Hubbard Park sits right behind the state house, and can be accessed from a number of locations. The Park’s biggest attraction is the 54 foot stone tower that sits above the State House. There are also 2 picnic shelters, 4 outhouses, a fitness trail, and an interpretive trail. For a gentle 1 mile trip, walk the Stone Tower Path from the New Shelter to the Tower and back. For a slightly more challenging walk from downtown, try the State House Path from Court St. and come down via Corse St. for some great views of town. For a longer adventure, explore the northern end of the park and connect to the North Branch Park and beyond!

Dogs may be off leash in Hubbard Park if owners follow the Canine Code of Conduct.

North Branch River Park and the North Branch Nature Center (NBNC) offer a great variety of outdoor recreation.

For a mellow, flat walk with lots of varied habitat for birdwatching check out the NBNC trails and cross the footbridge into the North Branch River Park.

For some thrilling mountain biking, head up the hill to the top of “Roll Call” or “Sapsucker.” From there you can have your choice of flowy descent trails to end at the pump track on the southern end of the park.

For a longer adventure, head North on the Sparrow Farm Trail and connect into the East Montpelier Trail system, or South into Hubbard Park. East Montpelier Trails are shared with walkers. Cyclists please ride with caution.