

RIDE THE CATSKILLS

Ashokan Scenic Tour | Ulster County



Suggested Route: From Thruway exit 19 in Kingston, go west on State Route 28 to Hurley. Turn left onto Basin Road and then right onto Dike Road. At the intersection with SR28A, turn right. Take SR28A to Reservoir Road and cross the reservoir. Turn left on SR28 towards Boiceville. Turn right on SR212 towards Woodstock, and continue to the Thruway (Interstate 87) in Saugerties.

Length: 43.3 miles (not including I-87)

Scenic Vistas:

- *Catskill Interpretive Center*—The mist-shrouded mountains beckon your inner Rip Van Winkle to explore them.
- *Dike Road*—Look west across the Ashokan for inspiring views.
- *Fire Towers*—Magnificent 360° views await from these lofty sentinels' observation cabins. From Old SR28 in Phoenicia, hike to the summit of Mount Tremper (6-mile round-trip). From Woodstock, head north on Meads Mountain Road to Overlook Mountain for a gradual climb to historic ruins (4.8-mile round-trip).
- *Reservoir Crossing and Hike*—Crossing the Ashokan on Reservoir Road, the Catskills' high peaks dominate to the west. From SR28A, drive to the "frying pan" access on the south shore. Hike the paved walkway, enjoying spectacular vistas.

Attractions:

- *Catskill Interpretive Center*—Your Catskills gateway, with interactive displays, maps and information on recreation, wildlife, arts and culture.
- *Mountain Biking*—Bluestone Wild Forest just west of Kingston offers challenging mountain biking trails.
- *Opus 40 Sculpture Park and Museum*—Experience a world-famous Catskill bluestone sculpture where millions of hand-laid stones create a labyrinthine world. Just off SR212 between Woodstock and Saugerties.
- *Entertainment*—Catch a play at Bearsville Theatre. In Woodstock, enjoy performances at Levon Helm Studios, the Maverick and Woodstock Playhouse. Upstate Films screens foreign and independent films year-round.

Dining: Options abound, with restaurants, cafes and diners featuring menus from gourmet to family-style fare.

Accommodations: DEC's Kenneth Wilson Campground on Wittenberg Road is surrounded by mountains. Don't like to camp? Lodging ranges from cabins to luxury resorts.

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