## Eaple Mountain Natural Area

Milton, Vermont



On a clear day the view from Eagle Mountain in Milton reveals the Champlain Islands with Adirondack peaks beyond, all telling the story of the Lake. Eagle Mountain also offers a story of family pioneering. "I came to Vermont when I was 6 weeks old," says John Hoyt, who owned the land with wife Margaret Hoyt. "My parents camped in tents along the shores." John's father purchased the mountain in 1922. He persevered through the Great Depression with farming and maple sugaring, the latter creating a network of trails that still exist today. John and his wife conserved Eagle Mountain in 1995 by donating the land to the Lake Champlain Land Trust. Boasting easy access to a high peak on Lake Champlain, Eagle Mountain is one of a few easily accessible mountain trail areas in Chittenden County.





Next time you visit Eagle Mountain, be sure to download a copy of our podcast for a naturalist-narrated tour that you can play from a smartphone while hiking!





Take I-89 to Exit 17. Go west on Route 2 for 2.4 miles. Turn right onto Bear Trap Rd. After 1.8 miles, the road forks. Bear left toward the barn. At the stop sign, turn left onto Cadreact Rd. Follow approximately 2.5 miles to another stop sign. Go straight as the road becomes Beebee Road. Go past Cold Spring Road and turn left on Henry Road. Follow Henry Road to the end of the road and a parking lot. This road is private; please make sure to only park in the lot. Eagle Mountain is managed by the Town of Milton.



Eagle Mountain is one of dozens of properties saved by the Lake Champlain Land Trust. Since 1978, the Lake Champlain Land Trust has preserved thousands of acres and miles of shoreline on Lake Champlain. To help us save more irreplaceable natural areas, please donate through our website www.LCLT.org!