

Pedal the Creek 50-mile (blue markers)

Distance: 50.17 mi

Elevation Gain: 2,674 ft

Elevation Max: 1,028 ft

Notes:

0.00 mi Head west on Alpine Meadows Rd
Enjoy the views of the Kayaderosseras Range, the source of the Kayaderosseras (from the Mohawk meaning "valley of the crooked stream").

1.04 mi Turn right onto Miner Rd

2.10 mi *At this point you have already crossed two sources of the Creek, however this tiny stream coming out of the hills to your left is the main branch or headwaters of the Creek. This is defined not by elevation or volume of water but rather as the farthest point from the mouth of the Creek as it enters Saratoga Lake, as measured along the course of the Creek; about 41 miles.*

3.50 mi *Creek Crossing at green bridge*

3.86 mi Slight left onto Chapman St

3.90 mi *Creek Crossing at green bridge*

4.20 mi Turn right onto NY-9N S

4.40 mi *Creek Crossing: At all points along this tour, you are within the Kayaderosseras Creek watershed, meaning all water flows into the Creek and then Saratoga Lake, Fish Creek, and into the Hudson River in Schuylerville. However, if you were to travel in the opposite direction on 9N, just over that small rise to the north, you would enter the Sturdevant Creek watershed which flows north directly into the Hudson in Corinth.*

4.53 mi Turn left onto Depot Rd

4.80 mi *Creek Crossing at green bridge*

5.17 mi Continue straight onto Howe Rd

6.38 mi Turn right onto Spier Falls Rd

7.50 mi *Creek Crossing: Along this section you may notice that the railroad follows along side the Creek. The reason for this is that rivers (and creeks) are natural corridors and provide nature's best roadmap for the easiest grades, which in turn reduces construction costs.*

7.79 mi Turn left onto NY-9N S

8.20 mi *Creek Crossing*

8.56 mi Turn right onto Porter Corners Rd

9.25 mi *Creek Crossing: Enjoy the beauty of the river plains and notice how much the Creek has grown as other streams have joined the flow.*

9.95 mi *Crossing the south branch of the Creek which also originates in the Kayaderosseras Range just south of the main branch of the Creek.*

10.13 mi Turn left onto Bockes Rd

10.55 mi *Crossing the south branch of the Creek*

10.75 mi *Creek Crossing*

11.16 mi Turn right onto Squashville Rd

11.58 mi Turn left onto Russell Rd

11.80 mi *Crossing the Vly Creek: This Creek along with seven additional creeks will have joined the Creek before you see it again along North Creek Road. Once there, see how it has grown.*

12.50 mi Turn right onto Goose Hollow Rd

13.01 mi Turn right onto Wilsey Rd

14.00 mi Turn left onto N Creek Rd

14.50 mi *Enjoy the sights and the sounds along this $\frac{3}{4}$ mile stretch as the road hugs the Creek.*

15.69 mi Turn right onto Middle Grove Rd

15.75 mi *The Ballston Terminal Railroad traveled 12 miles along the Creek delivering workers and materials to the many mills operating between Ballston Spa and Middle Grove. The railroad also provided children from this area the opportunity to receive an education by transporting them to the nearest high school on Malta Ave. in Ballston Spa.*

16.14 mi Turn left onto S Creek Rd

17.62 mi Turn left onto NY-29 W
Rest/Water Stop at this corner

18.10 mi *Cottrell-Harrington Park: The Kayaderosseras Creek, with its series of rapids, was the industrial heart of Saratoga County in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Prior to changes in land use the Creek carried more water and locals bragged about having "one of the best water powers in the country." By 1870, 30 mills had been established along the Creek.*

- 18.64 mi Turn right** onto Rock City Rd
- 18.75 mi Creek Crossing - The Falls**
- 19.40 mi Creek Crossing - Boice Family Park,** access just ahead, includes over 4 miles of trails. The path of the Ballston Terminal Railroad forms part of the trail system and the indentations from the railroad ties are still visible. The site of the Pioneer Mill, one of the longest lasting of the water-driven industrial sites, and parts of its mill dam are near the south end of the park.
- 20.10 mi Keep right** to stay on Rock City Rd
- 20.13 mi Continue straight** onto W Milton Rd
- 20.40 mi Creek Crossing**
- 20.93 mi Turn left** to stay on W Milton Rd
- 21.34 mi Turn left** onto Lewis Rd
- 22.40 mi Crossing feeder creek**
- 22.65 mi Creek Crossing**
- 22.84 mi Turn right** onto Geyser Rd/Rock City Rd
- 23.45 mi Continue straight** past Middleline Rd
- 23.62 mi Turn right** onto Rock City Rd
- 25.26 mi Turn right** onto Northline Rd
- 25.40 mi Continue straight** onto Galway Rd
Creek Crossing: This is the farthest downstream you will travel on this tour. On the return trip you will have a chance to see another part of the watershed as well as four additional Creek crossings which you missed on the way out.
- 26.40 mi Turn right** onto Middleline Rd
- 27.40 mi Creek Crossing**
- 29.34 mi Turn left** onto NY-29 W
- 29.51 mi Turn right** onto Sodeman Rd
- 30.39 mi Turn left** onto Leroux Rd
- 31.11 mi Continue straight** onto Emigh Rd
- 32.10 mi !!! Steep downhill**
- 32.48 mi Turn right** onto NY-29 W
- 32.96 mi Rest/Water Stop** at this corner
- 33.00 mi Creek Crossing**
- 33.16 mi Turn right** onto Boyhaven Rd
- 34.08 mi Turn left** onto Middle Grove Rd
- 35.59 mi Turn right** onto Young Rd
- 36.16 mi Keep right** to stay on Young Rd
- 38.47 mi Turn right** onto Lake Desolation Rd
- 38.53 mi Creek Crossing**
- 38.79 mi Turn left** onto Middle Grove Rd
- 38.84 mi Turn left** onto N Creek Rd
This section is beautiful and worth a second pass.
- 40.23 mi Turn left** onto Sand Hill Rd
- 40.30 mi Creek Crossing**
- 40.49 mi Turn left** onto Daketown Rd
- 41.66 mi Turn right** onto Lake Desolation Rd
- 41.85 mi Turn right** onto Coy Rd
- 44.90 mi Turn left** onto Medbury Rd
- 45.84 mi Turn right** onto Plank Rd
- 46.30 mi Turn left** onto Ormsbee Rd
- 47.00 mi !!! Climb** 220 ft over .5 miles
- 47.70 mi Crossing feeder creek** for south branch
- 47.83 mi Turn right** onto Ballou Rd
- 48.40 mi Turn left** onto Miner Rd
- 48.51 mi Crossing the south branch** of the Creek
- 49.00 mi !!! Short downhill** before stop sign
- 49.10 mi Turn right** onto Alpine Meadows Rd
- 50.12 mi Turn right - Brookhaven Park Pavilion**
- End of Route**