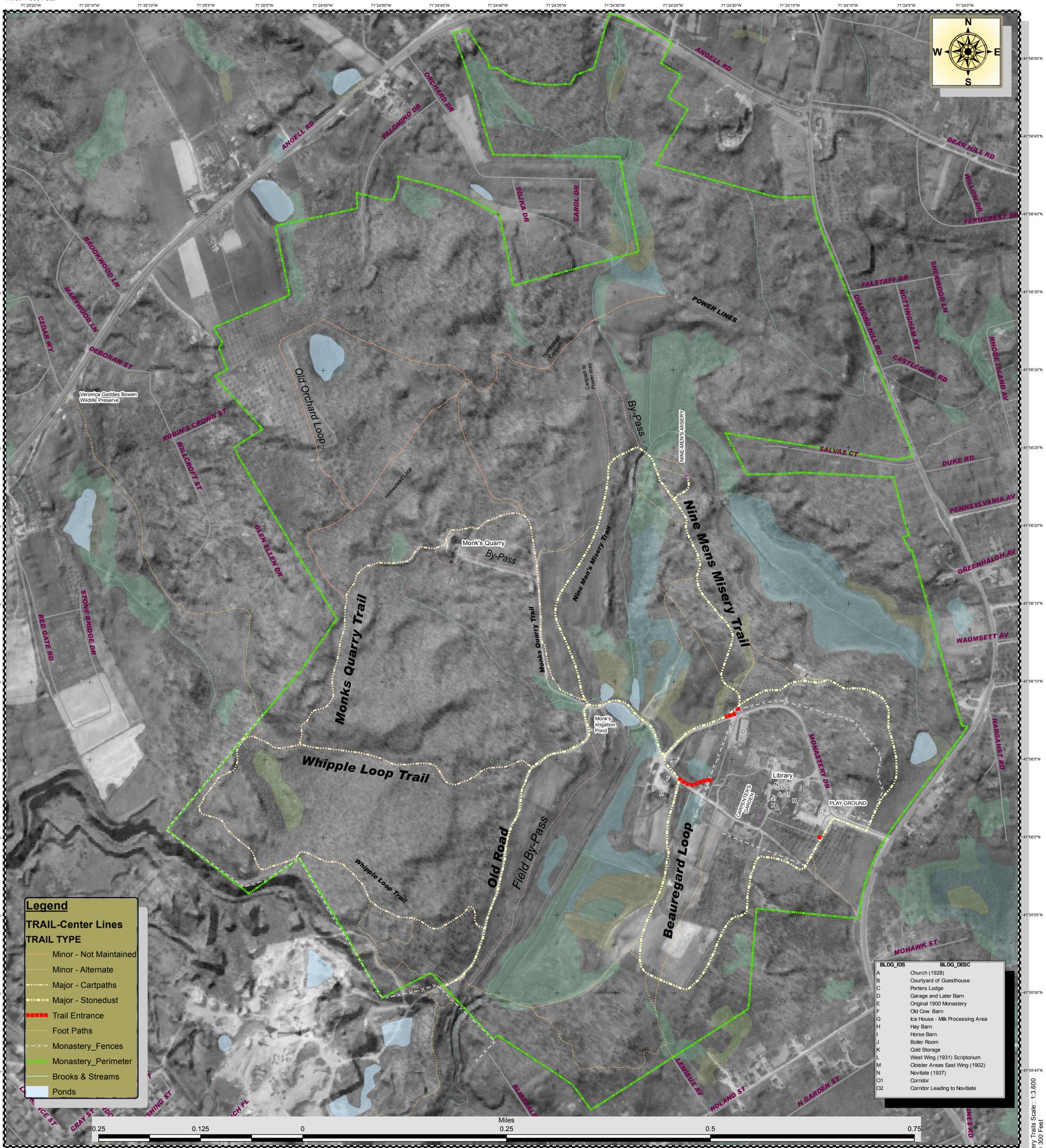


# Cumberland Monastery Trails

Monastery Trails Scale: 1:3,600  
1 Inch = 300 Feet



**Legend**

**TRAIL-Center Lines**

**TRAIL TYPE**

- Minor - Not Maintained
- Minor - Alternate
- Major - Cartpaths
- Major - Stonedust
- Trail Entrance
- Foot Paths
- Monastery\_Fences
- Monastery\_Perimeter
- Brooks & Streams
- Ponds

BLDG_IDS	BLDG_DESC
A	Church (1926)
B	Courtyard of Guesthouse
C	Porters Lodge
D	Garage and Later Barn
E	Original 1900 Monastery
F	Old Cow Barn
G	Ice House - Milk Processing Area
H	Hay Barn
I	Horse Barn
J	Boiler Room
K	Cold Storage
L	West Wing (1931) Scriptorium
M	Clister Areas East Wing (1902)
N	Novitate (1937)
O1	Corridor
O2	Corridor Leading to Novitate

Below Trails Overlay of RIGIS 2011 Aerial Photography ~ 1" = 300' :: 1:3,600



The trails are open and free to hike during the daylight hours. Access to the trails are marked in red on the map. There is no access to the trails through the fenced in Play Ground. Enjoy the trails & leave nothing behind but your footprints.

**Length -&- Condition of Major Trails**

Name	Material	MILES
Beauregard Trail	Greystone cartpath	1.19
Field By-Pass	Dirt Cartpath	0.37
Monks Quarry Trail	Gravel Cartpath	0.73
Nine Men's Misery	Greystone cartpath	0.86
Old Road	Gravel & Broken Asphalt	0.42
Whipple Loop Trail	Gravel Cartpath	0.95

26 September 1902- (DB\_52-PG\_163) - Matthew Harkins Grants to The Cistercian Agricultural Society 227.5 acres known as the "Abigail Whipple Homestead Farm" on the westerly side of Diamond Hill Road. (also Known as the Bishop Harkins Brook Farm)

18 May 1909- (DB\_57-PG\_376) - John M. Murphy Grants to The Cistercian Agricultural Society the "Jason Sprague Farm" located south of the highway leading from Ashton to Adamsdale, Mass.

1912- (DB\_58-PG\_123) - The Cistercian Agricultural Society changes their name to The Cistercian Monastery.

1923- (DB\_67-PG\_417) - William R. Follett and Lester H. Follett Grants to The Cistercian Monastery a tract of land containing 16-acres a half mile from the village of Berkeley; also 18 lots on a plat of land Surveyed by Horace Kent (PLBK\_1-PG\_23)

1923-1945 - The Cistercian Abbey of the Strict Observance continues to purchase land, expanding and enlarging their land holdings.

21 March 1950 - FIRE The Woonsocket Call reports the next day: "A fierce fire which raged uncontrollably despite the efforts of massed Blackstone Valley fire companies, destroyed the three-story guest house, the adjoining chapel, and badly damaged the infirmary of our Lady of the Valley Monastery of the Cistercian monks last night. Damage was estimated at \$2,000,000." "There was speculation today whether the monks would rebuild the burned-out structures since they had made preliminary plans to leave Cumberland to settle on the Alta Crest 700-acre farms in Spencer, Mass."

14 May 1951 (DB\_113-PG\_350) - The Cistercian Abbey of the Strict Observance Grants to the College of Our Lady of the Valley sixteen parcels of land that comprise the "Cistercian Monastery Land"

27 September 1968 - (DB\_215-PG\_277) - The Town of Cumberland with the assistance of the State of Rhode Island Green Acres Land Acquisition Act, Chapter 174 of the 1964 Public Laws covenants an agreement with the State that the "Cistercian Monastery Land" be used for the purpose of recreation or conservation only.

18 December 1968 - (DB\_216-PG\_192) - The College of Our Lady of the Atonement, Formerly known as the College of Our Lady of the Valley, Grants to the Town of Cumberland "Cistercian Monastery Land" subject to the terms of covenants made with the State of Rhode Island.

08 November 2004 - (DB\_1236-PG\_298) Mayor Daniel J. McKee Signs a "Conservation Easement and Restrictive Covenants" on behalf of the Town of Cumberland to maintain in perpetuity the approximately 525 acres (more or less) of former "Cistercian Monastery Land" in a state that will be retained forever in it's open, natural, scenic, historic, ecological condition, or educational condition and to prevent any use of the Premises that will significantly impair or interfere with the conservations values of the former "Cistercian Monastery Land"

**Nine Men's Misery**



Nine men escaped the ambush of Captain Pierce's men in near by Central Falls only to be captured and slaughtered at this spot by Native Americans Loyal to King Phillip, Chief of the Wampanoag Tribe. The Cistercian Monks found a stone cairn at this spot where the settlers are believed to have buried the nine men found tortured and killed. The Monks replaced the found stone cairn with a stone and mortar cairn made with the original stones in 1926. The same year the State of Rhode Island also erected a concrete pier with a brass plaque which reads: "Nine Men's Misery - on this spot where they were slain by the Indians were buried the nine soldiers captured in Pierce's Fight March 26, 1676"



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