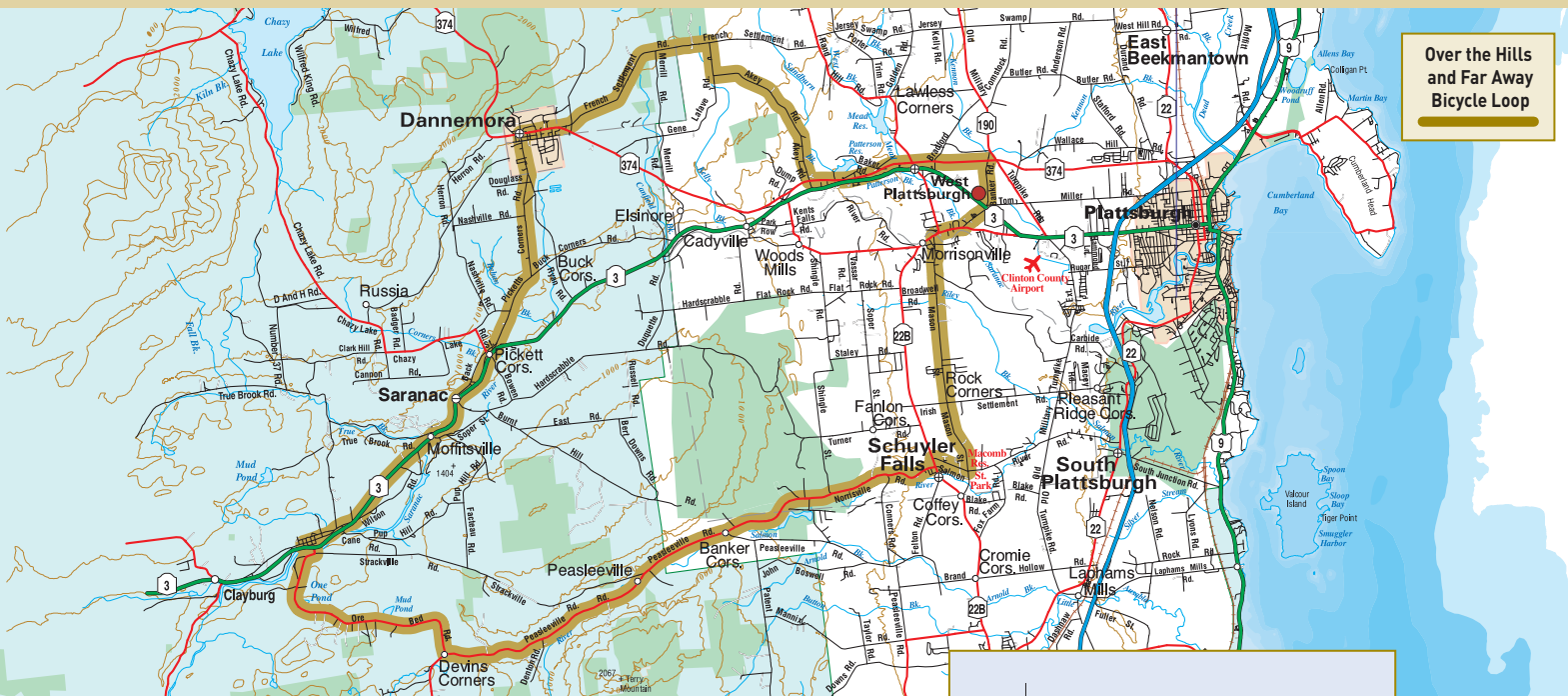


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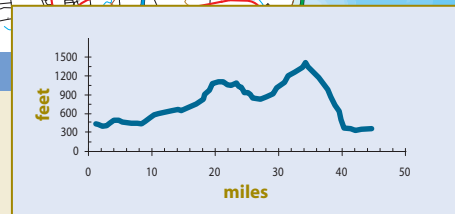
A difficult 45.2 bicycle route through Plattsburgh, Schuyler Falls, Saranac, and Dannemora, NY.



Start at the Plattsburgh Town Hall.

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- 0.0** ● Plattsburgh Town Hall; right onto Banker Road (south).
- 0.1** Cross NY Route 3.
- 0.7** R onto NY Route 22B.
- 1.3** Cross Saranac River; L onto Mason Street.
- 6.0** R on Salmon River Road.
- 6.7** L onto NY Route 22B.
- 6.9** R onto Morrisville Road at Gas Station.
- 10.5** Entrance to Macomb State Park on left.
- 11.5** R onto Peaseleeville Road.
- 17.8** R onto Ore Bed Road (Devins Corners).
- 22.6** L onto Ore Bed Road; Cross the Saranac River.
- 22.7** R onto State Route 3.
- 28.3** L onto Pickett's Corners Road.
- 32.5** R onto NY Route 374 (Cook Street).
- 33.3** L onto General Leroy Manor Road.
- 37.0** R onto Gene LaFave Road (before tractor sign).
- 37.7** L onto Akey Road.
- 40.9** L onto NY Route 374.
- 44.4** R onto Banker Road.
- 45.2** Finish at the Plattsburgh Town Hall.



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.
9. Ride single file.
10. Carry items in panniers or a handle-bar pack.

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Route Description

This loop requires a couple of strenuous climbs and exhilarating downhills. After the climb on Norrisville Rd. the route passes Macomb State Campsite and Day Use Area, no day use fee for cyclists. After Peasleeville, climbing becomes strenuous and ends after the turn onto Ore Bed Rd. which affords great views of Lyon Mtn., farm fields, woodlands and a steep downhill.

The Clinton Correctional Facility, which opened in 1845 with the mandate for inmates to work an iron ore mine owned by the state, is the center of Dannemora. The mining experiment was ended in 1877 and the wall was built. Just east are the gothic buildings of Clinton Annex, opened in 1899 as the Dannemora State Hospital for inmates declared insane after trial. Closed in 1972, it is now a separate correctional facility. The Gen. Leroy Manor Rd., with views of the Adirondack High Peaks, is named for a Clinton County native who served with distinction as a fighter pilot in World War II and the Vietnam War. Akey Road includes a spectacular 2 mi. downhill.

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.



A dairy farm in Clinton County

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