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Hike / Bike

Green Mixmaster

formally Green and White Loop
Class 1 loop
4.7 miles
860' vertical
2.2 hours hiking

100% bike trail

The W/G blaze is a painted rectangle with white on top and green at the bottom. The white (W) blaze is a white rectangle marking the original mountain bike trail. White and green plastic diamonds are starting to replace the painted rectangles (note photo.) Hikers should respect these trails by stepping aside to allow any bikers pass.

Hiking on bike trails improves your skills, since bike trail markers can be very far apart, you have to really focus on following the tread of others.

The hike begins from the 10 car parking lot (41.755306, -72.939944) on Stone Road. At the south end of the lot, you will see a NEMBA trail kiosk for the bike trails. Follow the White trail (W) south past the kiosk. The W trail will parallel Stone Road for a short distance and reach the junction with the Blue/Yellow (B/Y) hiking trail at 0.5 miles. Continue on the W trail passing the junction with the White/Red (W/R) bike trail at 0.7. Continue straight on the W trail to the junction with the White/Green (W/G) at 1.2 miles. Turn right at this junction and follow the W/G trail for almost 2 miles making over 40 significant turns. For a traditional hiker, this would be new experience that could be described as a mixmaster. The purpose for these turns to prevent erosion. The benefit for hikers is that it improves their trail reading skills. When you cross the W trail at 2.7, continue a short distance to its end at the junction sign with the W trail at 2.9 miles. Turn right & follow the W trail past the White/Blue (W/B) junction at 3.1 miles. At 3.5 miles, you will pass the W/G junction you crossed before and the W/R junction at 3.9 miles. Continue on the W trail back to your car at 4.7 miles.

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