About This Property
Stone walls mark the eastern, northern, and western boundaries of the conservation restriction (CR) donated to SVT by James and Mary Donald. Their gift created a new access point to the adjacent Arnold Arboretum. SVT is responsible for annually monitoring the land to ensure its conservation values are being protected.

Features of Note
• A trail through the Donald land connects to the Arboretum’s main trail loops at several points, allowing visitors to enjoy wooded wetlands and wildlife as well as the historic stone walls that run alongside the trail.
• For much of its length, the trail follows an esker (or ridge) that creates a drainage divide between cattail marsh to the west and other wetlands and bog to the east.
• The Acton Arboretum offers a wonderful mix of planted gardens with natural areas. Much of the open area near the Taylor Road entrance is handicapped accessible and includes herb, hosta, and butterfly gardens, as well as daylily and rhododendron plantings. The property also features a lilac fragrance garden, a wildflower loop trail, pond plantings, Japanese larches, and a nut tree collection. Picnic tables and benches welcome visitors.
• The Highland/Bog Trail follows old farm roads, cow paths, and foot trails and is not handicapped accessible. It travels from the highest point on the property to the lowest, passing through a variety of forest types as it goes. Near its southern end it parallels the trail on the Donald land for a time, following the esker before dropping to cross the bog on a boardwalk.

Learn more:
www.svtweb.org/DonaldCR

Trail Policies and Regulations
These policies apply to SVT properties on the map. Properties owned by other entities have their own posted policies.

The following are prohibited:
• Motorized vehicles
• Hunting or trapping
• Camping
• Bicycling
• Fires
• Disposing of trash or yard waste
• Cutting or removing plants

Dog walkers:
• Pick up and dispose of dog waste.
• Keep dogs on trails.
• Keep dogs out of ponds/streams/vernal pools.
• Put dogs on a leash when other hikers approach.

See our full dog-walking policy on the trail head kiosk.

Directions
With mapping software, search for this address: 10 Taylor Road, Acton, MA
From Route 2 in Acton, take Exit 42. Follow Route 27 north toward Acton for approximately 0.7 miles. Take a sharp right onto Taylor Road. Go 0.1 mile. Parking is on the left at the Acton Arboretum.

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