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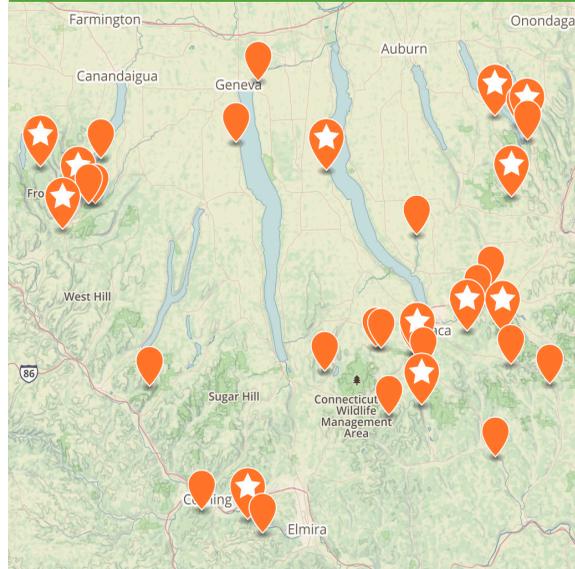
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The Finger Lakes Land Trust is a nonprofit conservation organization working across a 12-county region in Central New York. We have worked cooperatively with landowners and partners to permanently protect over 21,000 acres of treasured natural areas and scenic farmlands. The Land Trust owns and manages more than 35 conservation areas that are open to the public for quiet recreation. We hold over 130 easements on protected lands that remain in private ownership. FLLT is supported by members, and you can help us save more land.

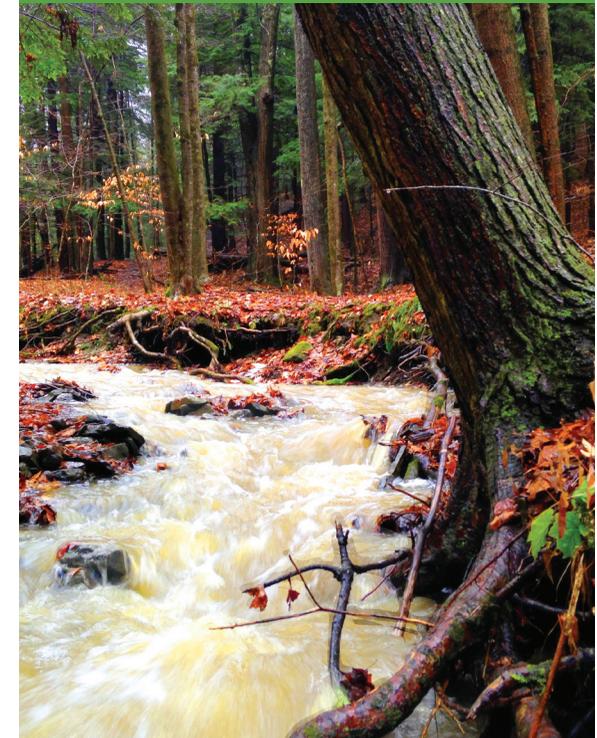
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# ELLIS HOLLOW NATURE PRESERVE

DRYDEN, NY

**MAP & GUIDE**



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 **Acreage:** 150 acres

 **County:** Tompkins

 **Trails:** 1.9 miles

Trails through fern-carpeted forests of the Ellis Hollow Nature Preserve cross streams that drain into Cascadilla Creek; in winter, they make peaceful loops for outings on snowshoes or cross-country skis.

### NATURAL HISTORY

The preserve is on the northern hillside of the Ellis Hollow valley in the Cayuga Lake watershed. The streams are important for maintaining water quality via Cascadilla Creek and nearby wetlands. In spring and summer, steep-sided glens ring with songs of Winter Wren, Hermit Thrush, Louisiana Waterthrush, Black-throated Green Warbler, and other denizens of these ravines lined by Eastern Hemlock.

### HISTORY

The Ellis Hollow Nature Preserve was created in September 2000 when Barbara Keeton and her family, long-time residents of the area, donated 111 acres to the Land Trust. Her family enjoyed its many natural delights since purchasing the land in the 1970s, and wanted to ensure that it would remain unspoiled for wildlife and quiet public recreation.

#### ACTIVITIES

- Hiking & Running
- Cross-Country Skiing
- Snowshoeing
- Birdwatching

#### DOGS

Keep your dog leashed and under control at all times

#### HOURS

Open dawn to dusk all year

#### POLICIES

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#### LEARN MORE

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