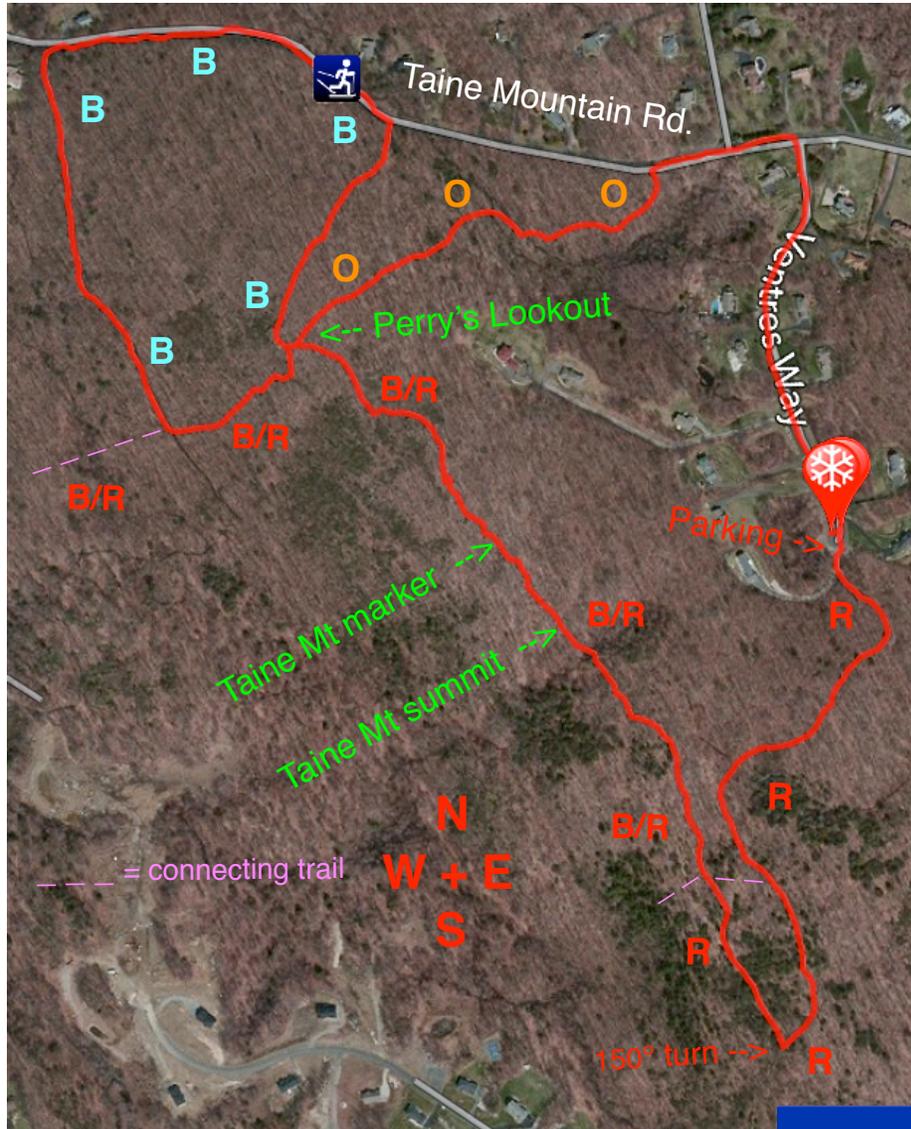


Taine Mountain Double Loop

Class 1
2.9 miles
860' vertical
1.7 hours



Connecticut's state flower border the Red Trail.



Mileage summary

- Follow R turning right at 0.1 & left at 0.2 > turn right 150° at 0.5 >
- Merge with B/R & reach Taine Mt summit at 0.9 >
- Turn right at Perry's Lookout onto B at 1.1 > turn left on road >
- Turn left at 1.6 back into forest > turn left onto B/R at 1.9 >
- Turn left onto O at 2.0 & right onto road at 2.4 >
- Turn right onto Ventres Way & reach your car at 2.9

Park at the cul-de-sac at the end of Ventres Way (41°45'49.0"N 72°55'04.1"W) The trailhead starts on a wide gravel shared driveway at the top of the cul-de-sac. Bear left in 50 feet at a "Y" junction, as the driveway turns right. The red blazed trail (R) now becomes a wide wood road that reaches a "T" junction at 0.1 miles. Turn right and at 0.2 bear left on the R trail at another "Y" junction with a wood road. At 0.5 make a 150° turn to the right to stay on R. At 0.6 the R trail merges onto the original blue blaze with a red dot trail (B/R). After crossing a small brook, the B/R trail ascends the southeast slope of Taine Mountain. At 0.9 the trail reaches the summit. Orange painted survey bands are found on a few trees on both sides of the trail. The trail now descends gradually and at 1.0 you pass a National Geodetic Survey Marker for Taine Mt. It is located behind a trio of 3 small trees on the right side of the trail. It was placed on a 6 foot long rock slab crossing the trail.

Continue on B/R to Perry's Lookout, with it's great view to the west and a "T" junction at 1.1 miles. The B/R trail turns left, but you turn right onto the blue blazed trail (B). This is not the Tunxis Mainline Trail, even though they both use the same blaze. Follow the B blazes down to Taine Mt. Rd and turn left. At 1.6 the B turns left back into the forest, just before a driveway. At 1.9 turn left as you reach a "T" junction with B/R. Climb steeply back up to Perry's Lookout. 50 feet east of Perry's Lookout on B/R, turn left at 2.0 onto the orange blazed trail (O). Turn right onto Taine Mt Rd at 2.4 and right onto Ventres Way at 2.5. Return to your car at 2.9.