



Walk Schedule for 2017

Walks begin at 9:30 am, unless otherwise noted. COMA walks are followed by a potluck lunch and mushroom identification. Guidelines are posted on www.comafungi.org. Familiarize yourself with the COMA guidelines on mushroom collection and walk participation. Please refrain from collecting mushrooms in the walk-area at least **fifteen days** before that walk is scheduled. If you are not yet a COMA member, consider becoming one at a scheduled walk. Dress in appropriate footwear and clothing. Bring a field guide, basket/paper bags, camera, lunch and food to share. Participants of the potluck are encouraged to bring dishes suitable for a wide range of dietary restrictions such as allergies, vegan, and gluten-free. For details on specific walks contact the walk guide listed with each walk. Collecting native plants and commercial harvesting are prohibited. For general inquiries email: COMAWALKS@comafungi.com.

Sun April 30	BRIARCLIFF-PEEKSKILL TRAIL (MEMBERS ONLY) Cortlandt Manor NY Tom C. (914) 589-8826 Easy walk
Sat May 6	CALIFORNIA HILL (MEMBERS ONLY) Carmel NY. Meet at Morrs' House: Morrs (718)636-6348 www.nynjtc.org/park/california-hill-state-forest 38 miles from White Plains
Sat May 13	GEORGE's MOREL QUEST (MEMBERS ONLY) Tallman Mountain Park Piermont NY George J (914) 787-0066
Sun May 21	GEORGE's MOREL QUEST II (MEMBERS ONLY) Tallman Mountain Park (We leave no Morchella behind!)
May 27/28	MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND No Walk Scheduled-
Sun June 4	MUSCOOT FARM -We stroll with visitors from the park. COMA giving back to Muscoot for hosting Mushroom U.- Moderate walk Taro I. (914) 505-0534
Sat June 10	WESTMORELAND SANCTUARY (trying someplace new) Mt. Kisco NY Marked Trails, Some hills Don S. (914) 761-0332
Sun June 18	CRANBERRY LAKE (longish walk with real hills but well worth it) West Harrison, NY No fees Boris M. (914) 671-6348 http://parks.westchestergov.com/cranberry-lake
Sat June 24	BABCOCK PROPERTY moderate hike w gentle slopes but some narrow plank fords over creeks (bring a walking stick) North St (1.4 miles north of Merritt Pkwy, exit 31), Greenwich, CT Vreni R. (914) 967-8693
Sat, July 1 E'chester	TWIN LAKES PARK -Eastchester NY-Flat easy 2 mile walk around the lake-Come hungry Tom C. (914) 589-8826
Sun July 9 Hyde Park	WINNAKEE NATURE PRESERVE; MHMA JOINT WALK Hyde Park NY gentle slopes, loop trail; park in dirt lot behind Hyde Park Florist (no parking in paved lot) 10 a.m. Start Erwin K (MHMA) 917 686 6505. Tom C (914) 589-8826
Sat July 15	TALLMAN MOUNTAIN PARK - so what if it says mountain-it's an easy walk US 9W South of I 287 Piermont NY Marie T. (845) 398-3522
Sun July 23	PUTNAM PARK -West Redding Ct : easy walk with parking and restrooms Joe & Kathy B. (2030 837-0226—499 Black Rock Tpke, w. Redding CT
July 27-30	NEMF 2017 41st Annual Foray Stratton Mountain Vt. COMA is a co-host club for this event Foray plus shopping, golfing, swimming and other resort style fun
Sat Aug 5 Yonkers	SPRAIN RIDGE PARK 149 Jackson Ave. Yonkers NY Moderate hike with some hills. Meet at upper parking lot, above pool; 49 Jackson Ave, Yonkers, NY (200 ft SW of Andrews Way) Vreni R. (914) 967-8693

Sun Aug 13	KENT CLIFFS 21 Southlake Rd. Carmel, NY-walk is leaving from Lou's home Lou T 845 225-9029 (the host with the most)		
Sat Aug 19 Scarsdale	GREENBURGH NATURE CENTER flat trail with picnic tables & bathrooms no fee to enter park or park car (just to enter the museum) Wine Cap Stropharia!!! 99 Dromore Rd, Scarsdale, NY (<i>directly off Central Avenue north bound</i>) Don S. (914) 761-0332		
Sun Aug 27 White Plains	SAXON WOODS- 1800 Mamaroneck Avenue, Scarsdale NY fairly calm terrain- Park to the left of the pool area Tom C. (914) 589-8826		
Sept 1-4	ROGERSON FORAY (our annual event) Camp Hemlocks 85 Jones St. Hebron Ct- www.comafungi.org		
Sat Sept 9 Kent NY	FAHNESTOCK PELTON POND WALK/PICNIC/ID with NYMS <i>Pelton Pond: Cold Spring Tpke (0.7 m West of Taconic State Pkwy), Kent, NY-Flat easy trail 10:30 start</i> Morrs (718)636-6348		
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Sat Sept 16	ALTSCHUL PRESERVE Stamford Ct. 1.5 mile trail Alex K (607) 351-2671		
Sat Sept 23	NEW POND FARM 101 Marchant Rd, Redding, CT – Private Park- Special Appointment OUT by 1:30pm <i>Park in 3rd Driveway</i> Joe & Kathy B.(203)544-9622		
Sun Oct 1 Southbury CT	ED BOSMAN JOINT EDUCATION DAY FORAY w/ CVMS at KETTLETOWN STATE PARK Matsutake!!! (Tricholoma hunt) Gentle hills: picnic to follow <i>Georges Hill Rd(0.6m from Kettletown Rd), 10 am Start/Noon return</i> Joe & Kathy B.(203)544-9622		
Sun Oct 8	Hudson Highlands Gateway Park- 130 Sprout Brook Road, Cortlandt,NY Sprout Brook Park uses a gravel parking lot by the town baseball field, Loop blue trail to red trail; –moderate walk with a 200ft elevation Boris L. (914) 373-8666		
Sat Oct 14	Mountain Lakes North Salem NY; –Off trail walk (follow the Oaks)-optional 200 ft elevation Hens, hens, hens and more Mountain Lakes Camp Rd. Santo C. (917) 846-2552		
Sun Oct 22	SOUTHFORD FALLS STATE PARK mostly flat trail, tiny waterfall: 175 Quaker Farms Rd. Southbury CT Morrs P. (718) 636-6348		
Sat Oct 28	TURKEY MOUNTAIN semi-flat woodland , <i>Yorktown, NY</i> http://www.nynjtc.org/park/turkey-mountain-nature-preserve <i>Optional hike to “Best View in Westchester”</i> Mara G 917 929-2348		
Sat Nov.4	UNTERMAYER GARDENS LICHEN WALK easy walk (plenty of oaks so there might still be hens too) <i>945 North Broadway Rd, Yonkers, NY. Metered street parking.</i> Nova P. (202) 441-3845 10:30 start		
*** The directions to MEMBERS ONLY walks in Morel Season are distributed only for paid COMA members (not on website). Guests and walk-ins are not welcome however you are free to have a friend sign up (paid) to COMA in advance of the walk.			

Driving Directions for 2017 COMA Walks

ALTSCHUL PRESERVE Stamford CT	Take exit 34 off the Merritt Parkway and go north on Route 104; drive 2.3 miles and then turn left (through two stone pillars) on Sawmill Road; drive 0.7 miles and turn left on Dundee Road; drive 0.5 of a mile to the Preserve sign on your right and park by the side of the road.
BABCOCK PRESERVE Greenwich, CT.	Merritt Pkwy to Exit 31. Go 1.4 miles north on North St to entrance on left just past the reservoir. http://alltrails.com/trail/us/connecticut/babcock-preserve
CRANBERRY LAKE PRESERVE 1609 Old Orchard St, West Harrison, NY	<p><u>From I-287 Westbound(toward Hudson River):</u> Exit 6 and Left onto NY-22 N/N Broadway. After 0.8m at light, keep Left to stay on NY-22N. After 2.1 m turn Right onto Old Orchard St. Entrance is first Right turn in about 500ft. Follow long driveway to parking area at nature lodge.</p> <p><u>From I-287 Eastbound(toward CT):</u> Exit 6 for NY-22. Left onto Orchard St. After 0.2m. take 2nd Right onto NY-22 N/N Broadway. Follow directions as above.</p>
FAHNESTOCK STATE PARK 1498 Route 301 Carmel, NY 10512	<p><u>Pelton Pond (Sept 9 - This walk begins at 10:30 am):</u> Taconic State Pkwy to NY-301. West for 0.7 m on NY-301/Cold Spring Turnpike, past camping area on left to Pelton Pond Parking lot on left.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Park is Approx 36 Miles from White Plains</p>
GREENBURGH NATURE CENTER 99 Dromore Rd, Scarsdale, NY	<p><u>From North:</u> Bronx River Pkwy to Right on Exit 22 passing entrance of Westchester County Center for Central Park Ave/NY-100 S. Continue on Central Park Ave/NY-100 S for 2.8 m. After passing a US post office on the right, turn left on Dromore Rd and drive to parking area.</p> <p><u>From South:</u> Bronx River Pkwy to Exit 15. Left on Fenimore Rd, which turns Right and becomes E. Hartsdale Ave. Left on Central Park Ave (NY-100). After 1.1 m turn Left onto Dromore Rd.- park & meet up at lower lot</p>
HUDSON HIGHLANDS 130 Sprout Brook Rd Cortlandt NY	Sprain/Taconic parkways to Rt 9A north exit, follow to Rt 9 North which becomes the Bear Mt. Extension. Exit 2nd Highland Ave. exit. Right at the stop sign. Continue ¼ mile to deli/gas station-make right onto Sprout Brook Road. Park ¼ mile on right at baseball field. 130 Sprout Brook Rd. Cortlandt NY
KENT CLIFFS 21 Southlake Rd. Carmel NY	684 N to 84 W exit 17. Left on Luddingtonville Rd to Rt 52 turn left then quick rt onto N. Horsepond Rd until end. Rt on Farmers Mill Rd. 1 mile to Kent Shore Dr., Rt at South Lake sign then 300 yards onto South Lake Rd. w Lake on your rt- 2 nd house on left w/ stone wall & white columns
KETTLETOWN STATE PARK 1400 Georges Hill Rd, Southbury,CT	684 N to I-84 East to take Exit 15. Go south onto CT Route 67. Take a right at the first traffic light onto Kettletown Road. Continue for approximately 3 miles on Kettletown Road. Take a right onto Georges Hill Road. Park is located on the left approximately 0.6 miles. 55 miles from White Plains NY www.ct.gov/deep/kettletown
MOUNTAIN LAKES CAMP Rd North Salem, NY	I-684 to exit 6, Katonah/Cross River. Route 35 east 4.1 miles. Turn left at Shell station onto Rte 121 NORTH. Go 4.8 miles to Grants Corners. Small traffic circle on right. Turn Right onto Hawley Road. Go 1 mile. Turn Left onto Mountain Lakes Road. Go to parking area.
MUSCOOT FARM 51 Route 100 Katonah NY	I-684 to exit 6, Katonah/Cross River. Route 35 West past three lights then left onto Rt 100 south Entrance to park is on right approx. 1.3 miles. Entrance comes up quickly so be prepared to slow down and use shoulder to get out of traffic
NEW POND FARM 101 Marchant Rd Redding, CT	CT-7 to Rt 107 through Georgetown, CT. Left at Rt 53 and follow for 2.5 m. After passing John Read Middle School (which will be to your right), turn Left onto Umpawaug Road. After 0.4 m take the second right onto Marchant Road. Farm has the first three driveways on right. White farm house and yellow barns. Please park in the third driveway (gravel lot). http://www.newpondfarm.org/
SPRAIN RIDGE PARK Yonkers NY	Sprain Brook Parkway to Jackson Ave. Exit. West at light (left if coming from South-right if north) After 0.3 miles entrance will be on left. Take park drive to to of loop just before pool drop-off area. Continue uphill to upper picnic parking on right. 149 Jackson Ave. Yonkers

PUTNAM MEMORIAL STATE PARK West Redding, CT	<p><u>From White Plains</u> : I-684N to I-84E ; take Exit 6 Newtown Road East (toward Bethel) .3m then right turn on Payne Road which turns into CT 58-Putnam Park Road (six miles total) Park entrance is at the intersection of Route 58 &107.</p> <p><u>From West</u>: I-84, take Exit 5 to Rte 53 South for 3.4 miles to Rte 302. Take Rte 302 East for 1.6m to Rte 58. Take Rte 58 South for 2.8 m. Putnam Memorial at intersection of Rte 58 &107. 42-45 miles from White Plains</p>
SAXON WOODS 1800 Mamaroneck Ave, Scarsdale, NY	Hutchinson River Parkway (either N or S) to Exit 23N (toward White Plains) After 1/4 mi turn left into lot and park in back right side corner (near pool)
SOUTHFORD FALLS Southbury, CT	684 N to I-84 East to Exit 15 (Southbury/Seymour). Take Rte 67 Southeast 2.6 miles to Rte 188. Turn right on Rte 188 to Park entrance at 175 Quaker Farms Rd 59 Miles from White Plains
TALLMAN MNTN STATE PARK Piermont, NY	West on I-287 across Tappan Zee Bridge to exit10, Rte 9W south (and the first exit after crossing the bridge.) Go 4 miles to park entrance on left on Rockland Rd. GPS Beware This park is variously listed as being in Palisade NY, Orangetown NY, Piermont NY &Sparkhill NY 16 Miles from White Plains NY (Bridge toll and no possibility of public transport)
TURKEY MOUNTAIN Saw Mill River Rd, Yorktown, NY	Taconic Parkway to Underhill Ave. (East-Yorktown) Turn Right and go East on Underhill Ave for 1.3 miles to Rte 118. Turn Right, heading South for 1.5 miles. Entrance is on the right, across from sign for “Peter Pratt’s Inn (Inn is 673 Croton Heights Rd, Yorktown Heights, NY)
TWIN LAKES PARK Eastchester NY	Hutchinson River Parkway south to Exit 18 W(N-Bound exit 17)-Eastchester-Rt turn onto Mill Road then 1 st left at light onto California Rd. Park Entrance is 4 blocks down on left. Park in lot on left not in Stable lot. 960 California Rd. Eastchester,
UNTERMAYER GARDENS 945 N Broadway Rd Yonkers, NY	The main entrance is on North Broadway in Yonkers, just south of St. John’s Riverside Hospital. From the Saw Mill Parkway, take Exit 9/Executive Blvd., and go up the hill to North Broadway. Turn left on North Broadway, the garden is about 1/2 mile on the right, the first driveway after the hospital. There is a small Untermeyer Park sign.
WESTMORELAND SANCTUARY Mt. Kisco NY	260 Chestnut Ridge Rd. Mt. Kisco NY I-684 North to Exit 4. Go west on Rte 172. Take first left onto Chestnut Ridge Rd. Go 1.5 miles. The entrance is on left after passing over highway.
WINNAKEE NATURE PRESERVE Behind 4204 Albany Post Rd, Hyde Park,	Taconic State Parkway North to exit NY-55 W toward Poughkeepsie. After 8.3 m turn right onto Columbus Dr/Washington St. After 0.7 m take a slight right toward N Rd. After 0.1 m turn right onto US-9 N/N Rd. Look for a Florist (Pete’s Famous Restaurant is closed) on right in 4.1 m. Park in dirt lot behind Hyde Park Florist. Do not use paved parking lot. 65 Miles from White Plains
	*Approx mileage from White Plains in Westchester NY is offered for trip planning purposes (no disrespect to the Nutmeg State is intended)

MOREL WALKS: GEORGE’S QUEST is **TALLMAN MOUNTAIN STATE PARK** see above

CALIFORNIA HILL-Taconic Parkway North to Peekskill Hollow Rd; Rt turn then 2.2 miles to Morris’ house #1121

BRIARCLIFF-PEEKSKIL TRAIL Charles J. Cook Rec. Ctr, 293 Furnace Dock Rd. Cortlandt; U.S. 9 N to NY-9A S/Albany Post Rd in Cortlandt Manor. 9A exit to US 9 N, left on Furnace Dock Rd 2.3 miles, park in back lot