

Brewster Walking Trails

17 Mothers Bog Aquifer Protection Area

Mothers Bog is an 8-acre parcel that sits at the northern end of the 153-acre Mothers Bog Aquifer Protection Area. It is a great example of intermunicipal and non-profit cooperation to help preserve and protect land for conservation and watershed protection. The short bog loop navigates the perimeter of the bog, named after "Mother" Louise Crowell, whose family operated the bog for many years. The 8-acre bog saw its last commercial harvest in the fall of 2005, however small patches of productive plants can still be found scattered among juvenile pitch pines, soft rush, poison ivy and fir trees. The short loop navigates the perimeter of the bog with the western tip crossing into the Town of Dennis.

The Meeting House Road trail traverses a more diverse landscape of new growth pines, open meadow, and native hardwoods. A section of the trail follows the original cart path used by settlers from the south side of Harwich to attend church on the north side of Harwich, which became the Town of Brewster in 1803.

Red trail round trip: 0.5 miles **Blue trail round trip:** 1.25 miles

Directions: Traveling west on Route 6A, take a slight left onto Stony Brook Road, followed by a slight left onto Satucket Road. Turn left onto Slough Road and travel approximately 0.8 miles. The turn off for the parking area is on the right.





