

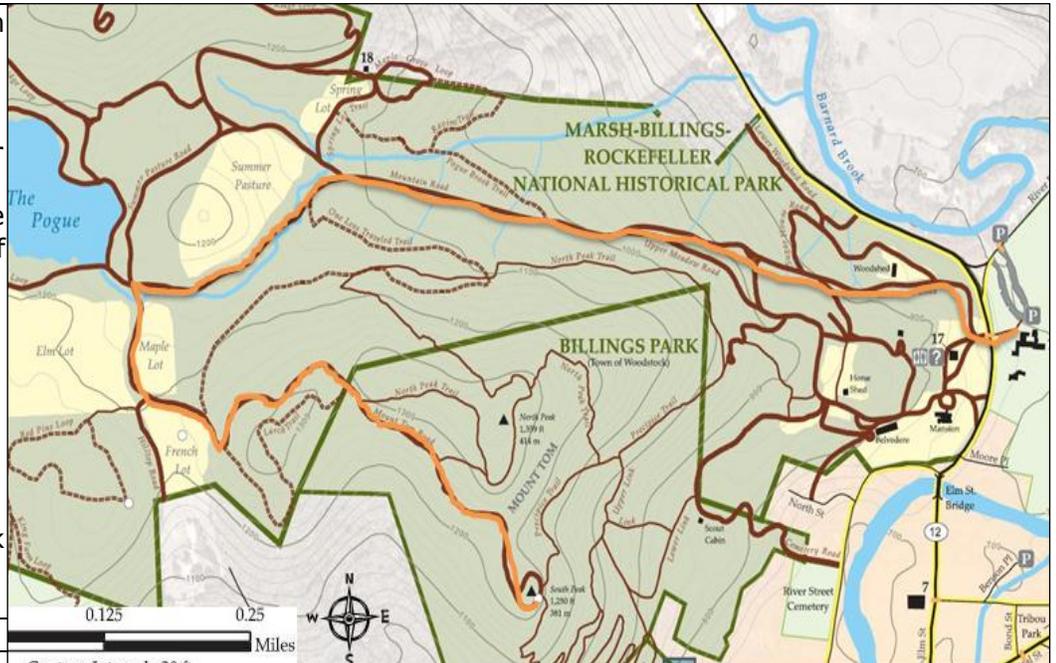
Mountain Road to South Peak

Description Head up Mountain Road, and after 1.1 miles take a left on Mount Tom Road. Follow the carriage road past several open pastures and over a beautiful stonework bridge to the South Peak summit. At the top take in a panoramic view of Woodstock, and rest a bit. You can retrace your steps to return to the Visitor Center, or take the One Less Traveled Trail, or North Peak Trail back to Mountain Road in order to see more of the forest. To return from the Pogue on an alternative route use your Walk Woodstock map. (Inquire at Visitor desk)

Distance 4 miles round trip

Trailhead Billings Farm & Museum Parking Lot, cross the street to the National Park, turn right onto Mountain Road

Directions Billings Farm and Museum and the Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park are off Vt. 12 in Woodstock. From West U.S. Route 4 in downtown Woodstock, bear right onto Vt. 12 North. Cross the iron bridge over the Ottauquechee River, bear right onto River Road, and take the first right into the parking area at the Billings Farm and Museum. To access the National Park trails cross Vt. 12 at the crosswalk.



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View from South Peak in the Winter. Photo: Amanda Anderson

History Mount Tom road was complete in 1887 and was part of a phase of work made possible by Frederick Billings' from 1884 to 1895.

View from Mount Tom Summit: From west to east, in the foreground is the King Farm with Killington above it on the horizon. To the left is Route 4 and the high school as viewed up the Ottauquechee Valley. To the south, Mt. Ascutney is on the horizon. Below and still proceeding eastward, is the north end of Kendron Valley with the golf course, Vail Field and then the Woodstock Inn. To the left of the Inn is the Windsor County Court House and covered bridge, above which is visible the bald knob of Mt. Peg. Toward the east, the Congregational Church is in the foreground with Billings Farm situated north of the river and then the mountains of New Hampshire are on the horizon above it. The structure on the summit of Mount Tom displays a lighted star and cross with shines over Woodstock during the Christmas and Easter holidays respectively. (Woodstock Inn and Resort Hiking Map 1980)