

# John B. Austin Nature Trail

6674 Slayton Settlement Road  
Lockport NY 14094

In 1954, the Town of Lockport purchased 100 acres of pasture from the George Gallagher Farm. The intent was to quarry stone for use in the construction of new town roads, particularly that of a 1.5 mile stretch now known as Day Road. The stone, however, proved too soft for road construction and quarrying ceased. Since then, this setting on Slayton Settlement Road with its lush nature, had laid dormant and now enjoyed by many!

It began as the Town of Lockport Nature Trail, but was later renamed the John Austin Nature Trail after long time Town of Lockport Justice and Town Supervisor John B. Austin. It is perfect for the beginning hiker, children, people who don't want to over exert themselves, etc. It'll give you peace without the craziness that comes with an intense trail. It is also perfect for running since it's a little hilly but well-mapped so you can do loops around the trails and get a good workout.

There are benches set along the trail for peaceful meditation. Two of the benches overlook the beautiful waterfall that is tucked away in the back of the trail, but well mapped so you can find it. The trail also features two huge oak trees that are over 250 years old and measure 8 feet in diameter! Treat all of your senses and take in the soothing sounds of a running stream and waterfall here at John Austin Nature Trail.

