Ganondagan’s Interpretive Trails

There are three main interpretive trails here at Ganondagan. Each trail has informative signage that help the visitor understand more about how the Onöndowa’ga:’ (People of the Great Hill), also known as the Seneca, interact with the world around them.

- **The Earth is Our Mother Trail**—this ethnobotanical trail highlights the local plants that were a benefit to the Onöndowa’ga:’. The trail will take the average walker 1 1/2 hours to walk the entire trail and return to the main trailhead. It is a one-way walk which does NOT loop back around.

- **The Trail of Peace**—this trail brings the visitor around the original townsite of Ganondagan. The signage tells the story of the Peacemaker and how the Hodinöhso:ni’ people became a confederacy. The signs also tell the story of the town of Ganondagan and the French attack in 1687. This trail will take the average walker 30 min to walk and read the signs.

- **The Fort Hill Trail**—The parking lot for this trail is located one mile west of the main site along County Road 41. The parking lot on the right is identified as the “Fort Hill” area. This trail takes the visitor up onto the hill where the people of Ganondagan built a large corn granary. The signs help the visitor learn about the history of the palisaded granary. This trail will take the average walker 1 hour to walk and read the signs.
The Earth is Our Mother Trail

* The Earth is Our Mother trail has color-coded trail blazes that correspond to the map. The main trail is in **BLUE** for example. Match the sign you see with its numbered location on the map to orient yourself.