

Kent, CT Bike Routes

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HOUBIKE CUE SHEET

- R - Right Turn
- L - Left Turn
- S - Straight
- BL - Bear Left
- BR - Bear Right
- TL - Traffic Light
- SS - Stop Sign
- Y - Yield Sign

**Distances are in miles
and are approximate.**

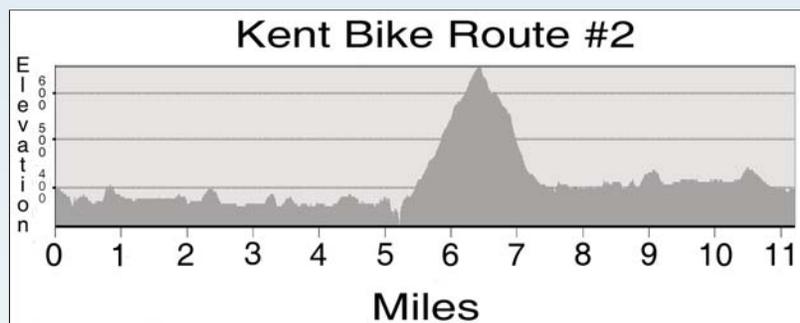
Kent Loop 2

This 11.3 mile ride has a little bit of everything that makes cycling so enjoyable – scenic river views, an historic covered bridge, quiet country roads and one good hill to test the legs.

Starting in the center of Kent, you head to the west side of the Housatonic River and by the Kent School Campus before turning left onto Schaghticoke Road. This road runs parallel to the Housatonic River and offers great views of the River.

You'll go over Bulls Bridge – a one-lane covered bridge built in 1842. The Bulls Bridge area has a number of short hiking trails that provide great views of waterfalls and rapids. There is a trail map near the parking area before you get to the Bridge.





Kent Bike Route # 2 - 11.3 miles - Moderate degree of difficulty. Great ride for most people looking for a fun bicycle trip for a few hours.

- 0.0 From the traffic light / monument in center of Kent ride in the direction of Bridge Street / 341 West.
- 0.7 TURN LEFT ONTO SCHAGHTICOKE ROAD AFTER THE KENT SCHOOL.
- 5.0 At the stop sign and T-intersection, turn LEFT onto Bull's Bridge Road.
- 5.3 After the covered bridge, cross Rt. 7 at the traffic light and continue STRAIGHT on Bull's Bridge Road.
- 7.7 Turn LEFT after the railroad tracks and stop sign onto South Kent Road. (not marked)
- 10.6 At the large stop sign continue straight/left onto 341 West / Maple Street.
- 11.3 Finish in the center of Kent by the monument and traffic light.

A few notes of explanation – and caution – are in order...

- All the routes are along existing roads. There are no dedicated bike paths.
- Obey the traffic laws! Under Connecticut law, bicycles are vehicles and must obey the traffic laws including stopping at traffic lights and riding on the right hand side of the road.
- Wear a bicycle helmet! And wear it properly!
- Respect the privacy of the property owners along the way.
- The good news is that the area is rural. The bad news is that services are limited. You should be sure to carry sufficient water and energy bars with you. Stock up when the opportunity presents itself.
- Cell phone service ranges from limited to non-existent. Don't count it being available.
- The Harlem Valley Rail Trail, a dedicated bike trail which runs along a north-south axis, is just to the west of Sharon and Salisbury. Routes 343 out of Sharon, Rt. 44 out of Salisbury and several smaller roads intersect with the Trail. For more information, visit the Harlem Valley Trail website, www.hvrt.org.
- There are numerous lightly traveled roads branching off of the routes described. Explore and enjoy!