Covered Bridges Bicycle Loop
A 29.1-mile route through Shelburne and Charlotte, VT.

Start at Shelburne Village Square across from Shelburne Country Store.

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- 0.0 Shelburne Village Square across from Shelburne Country Store.
- 0.0 Head south on Falls Rd.
- 1.4 L staying on Falls Rd.
- 1.9 R on Thomas Rd. immediately after crossing bridge.
- 2.9 Bear R on Spear St.
- 6.1 L on Prindle Rd. - the next 3 miles are well maintained unpaved roads through lovely countryside. Stay straight and arrive at the Quinlan Bridge in 3 miles of paved road.
- 9.6 R on Roscoe Rd.
- 9.7 Sequin Bridge.
- 10.8 R on Lewis Creek Rd.
- 12.2 L on Spear St. after Quinlan Bridge.
- 14.3 L at Mt. Philo Rd. (Caution at next corner).
- 14.8 R on Old Hollow Rd.
- 15.1 Cross Route 7 (caution) - store.
- 16.2 R on Greenbush Rd.
- 20.3 L in Charlotte onto Ferry Rd. at Old Brick Store.
- 21.3 R on Lake St. following Champlain Bikeway signs.
- 23.1 Holmes Creek Bridge at Charlotte beach.
- 24.5 L on Greenbush Rd.
- 28.0 Cross Route 7.
- 28.4 L on Falls Rd.
- 29.1 Shelburne.

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

This loop includes many additional experiences of great variety. Just south of the start on Route 7 is the Shelburne Museum where one can spend a day viewing its collection of Vermont culture. It should be noted that only 3 bridges are on the exact route shown above but 2 others are very close. The Cambridge Bridge is a part of the Shelburne Museum on Route 7, within 2 blocks of the starting point. If you turn left at the 15.1 mile point at Route 7, see dotted line, the Spade Farm Bridge can be found in Ferrisburgh 1.5 miles south. Just south of Greenbush Road is the Rokeby Museum on the left and on the right a camel can sometimes be found in the pasture.

The unpaved Prindle Road leads to a whole different world where it is hard to imagine that downtown Burlington is never more than 15 miles away. The Sequin Bridge, the classic Vermont covered bridge in that it is small, isolated and well preserved, is the feature of the loop.

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 Quebec 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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