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### Membership Benefits & Levels

\$50

Basic—Includes subscription to the quarterly *Newsletter*; 10% discount on plants and Acorn Shop purchases; invitations to plant sale, Preview Party and other special events; free or reduced admission to gardens nationwide; reduced admission to select Arboretum events; a certificate worth up to \$20 for a select Landis program. (Discounts do not apply to materials required for programs).

\$250  
PATRON—All the above plus complimentary admission to the plant sale, Preview Party—includes one gift membership.

\$500  
BETTY CORNING BENEFACTOR—All the above plus two additional certificates to Landis programs.

\$1000  
FRED LAPE FOUNDERS CIRCLE—All the above plus a copy of Fred Lape's book or a book of one's choice from the Acorn Gift Shop.

\$20  
STUDENT—Quarterly *Newsletter*.

\$100  
GARDEN CLUB—One subscription to the *Newsletter*; and reduced fees for Arboretum tours.

\$200  
BUSINESS—Includes basic benefits plus one business card-size ad in four issues of the *Newsletter*.

\$2500 LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP. Benefits same as PATRON.

I am eligible for a matching gift from my employer.

I would like more information on volunteering.

**Please enclose with payment to the address below.**

Landis Arboretum, PO Box 186, Lape Road Experience, NY 12066.  
Visa/MasterCard? Call 518-875-6935

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From, left to right: Farmhouse & barn at Landis, BillCombs; Redbud, Sonja Javaronne; Woodpecker, Bill Combs.

## BECOME A MEMBER OF THE LANDIS ARBORETUM

**A LIVING MUSEUM**  
for the entire family. Members like you help our gardens and our programs grow.

- World-class collections to study, examine, or enjoy—on 548-acre private estate. Experience the sweeping Schoharie Valley countryside as never before.
- One of only three arboreta in eastern North America with Ancient forests—Landis has two!
- Nationally-recognized collection of oaks.
- Miles of hiking/walking trails.
- Beautiful gardens.
- Outstanding calendar of events.
- Designated site on NYS Route 20 Bluebird Trail.

### JOIN US!

Be a personal benefactor to one of the Capital Region's most valued and beautiful natural resources.

### SHARE THE WONDER!

Give a membership to a friend or family member. Complete this form and mail it TODAY with your check to the Arboretum.

Landis Arboretum is a non-profit organization that relies on memberships, grants, and donations for support.

**The Arboretum's beauty will leave you breathless—whatever the time of year!!**

Photo by Sonja Javaronne, 2007. Redbud in June at the Arboretum.

# LANDIS ARBORETUM

TRAIL MAP & GUIDE





# THE TRAILS

## LAPE COLLECTIONS (1-TO 2-HOUR WALK EAST AND WEST OF LAPE ROAD)

The Lape Trail and other paths and trails (including Upper Woodland Trail, and parts of the Woodland Trail) on the 40 acres of cultivated trees and shrubs surrounding the Lape Homestead pass through the landscape originally planned by Fred Lape, the Arboretum's founder. The land was called Oak Nose Farm, a reference to the large and ancient white oak that still stands at the eastern end of the Woodland Trail.

Lape inherited the farm but was not inclined to run a farm. A talented writer and teacher with a passion for plants, he established the Arboretum in the 1940s.

Lape and his associates developed a plan to retain the pastoral setting of the land while grouping related species of trees and shrubs into collections. They included plantings of species from temperate regions around the world in order to observe how they might acclimate to the conditions at the Arboretum. Lape kept records of the plantings, their sources, and their success at Landis. In the early days, Landis was recognized for the conifer, lilac, and crabapple collections, as well as the perennial gardens. Today, Landis is recognized as an official collector of the oaks of the Northeast and as a site to view one of three old growth forests in arborea in eastern North America.

## COLLECTIONS



Along the initial stretch of the Lape Trail from the lower parking lot, the hillside collection is representative of the larger collections to be viewed later on the trail. The next area, on the left, is known as the Choice Conifers; the Beeches are on the right. Moving down from the beeches and taking the trail to the left brings the visitor to the Rhododendrons and Azaleas on the left; the Oaks are straight ahead. Ahead and to the right are the lilacs. The visitor will encounter the Crabapples up the hill to the left. Lape's crabapples at the back and new varieties at the front. Various Conifers are located on the extreme left on the hill behind the crabapples. The Pinetum (Lape's fern for a plantation) is at the top of the hill near the Lape Stone (a memorial, not a gravestone). Moving east towards Lape Road, the

visitor will note a variety of species, including maples, bottle-brush buckeye, and conifers. Across the road towards the Meeting House, Mountain Ashes, more Conifers, and several other species are planted on the hillside to the left. At the base of the hill is the Lape Homestead. Below the Homestead, barn, and library-greenhouse are the Van Loveland Perennial Gardens, specimen trees and shrubs, and wetland plants.

## BASS TRAIL (.91 MILE LOOP)



The Bass woodland consists of mixed mature hardwoods, including some very nice oaks. This area is slated to be a managed woodland marked by selective cutting and removal of invasive species. The land was recently acquired from the Arboretum's neighbor, Sam Bass.

## PIONEER TRAIL (.25 MILE)

Managed woodland.

## ACORN TRAIL (.40 MILE)

Managed woodland.

## WILLOW POND TRAIL (.60 mile)



The Miller Native Plant Collection was created and developed by Arboretum supporter Ed Miller. His goal is to have related species of native plants situated near each other in order to educate visitors and assist them in plant identification. (E.g., species of maples are grouped together.) The groupings are found along the trail and are well marked. Trail guides are available. Mr. Miller also developed the bog demonstration module behind the Library.

Note the golden willow at the edge of Willow Pond. This tree is native to Eurasia and extensively planted in this area. In 1910 when Arboretum founder, Fred Lape was a boy, his father planted this tree according to the note on a Lape record card.

## Gorge Loop (500 feet)

This side trail off the Willow Pond Trail provides a view of the Bass Woodland.

## Wetland Spur (500 feet)

The trail is an extension of the Miller Native Plant Collection and features species that flourish in a wetland environment.

## WOODLAND TRAIL (.82 MILE)



This is an excellent trail on which to study various stages in the development of a native mixed hardwood forest. Both mature and old growth (having species over 150 years old) forests are visible. Informational signs line the trail. Also notice different species in the ecotones (edges) of the forest.

## UPPER WOODLAND TRAIL (.15 MILE)

Managed woodland.

## ANCIENT FOREST TRAIL (1.2 MILES)

A walk through in a ravine and partly on the ledge above. Forest located in a ravine and partly on the ledge above.

## ENJOY YOUR VISIT.

Take only photographs. Leave only footprints.



Photo identification and credits

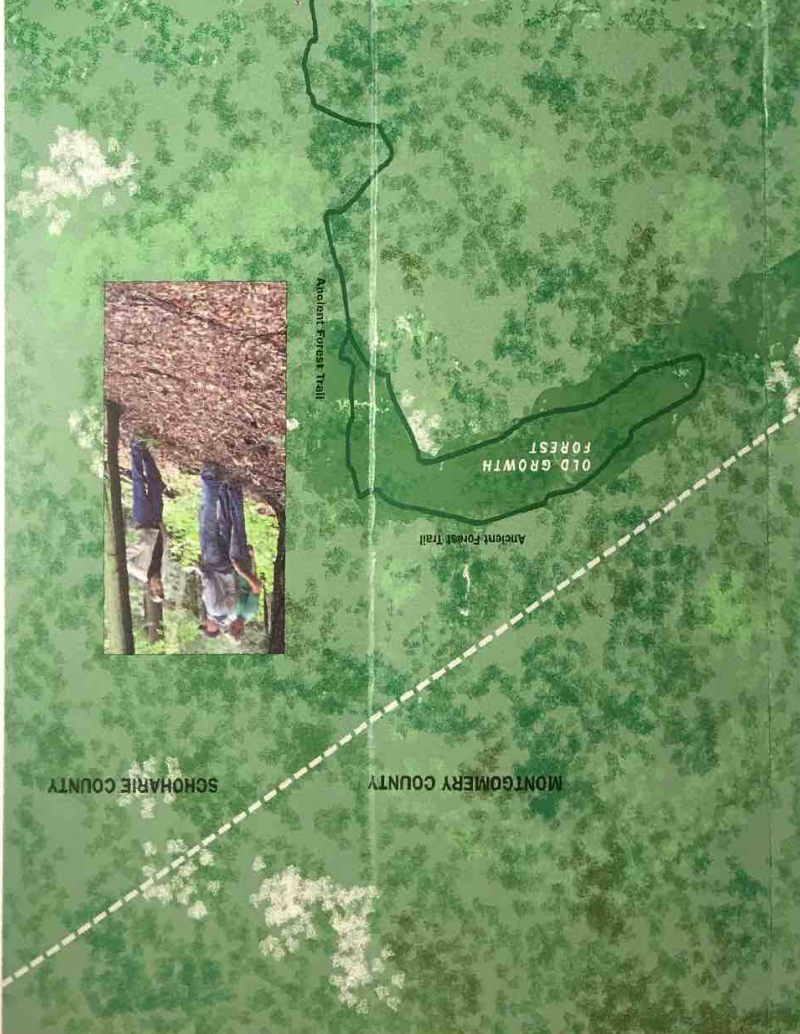
Top, left to right: Old oak, Fred Breglias; Oak canopy, Sonja

Javaronne; Fringed polygalas, Cynthia King. Bottom, left to right: Sargent cherry blossom, Bill Combs; Rhododendron, Fred Breglias; Pincher plant, Bill Combs; Old growth forest, Fred Breglias; Red eft, Bill Combs.





The Landis Trail is a multi-use trail system that provides a variety of recreational opportunities for residents, employees, and visitors. The trail is designed to be accessible to all ages and abilities, and it offers a scenic view of the surrounding landscape. The trail is located in the heart of the community, and it provides a safe and secure environment for all users. The trail is a great way to get some exercise and enjoy the outdoors. The trail is a great way to connect with nature and the community. The trail is a great way to spend your free time and enjoy the outdoors. The trail is a great way to get some exercise and enjoy the outdoors.



Scale (in feet)

Restrooms (Barn & Meeting House)  
open May—October only.

- Fred Lape Trail
- Pioneer Trail
- Woodland Trail
- Willow Pond Trail
- Acorn Trail
- Bass Trail
- Ancient Forest Trail
- Bluebird Trail
- Acorn Trail
- Bass Trail

Trails

- PARKING AREAS
- FARMHOUSE
- BARN
- LIBRARY/GREENHOUSE
- MEETING HOUSE
- INFORMATION
- HAZARDOUS AREAS

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