

# SCCC's Grand Apizza North Ride

**NOTE: This Ride Description and its corresponding Route Sheet may not have been checked for accuracy by the [www.ctbikeroutes.org](http://www.ctbikeroutes.org) team**

Total Distance: **15.3 miles**

Elevation Gain: **732 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: **732 ft / 15.3 mi = 47.84 ft/mi**      Terrain: **Rolling to hilly**

Killer Hills:      **None; but there are several lengthy climbs (and some great down hills)**

Geographical Region: **Southwest Connecticut (dips into South Central)**

Starting Location (city/town): **North Haven**

Starting Location (detailed directions to): **From I-91 Exit 12 take Rt. 5 north for ~ 1.0 mile to Grand Apizza North on the right. While heading north on Rt. 5, if you reach the traffic light where Bradley St. goes right, you have gone about 0.1 mile too far.**

Ride Description: **This interesting and moderately challenging short ride starts (and for the most part stays in North Haven) but there are brief sorties into Wallingford, the Northford section of North Branford and East Haven. After a flat beginning, there is a fairly difficult climb up Pond Hill Road that is followed by a lengthy downhill to Rt. 150. Most of the ride route is on roads that aren't heavily traveled (neighborhoods, country roads, etc.) but there is some of the route that travels over state numbered routes where caution is advisable.**

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

<b>Mile</b>	<b>Facilities - <i>Points of Interest</i></b>
0.0	Grand Apizza North parking lot; various shops along busy Rt. 5
1.5	Pond Hill grade school on the right
9.1	Large cemetery dead ahead before turning left onto Velvet St
15.3	Grand Apizza North parking lot; various shops along busy Rt. 5

**Note: This ride has been provided by the Southern Connecticut Cycle Club from its Ride Library (Ride #5) as a service to the Connecticut bicycling community.**

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Route sheet: **RS-New096**

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