Upper Turnpike – Needham Rd. – Turnpike Loop

2.2 miles

Moderate

This route is all on smooth, dirt roads with no steep hills. From the intersection of Turnpike and Upper Turnpike Roads, follow Upper Turnpike Rd. as it curves and climbs up a long, gradual hill for about 0.7 miles. After descending for a half mile, make a sharp left at the stop sign. Follow this dirt road (Needham Road) until you reach another stop sign at the junction with Turnpike Road. Make another left and proceed back to the original starting point. The rolling green hills of the Vermont countryside make this route a very tranquil journey!

Directions: Leaving Norwich on Main St., turn left onto Turnpike Road 0.4 miles from Dan & Whit's General Store. Follow Turnpike Road approximately 2.6 miles until arriving at Upper Turnpike Road, which turns off to the right.

Parking: Limited. No parking area is provided, but cars can be parked alongside Turnpike or Upper Turnpike Roads.

Uses: Trail is open to foot travel and biking. Pets are permitted.

Extension Suggestions: To add some distance, feel free to continue on Upper Turnpike Rd. beyond Needham Rd. Turn around and backtrack to Needham Rd. when you're ready to return.

Ownership/Maintenance: The Town of Norwich owns and maintains all of the roads on this trail.

