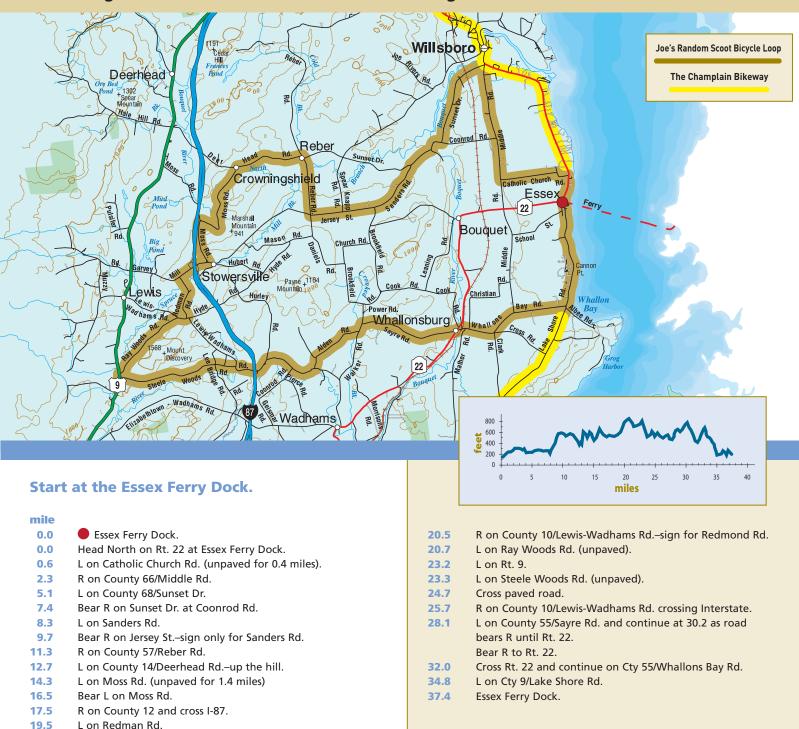
# Joe's Random Scoot Bike Loop



An intermediate 37.4-mile route through Essex, Willsboro, Reber, Crowningshield, Stowersville, and Whallonsburg, NY.



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#### **Route Description**

This long loop begins in Essex, which was a bustling port in the early and mid-nineteenth century and is a remarkably preserved historic community. The entire hamlet is designated as a National Historic District, with 160 structures built between 1810 and 1860.

In the middle of the ride there are two unpaved roads joined by a very short section of Route 9. This forest area was forested by using horses to skid the logs to the river's edge.

Towards the end of the ride, while heading north along Lakeshore Drive from Whallons Bay, note the historical marker about the demarcation line between the lands of the Iroquois and Algonquin Indians and the French and English.

## **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.

#### When cycling, please follow these guidelines:

- 1. WEAR A HELMET and cycling gloves.
- 2. Ride with the flow of traffic.
- 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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