

Great Greylock Ascent - 41 miles, Very Hilly, over 4000 ft of climbing.

A wonderfully scenic ascent of Massachusetts' highest peak, tucked in the northwest corner of the Berkshires. The route follows the paved auto road to the AMC's Bascom Lodge at the summit, with spectacular mountain vistas and a breathtaking descent on a twisting, turning paved road to Williamstown. Make sure your gears are low and your brakes are in good shape for this one!

The ride starts in Williamstown, Mass. at the Municipal parking lot at the foot of Spring Street. From I-91 north take the Mohawk Trail (Rt. 2) exit Westbound to Williamstown. In Williamstown take the first left onto Spring St. (marked with a "Shopping District" sign) after passing the intersection of Rt. 43. The Municipal lot is on the right where the street makes a sharp left turn.

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>At</u>	<u>Description</u>
0.0	R		Spring St
0.02	Imm L	Restaurant	Latham St. (might be unmarked)
0.3	R	Stop	Water St. (Mass Rt. 43)
4.9	STR	Rt. 7	TRO Mass Rt. 43 -- good store on L.
13.4	L		Brodie Mtn. Road (Green sign for New Ashford & Lanesborough)
16.2	R	crest of hill	Bailey Road
18.7	R	Stop	Rt. 7 (CAUTION high speed traffic)
18.9	L		North Main St.
19.7	R	Y	Quarry Rd (unmarked - follow brown "State Reservation" sign.
20.1	L	Y	
20.3	L	Intersection	
20.7			Mt. Greylock Visitor's Center on R. Leaving the Visitor's Center, stay on the paved road all the way to the Top.
28.7			Bascom Lodge at Summit Food & interesting displays & views available inside. Be sure to check out the observation platform in the War Memorial Monument. Leaving summit, follow signs to North Adams
29.6	R		Follow directions to North Adams >>>NOTE>>> The descending road is steep in places with hairpin turns and potholes. >> LIMIT YOUR SPEED and watch the road carefully. Stop occasionally to let your brakes and rims cool to avoid blowouts.
35.5	L		Notch Rd. (unmarked) DO NOT go towards Heritage State Park. Bellows Pipe Bicycle Trail is on the Right.
36.4			Caution -- Merging traffic from the Right
39.1	L	Stop	Mass. Rt. 2 (Bike shop "The Spoke" is about 1.5 mi on right)
40.2	STR	Light	TRO Mass Rt. 2
40.5	L		Spring St. ("Shopping District" sign)
40.7	R		into Municipal Parking Lot.