The Eagles Mere Conservancy properties are a proud part of the Eagles Mere Historic District.

Paths and Trails of the Eagles Mere Area
Walking and hiking around Eagles Mere is a wonderful experience. In the early 1900’s, Horace McFarland and C. Aubrey DeLong pioneered the Red, White, and Green Arrow paths. The Yellow Arrow Trail was laid out 20 years later. The Rail Trail follows part of the Eagles Mere Railroad which operated from 1892 to 1926. Then in the 1990’s the Eagles Mere Conservancy created four new paths. This map also includes some of the trails in the Loyalsock State Forest. Long and short hikes can be planned through the unspoiled forests of the area.

• Most of the trails have rectangular painted blazes.

• A double blaze [one over the other] alerts to an upcoming intersection of trails or an abrupt change of trail direction.

• Where signs are provided at trail junctions, visualize them pushed over and lying flat on the ground to determine trail directions.

• Some trails are not on public land, so no assertion can be made concerning legal or safety of passing over them.

• Bikes are permitted ONLY on the Rail Trail.

• Motorized vehicles, camping, and open fires are NOT permitted on Eagles Mere Conservancy land.

• Hunting is NOT permitted on Eagles Mere Conservancy properties or within the Borough of Eagles Mere. Wear fluorescent orange during ALL hunting seasons listed at www.pgc.state.pa.us.

• PLEASE be considerate of your fellow nature lovers and do not litter or disturb the environment.

Historic Eagles Mere Paths and Trails
Green Arrow Path (green blazes – 0.9 mi.)
This path goes from the tennis courts and meets the Upper Prospect Path at the north end of Mineral Springs Avenue. It ascends to Eagles Mere through the Cathedral Pines as it goes to the end of Geylin Avenue. This path continues to its 2120’ high point of Prospect Rocks, loops up to the golf course, and descends to end at Prospect Avenue.

Yellow Arrow Trail (yellow blazes – 3.0 mi.)
The Yellow Arrow Trail begins on the north side of a gravel road connecting the ends of Mineral Springs and Woodland avenues in Eagles Mere Park. After it crosses a drainage ditch, the Table Rock Loop Trail (see description below) heads off to the left and the Yellow Arrow continues straight and crosses the Susquehanna and Eagles Mere Railroad Grade. The Yellow Arrow continues to Shanenburg Road, turns right and follows this road for about 0.3 mi. Then it leaves the roadway to the right and follows an old logging railroad grade and woods road until it meets the Loyalsock Canyon Vista Trail.

At this junction, continuing straight leads to Shanenburg Road on the Loyalsock Trail. If you turn right, this path is business route US 220 and continues on the tennis courts. Continue around the right corner of the courts to the beginning of the Green Arrow Path. Follow the Green Arrow to the junction with the Upper Crestmount Path on the right.

Rail Trail for about 0.4 mile leads to the Conservancy Cabin.

Eagles Mere Conservancy Nature Trail
Conservancy Nature Trail (green plastic squares with yellow “NT” letters – 0.75 mi.)
This Nature Trail, established in 1962, is a multigenerational, year-round educational adventure which begins and ends at the Conservancy Cabin. It includes interpretive signage and areas for motor skills, natural play, music, and art. Come explore, imagine, discover, create and enjoy the many wonders of nature. Maps are available at the cabin.

Conservancy Paths
Margaret Estey Path (pink blazes – 0.2 mi.)
Beginning at the Veritas Museum Rail Trail in front of the Conservancy Cabin, this path follows along the Outlet Pond, meets the Lower Crestmount Path on the right, and crosses Lake Woodwood Avenue leading to the lake.

Rainbow Path (buff blazes – 1.6 mi.)
This path follows the Eagles Mere Railroad Trail to the right, north of the Conservancy Cabin, goes east and crosses Rainbow Farm Road. At the junction with Falls Path (light blue blazes), Rainbow Path goes straight, descends and follows a small stream to a woods road to the left, ascends, and crosses Falls Path. Continuing uphill, it re-crosses Rainbow Farm Road, passes beside a spring and then along a high fence which encloses Rainbow Farm, originally the summer estate of Louis E. Phelps. Then crossing the Eagles Mere Rail Trail, Rainbow Path passes along rock ledges to connect with the oldest path, the Red Arrow, near Eagles Rock.

Falls Path (light blue blazes – 1.0 mi.)
Falls Path turns left off Rainbow Path about 0.04 mi. after Rainbow Path crosses Rainbow Farm Road left, ascends, and crosses Falls Path. Continuing uphill, it re-crosses Rainbow Farm Road, passes beside a spring and then along a high fence which encloses Rainbow Farm, originally the summer estate of Louis E. Phelps. Then crossing the Eagles Mere Rail Trail, Rainbow Path passes along rock ledges to connect with the oldest path, the Red Arrow, near Eagles Rock.

Railroads of Eagles Mere
Druid Path (unblazed – 1.5 mi.)
This trail runs north from PA Route 42 near the Conservancy Cabin for about 1.5 miles. Blue blazes appear where this trail enters the state forest. The Rail Trail continues to locatior post # 1 and on to Eagles Mere Park where it ends.

The Rail Trail is a section of the narrow gauge Eagles Mere Railroad (1892-1926) which started from the standard gauge Williamsport & North Branch Railroad at Eonea. It ascended the mountain along the Outlet stream bringing passengers to the lake and its hotels. It was extended to Eagles Mere Park in 1902.

A railroad turning wye is evident at locatior post # 2. The wye allowed trains to turn around.

Susquehanna & Eagles Mere Railroad Grade (blue blazes)
Bearing right at the turning wye #8, this railroad grade continues around the mountain top to the other side of the Park intersecting several other trails. Red blazes will be picked up or #9 yellow blazes at #8. The blazes will end where the Table Rock Loop (yellow circle blazes) meets the grade.

Senator C. W. Sones continued this narrow gauge railroad from the wye #8 to Susquehanna, Hillsgrove, and on to meet the standard gauge Susquehanna & New York Railroad at Masten which is northwest of Eagles Mere. It operated from 1906-22.

This railroad transported hemlock bark, logs and lumber for tanneries and sawmills. Old railroad grades can be found throughout the forests surrounding Eagles Mere.

Other Trails in the Area
Loyalsock Canyon Vista Trail (yellow blazes – 4 mi.)
Beginning at the north end of Mineral Springs Avenue in Eagles Mere Park, the Loyalsock Canyon Vista Trail departs left of the Red Arrow Path and descends to the Susquehanna & Eagles Mere Railroad Grade. After passing right on the grade to locatior post #1, the trail turns left and follows a woods road to the junction with the Yellow Arrow Trail. At this junction, the Vista Trail turns right and goes east and then north as it descends to Shanenburg Road. After going left on this road for about 0.25 mile, the trail turns right and ascends to an old logging railroad grade and joins the Loyalsock Trail. At this junction, not shown on this map, you can take a short side trip to see Neeneha Falls on the East Branch of Double Run and Mineral Spring by turning left on the #4 for 0.36 mile and then return. The Loyalsock Canyon Vista Trail follows the blazes north for 1.33 mi. to the vista.

Several trail choices are available here and are shown on the World's End State Park map.

Loyalsock Trail (yellow plastic disks with red “LT” letter – 59.21 mi.)
Boyd Boy says this trail in 1951. Link trails (yellow plastic disks with a red “X” letter) provide circuit hikes. Guides, maps, and patches:

• Alpine Club of Williamsport, PO Box 501, Williamsport, PA 17703 • www.lycoming.org/alpine •

Loyalsock State Forest Trails
There are Public Use, Bridle Trail, and Cross Country Ski Trail maps available at the Resource Management Center:

• www.pgc.state.pa.us/ •

• www.lycoming.org/alpine •

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