PARKS, OPEN SPACE AND TRAILS GUIDE

Croton-on-Hudson

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Croton-on-Hudson is a community rich in natural beauty. Its rugged topography and location on both the Hudson and Croton Rivers provide a dramatic landscape with parks and open spaces that offer a wide range of passive and active outdoor activities. There are nearly 13 miles of wooded trails in the village. This guide provides a map and description of the village's parks, open spaces and trails.

VILLAGE PARKS for more information call the Recreation Office at 271-3006

SENASQUA PARK: This Hudson River waterfront park is open to village residents and their guests. Senasqua Park provides picnic facilities and a play area. Special permits are required for group picnics.

BOAT MARINA: Adjacent to Senasqua Park, the marina operates from May to mid-October. Mooring space is available by permit to residents and non-residents. Sailing lessons are offered by the Croton Sailing School.

ECHO CANOE BOAT LAUNCH: Located behind the village garage and salt shed, this area provides a launching area for cartop boats only.

SILVER LAKE: Located alongside the Croton River at the end of Truesdale Drive, this facility is open to village residents and their guests for swimming during the summer season. Permits or daily fees are required.

CROTON LANDING: This park stretches over a mile along the Hudson River and is located north of Senasqua Park beyond the Yacht Club. It includes the RiverWalk Trail, an athletic field and restroom, and a 9/11 memorial.

DOBBS PARK: Maple Street (Rt 129). This park is the home of Little League and includes a basketball court and play area.

DUCK POND PARK: Bungalow Road off So. Riverside Ave. This park provides a ballfield, basketball court, play area and pond for ice-skating.

FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL FIELD: Located behind the CET Elementary School off Alexander Lane, provides a lighted softball field.

DAVID J. MANES MEMORIAL FIELD: Located down the hill from Firefighters field; this is a multi-purpose ball field.

SUNSET PARK: Sunset & Lexington Dr. The Park has a play area for young children.

HARRISON STREET PARK: Located at the corner of Harrison Street and Route 129. This small park provides a play area for young children.

BLACK ROCK PARK: Located on Quaker Bridge Road along the Croton River, this park is a lovely spot to fish, stroll or have a picnic.

VASSALLO PARK: Located in the heart of the Upper Village, this park has an outdoor stage, and hosts special events throughout the year.

COUNTY PARKS for more information, go to www.westchestergov.com/parks

CROTON POINT PARK: Known as the 'Crown Jewel of the Hudson', this 504 acre County-operated park offers many activities including tent and RV camping, picnicking, hiking and nature study, and a swimming beach. Special events such as concerts, festivals, craft shows, historical and nature interpretive walks are held year round.

PARADISE ISLAND: This undeveloped 22-acre island is located in the Croton River and is best accessed by canoe or kayak.

NATURE PRESERVES & OPEN SPACE

BRINTON BROOK SANCTUARY: A 156-acre Audubon preserve contains over three miles of trails, is accessed from a small private drive off Albany Post Road North posted with a sign. A small parking area is located at the trailhead.

GRAFF SANCTUARY: This 29-acre Audubon preserve is accessed from either Furnace Dock Road or the end of Briggs Lane. For more info on Saw Mill River Audubon preserves, call (914) 666-6503 or go to www.sawmillriveraudubon.com

JANE E. LYTLE MEMORIAL ARBORETUM: A 20.4 acre preserve contains a loop trail system and connects to the Village's Highland Trail. An access road across Hudson National Golf Course is open during daylight hours and leads to a small parking lot. For more information, go to www.crotonarboretum.org.

KAPLAN'S POND: An 8.5 acre village owned property at Lounsbury Road, is a unique natural site with a small pond and wetlands area.

CROTON GORGE AREA: Many trails traverse this 22 acre wooded, undeveloped village-owned area situated at the crest of the Croton River ravine between CET School and the Croton Gorge Trail.

CROTON TRAIL SYSTEM With the exception of the Croton Gorge, RiverWalk and Crossining Path, all trails are for pedestrian use only.

The ***Croton Gorge Trail*** is a half-mile wooded trail that follows the Croton River ravine. It is accessible from either the Silver Lake parking lot or at the end of Cleveland Drive. A spur trail takes you down to the historic Quaker Bridge over the Croton River and up to the ***Old Croton Aqueduct Trailway*** in Cortlandt.

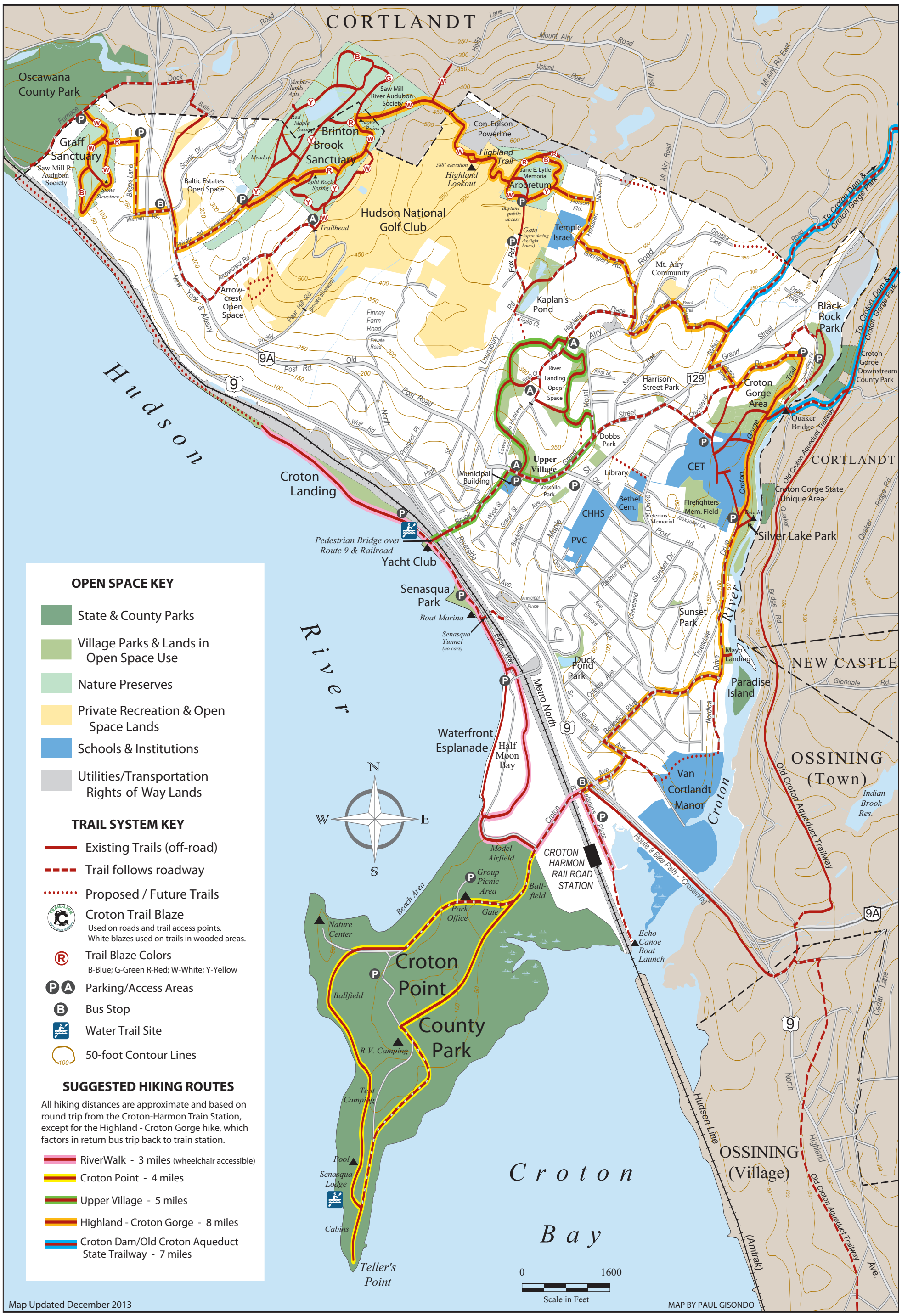
The ***Waterfront Esplanade*** is a paved path at Half Moon Bay, and is open to Croton residents. Parking is available at the gatehouse.

The ***Highland Trail*** is a scenic wooded trail that skirts the Hudson National Golf Course reaching one of the highest points in Croton, offering sweeping panoramic views of the Hudson River. It ties into trails at Brinton Brook Sanctuary and the Arboretum. The trailheads are accessed from either the end of Arrowcrest Road, or the Arboretum during daylight hours.

The ***Crossining*** is a one-mile paved path that crosses the Croton River, providing a bicycle/pedestrian connection between Croton and Ossining. It runs parallel to Route 9 between Croton Point Ave. and North Highland Ave.

The ***Westchester RiverWalk*** begins at the Crossining, travels west over the Croton Point Avenue Bridge and then north to the end of Croton Landing. Parts of the trail have a separate pedestrian/bicycle path and parts travel along the road.

The ***Upper Village Trail Loop*** (1.75 miles) starts across from the Municipal Building and brings you out at Symphony Knolls on Mount Airy Road



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