The Braemore Preserve is a 95-acre open space tract. The preserve was purchased by the Town of Guilford in 2000 with matching funding from the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection Open Space Program. Braemore consists of both lowland and upland zones. The lowland features open meadow, open wetlands, pine grove, and red maple swamp. The upland is characterized by deciduous forest, sprinkled with small stands of red cedar. It rises abruptly from the lowland about 200 vertical feet in a series of rock bluffs with several rocky ridges rising another 50 to 100 feet.

The Braemore Preserve is part of Guilford's Northwoods Trails network that links a collection of open space tracts that are spread across North Guilford including Bluff Head, the Meyerhuber Preserve and the James Valley Preserve. The trails also link to Mica Ledges and Rockland Preserve in Madison. There are currently over 600 acres of permanently protected land in Guilford north of Lake Quonnipaug. Seventeen miles of recreational trails currently exist in Northwoods.



### **Directions and Parking:**

Braemore Preserve can be accessed via Route 77 (Durham Road) in Guilford coming from north or south. On the east side of Route 77 a small gravel parking area can be found. Access to the Braemore preserve trails can also be found at this gravel parking lot.

### **Permitted/Prohibited Activities:**

The passive woodland area contains a marked trail for horse riding trails, hiking trails and acres of woodlands to hike, walk and cross country ski. Prohibited activities include motorized vehicles, camping, fires, or alcohol. Dogs must be on leash, please pick up all animal waste.



## For more information about this location, contact:

Town of Guilford Natural Resources Department 50 Boston Street Guilford, CT (203) 453-8146

To report suspicious or illegal activity call Guilford Police Department: 203-453-8061

Questions regarding this brochure can be addressed to South Central Regional Council of Governments Phone: (203) 234-7555/Fax: (203) 234-9850 E-mail: trails@scrcog.org

Scan QR Code to access the South Central Regional Council of Governments Recreational Trails Webpage



### **Recreational Trails** South Central Connecticut

# Town of Guilford: Braemore Preserve





### Guilford, CT





Photo by Emmeline Alaconis, SCRCOG

# **Braemore Preserve**



Photo by Emmeline Alaconis, SCRCOG

#### **Trail Description:**

#### Moderate Hike

Braemore Preserve is comprised of both wooded uplands and open meadows and wetlands. On the Ridge Trail, which is the highest point, one can see to the Long Island Sound on a clear day. Hikers can extend their hike by walking to Bluff Head, another section of Northwoods.

Total trails distance is approx. 4.02 miles

### Legend



