A Guide to the Institute Woods

The Institute Woods is remarkably diverse for its size. It includes some forty-five species of trees, prime among them beech, birch, black gum, dogwood, hickory, maple, oak, pine, sweet gum, and tulip (see guide below and map for primary locations). Largely grown from fields where cultivation ceased, from as recently as 1940 to before 1727, the Woods is a rich habitat for wildlife and migrating bird species.