

# Irv's Suffield Village – Giant Sycamore 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: **45.7 miles**

Elevation Gain: **1379 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: **1379 ft / 45.7 mi = 30.17 ft/mi**      Terrain: **Flat to rolling**

Killer Hills:        **None**

Geographical Region: **North Central Connecticut**

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

Starting Location (detailed directions to): **Suffield Village shopping plaza parking area (north side of Highland Park Market under shade trees) off Rt. 75 just north of the intersection with Rt. 168 in Suffield; do not use the Bridge St. exit.**

Ride Description: **This mellow 45-miler is over flat to rolling terrain with just a few hills en route. It heads south from Suffield Village through East Granby to Simsbury with visits to the Flower Bridge over the Farmington River and to Pinchot Sycamore Park where the largest sycamore tree in the state is located. The ride then heads up to the McLean Game Refuge in Granby and ventures into Southwick and Agawam, MA before returning to the starting point.**

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

<b>Mile</b>	<b>Facilities - <i>Points of Interest</i></b>
0.0	Suffield Village: shopping center w/ full service grocery store (Highland Park Market)
12.2	Pizza shop and pub in the center of Tarriffville on the right
14.1	<i>Commence 2 mile (+/-) ride on rail trail</i>
15.9	Water fountain at park on the left beside the rail trail
16.3	<i>Flower Bridge over the Farmington River</i>
18.3	<i>Pinchot Sycamore Park w/ largest sycamore tree in the state; views of the Farmington River</i>
18.4	<i>Bridge over the Farmington River</i>
20.6	<i>Entrance to Stratton Brook State Park to the right past barrier on a dirt path</i>
21.5	Convenience store ~ 0.2 miles to the left on Rt. 309
24.5	<i>Stone house on the right just before turning right onto Holcomb St</i>
27.3	McLean Game Refuge; picnic tables; rustic restrooms
28.4	<i>Stone House on the right just before intersection w/ Rtes. 10/202</i>
36.1	Ebbs Corners: ice cream shop, bakery & convenience store diagonally across from intersection
45.7	Suffield Village: shopping center w/ full service grocery store (Highland Park Market)

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**Route sheet: RS-New168**

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