#### BLACKLEDGE FALLS

Dedicated in 1991, Blackledge Falls, 79 acres, is owned and managed by the Town of Glastonbury. Paved parking is located on Route 94 (Hebron Avenue) approximately .2 mile from the Glastonbury/Hebron Town line. While dogs are welcome, they must be leashed and owners are asked to pick up after their dogs. To see the falls, follow the blue-white blaze trail (moderate difficulty) from the parking lot up the hill. While it is a bit steep, the half mile journey (1 mile round trip) is worth the effort; especially right after heavy rains and during the periods of seasonally high groundwater. Some days there are three cascades that drop down the 30' high rock outcropping. At other times, there may only be one cascade. It's best to view the falls in the spring. During periods of dry weather, the otherwise rushing plunges can turn into small, unimpressive trickles.

Other trails take visitors into the nearby 1,500 acre Gay City State Park. For a map that shows trails connecting to the park, visit: <a href="www.ct.gov/dep/lib/dep/stateparks/maps/gaycity.pdf">www.ct.gov/dep/lib/dep/stateparks/maps/gaycity.pdf</a>

The pond includes a dam that was formerly the site of an up-down saw mill which was moved to Old Sturbridge Village in Sturbridge, MA. There it forms part of a living history museum that allows thousands of visitors each year to experience New England life as it was in centuries gone by.

Early in the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the Blackledge Falls property was used by the Cheney family of Manchester, and later by the Danskin family of Glastonbury, as a summer retreat. Two log cabins used to grace the site near the pond.

Visitors are encouraged to enjoy the natural beauty and tranquility of the property.

All are asked to carry out whatever is carried in

For more information or to report a concern, contact Glastonbury Parks & Recreation at 860 652-7679.

Visit our other open space locations

### **Addison Bog & Woodlands**

Addison Road (rear of Smith Middle School)

## **Buckingham Park**

Manchester Rd

#### **Earle Park**

Main St

## **Ferry Landing**

Ferry Lane

#### **Great Pond Preserve**

Great Pond Rd

#### **Riverfront Park**

Welles Street

#### Williams Park

Neipsic Rd





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