

Dexter Plaza Ride

NOTE: This Ride Description and its corresponding Route Sheet may not have been checked for accuracy by the www.ctbikeroutes.org team

Total Distance: **32.1 miles**

Elevation Gain: **713 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: **713 ft / 32.1 mi = 22.19 ft/mi**

Terrain: **Flat to rolling**

Killer Hills: **None**

Geographical Region: **North Central Connecticut**

Starting Location (city/town): **Windsor Locks**

Starting Location (detailed directions to): **I-91 N Exit 42; left @ bottom of ramp on Lawnacre Rd.; in 0.2 miles go straight on Rt. 159 (South Main St) and follow for 1.0 mile to Dexter Plaza on your left.**

Ride Description: **While this ride has some flaws (heavy traffic on several state routes) it also has some redeeming values. The ride is over mostly flat terrain, visits the Trolley Museum, travels the 4.5 mile Canal multi-use trail, rides along River Blvd. with fine views of the Connecticut River, stops for lunch in Suffield Village and visits the Bradley Field Air Museum near the end of the ride...amongst others.**

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

Mile	Facilities - <i>Points of Interest</i>
0.0	Dexter Plaza
3.8	Volunteer Park
3.9	Windsor Water Pollution Control Facility; bathrooms available if open (may be closed weekends)
8.4	<i>Trolley Museum</i>
10.0	<i>Start 4.5 mile tour along Canal multi-use path</i>
20.6	<i>Suffield School campus (excellent prep school)</i>
20.7	<i>Suffield Village; lovely homes; various shops & stores</i>
26.2	<i>Fire Fighting facility</i>
26.6	<i>Bradley Air Museum; exhibits (fee); snacks; bathrooms</i>
	Note: there are numerous convenience and grocery stores along the ride route where food and beverages can be purchased as needed.

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