

Bike rides from the Franconia Inn



To Town - 5 miles round trip / flat

Turn left onto Route 116 (you're heading north) and ride 2.5 miles to Franconia.

The Town Loop - 7 miles / minor hills

Starting from the Franconia Inn, head South, towards the mountains, at the end of the airfield turn left onto Wells Road. Follow Wells Road past the Hourse & Hound Inn (2.5 miles) then take left at the fork. When you intersect with Route 18 take a left. Once you've passed Lovett's Inn its 2 more miles to Franconia. In Franconia take Route 116 south (left at blinking light) back to Franconia Inn (2.5 miles).

To The Kanc - 20 miles / few tough hills

This scenic ride to the Kancamagus Highway (Route 112) takes you through some of the most beautiful valley landscapes around. Turn right out the front door and head South on Route 116, towards the mountains, keep pedaling 'til you intersect with Route 112, then turn around and come back.

Sunset Hill Loop - 7 miles / 1 tough long hill

This is a beautiful ride up to the Sunset Hill House and since it's a loop, you'll see new sights all along the way. Go left out the front door (Route 116), ride to town (2.5 miles) and turn left on Route 18. Ride through town (.5 miles) and take left on Route 117 and tackle this .5 mile hill. Keep pedaling on 117 until you come to the Sunset Hill Road on your left (it's just before the Homestead Inn). Take this road past the Sunset Hill House and turn left down Lafayette Road back to Route 116, then turn right and you're a couple hundred yards from the Franconia Inn.

Sugar Hill Loop - 15 miles / 5 moderate short hills

This trail is a little invigorating, but well worth the effort it takes to climb the 5 hills along the way. Starting from the Inn, go right (South on Route 116); you'll ride for about 3.5 miles along 116 and then you will turn right onto the Sugar Hill Road. After about 3 miles on this beautiful road you will turn right at the intersection (this turn is beside a beautiful old stone house). At the bottom of the hill take the hard left and continue on for another 2 miles to Route 117 where you will turn right (it's all down hill from Sugar Hill) until you intersect with Route 18 (4.5 miles). Turn right on Route 18, ride through Franconia and then turn right on 116 which will take you back to the Inn.