

Bread Loaf Mountain - Ripton (3,835')

Climb 1800' to view Lake Champlain. Route 125 to Ripton, drive USFS Road #59 west of Bread Loaf campus-3.5 miles to parking area. Hike 2.3 miles to Long Trail via Skylight Pond Trail. Go 1.1 miles north on Long Trail to top of Bread Loaf. West on a side trail 0.1 miles is a lookout. (7 miles/3-4 hours RT)

Silent Cliff - Middlebury Gap (500')

From Middlebury Gap walk Long Trail north 0.4 miles then branch off east 0.4 miles (blue blazes) to Silent Cliff. (1.6 miles/1-2 hour RT)

Bristol Cliffs Wilderness Area (1500')

3,700 acre undeveloped preserve—no marked trails or designated campsites. Views! Parking – Lincoln-east side. Note: Cliffs closed until August due to Peregrine falcons' nesting. Camping allowed.

Bristol Ledges

1.4 miles from village green, get views of downtown Bristol, Lake Champlain & Adirondacks. From Route 116 (Main St.) go east to Mountain St., turn left. Turn right on Mountain Terrace, right again to end of road.

Snake Mountain - Addison (1,287')

Great view of the Champlain Valley & the Adirondacks!

Two approaches both from Middlebury:

(1) Route 23 to left on Thompson Hill Rd (5miles). Park at intersection of Snake Mtn. Road and Thompson Hill Road. Keep left up log road (red gate) to summit—900' climb.
(2) From Middlebury drive west on Route 125 to Route 22A. Turn right (north), drive approx. 3 miles to Wilmarth Road on right. Turn left of Mountain Road to parking lot on left/west side of road. (3.6 miles/2-3 hours RT)

Mount Abraham - Lincoln (1,600')

From Lincoln Gap, hike Long Trail north 2.6 miles (Battell Shelter is at 1.8 miles) Rocky summit above timberline. One of best mountain top views in VT! (5.2 miles/3-4 hours RT)

Battell Trail - Lincoln (2,250')

From Lincoln General Store's parking lot—drive north on Quaker Road for 0.5 miles, turn right on Elder Road, go 2.5 miles. From there it's a 2 mile climb to Long Trail & Battell Shelter. Go north (left) 0.8 miles on Long Trail to summit. Above timberline—remain on trails to preserve fragile arctic vegetation! (5.6 miles/4-5 hours RT)



Area Hikes

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EASY HIKES & WALKS

Self-Guided Walking Tour - Middlebury

Walking tour of historic downtown Middlebury's 18th & 19th century buildings. Map available from Addison County Chamber of Commerce.

Trail Around Middlebury

The "TAM" as it is known locally, is a project of the Middlebury Area Land Trust. The TAM, a footpath over 18 miles long, encircles the village of Middlebury and links several hundred acres of town land, conserved properties, schools, and other local landmarks. Map available from Addison County Chamber of Commerce for a suggested donation of \$4.

Branbury State Park - Lake Dunmore

Many trails. Located 3.5 miles from Route 7 on Route 53.

Sunset Ledge - Lincoln (500')

Park at Lincoln Gap, walk south on the Long Trail for 1 mile. View Lake Champlain, the Adirondacks and the countryside! (1 hour RT)

Robert Frost Interpretive Trail - Ripton

From Middlebury take Route 125 to Ripton. Parking area 2 miles on right after general store. Easy 1 mile walk through fields and woods, Frost poems and info on local flora. Berry picking-July & August. Handicap accessible.

Robert Frost Wayside Picnic Area - Ripton

From the interpretive trail, the picnic area is just up Route 125 on left—shady pine grove with picnic tables, grills, trashcans, drinking water, toilets. Both areas are barrier free for mobility impaired. Take a walk up the dirt road past Homer Noble Farm to National Historic Landmark, Robert Frost cabin where he lived for 23 years.

Texas Falls - Hancock

From Middlebury take Route 7 south, turn left on Route 125 East (approx. 4 miles). Drive approx. 12.5 miles to Texas Falls Road on left. Parking available up road. Waterfall, nice picnic area, self-guided trails on well engineered paths. Some areas handicap accessible. (Interpretive loop 1.2 miles)

MODERATE HIKES

Falls of Lana - Lake Dunmore

From Middlebury take Route 7 south, turn left on Route 53 (approx. 6 miles). Stay left around Lake Dunmore and go 0.3 miles south of Branbury State Park to parking lot for Silver Lake & Falls of Lana.. Hike 0.5 mile trail to Falls of Lana on left. Continue upstream, cross over bridge to picnic area. Can return same way or continue on trail back to Branbury State Park & Route 53. Excellent views of Lana Falls and surrounding area from this trail. (Loop 1.2 miles)

Silver Lake Trail - Lake Dunmore (500')

Follow same directions as above to parking area. Hike 1.5 miles to Silver Lake Dam. Hike around lake is 2.5 miles. (1.5-2 hours RT to lake; 2-4 hours RT to go around lake)

Rattlesnake Cliffs Trail - Lake Dunmore (870')

Follow same directions as above to parking area. Hike 0.5 miles to picnic area; follow stream to trail fork. Turn left for Rattlesnake Cliffs & Moosalamoo. Climb (steep sections) 1.6 miles to Rattlesnake Point - great views! Trail loop to Falls of Lana 1.2 miles each way. (4.5 miles/ 3-4 hours RT)

Hogback Mountain/Blueberry Hill (2,288')

Take Goshen-Ripton Road from either Route 125 or Route 73 to Blueberry Hill Inn. Trails behind the inn. Go left at #3 (numbered trail intersections), right at #7, left at #21. From this meadow are views of Green Mountains & Adirondacks. July & early August—pick your own blueberries!

Abbey Pond - East Middlebury (1260')

Moderate climb 2.3 miles each way. From Route 116, turn east approximately 8 miles north of Quarry Road, drive 0.3 miles to parking. Blue-blaze trail is U.S. Forest Service maintained. (4.6 miles/2-3 hours RT)