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The “TO-WILLIAMS” TRAIL GUIDE

The “To-Williams” Trail (TWT), as we will call it for now, is an attractive, easy, one-way for now, forested trail located on FODR’s Revere Tract property near Mascot, VA off Rt. 610 (Piedmont/Dabney Rd). It has access restricted by a metal gate at the entrance to the Pre-Circle Trail, as we will call it for now.

About 1/3 mile long, the TWT has a clearly-defined footpath that begins where it meets, in a “T”, the right side of the Pre-Circle Trail, Section B. The TWT proceeds from that junction down to a small, intermittent stream that generally can easily be stepped over. The TWT then proceeds away from the stream on level ground that becomes an upwards-sloping trail that curves to the right as it reaches a ridge some 75-100” high. It then proceeds some 75-100 yd and eventually reaches a cut-over field. For now, retrace your steps and return to the Pre-Circle Trail. A series of wooden Posts, listed below, describes flora along the trail.

Table 1. Sequential List of Floral Posts along the Left (L) and Right (R) Sides of the TWT Trail.

START: MEETING POINT WITH THE PRE-CIRCLE TRAIL.

END: RETRACE YOUR STEPS.

- 1) Common Wax-myrtle, Morella cerifera R
- 2) Sweetgum, Liquidambar styraciflua L
- 3) Partridgeberry, Mitchella repens L
- 4) Pale Hickory , Carya pallida L
- 5) Deerberry, Vaccinium stamineum R
- 6) American Holly, Ilex opaca R
- 7) Swamp White Oak (?), Quercus bicolor L
- 8) Red Maple, Acer rubrum L
- 9) Flowering Dogwood, Cornus florida L
- 10) Eastern Red Cedar, Juniperus virginiana R
- 11) American Hornbeam, Carpinus caroliniana R
- 12) Swamp Chestnut Oak, Quercus michauxii L
- 13) Willow Oak, Quercus phellos R
- 14) American Sycamore, Platanus occidentalis L

- 15) Poison Ivy, Toxicodendron radicans L
- 16) Sweetgum, Liquidambar styraciflua L
- 17) American Beech, Fagus grandifolia L
- 18) Black Walnut, Juglans nigra R
- 19) Common Running-cedar, Diphasiastrum digitatum R
- 20) Christmas Fern, Polystichum acrostichoides L
- 21) Bitternut Hickory , Carya cordiformis R
- 22) Northern Red Oak, Quercus rubra R
- 23) Tuliptree, Liriodendron tulipifera L
- 24) White Oak, Quercus alba L
- 25) Loblolly Pine, Pinus taeda L
- 26) Black Oak, Quercus velutina R