MATC VOLUNTEERS

Our members ensure that Maine's A.T. section is well maintained and embodies the connection to nature envisioned by Trail founders. This dedication has led volunteers to pioneer trail-building techniques now used throughout North America.

TRAIL MAINTAINERS

Individual and group trail maintainers are assigned a section of the Trail to clear the footpath of debris, blaze the trail and maintain campsites and waterbars.

CORRIDOR MONITORS

Hiking in remote, beautiful backcountry areas, corridor monitors look for encroachments that threaten the condition of the Trail corridor lands and locate boundary line markers.

















MANY HANDS. HAPPY FEET.

Founded in 1935, MATC is a volunteer-based, donor-supported nonprofit committed to the management of the Appalachian Trail in Maine. Club members donate more than 25,000 volunteer hours annually.

MATC welcomes new members and inspires respect for this national treasure.



Baxter Peak 1 9th Basin

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MATC works in partnership with A.T. groups such as:

Appalachian Trail Conservancy

Baxter State Park

Maine Appalachian Trail Land Trust

Maine Bureau of Parks and Lands

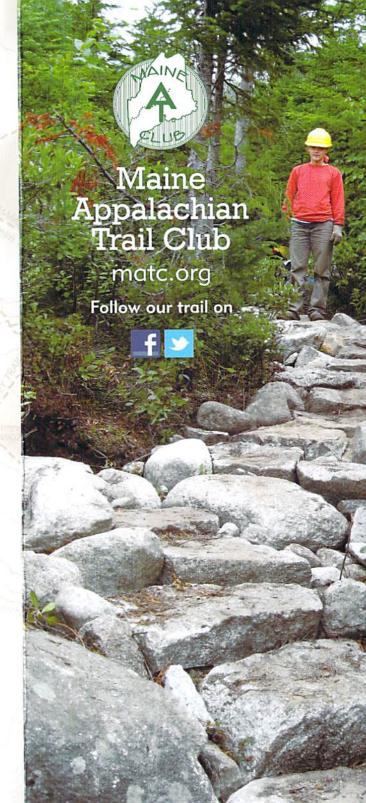
Maine Chapter of the Appalachian Mountain Club

Maine Conservation Corps

National Park Service

Student Conservation Association





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APPALACHIAN TRAIL

From Georgia to Maine, the Appalachian
Trail (A.T.) is one of the longest, continuouslymarked footpaths in the world measuring
more than 2,180 miles. The A.T. is a
National Scenic Trail and National Park.

MAINE APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUB

Maine Appalachian Trail Club volunteers proudly maintain and manage one of the wildest and most scenic sections of the A.T. Measuring 267 miles with more than 60 miles of side trails, MATC's section is the longest of all club assignments along the 14-state A.T. corridor.

AND YOU

There's a place for you with MATC as a trail maintainer, volunteer with a trail crew, or an MATC committee member. Let's match your skill with a trail project!



A SEASON OF OPPORTUNITY

Each summer, individuals join us to help accomplish substantial trail construction and renovation projects and interact with the hiking public at high-traffic areas.

Gulf Haga

MAINE TRAIL CREW

Volunteers from the U.S. and abroad live and work on the A.T. for up to a week.

Working as a team, members build stone steps, waterbars and bog bridges. This experience often leads to a lifelong affiliation with trail stewardship.

CARETAKERS AND RIDGERUNNERS

Based at Saddleback and Bigelow Mountains and Gulf Hagas, caretakers and ridgerunners interact with roughly 10,000 hikers and youth hiking groups annually, imparting Leave No Trace ethics and promoting low impact camping and hiking techniques.