

## **The Diabolical Datsko's (Dubiously) Delightful Ride**

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Total Distance: **43.8 miles**

Elevation Gain: **3,990 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: **3,990 ft / 43.8 mi = 91.10 ft/mi**    Terrain: **Very hilly**

Killer Hills: **Ray Hill Rd, Joshuatown Rd, Mt. Archer Rd**

Geographical Region: **South Central Connecticut**

City/Town: **Chester**

Starting Location: **CPL, Route 9 exit 8 (Rt. 148), Chester**

Ride Description: **Very hilly, but scenic ride with a double crossing over the Connecticut River in East Haddam via the swing bridge. Three steep climbs with a lot of other hills thrown in for your riding enjoyment. Possible lunch at Gillette Castle. Bring plenty of water and energy. This is far and away the most challenging ride on the website. Don't attempt it unless you are in top condition.**

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

<b>Mile</b>	<b>Facilities - <i>Points of Interest</i></b>
6.4	<i>Goodspeed Opera House</i>
24.0	Small Grocery Store for snacks and drinks. Nice bench outside
27.0	Gillette Castle restrooms and possible snack bar. Nice scenery
31.6	<i>Goodspeed Opera House again</i>

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