Some of the scenic sights that you will find throughout Sachar Woods

Fire Pits
There are currently three maintained firepits located in Sachar woods. Practice fire safety whenever using them. Read To Build a Fire by Jack London to set the mood.

Rock Walls
Rock walls are the result of farmers removing the rocks from their fields and using them to mark territory.

Flowing Rivers
A number of small streams run through the woods. In the spring, snow melt creates a torrent, while in the fall, the flow slows to a trickle.

These are only a few examples of the natural wonders that are less than ten minutes from where you stand. Take a camera, a book, or just your sense of wonder and explore.

Why explore Sachar Woods?
- Quick and easy trip with friends
- It’s a forest in your backyard
- Different in every season
- Have a campfire
- Get a little peace and quiet
- Beats sitting around watching TV

Students map out trails in Sachar Woods, the first comprehensive map of the forest adjoining the university.

For further information on these initiatives and more, visit: brandeis.edu/campussustainability

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Greening the Ivory Tower class, Fall 2009
1. Start of trail
Walk up to the round-about near IBS and you’ll see the start of the trail.

2. Rock wall
Built by farmers who pulled the rocks out of their fields, these walls mark off territory.

3. Upper fire pit
The most commonly used fire pit, poor maintenance means there are glass bottles around, so exercise caution.

4. Middle fire pit
Slightly further along the trail is another pit. This pit is kept in better shape and is a nice place for quiet reflection in the Fall and Spring afternoons.

5. Lower fire pit
A third pit, this one is also poorly kept, and jetsam and flotsam has piled up. If you use it, do your part and leave it in the same or better condition than when you found it.

6. Bench
A mysterious bench, that few have ever found it and even fewer know how it got there. On a sunny day, it makes for an excellent reading spot, or just a goof photo-op.

7. Stream crossing
The streams that start as a trickle in Sachar Woods will eventually empty in the larger water ways, leading finally to the Charles River.

8. Wild Sachar Chimneys
Another mystery, just like Stone Henge. No one really knows how these stone chimneys got here. The best theory so far is that they were planted from chimney seeds.

9. Sassafras Trail
First named by Ayal Weiner-Kaplow (2011), this trail is identifiable by the preponderance of Sassafras trees that line it. Keep an eye out for leaves with one, two, or three lobes.

10. International Business School
Established when the formers National Business School opened up their Mexico Chapter. Just kidding, but there is an excellent Panini grill in here. No meals or points, though.