



Long Loop:
Class 2
9.4 miles
2,320' vertical
4.7 hours



The Tunxis Trail "natural rock ramp" of the 1970's

The hike begins on Old Field Road (41.749722 -72.991694), parking 50 yards west of the first driveway. The trailhead north could have lots of weeds, but it is short term. Look for the solid blue blaze rectangle (B) for the Mainline Tunxis Trail. At 0.6 miles be very alert for the junction with the Blue / White Trail (B/W). Turn right, as you see a house on your left, and your ascent levels off. The B/W Trail is almost level for 50 feet then starts a significant descent. At 1.4 miles you cross route 69, turning right to stay on B/W. Continue uphill, crossing Cornwall Road at 2.3 miles. The right turn onto the Blue / Green Trail (B/G) is very close at 2.4 miles. At 3.0 miles turn right onto the Blue / Yellow Trail (B/Y) which descends to the cul-de-sac at the end of Cornwall Road (3.4 miles). Continue straight past the gate as the B/Y becomes a wide dirt road. At 3.7 miles you reach a large trail junction. Turn right onto the wide Blue / Orange Trail (B/O), which crosses route 69 at 4.4 miles. At 5.1 miles you turn right at the junction with the B/Y Trail. Follow the B/Y straight past the junction with the Blue / Black Dot Trail (6.1 miles) & cross East Chippens Hill Road at 6.2 miles. At 6.5 you will pass by the 1970's "natural rock ramp" of the Tunxis Trail.

At 6.8 miles you reach West Chippens Hill Rd (respect the property owner by staying along the edge of his lawn & center of his driveway). Go straight from the driveway onto Greer Road. Follow this road straight to just pass the last driveway on the left at 7.4 miles. Turn left and follow the blue blazes marking the short Connector Trail to the Mainline Tunxis Trail, marked by a Blue blaze (B). At 7.5 miles turn right onto the B which merges onto Johnnycake Mountain Road at 9.1 miles. Take the second right onto Old Field Road, reaching your car at 9.4 miles.

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Mileage summary

hike north on B, turn right onto B/W at 0.6 & turn right onto Green Dot at 3.4 >
 turn right onto B/Y at 3.0 & right onto B/O at 3.7 & right onto B/Y at 5.1 >
 ascend Greer Rd, turning left at the B connector trail at 7.4. Follow B to your car at 9.4