

Stanley Steamer Reversed

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

Total Distance: **41.4 mi.** Elevation Gain: **2,200 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: **53.14 feet per mile** Terrain: **Hilly**

Killer Hills: **None; but lots of steady climbs**

Geographical Region: **Northwest Connecticut**

Starting Location (city/town): **Woodbury**

Starting Location (detailed directions to): **Meet at Hollow Park in Woodbury. From I-84 Exit 15, head north on Rt. 6 for 4.8 miles, then left on Rt. 317 at the light. Take next left on Hollow Rd. At the stop sign, head almost straight into the park.**

Ride Description: **Exhilarating tour through farm country and wooded areas of Woodbury, Bethlehem and Litchfield along many quiet country back roads. Plenty of climbing (2,200 feet total), but with long, steady down hills to reward your efforts. Lunch stop on the Litchfield Green.**

Special Notes: **There are really no stores prior to the Stop & Shop at mile 24.35, so bring plenty of water. There are stores after the food stop if riders need to re-supply. Buy food and use the restroom at Stop & Shop (located in the dairy department on the far right wall); eat on the scenic Litchfield Green. Food options at stores around the green are pricey and drink options are limited.**

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

Mile	Facilities - <i>Points of Interest</i>
0.0	<i>Hollow Park, Woodbury; this is the lowest point on the ride at 250 feet of elevation</i>
20.5	<i>Milton Road: this is the highest point on the ride at 1,160 feet of elevation</i>
24.4	<i>Food Stop: Stop & Shop</i>
25.1	<i>Historic Litchfield Green</i>
27.0	<i>White Memorial Conservation Center, a 4,000 acre nature preserve</i>
30.4	<i>Possible ice cream stop at Popey's</i>
32.0	<i>Bethlehem Fairgrounds on left; the Fair takes place in early September</i>
34.5	<i>Flanders Road is long exhilarating downhill, 600 feet of descent in 5 miles</i>
36.8	<i>Flanders Nature Center on left</i>
40.0	<i>Woodbury Town Center</i>

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Route sheet: **RS-New139**

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