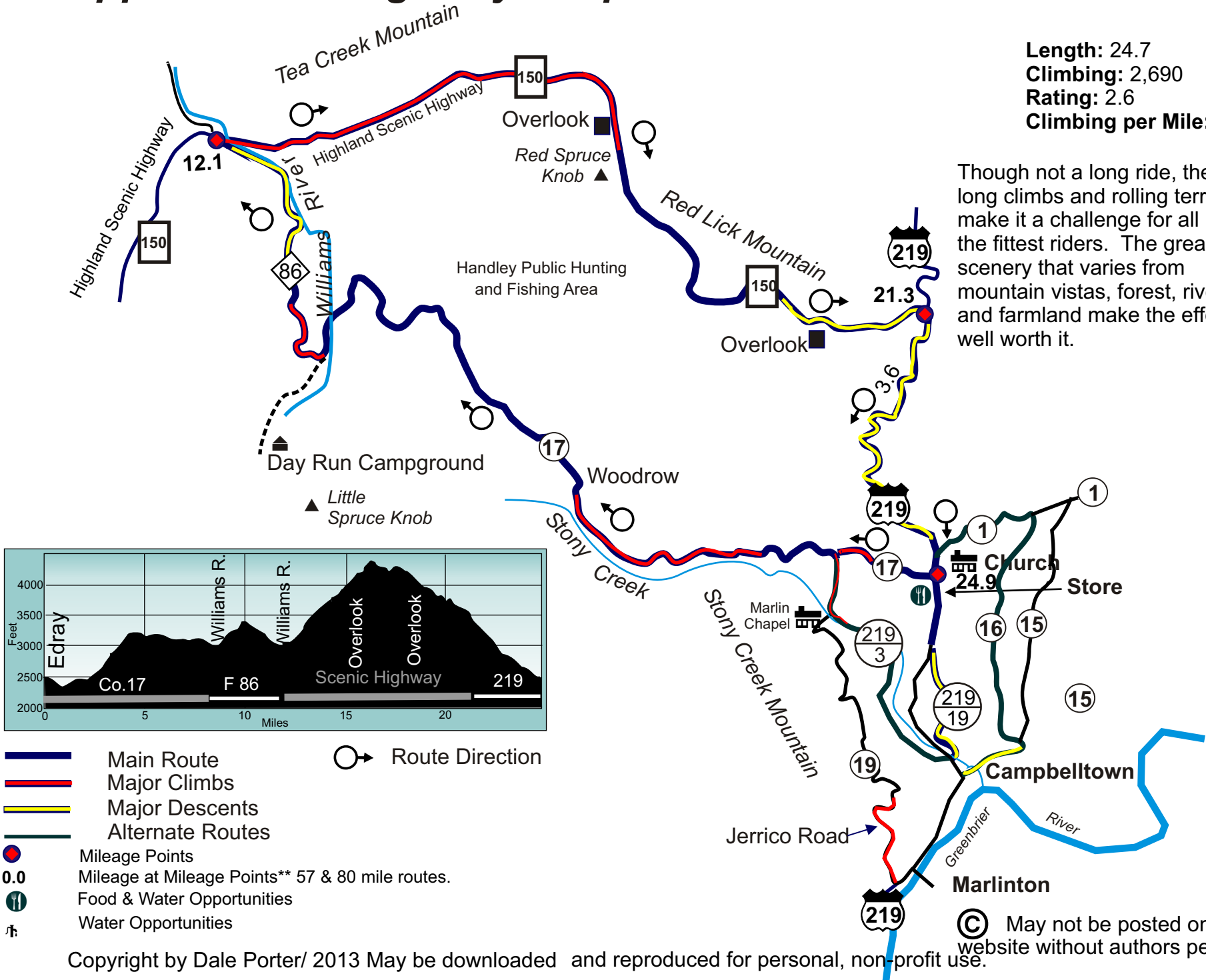


Upper Scenic Highway Loop

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Length: 24.7
Climbing: 2,690
Rating: 2.6
Climbing per Mile: 109

Though not a long ride, the three long climbs and rolling terrain make it a challenge for all but the fittest riders. The great scenery that varies from mountain vistas, forest, rivers, and farmland make the effort well worth it.



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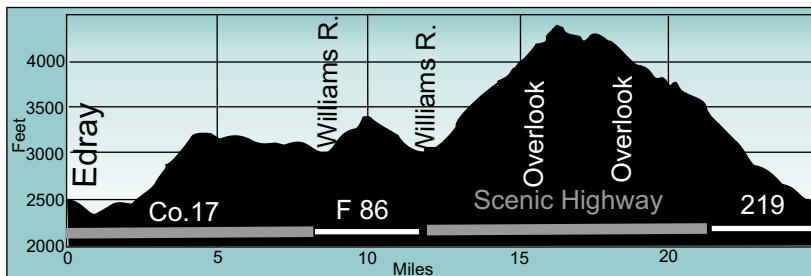
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This route is short but challenging. With climbs of 2 miles, 1 mile, and 3 miles in that order, it is a test of the climbing legs, and there are some rollers in between. From Edray, you start out riding thru farm country, passing the fish hatchery, before the 2 mile climb at Woodrow. Topping out the Woodrow climb, there are a few more rolling miles before crossing the Williams River and beginning the one mile climb. Topping the 1 mile climb, you have a nice roll out down to the Highland Scenic Highway (Rt. 150).

This is where some work starts as the three mile climb begins. This climb is steeper at the bottom than at the top, but is pretty consistent from top to bottom. You hope it is not a hot sunny day, as you have no shade on this climb. After reaching the overlook at the top, you have an excuse to take a break to check out the view, but you still have a little more climbing to do. After topping the last little climbing, it is all downhill.

After a long downhill and passing another pull off overlook, you arrive at Rt. 219 junction. Taking a right here, you still have 3 miles of twisting, turning downhill before arriving at the finish.

I usually extend this ride by going out Co. 1, Back Mt. Rd., to Co. 16, or 15, and take a right down to 219. A right on 219 and then a left at the end of the bridge onto 219/3 at Campbelltown, takes you back to Co. 17. The extended route is 33.3 miles.



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Minimum Alt: 2,343
Max. Altitude: 4,415
Altitude Variance: 2,072

This is a short loop, but has climbs of 2 mile, 1 mile, and 3 miles, in that order, and a downhill that doesn't seem to end.

Start North of Marlinton at Edray on 219, intersection of Co. 17. Woodrow Road. There is a church where you can park - except Sunday morning.

0.0 Start

2.4 Begin climb.

4.7 Top of climb at Woodrow

9.0 Begin climb

10.0 Top of climb

12.1 Left on Rt. 150 access ramp and then right on Rt. 150, Highland Scenic Highway. Begin climb.
15.5 Top of climb. Scenic Overlook.

21.3 Right on US 219 Begin steep, twisty downhill. Control your speed. Watch for gravel in turns.

24.9 Finish