

## Trails at the park:

### Gorge Loop Trail

(0.6 km, 20-30 minutes, intermediate)

This rugged trail leads you to stairs and footpaths up the steep river valley and through Niagara Escarpment outcrops. At the bottom of the stairs you can cross another bridge over the west Credit River. After the bridge, the trail intersects with the Trimble Trail, a side trail of the Bruce Trail. Turn left and continue up the slope of the escarpment on a wide rugged path until you get back to the 'belle' fountain. This short riverside trail requires sturdy feet and supportive footwear.

### Pond Loop Trail (0.5 km, 10-15 minutes, beginner)

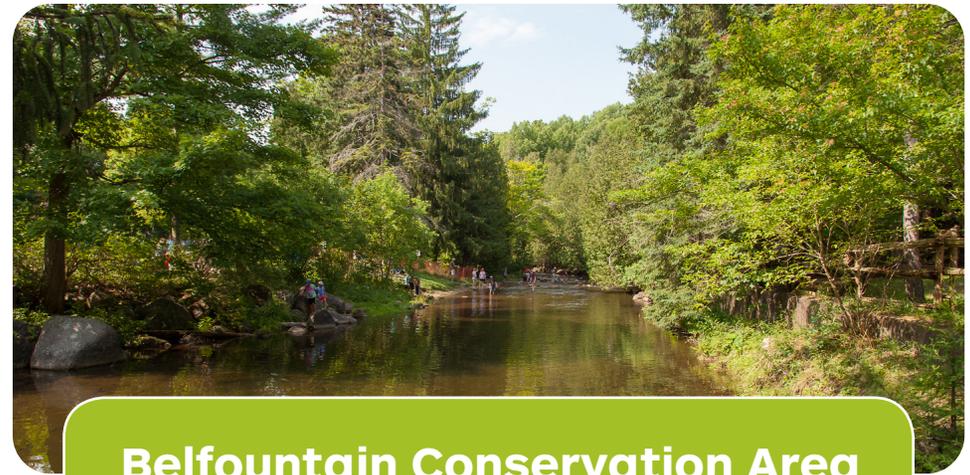
This narrow trail takes you along the top of Belfountain Pond with views of the 'belle' fountain. This one-way trail leads you back to the path leading up to the parking lot on your left. Continue to the right and cross the river to bring you back to the fountain.

### Trimble Trail (0.6 km, 30-40 minutes, return 1hr -1hr 20 minutes)

This trail is a side trail of the Bruce Trail. Named in the memory of Roy and Eleanor Trimble, a lifelong resident and historian of the Village of Belfountain, the trail runs along the steep slopes of the West Credit River Valley to the Forks of the Credit. In the late 1800s this valley was the site of extensive quarrying operations that saw the removal of the brownstone used to construct the Ontario Legislature and Old City Hall in Toronto. **This is not a loop trail and users must retrace their steps to return to the conservation area.**

## Trail Directional Information:

The suspension bridge, Pond Loop Trail and access stairs are mandatory one-way use. We encourage one-way use of the Gorge Loop Trail as well. These decisions will help ensure that everyone is able to keep a safe distance of at least two metres (six feet) from other groups. Should you wish to stop on the trail, please move to the side to allow others to pass and yield to oncoming trail users, where still applicable. Use the map and descriptions provided to plan your visit.



## Belfountain Conservation Area

### Make the most of your park visit

To help visitors practice physical distancing, Credit Valley Conservation (CVC) recommends the following ways to use the park during your reserved time. This itinerary will help you explore and see as much of the park as possible throughout your visit.

Start your hike at the 'belle' fountain, the most picturesque spot in the park!

Visit the waterfall viewing platform. There are two sets of stairs, one for going up and one for going down.

Cross the suspension bridge, starting from the fountain side. Only ten people can cross at a time. Yield to other users. You may stop for a quick picture but please be mindful of others. Keep moving if others are waiting.

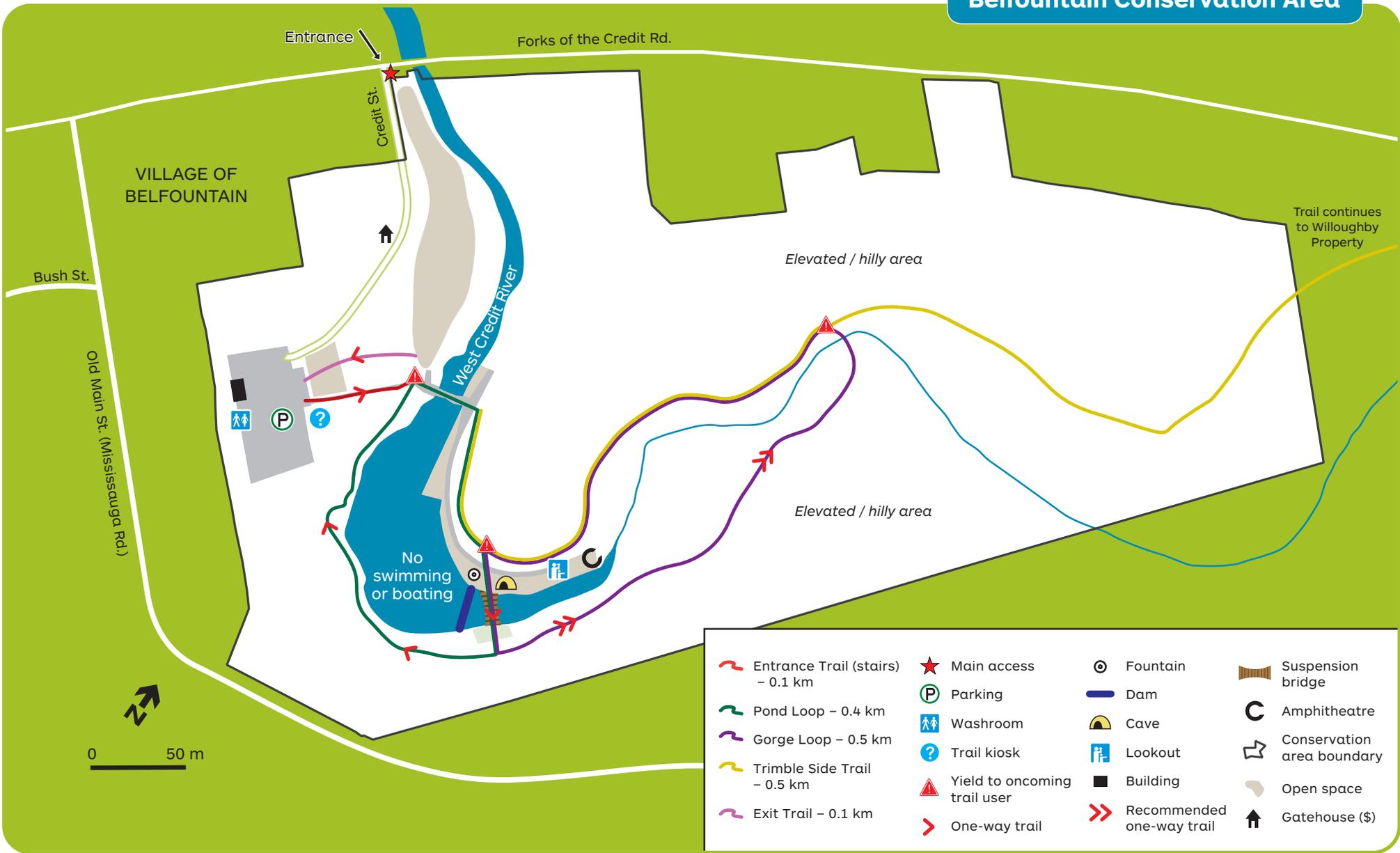
Once you cross the bridge, choose the Gorge Loop Trail (intermediate) to your left or the Pond Loop Trail (beginner) to your right.

### Changes in the park:

- Limitations to the number of people in the washrooms, located in the main parking lot
- Recommended and mandatory trail directional use
- Yield to oncoming trail users to maintain two meters (six feet) apart
- Use a face covering to reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19 when physical distancing from others may be challenging
- Respect your reservation and leave on time so others can enjoy the park



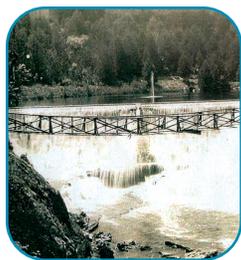
# Belfountain Conservation Area



In 1908, Charles Mack purchased a portion of property known as Belfountain Conservation Area. In 1914, he opened it to the public.



Features such as the fountain, cave and dam were built when Charles Mack owned the property.



Belfountain Conservation Area featuring the dam and suspension bridge, circa early 20th century.



Mack's cottage once nestled in the forested areas of the park.