Attractions:**

**Sources:**

- Land for Maine's Future. Maine State Planning Office.  
[http://media.informe.org/lmf/projects/project\\_detail.php?project=1575](http://media.informe.org/lmf/projects/project_detail.php?project=1575)

**LMF Background:** LMF provided six grants to purchase two parcels of riverfront property from a timber company in the late 1980s to help protect the land from development and to preserve the woods as a popular recreation area. The creation of the Riverlands spurred the community to develop the Androscoggin Land Trust that continues to protect open space in the region.