

Tony's Hills Ride #5

NOTE: This Ride Description and its corresponding Route Sheet may not have been checked for accuracy by the www.ctbikeroutes.org team

Total Distance: **19.2 miles**

Elevation Gain: **1,293 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: **1,293 ft / 19.2 mi = 67.34 ft/mi** Terrain: **Hilly**

Note: The Degree of Difficulty Index (DoDI) for this ride was calculated using mapping software, which differs from the GPS readings used on most other rides on this website. Relative to other rides, the DoDI for this ride is most likely lower than indicated above.

Killer Hills: **Five 1+ mile climbs that are in the 5% to 12% range**

Geographical Region: **Southwest**

City/Town: **Milford**

Starting Location: **Starts and ends behind the Milford Taylor Library at Fowler Field, off Route 162 in downtown Milford. For ease of mapping, the actual Start (0.0-mile point) is at the traffic light at the intersection of Shipyard Lane and Route 162.**

Parking: **From Route 162 turn onto Shipyard Lane. For public parking, go down hill bearing to the right and around the tennis courts. Parking is on the left on the far side of tennis courts, near a baseball diamond across from the boat launch.**

Ride Description: **This ride starts at the intersection of Shipyard Lane and Route 162 at about 20 feet elevation in downtown Milford, where you soon start climbing. By mile-3, you are about 2 miles out into the country at 258 feet. At this point the ride gets better, with great climbs and thrilling descents that will make you feel like you are on an Olympic Bob Sled Track. There are 5 good long climbs and long fast descents in the range of 5% to 12% grade on this ride. The ride starts and finishes in historic downtown Milford, and spends about 1 mile on Route 34 in Derby at the halfway point. The rest of the time you are riding on country roads in Milford and Orange.**

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

| Mile | Facilities - <i>Points of Interest</i> |
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| - | Many fine eateries & shops in down town Milford. Bike Shop on green in case you need anything. |
| - | You can cross the foot bridge from the starting point parking lot to access down town shops, eateries, one of Simon Lake's Salvage Submarines is on display. |
| 0.0+ | <i>Cross Fowler Memorial Bridge.</i> |
| 0.1 | <i>Milford Green. One of the largest town Greens in New England</i> |
| 0.2 | Bike Shop to left across the green. Tony's Bikes & Sports |
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