Honor Juneteenth on June 19 with a Walk through Nature

Sudbury for Racial and Social Justice and Sudbury Valley Trustees welcome you to Memorial Forest, 225 Dutton Road, Sudbury

This 2.5-mile route recognizes the two and a half long years it took to tell the enslaved people in Texas that they were free.

Memorial Forest walking trails are free and open to the public daily, dawn to dusk.

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Sudbury for Racial and Social Justice (S4RSJ)
The purpose of Sudbury for Racial and Social Justice is to create a space to facilitate and encourage conversations and education. This work seeks to advance access, equity, social justice and unity by supporting participants in their efforts to interrupt the cycle of racism and to use their sphere of influence in seeking justice for historically disenfranchised people.

To support our mission, we offer programs throughout the year and work collaboratively with other organizations toward racial and social justice. Activities throughout the year may include discussions on:
• Fostering honest conversations on race
• Examining implicit bias
• Unpacking white privilege
• Identifying micro-aggressions
• Understanding the elements of personal, cultural, and systemic racism
• Talking to children about race

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Sudbury Valley Trustees (SVT)
Sudbury Valley Trustees is a non-profit land conservation organization that works to protect natural areas and farmland for wildlife and people in the 36 communities that surround the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers.

We care for some of this region’s most important forests, wetlands, and grasslands—natural areas that support wildlife habitat, working farms, and recreational trails. SVT cares for more than 5000 acres and we maintain more than 65 miles of trails. www.svtweb.org
Walk 2.5 Miles to Honor Juneteenth

This map highlights a loop through SVT’s Memorial Forest. The reservation is part of a much larger complex of lands and connecting trails. Known as the Desert due to the prevalence of well-drained sandy soils, this land provides an unusual diversity of habitats: oak-pine forest, pitch pine-scrub oak, red maple swamp, and wet meadows intersected by high quality streams.

Access the Trail Map on Your Phone

Follow the trail route via GPS and learn more about the special habitats along the way through a series of waypoints during your hike. Search “Memorial Forest Juneteenth Loop” on the free AllTrails app, or directly through the QR code below.