

The Chester to Moodus to Devil's Hopyard to Chester (via ferry) Ride

Total Distance: **32.5 miles**

Elevation Gain: **1962 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: **1962 ft / 32.5 mi = 60.37 ft/mi**

Terrain: **Hilly**

Killer Hills: **None**

Geographical Region: **South Central Connecticut**

City/Town: **Chester**

Starting Location: **Rt. 9 Exit 9 CPL (Rt. 148) in Chester**

Ride Description: **This is a neat ride over somewhat hilly terrain through some seldom traveled sections of East Haddam (cross the Connecticut River via the East Haddam swing-bridge) en route to a possible lunch/snack stop at Devil's Hopyard (no place to purchase food at the Hopyard). On the return trip the route uses the ferry (\$2.00) to re-cross the Connecticut River.**

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

Mile	Facilities - <i>Points of Interest</i>
5.5	Tylerville: Convenience store, Subway
6.0	<i>East Haddam (swing-bridge) Bridge over Connecticut River</i>
6.2	<i>Goodspeed Opera house and Gelston House (East Haddam)</i>
10.0	Convenience store on right
10.3	Convenience store on right
12.4	<i>Moodus Reservoir (views)</i>
14.0	<i>Causeway across Moodus Reservoir (views)</i>
14.7	<i>Occasional views of Moodus Reservoir to the left and Bashan Lake to the right for a mile or so</i>
18.3	<i>Start great downhill swoop for about 2 miles</i>
20.7+	<i>Chapman Falls (Devil's Hopyard State Park); great lunch/snack stop</i>
21.2	Bathrooms and water available (as required) in picnic/recreational area to left (park road)
27.9	Country store on corner
29.5	<i>Chester Ferry (\$2.00 fare)...marvelous views of river and Gillette Castle</i>

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