West River Marsh Hi Tor Wildlife Management Area Naples, NY

West River Marsh is part of the Hi Tor Wildlife Management Area, which covers about 6,100 acres between Yates and Ontario Counties. Features include wooded hills, ravines and marshland, as well as access to Canandaigua Lake. The cattail marsh at the south end of Canandaigua Lake drains Naples Creek and West River. There are also ditches to enhance wildlife habitat. West River is a lazy stream, even in spring, so you can paddle where you want including an upstream paddle which will take you under a couple of bridges. Consider combining your water outing with a hike or take along a fishing pole. West River is teeming with bass, while Naples Creek is known for its trout. All around this trip makes for a great combination of outdoor adventures.

Source: Take a Paddle. Finger Lakes. New York Quiet Water for Canoes and Kayaks. Sue and Rich Freeman. www.footprintpress.com

Read this Book:

Rich and Sue Freeman are trusted authors of several Finger Lakes outdoor adventure books. Ranging from hikes to bike trails to snowshoeing and of course, paddling, they provide great resources for all kinds of people with all kinds of adventure interests.

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Launch Site and Take-out Site #1: There is a NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) launch site on Rt. 21, with a large parking area, in Woodville

Launch Site and Take-out Site #2: Off Rt. 245 (north of Naples) look for the DEC sign for Hi Tor Wildlife Management Area – West River Unit

Launch Site and Take-out Site #3: West River Fishing Access Site. Look for the signs off Rt. 245 north out of Naples and left onto Sunnyside Rd.

Another launch site is on the corner of Rt. 96 and County Rd. 6. There is a 50 ft drop to water level, upstream on the right. Requiring more portage

Distance .8 to 4 miles **Difficulty** ★



Nearby: Woodville and Naples

Food: Monica's Grape Pies, Rt. 21



