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Guides



**Charlie Major
Nature Trail**
New York



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playground at the Mottville trailhead.

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The trail runs for just longer than 1 mile between Mill Road just north of Old Seneca Turnpike and Crow Hill Road in Mottville. The pretty little trail crosses the creek via three wooden bridges and meanders through a forested corridor. Along the way you'll see remains of the railroad, dams, and millworks buildings.

Near the Crow Hill Road bridge on the Mottville end is a nice place to have a picnic along the creek. There is also a



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States: New York

Counties: Onondaga

Length: 1.2miles

Trail end points: Mill Rd. (Skaneateles) to
Crow Hill Road (Mottville)

Trail surfaces: Cinder,Dirt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Fishing,Wheelchair

Accessible,Mountain Biking,Walking,Cross
Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available at both ends: in Mottville at Crow Hill Road and Frost Street; north of Skaneateles around 4144 Mill Road (Old Seneca Turnpike).



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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