



Roslindale, MA

April 1 - December 15, 2026

10 and 5km Walks in Arnold Arboretum

START/FINISH:

Roslindale Branch of
Boston Public Library
4246 Washington Street
Roslindale, MA 02131

www.bpl.org/locations/roslindale/

PSB: see library website for hours.

OSB: Daily sunrise to sunset.
Complete event within 30 days of
initiating online registration.



Parking in Taft Hill Terrace opposite Adams Park.

REGISTER ONLINE: my.ava.org

TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS: 5km and 10km routes on paved paths through Arnold Arboretum, a free public park designed by Frederick Law Olmsted, and city sidewalks in Adams Square & residential streets in Roslindale. Arnold Arboretum (highest elevation 259 feet). Note: those completing the 10km distance break from the 5km route for a loop through the north (Bussey Hill) section of the Arboretum, with rhododendrons, azaleas, & lilacs, and continue to the rose garden, Hunnewell Visitor Center, the Arborway Gate, and the Bonsai Garden before reconnecting with the 5km route.

5km loop in south half of Arnold Arboretum includes Peters Hill past hawthorns, crabapple, and ancient conifers for a view of Boston skyline; then explores residential area to the Roslindale Wetlands, which supports many species of birds, reptiles, and mammals. The Roslindale Wetlands is one of 29 properties maintained by the City of Boston. Work is ongoing to remove invasive plant species.

RATING: On city sidewalks, paved trails, and wood chip paths, both routes have an AVA rating of 2B, **difficult for strollers and not suitable for wheelchairs.**

AVA SPECIAL PROGRAMS: Par for the Course

AWARD: This is an IVV Credit Only event; no award.

DIRECTIONS:

From the West:

1. **Route 9 East to Hammond Pond Parkway South.
2. Continue through 4 rotaries to Belgrade Ave.
3. **LEFT** on Belgrade Ave to end at Corinth St.
4. Proceed on Corinth to end at Washington Street.
5. *Continue through light at Poplar St and get into leftmost lane.
6. **Sharp LEFT** at end of Adams Park.
7. First **RIGHT** into parking lot.

From the North:

1. Route 128 South to Route 9 East.
2. Follow from ** above.

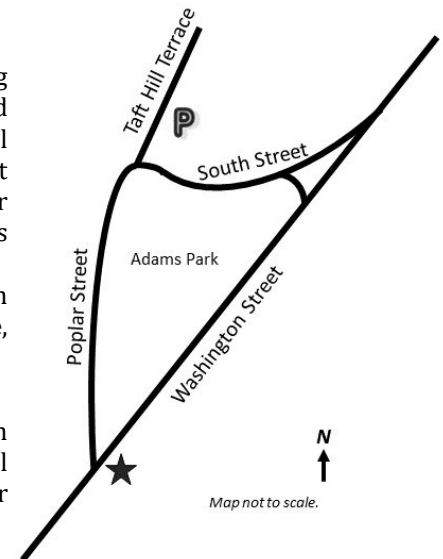
From the South:

1. I-95 North (Rt. 128) to Exit 29A.
2. Merge onto Providence Highway N.
3. Continue to Dedham Rotary.
4. First exit to Washington Street.
5. Continue 3.3 miles to Roslindale Square.
6. Follow from * above.

PARKING: Taft Hill Terrace parking 2 hours Monday-Friday, unlimited Saturday & Sundays. From Taft Hill parking, walk to start by exiting lot to Poplar St. Continue down Poplar to Washington St. Library across Washington on left. Additional street parking nearby on Washington Street, Belgrade Avenue, and Robert Street.

Public Transportation (MBTA):

Orange Line to Forest Hills, then buses 35, 36, or 37 to Taft Hill Terrace stop, or bus 34 to Poplar Street stop.



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