

## Old Rag Hollows/Foliage Tour - 57 mile version

### 4294 ft of climb for 75.3 ft/mi. Elevation ranges from 405 to 1028 ft

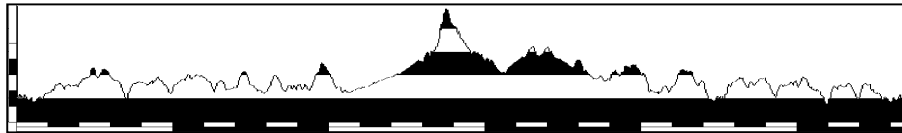
Opt A: Stay on 670 for about 1.35 mi. Make U turn at SR 648. Return to L @ 643; adds 2.7 mi.

Opt B: Stay on 600 for about 3.7 mi. Make U turn at the White Oak Canyon Trailhead. Return to L @ 643; adds 7.4 mi.

Opt C: Turn left on 707 and go straight as it changes to 600: about 2 mi total.  
 Make a U turn at the Nicholson Hollow Trail Head. Return to go S @ 646; adds 3.8 mi.

One group who rode this reported that they hit about 1/4 mile of gravel near Nethers (shortly after 34.1). I didn't, but they rode this after I did.

If you miss the turn at 35.7 (L on 601 at Peola Mills) and hit 231 (you'd be on 602 at this point), make the left on 231 and that will get you back on route. You'll cross Hughes River and climb to a point where you see 601 enter 231 on your left. You are now back on the route.



Dist	Turn	Road
0.0	Start	Achievement Dr & Success Ln
0.0	Go (NNE)	Succes Ln
0.2	L	Ira Hoffman Ln
0.5	S	-> 729 (Eggbornsville Rd)
2.9	L	638 (Cherry Hill Rd)
5.0	R	US 522 (Sperryville Pike) <b>CAUTION</b>
5.7	L	633 (Norman Rd)
9.0	L	633 (Norman Rd)
9.8	S	633 (-> Hudson Mill Rd.)
10.5	L	633 (Hudson Mill Rd)
11.8	R	US 29 <b>CAUTION</b> , REST STOP
12.2	BR	609 (Hoover Rd)
21.6	BR	231 (Main St)
22.0	BL	670
25.6	Opt A	Add 2.7 mi.
25.6	R	643
25.9	BL	600/643
26.4	Opt B	Add 7.4 mi.
26.4	R	643

Dist	Turn	Road
30.6	L	231 (643) REST STOP
31.3	L	646
34.1	Opt C	Add 3.8 mi.
34.1	R	707 (Nethers Rd)
34.7	BR	601
35.7	BL	TRO 601 (Cross Bridge in Peola Mills)
35.9	L	231 (Ft Valley Rd)
36.3	R	707 (Sharp Rock Rd -> Slate Mills Rd.)
43.6	L	707 (Slate Mills Rd)
43.8	R	US 522 (Sperryville Pike) <b>CAUTION</b>
46.9	BL	738 (Old Turnpike Rd)
47.3	L	629 (Scotts Mill Rd)
50.4	L optional	go 0.1 mile to REST STOP then U
50.4	R	729 (Eggbornsville Rd)
56.4	S	Ira Hoffman Ln
56.8	R	Success Ln.
56.9	Finish	Achievement Dr & Success Ln

CC(H) \* 57 \* VA \* X:XX AM \* Culpeper HS XX/XX%

The Old Rag Hollows/Foliage Tour. This ride is designed to get you between the toes of the Blue Ridge's Old Rag Mountain (S, E, and N sides) at the prime-time (hopefully) of the fall foliage season. The ride is a variant of "Old Rag Views" from the cue sheet library, but it starts closer to Old Rag, and lets you spend just as much time in the lovely area around Syria with significantly less mileage. When I tested the route in early September, the hollows were the most beautiful ride segments I'd ridden in VA with bubbling streams, beautiful ferns (in woods), open meadows, and interesting farms/buildings. In any case, this ride makes a substantial change from the typical rides on the I-66/I-267 corridor (or even Warrenton and Remington). Three extensions can be added to adjust the ride if you want more time in the hollows. They are well worth that little extra effort. (About 75 ft/mi of climb.)

B(H) \* 71 \* VA \* XX:XX AM \* Culpeper HS XX/XX%

The Old Rag Hollows/Foliage Tour. See description under the CC ride. This ride adds all the optional segments mentioned in the CC ride to give you an extra 14 miles riding in the hollows of Rose River, Robinson River, and Hughes River. Those "hollow" miles are among the best on this exceptional ride.

Directions from the DC area to Culpepper High School:

- 1) Take I-66 East from the DC area:
- 2) After the last Manassas exit, merge onto the next exit, US-29 S via EXIT 43A toward GAINESVILLE / WARRENTON. Continue on US-29 for 32.8 miles.
- 3) Then Exit RIGHT on the US-29-BUS / US-15-BUS ramp toward CULPEPER for 0.3 miles.
- 4) Turn RIGHT onto US-15 BR S / US-29 BR S / BRANDY RD. Continue to follow US-15 BR S / US-29 BR S for 1.9 miles.
- 5) Turn RIGHT onto IRA HOFFMAN LN for 1.3 miles.
- 6) Turn LEFT onto SUCCESS DR for 0.1 miles.
- 7) At ACHIEVEMENT DR, pull into the parking lot in front of you.

Profile Scale:

Horizontal Scale: 2 mile bars minor scale; 10 mile bars major scale.

Vertical Scale: 100 foot bars (first 500 feet); 500 foot bars, thereafter.

Note: The size of the shaded bands on the profiles varies from ride to ride.