

Indian Mills Loop

Summers / Monroe County, WV

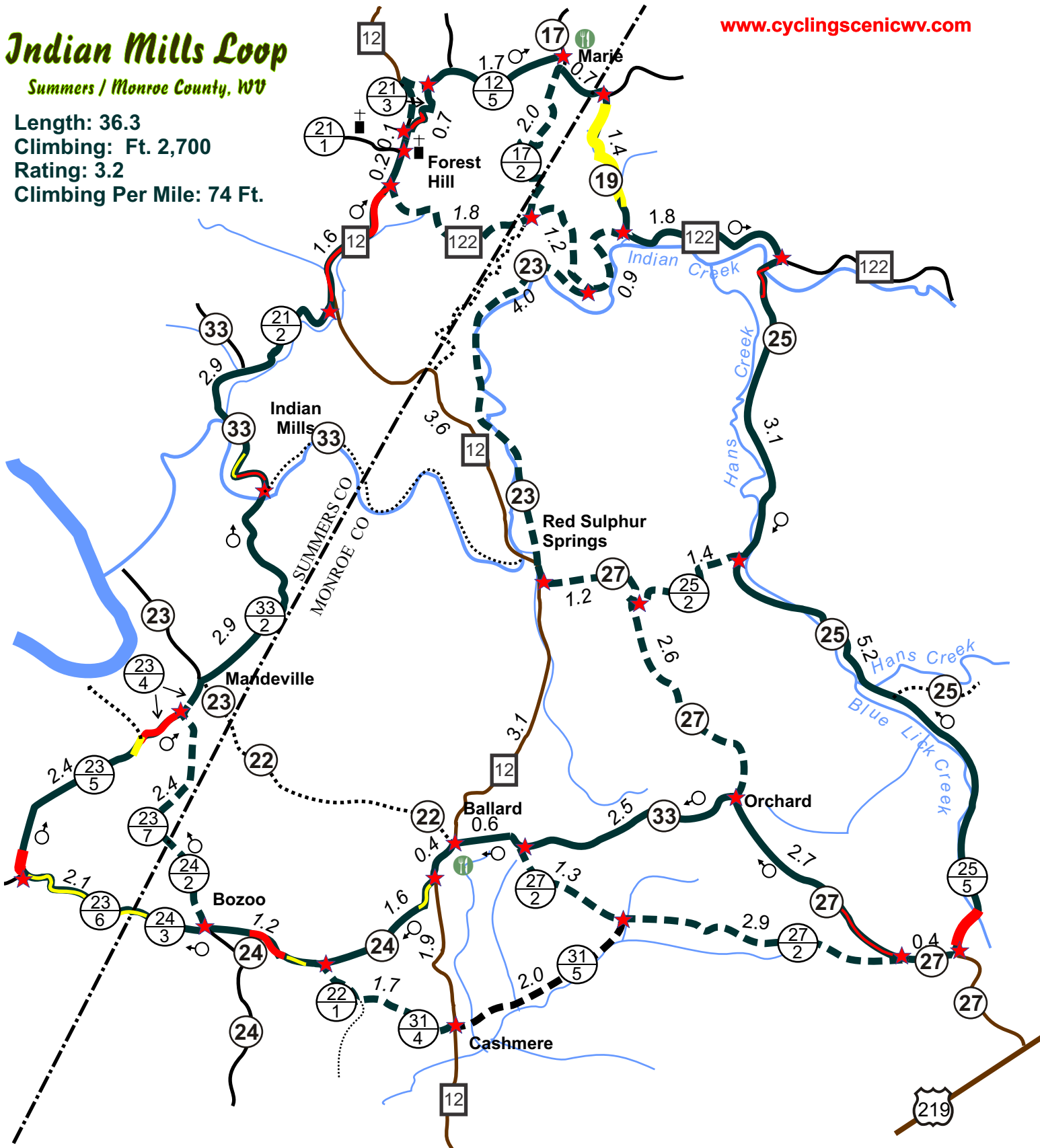
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0.0 Mileage Between Points

Bike Route

Optional Routes

Major Climbs

Major Descents

Store

State Route Numbers

County Route Numbers

Recommended Ride Direction

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This area of Summers and Monroe Counties offers many great options for rides. Scenery is great, but the riding is not flat. The longer climbs usually don't exceed a mile, but there are a lot of shorter steep climbs. Expect to average 60 to 90 feet of climbing per mile. The climbing does reward you with great vistas.

In addition to the main route, there are several options to vary the route that are equally suitable. There is also no significant advantage to riding the route in a specific direction. Clockwise, the hardest climb is probably the climb out of Blue Lick Creek up to Co. 27 at the end of 25/5. Counter clockwise, the climb from route 122 on Co. 19 heading to Marie is the roughest climb. This climb might make counter clockwise a little harder.

All the roads marked on the map as bike or optional routes offers good riding.

Food - Water: Food and water sources are limited on this route. There is a general store in Ballard. There is also a store at Marie, though operating hours may vary. If being able to obtain water during the ride is a concern, starting at Forest Hill so you can obtain water at Ballard might be a good option.

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The turn list starts at Ballard, but there are a couple options. At Ballard along Route 12 in the southern portion of the route are a couple of churches and the volunteer fire department at the junction of state route 12 and county 24.

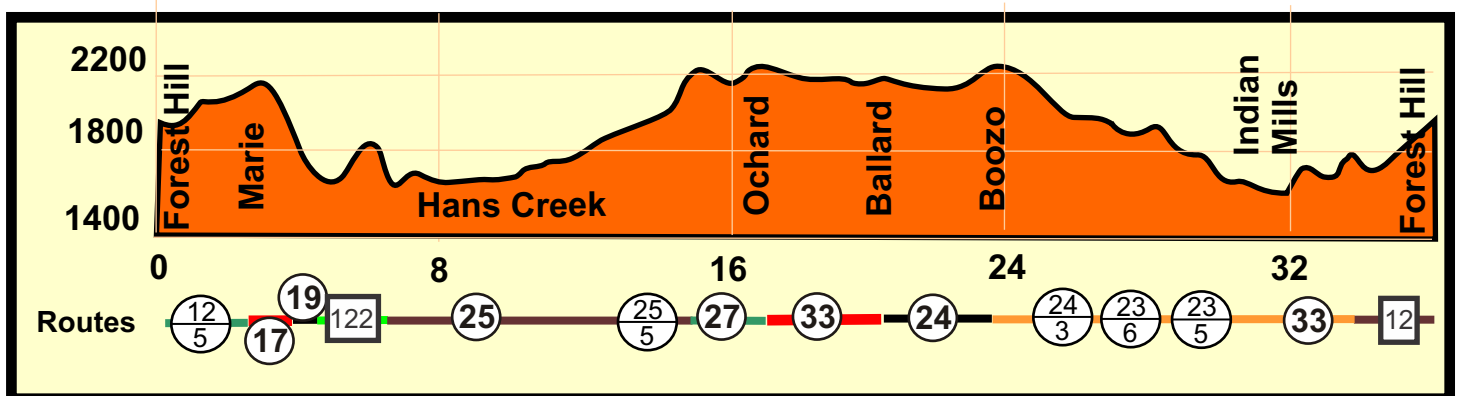
At Forest Hill along Route 12 in northern portion of the map, there is a church 0.2 miles out Seminole Road that makes a good parking place.

My base for riding in the area is the campground adjacent to the Bluestone Wildlife Management area office in Indian Mills. This is a primitive camping area with no potable water source.

Turn List:

Start at Forest Hill at the intersection of State Route 12 and Summers County 21/1 (Forest Hill United Methodist Church).

- 0.0 0.0 Start. Head North toward Hinton on Rt. 12.
- 0.1 0.1 Right on Forest Hill Rd. Cty. 21/3
- 0.8 0.7 Right on Cty. 12/5
- 2.5 1.7 Right on Summers Cty. 17. Store on Cty. 17. Becomes Monroe Cty. 19.
- 3.2 0.7 Right on Baker Hill Rd. Cty. 19, Start STEEP 1+ mile downhill.
- 4.6 1.4 Left on State Route 122.
- 6.4 1.8 Right on Cty. 25, Hans Creek Road.
- 9.5 3.1 Left after crossing bridge to stay on Cty. 25.
- 14.7 5.2 Right onto Cty. 27 after short steep climb.
- 15.1 0.4 Straight to stay on Cty. 27.
- 17.8 2.7 Left onto Cty 33, Orchard Road.
- 20.3 2.5 Straight to stay on Cty. 33
- 20.9 0.6 Left onto State 12 at Ballard Store at Ballard.
- 21.3 0.4 Right on Cty. 24 at volunteer fire department.
- 22.9 1.6 Straight to stay on Cty. 24.
- 24.1 1.2 Straight onto Monroe Cty. 24/3 Shanklin Ferry Road.
- 26.2 2.1 Right onto Summers Cty. 23/5, Indian Mills Rd.
- 28.6 2.4 Straight to continue on Indian Mills Rd.
- 31.5 2.9 Bluestone Wildlife Management Area Office
- 34.4 2.9 Left on State 12.
- 36.1 1.7 Straight at junction of State 122.
- 36.3 0.2 Finish

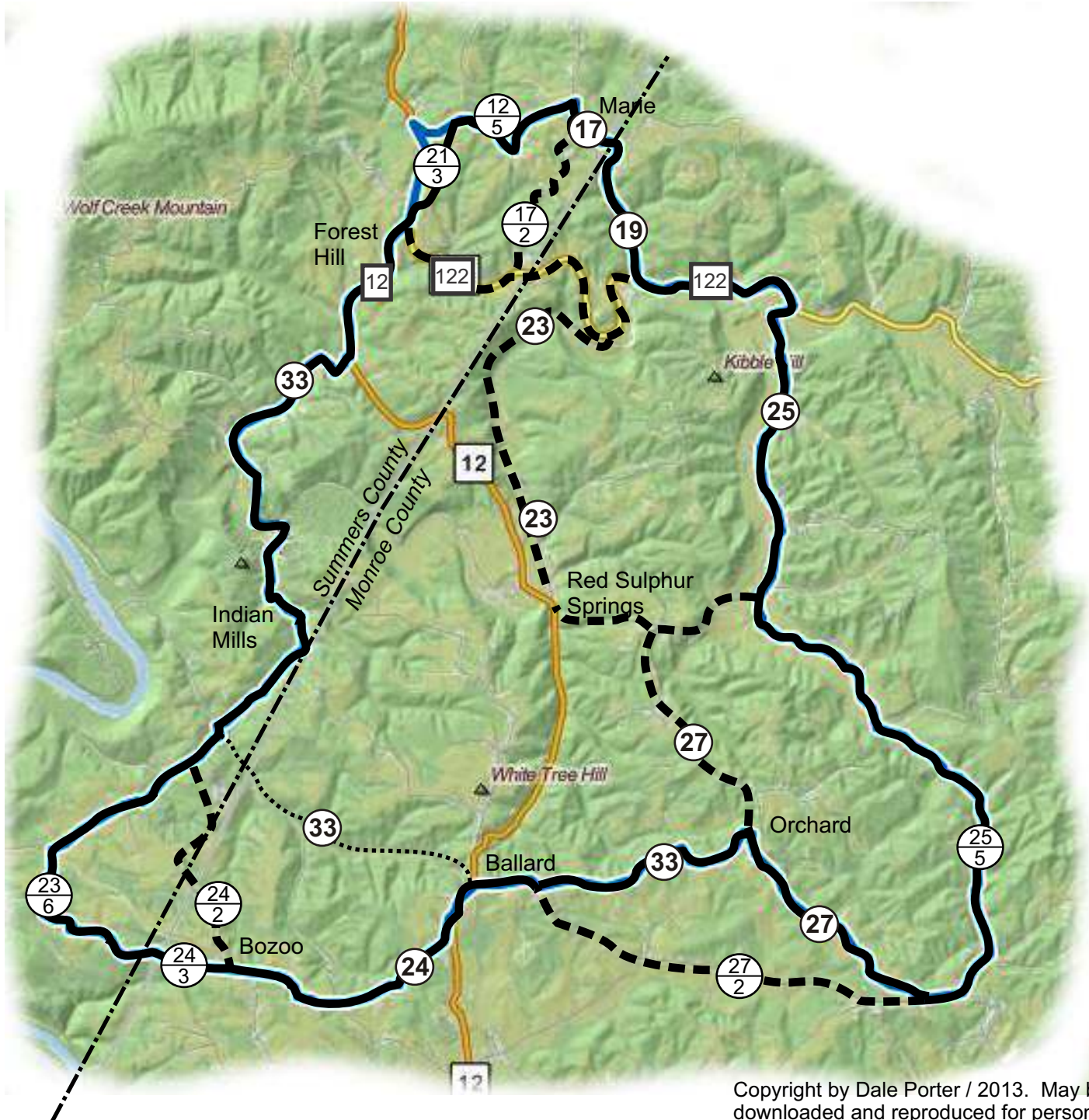


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