

Salisbury - Sharon, CT Bike Routes

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Sharon Loop 2

This 12 mile loop starts at the Sharon Town Green and takes you by Mudge Pond and two private schools, Indian Mountain School and Hotchkiss School. From Route 41, there is a classic New England view of Mudge Pond and the Taconic range. The Sharon Town Green is the only place along this route where you can get food and drinks.

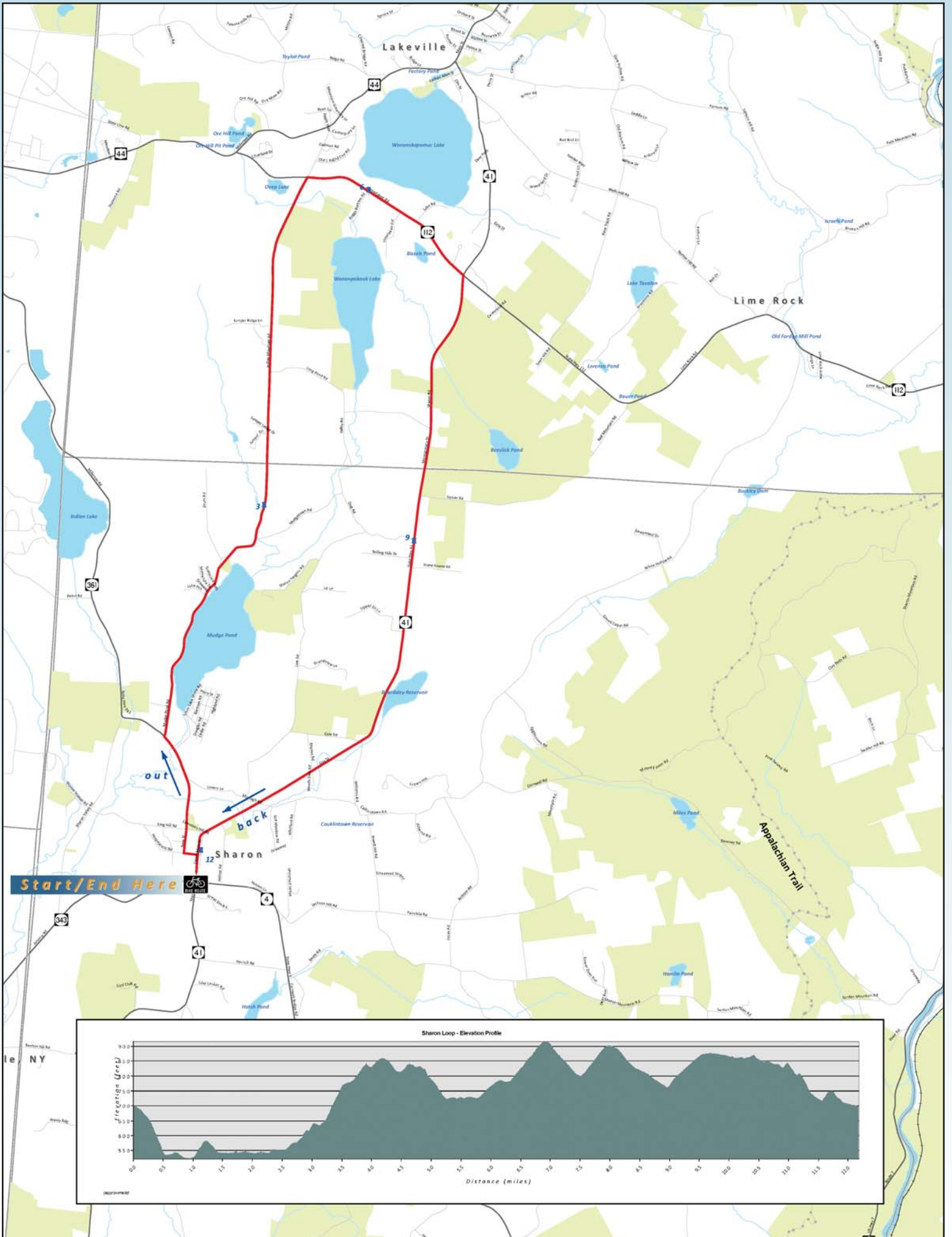
Difficulty: There are several hills but none are particularly long or steep. Although it is a State highway, Route 41 is not that heavily traveled and there is a good shoulder for most of the way. All the roads are paved.

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R - Right Turn
L - Left Turn
S - Straight
BL - Bear Left
BR - Bear Right
TL - Traffic Light
SS - Stop Sign
Y - Yield Sign

**Distances are in miles
and are approximate.**





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Distance Between Points	Total Distance	DIRECTIONS	NOTES
0.0	0.0	Starting at the SS at the intersection of Rt. 41 (Main St.) and Rt. 361 (Hospital Hill Rd.), R onto Rt. 361	
0.1	0.1	R onto New St. (Rt.361)	
0.9	1.0	R onto Mudge Pond Rd.	
1.7	2.7	S on Mudge Pond Rd.	Mudgetown Rd is on your right.
.6	3.3	Mudge Pond Rd becomes Indian Mountain Rd.	This is the Sharon – Salisbury town line.
2.2	5.5	R at SS onto Rt. 112 (Interlaken Rd).	The Hotchkiss School is on both sides of the road.
1.4	6.9	R at SS onto Rt. 41 S (Sharon Rd)	
5.1	12.0	SS at intersection of Rt. 41 and Rt. 361.	End of Route.

A few notes of explanation – and caution – are in order...

- All the routes are along existing roads. There are no dedicated bike paths.
- Obey the traffic laws! Under Connecticut law, bicycles are vehicles and must obey the traffic laws including stopping at traffic lights and riding on the right hand side of the road.
- Wear a bicycle helmet! And wear it properly!
- Respect the privacy of the property owners along the way.
- The good news is that the area is rural. The bad news is that services are limited. You should be sure to carry sufficient water and energy bars with you. Stock up when the opportunity presents itself.
- Cell phone service ranges from limited to non-existent. Don't count it being available.
- The Harlem Valley Rail Trail, a dedicated bike trail which runs along a north-south axis, is just to the west of Sharon and Salisbury. Routes 343 out of Sharon, Rt. 44 out of Salisbury and several smaller roads intersect with the Trail. For more information, visit the Harlem Valley Trail website, www.hvrt.org.
- There are numerous lightly traveled roads branching off of the routes described. Explore and enjoy!