North of the Big Hills Bicycle Loop

A 25.7-mile moderate ride in Huntington, Hinesburg, and Richmond, VT.

Start at the Richmond Town Park

miles:

- 0.0 Richmond Town Park.
- 0.0 South over the bridge.
- 0.3 R past the Round Church on Huntington Rd.
- 1.0 Straight up the hill on Huntington Rd.
- 2.4 Top of hill.
- 6.6 Huntington (store).
- 7.4 R on Hinesburg Hollow Rd.
- 12.5 R on Route 116 (store).
- 16.4 R on Mechanicsville Rd.
- 17.3 R on Richmond Rd.
- 23.2 R at Fays Corner on Hinesburg Rd.
- 24.7 L on Huntington Rd.
- 25.4 L at the Round Church on Bridge Rd.
- 25.7 Richmond Town Park.

When cycling, please follow these guidelines:

1. WEAR A HELMET and cycling gloves.
2. Ride with the flow of traffic.
3. When using travel lanes, follow motor vehicle laws. Obey all traffic signs and signals. Do not cut corners.
4. Use clear hand signals when making turns or stopping.
5. Ride in a straight line at least 3 feet from parked cars or curbs.
6. If you must ride at night, use lights and reflectors.
7. Ride defensively! Be aware of motorists’ actions.
8. Be aware of train tracks and other road conditions.
10. Carry items in panniers or a handle-bar pack.

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Route Description

The “big hills” for bicyclists in the area are the Green Mountain gaps and several of the popular ones are located just south of this loop in Addison County. This route is, however, challenging for the average bicyclist with several long steady, but not to steep, climbs. After the long climb out of Richmond, the Audubon Center and the Birds of Vermont Museum can be found on the Sherman Hollow Rd. on the right. Both facilities offer a way to enjoy the natural environment of Vermont.

The towns of Richmond, Huntington and Hinesburg are all different but each preserves the historical culture as it emerges into the 21st century. It is easy to imagine that before the age of paved roads and automobiles each of these places was a community unto itself with a church and town hall as its center of activity.

Safety Guidelines

Motorists and bicyclists share scenic roads. Use caution on narrow, winding or unpaved roadway. Follow traffic laws and ride safely. Bicycles are vehicles by law and have the right to use public roads. You are responsible for operating your bicycle under all conditions.

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Lake Champlain Bikeways Mission

To promote bicycling throughout the Lake Champlain regions of New York, Vermont and Québec for the purposes of increasing opportunities for bicycle recreation and transportation, improving the quality of life, enhancing the economic vitality, advocating for sustainable communities, encouraging healthy lifestyles and raising public awareness and appreciation of inherent scenic, historic, cultural, natural, and recreational resources throughout the area.

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