Nearby Sites of Interest:

- Octoraro Creek Trail
- Funk's Pond Trail
- Susquehanna Park Trails
- Conowingo Dam's Fisherman's Wharf and Park
- Susquehannock Park Trails
- Lower Susquehanna Heritage Greenway Trails
- Mason Dixon Trail
- Lock 15

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The Wildflower Trail

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South through Fisherman's Park along the banks of the Susquehanna, the trail route passes through wetlands and the base of cliffs. The route was connected through a railroad between central Pennsylvania and the Chesapeake Bay from 1840 until 1894, transporting passengers to the construction village of the Conowingo Dam. Though the railroad was severely damaged during Hurricane Agnes and has since been abandoned, it once handled 13,000 railcars and carried half a million passengers over its 10-mile course. Today, this route is part of the Mason Dixon Hiking Trail.

Dicentra Cucullaria

(Dutchman's breeches)

Location

The trail is a 2.2 mile hike south through Fisherman's Park. Simply go to the lower corner of the Fisherman's Park to begin the trail.

Plant life

The trail features a wide variety of flowers and plant life, including Virginia Bluebells, Dutchman's breeches, trillium, wild ginger mixed with mature poplar trees, sycamore trees.

Bird-watching

Waterfowl include osprey, great blue herons, egrets, ducks and gulls. Shore birds include warblers, vireos and flycatchers in the spring and fall. In the summer, orioles and warblers are the most abundant. These birds call dense, woody streams their habitat.

Pick up a bird list at the Conowingo Visitor Center and show us your unique nature shots from this trail!

Octoraro Creek Trail

Completed in June 2008, this half-mile walking trail is located off of Route 222 downstream from Conowingo Dam. This recreational spot is the result of a partnership between Exelon and the Department of Maryland Natural Resources (MDNR) to create more enjoyable public walking trails in the area. The trail follows the creek and ends where Octoraro empties into the Susquehanna River. Octoraro is an ideal spot for hiking, sightseeing, fishing, canoeing, kayaking and bird-watching!

Other Nearby Trails:

Susquehanna State Park

Prothonotary Warbler

Susquehanna State Park features more than 15 miles of trails that range from easy to difficult. From Baltimore, take I-95 north to Route 155, exit 89. Proceed west on Route 155 to Route 161. Turn right onto Route 161 and then right onto Rock Run Road. Follow Rock Run Road to the park.

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for trail guides, or visit the park online at: http://www.dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands /maps/susmap.html