

Hiking Guide



GREAT NORTHERN CATSKILLS of Greene County

HIKE SAFE, FOLLOW THE TRAIL, FIND ADVENTURE!

Acra Point and Batavia Kill Loop

(Moderate to Difficult: 5.3-mile circuit)

Affords breathtaking views of the Black Dome Range. Enjoy scenery of the Hudson Valley from the summit before descending along the Batavia Kill. *Trailhead located on Big Hollow Road (County Route 56) in Maplecrest.*

Devil's Path

(Difficult: 24.2-mile trail)

Described as the toughest and most dangerous hiking trail in the Eastern United States, the Devil's Path is one of the most popular in the Catskill Park. Offering hikers a chance to reach the summits of 5 of the 35 Catskill High Peaks (two more are reachable by detours). *Trailhead located off County Route 16 (Platte Clove Road) at the corner of Prediger Road in Hunter.*

Diamond Notch

(Moderate: 4 miles, round trip)

The trail is primarily used for hiking from May thru October with a beautiful 15-foot waterfall at approximately 1,000 foot elevation. *Trailhead located at the end of Spruceton Road along County Route 6 (off State Route 42 North) in Westkill.*

Escarpment Trail at North-South Lake

(Moderate to Difficult: 10.3-mile circuit)

The perfect trail for active hikers who want a longer hiking experience that offers expansive views. This trail passes by Boulder Rock and the former site of the Catskill Mountain House. *Trailhead located at Schutt Road in Haines Falls.*

Escarpment Trail, Windham Trailhead

(Moderate to Difficult: 23-mile circuit)

The trail offers challenging terrain over ever-changing scenery with mixed hardwood forests, dark hemlock groves along swift-flowing creeks and a spruce-fir cap on the higher peaks. *Trailhead located on Route 23 in East Windham.*

Hunter Mountain Fire Tower

(Moderate to Difficult: 8 miles, round trip)

One of the Catskills' iconic hikes located on the summit of Hunter Mountain. The fire tower offers panoramic views of the mountains and adjacent Hudson Valley region. *Trailhead located on Spruceton Road (County Route 6) in Westkill. Also accessible via Hunter Mountain Sky Ride, when in operation, and is a moderate 4-mile, round trip hike.*

Indian Head Mountain

(Difficult: 7.8-mile circuit)

Great trail for avid backcountry hikers, offering a strenuous climb that crosses the Plattekill Creek, part of the Long Path, and winds through a steep crevice. *Trailhead located on Prediger Road in Hunter.*

Kaaterskill Clove Lookout

(Moderate: 1.8 miles, round trip)

Dramatic views of the clove. For most of the hike the Long Path follows the Sleepy Hollow Horse Trail, the route of the old Harding Road that led from Palenville to the Hotel Kaaterskill. *Trailhead located on Rt 23A in Palenville.*

Kaaterskill Falls Viewing Platform

(Easy .6 mile round trip)

At 260 feet, this two-tiered fall is the highest cascading waterfall in New York State. Scenic marked hiking trails with views of the Kaaterskill Clove. *The viewing platform, which is handicapped accessible, is located at the end of Laurel House Lane off County Route 18 in Haines Falls.*

Plateau Mountain (via Warner Creek Trail)

(Difficult: 8-mile circuit)

Perfect for avid climbers and hikers, the trail is both scenic and rugged. The trail intersects with the Devil's Path and offers views of Kaaterskill High Peak and Hunter Mountain. *Trailhead located on Notch Inn Road (off Route 214) in Hunter.*

Pratt Rock

(Difficult: 3.1 miles, round trip)

The climb to the rock is steep, and may be unfit for young children, but the path is clear and ascends a series of gently graded inclines to the white relief carvings on cliff wall 500 feet above the road. *Trailhead located off County Route 23 in Prattville.*

Windham High Peak (via Burnt Knob)

(Moderate: 7.3 miles, round trip)

Great hike for panoramic views of the Catskill Mountains and Hudson Valley region. Dogs are allowed off leash. *Trailhead located on Big Hollow Road (County Route 56) in Windham.*

Follow parking regulations and leave no trace behind.

NORTH-SOUTH LAKE STATE PARK

A popular destination for hikers since the 19th century. Whether you are a beginner or an experienced hiker, you can find a variety of terrain and marked trails.

EASY HIKES

Catskill Mountain House Site

.5 miles, round trip

Mary's Glen and Ashley Falls

.6 miles, round trip

MODERATE HIKES

Kaaterskill Falls Trail

1.4 miles, round trip

Lookout and Sunset Rock

3.6 miles, round trip

DIFFICULT HIKES

North Point via Mary's Glen Trail

6.4 miles, round trip

Inspiration Point and Hotel Kaaterskill Site

4.35-mile circuit

LOCAL PARKS, NATURE CENTERS, AND WALKING PATHS

Angelo Canna Town Park

Mountain Avenue, Cairo

Dog park located in back of the park. Home of the Greene County Youth Fair.



Ashland Town Park

NY-23, Ashland, NY 12407

Plenty of space for everyone, including dogs.



Athen's Nature Park and Bunker Hill Dog Park

9 acres where you and your furry friend can run and have fun.



Cairo Nature Center

Route 23, Acra

A pocket park located at an old reservoir.



C.D. Lane Park

281 County Route 56, Maplecrest

Located in the picturesque hamlet of Maplecrest offering family-friendly fun.



Cohotate Preserve

450 Route 385, Athens

Nature preserve with self-guided tours on nature trails along the Hudson River.



Cornell Park

Mill Street, New Baltimore

On the Hudson River. Offering panoramic views of the Hudson River.



Coxsackie Creek Grassland Preserve

Houghtaling Road, Coxsackie

A 300-acre protected open space serving as a bird sanctuary.



Coxsackie Riverside Park

Betke Boulevard, Coxsackie

Newly renovated park with NYS boat launch.



Dolan's Lake

7955 Main Street, Hunter

A reservoir with a beach for swimming located in a park-like setting.



Dutchman's Landing Park

Lower Main Street, Catskill

Located on the Hudson River with views of Olana and the Rip Van Winkle Skywalk.



Four-Mile Point Preserve

Four Mile Point Road, Coxsackie

7.6-acre riverfront preserve.



George V. Vanderbilt Town Park

Town Park Drive, Greenville

Park with a 2.4-mile loop trail with views of the Catskill Mountain range.



Hannacroix Creek Preserve & Hudson River Interpretive Trail

Rt 144, New Baltimore

113-acre preserve including hiking trails, waterfall, & scenic vistas.



Historic Catskill Point

1 Main Street, Catskill

County owned park where the Hudson River and Catskill Creek conjoin offering panoramic views.



Hudson River Skywalk

99 Rt 23, Catskill

Pedestrian path connecting the Thomas Cole National Historic Site and Olana State Historic Site.



Kaaterskill Rail Trail

5132 Rt. 23A, Haines Falls

1.5-mile trail on the former Ulster and Delaware Railroad.



Mawignack Preserve

52 Snake Rd, Catskill

More than two miles of shoreline on Catskill Creek.



McQuade Park

Lafayette Avenue, Coxsackie

Newly renovated playground adjacent to the baseball field.



Mountain Top Arboretum

Route 23C and Maude

Adams Road, Tannersville

178 contiguous acres of gardens, forest, and marsh. Woodland walk, rain garden, and boardwalk through a wetland meadow. Snowshoeing, weather permitting.



Prattsville Town Park

Prattsville

Family friendly park where the Batavia Kill connects to the Schoharie Creek.



RamsHorn-Livingston Sanctuary

Dubois Road, Catskill

480 acres of the Hudson's largest tidal swamp forest. More than 3 miles of trails. Cross-country ski or snowshoe, weather permitting.



Scenic Hudson's Long View Park

1886 River Road,
New Baltimore

Enjoy outstanding views of the Berkshire Mountains. Cross-country skiing and snowshoeing, weather permitting.



Siuslaw Model Forest

6055 Route 23, Acra

142-acre model forest dedicated to the education and research of sustainable forestry and agroforestry.



The Huckleberry Trail

Lake Road, Tannersville

2.3-mile path made from historical railroad tracks. Cross-country ski or snowshoe, weather permitting.



The Willows at Brandow Point

480 Rte 385, Athens

1.5 miles of marked and mowed trails.



The Windham Path

Route 23 and Route 296, Windham

1.5-mile loop featuring views, streams, beaver dams, and foot bridges. Cross-country ski or snowshoe, weather permitting.



Parks, Nature Centers, and Walking Paths Amenities

Baseball	Pets Allowed
Basketball	Picnic Area
Birdwatching	Playground
Boat Launch	Restrooms
Cycling	Riverfront
Fishing	Soccer Field
Grills	Swimming
Hand Launch	Tennis
Pavilion/Gazebo	Trails



Great Northern Catskills Visitor Center
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