

# Dutchess County Bike Tour Guide

A guide to the signature bike tours  
of Dutchess County, New York.



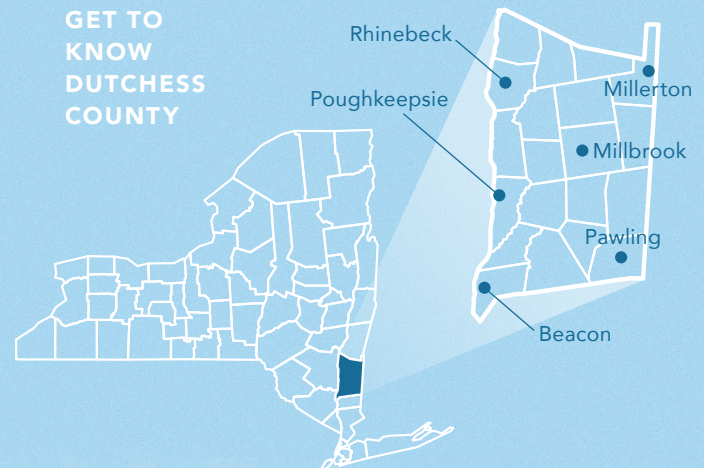
A Storied  
Experience.



# Enjoy the Ride.

**W**HEN YOU EXPERIENCE ROLLING hills, winding roads, and magnificent views, you understand that there's a perfect harmony between revolutions of the wheel and a revelation of the world around you. Riders of all levels will enjoy these signature tours through the heart of the Hudson Valley, stopping at a variety of charming towns and quaint villages along the way. There's a story down every road in Dutchess County; hop on your bike and discover yours.

## GET TO KNOW DUTCHESS COUNTY



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**Walkway Over The Hudson State Historic Park**  
Poughkeepsie, NY





# How To Use This Guide

DUTCHESS COUNTY IS AN INCREDIBLE EXPERIENCE for bike riders of all levels. To make sure you get the most out of your bike tour, we've designed this guide to help you choose the tours that are right for you. From easy to advanced, each tour's grade is based on key factors like length and elevation. You can also use the map legend to gain insight into the type of road, amenities and facilities on your route of choice. So, all you need to do is find your road, and enjoy the ride.

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### MAP LEGEND

 Bike Tour	 Restrooms
 Roadway	 Potable Water
 Railroad	 Paid Admittance
 Starting Point	 Lodging
 MTA Station	 Food
 Amtrak Station	 Picnic Area
 Parking	 Camping

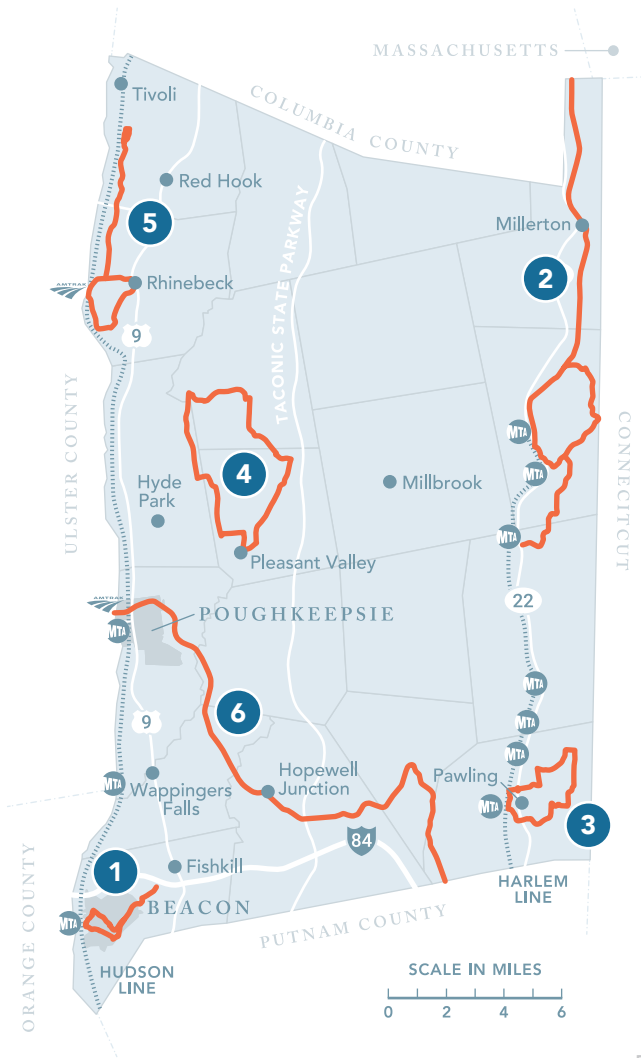


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Scenic Hudson's  
Long Dock Park  
PUBLIC PARK



The Roundhouse  
HOTEL & RESTAURANT



Dia Beacon  
ART MUSEUM



START



BEACON

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MILE 1

MILE 8

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MILE 7

MILE 3

MILE 6

MILE 4

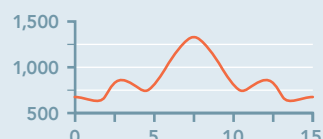
MILE 5

EXIT 44

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SCALE IN MILES



DUTCHESS COUNTY

## BIKE TOUR 1

# Beacon & Glenham

**EASY** LENGTH 10.0 M ELEVATION GAIN 505 FT

THIS ROUTE SURROUNDS THE CITY OF BEACON'S picturesque, walkable main street corridor and offers plenty to do if you'd like to make a pit stop or two. Don't miss Dia Beacon, a large collection of contemporary art housed in a former Nabisco box printing factory on the banks of the Hudson River. Sit awhile or launch a kayak on the river from Scenic Hudson's Long Dock Park. Enjoy a seasonal, locally-sourced meal with a view of Beacon Falls at The Roundhouse—a former factory transformed into a boutique hotel and award-winning restaurant.

**START:** Beacon Train Station

- 0.1 **EXIT** Railroad Dr. & turn **RIGHT** on Beekman St.
- 0.4 **RIGHT** on Wolcott Ave.
- 1.7 **LEFT** on Howland Ave.
- 2.2 **STRAIGHT** on Depuyster Ave.
- 2.8 **SLIGHT RIGHT** on Washington Ave.
- 4.1 **LEFT** on Maple St.
- 4.2 **RIGHT** on Old Glenham Rd.
- 5.0 **TURN AROUND** at Main St. (Rte. 52) and head back down Old Glenham Rd.

- 5.8 **LEFT** on Maple St.
- 5.9 **RIGHT** on Washington Ave.
- 7.8 **STRAIGHT** on E. Main St.
- 7.9 **VEER RIGHT** to remain on E. Main St.
- 8.2 **RIGHT** on Main St.
- 8.3 **LEFT** on Verplank Ave.
- 9.2 **LEFT** on North Ave.
- 9.5 **RIGHT** on Beekman St.
- 9.9 **RIGHT** on Railroad Dr.
- 10.0 **RIDE COMPLETE**





## BIKE TOUR 2

# Harlem Valley Rail Trail, Amenia/Wassaic Loop & Dover

**MODERATE**

LENGTH **52.3 M** ELEV. GAIN **1,125 FT\***

A DAY SPENT IN THE HARLEM VALLEY IS ONE FILLED WITH fresh air, great food and inspiration. Visit the **Wassaic Project**, in the hamlet of Wassaic, which presents contemporary art in the renovated Maxon Mills grain elevator. In Dover, take a short, easy hike to **Dover Stone Church**—a natural stone cave and stunning waterfall. Take in the scenic countryside as you ride into Amenia's hamlet of Leedsville for a bite at **Troutbeck's** restaurant. This historic estate has been a home to romantics, naturalists, and humanists for centuries. Next, in Millerton, take your pick from 250 varieties of tea, blended in **Harney & Sons'** factory, before pedaling along the Harlem Valley Rail Trail.

**START:** Wassaic Train Station

- 0.0 LEFT** on Rte. 22
- 0.5 LEFT** on Furnace Bank Rd.
- 0.7 RIGHT** on Main St.
- 0.8 RIGHT** on Old Rte. 22
- 1.6 STRAIGHT** on S. Amenia Rd.
- 2.7 RIGHT** on Kent Rd.
- 3.6 STRAIGHT** on Sinpatch Rd.
- 4.5 VEER RIGHT** at the fork with Benton Rd. to remain on Sinpatch Rd.
- 4.7 LEFT** on Poplar Hill Rd.
- 7.7 RIGHT** on Maple Ln.
- 8.2 STRAIGHT** on Mill St.
- 8.6 TURN AROUND** at Wing Ave. and head back down Mill St.

- 9.0 STRAIGHT** on Maple Ln.
- 9.5 LEFT** on Poplar Hill Rd.
- 12.5 RIGHT** on Sinpatch Rd.
- 13.6 STRAIGHT** on Kent Rd.
- 14.5 RIGHT** on S. Amenia Rd.
- 15.2 STRAIGHT** on Amenia Union Rd.
- 17.0 VEER LEFT** at the fork onto Leedsville Rd.
- 17.6 LEFT** on Leedsville Rd.; follow to end
- 19.5 LEFT** on NY-343
- 20.8 RIGHT** onto the Harlem Valley Rail Trail
- 27.8 FOLLOW TRAIL** through Millerton\*
- 34.7 TURN AROUND** at Boston Corners Rd.
- 52.3 FOLLOW TRAIL** back to Wassaic Train Station
- 52.3 RIDE COMPLETE**

\*Elevation information excludes Rail Trail north of Millerton, but the path is relatively flat.



## BIKE TOUR 3

# Pawling & Quaker Hill

**ADVANCED** LENGTH **12.3 M** ELEV. GAIN **925 FT**

BEGIN YOUR RIDE IN PAWLING, WITHIN ITS QUIANT village. Start or finish your day at **McKinney & Doyle** for made-from-scratch baked goods and delicious American cuisine. Relax awhile at **Lakeside Park** and enjoy fishing, swimming and boating in Green Mountain Lake. Pedal through country vistas in the hamlet of Quaker Hill, an area colonized in the 1720s and understood to have been part of the Underground Railroad. Don't miss a chance to tour the **John Kane House**—George Washington established his headquarters here for two months during the Revolutionary War!

**START:** Pawling Train Station

- 0.0** LEFT on Charles Colman Blvd.
- 0.2** LEFT on E. Main St.
- 1.0** STRAIGHT on Quaker Hill Rd.
- 2.7** VEER LEFT at fork with Glen Arden Dr. to remain on Quaker Hill Rd.
- 3.3** VEER RIGHT at fork with Reservoir Rd. to remain on Quaker Hill Rd.
- 4.2** LEFT on Old Quaker Hill Rd.

- 6.9** LEFT on N. Quaker Hill Rd.
- 9.2** LEFT on Dewey Ln.
- 9.9** RIGHT on Reservoir Rd.
- 11.0** RIGHT on State Rte. 55
- 11.2** LEFT on Old Rte. 22
- 11.3** STRAIGHT on Corbin Rd.
- 11.7** LEFT on Charles Colman Blvd.
- 12.3** RIDE COMPLETE





#### BIKE TOUR 4

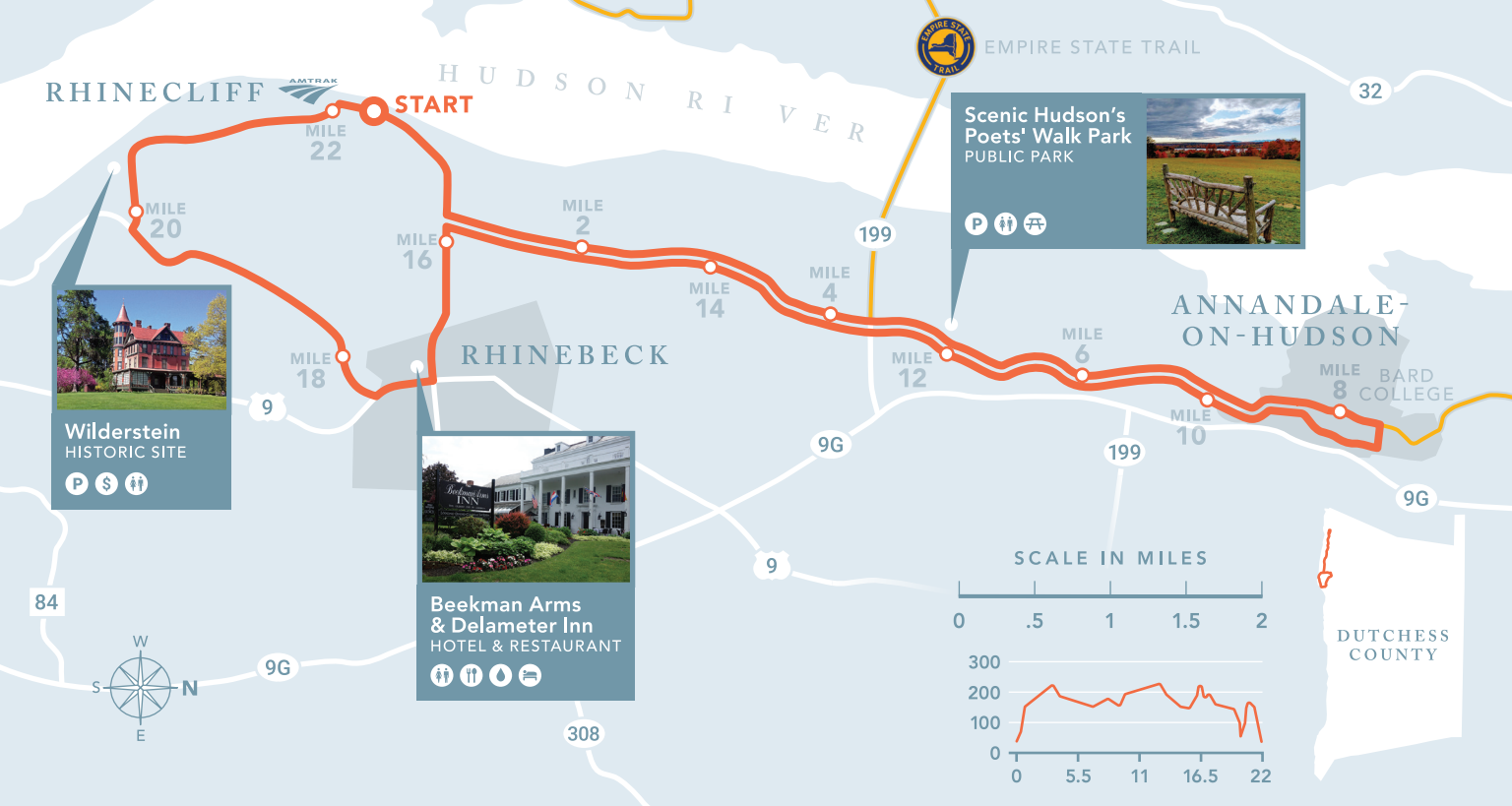
# Pleasant Valley & Staatsburg

**MODERATE** LENGTH **22.3 M** ELEV. GAIN **525 FT**

THE QUINTESSENTIAL COUNTRYSIDE RIDE, YOU'LL quickly realize why we call this place "Pleasant Valley." Visit **Bower Park**, which features an updated universally accessible playground for people of all abilities, a picnic area and access to forest trails. Enjoy award-winning wines from a tasting room with farmland views at **Milea Estate Vineyards** in Staatsburg, then enjoy some comfort food at the **Village Restaurant & Pancake Factory** in town—offering 30 varieties of pancakes and waffles, plus a gluten-free menu.

- START:** Pleasant Valley Town Hall
- 0.0 RIGHT** on Main St.
  - 0.9 LEFT** on Creek Rd.
  - 4.0 STRAIGHT** on Scout Rd.
  - 5.2 LEFT** on Hibernia Rd.
  - 6.0 RIGHT** on Salt Point Turnpike
  - 6.1 LEFT** on Clinton Hollow Rd.
  - 9.3 LEFT** on Hollow Rd.
  - 9.5 RIGHT** on E. Meadowbrook Ln.
  - 11.0 RIGHT** on W. Meadowbrook Ln.

- 11.8 RIGHT** on Hollow Rd.
- 12.7 LEFT** on N. Quaker Ln.
- 16.7 LEFT** on Netherwood Rd.
- 17.8 RIGHT** on Gretna Rd.; follow to end
- 20.2 LEFT** on Salt Point Turnpike
- 20.3 RIGHT** on Wigsten Rd.
- 20.9 STRAIGHT** on Sherow Rd.
- 21.3 RIGHT** on North Ave.
- 22.1 RIGHT** on Main St.
- 22.3 LEFT** at Pleasant Valley Town Hall
- 22.3 RIDE COMPLETE**



## BIKE TOUR 5

# Rhinecliff, Rhinebeck & Annandale-on-Hudson

*Part of the Empire State Trail*

**MODERATE**

LENGTH **22.4 M** ELEV. GAIN **525 FT**

FOR A RIDE THAT'S BOTH SCENIC AND HISTORIC, BEGIN in the hamlet of Rhinecliff and head toward Bard College in Annandale-on-Hudson. Here you can visit the campus' Blithewood Gardens, visit the Hessel Museum of Art and the Fisher Center. Stop by Scenic Hudson's Poets' Walk Park in Red Hook for a picnic and spectacular views. Or have a meal in the Beekman Arms & Delamater Inn's landmark tavern in Rhinebeck—America's oldest continuously operating inn features a colonial tap room and an open-hearth fireplace. Don't miss the Wilderstein Historic Site in Rhinebeck—home of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's cousin and confidant Margaret "Daisy" Suckley.

**START:** Rhinecliff Train Station

- 0.0 **EXIT** Hutton St. and turn **LEFT** on Charles St.
- 0.2 **SLIGHT LEFT**; Charles St. becomes Rhinecliff Rd.
- 1.0 **VEER LEFT** onto River Rd.
- 7.3 **STRAIGHT** on Annandale Rd.
- 7.4 **LEAVE ROAD** and **MERGE LEFT** onto Annandale Pedestrian/Bike Path, following Annandale Rd.
- 8.3 **RIGHT** on County Road 103/Annandale Rd. at Cruger Island Rd.
- 8.5 **RIGHT** on Campus Rd.
- 9.2 **LEFT** on Annandale Pedestrian/Bike Path, following Annandale Rd.

- 9.5 **STRAIGHT** on River Rd.
- 15.8 **LEFT** on Rhinecliff Rd.
- 16.7 **STRAIGHT** on W. Market St.
- 17.0 **RIGHT** on Mill St.
- 17.5 **RIGHT** on Mill Rd.
- 19.9 **RIGHT** on Morton Rd.
- 21.8 **STRAIGHT** on Kelly St.
- 22.2 **VEER LEFT** at fork to remain on Kelly St.
- 22.2 **STRAIGHT** on Charles St.
- 22.3 **LEFT** on Hutton St.
- 22.4 **RIDE COMPLETE**





## BIKE TOUR 6

# WRS Dutchess Rail Trail & Walkway Over the Hudson

*Part of the Empire State Trail*

**EASY** LENGTH **57.6 M** ELEVATION GAIN **515 FT\***

THIS FAMILY-FRIENDLY RIDE IS PAVED WITH NO vehicular traffic. Start at the Hopewell Depot trailhead in Hopewell Junction and check out the museum of the same name to learn about this former Maybrook rail corridor. Between Hopewell Junction and Pawling, pass by dense woods, farm fields, ponds and wetlands. Grab a bite at P.C.'s Paddock or Lola's Café in Poughkeepsie, or enjoy your own snacks with a stop at College Hill Park—the largest park in the City of Poughkeepsie offers trails, playgrounds, and a golf course. And the Walkway Over the Hudson—the longest, elevated pedestrian bridge in the world—provides spectacular views of the Hudson River Valley.

- START:** Dutchess Rail Trial Hopewell Trialhead
- 0.0** EXIT Parking & turn **RIGHT** on Dutchess Rail Trail
  - 1.7** **CROSS** the Taconic State Parkway
  - 14.8** **TURN AROUND** at Holmes Rd.
  - 27.9** **CROSS** the Taconic State Parkway
  - 29.6** **CONTINUE PAST** Hopewell Depot
  - 32.1** **CROSS** NY-376
  - 39.2** **CROSS** Dutchess Turnpike (Rte. 44)
  - 42.3** **CONTINUE** onto Walkway Over the Hudson Path
  - 43.6** **TURN AROUND** once across the river and head back using Walkway Over the Hudson Path
  - 44.9** **CONTINUE** onto Dutchess Rail Trail

- 45** **CROSS** Dutchess Turnpike (Rte. 44)
- 50-55**
- 55.1** **CROSS** NY-376
- 57.6** **REACH** Hopewell Trail Parking
- 57.6** **RIDE COMPLETE**

*\*Elevation information excludes Rail Trail east of Hopewell Junction, but the path is relatively flat.*



Here we've provided our Dutchess County portion of the **Empire State Trail**, which is a 750-mile path connecting people to New York's spectacular natural beauty, cultural heritage, iconic landscapes and unparalleled outdoor recreation opportunities. The trail connects urban centers, village main streets and rural communities from New York City through the Hudson River Valley, west to Buffalo along the historic Erie Canal, and north to the Adirondacks. For more information, visit [empiretrail.ny.gov](http://empiretrail.ny.gov).

# Bicycle Shops & Rentals

BIKING IS A PASSION IN DUTCHESS COUNTY.

And many of our dedicated riders also own bike shops in the region—providing gear, maintenance, rentals and expert advice to visiting riders. Stop into any one of them for some small town charm and to get some helpful tips on how to get the most out of your ride.

## **BIKEWAY** Wappingers Falls

Wide variety of bikes available: new and used, rentals, repairs, sales and accessories. Local rides and clubs.  
1581 Route 376, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590  
(845) 463-7433 | [bikeway.com](http://bikeway.com)

## **BREAKAWAY CYCLES, INC.** Rhinebeck

Full-service shop performing repairs and tune-ups. Full selection of bikes for sale. Group rides.  
6795 Route 9, Building B, Rhinebeck, NY 12572  
(845) 943-2892 | [breakawaycycles.bike](http://breakawaycycles.bike)

## **COLD SPRING BIKE RENTAL & TOURS** Beacon

All-inclusive bike rental company providing individual bike rentals and tours on- and off-road.  
Scenic Hudson's Long Dock Park, 23 Long Dock Rd. Beacon, NY 12508 (near South East parking lot)  
(845) 390-1932 | [coldspringbikerentaltours.com](http://coldspringbikerentaltours.com)

## **LEISURE RIDE BIKE RENTAL** Poughkeepsie

Bicycle sales and rentals. Family 5-seaters, 2-seaters and individual bikes available. Day and hourly rates. Delivery available to the Walkway Over the Hudson.  
266 Titusville Rd., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603  
(845) 486-8125 | [leisuridebike.com](http://leisuridebike.com)

## **PEOPLES BICYCLE** Beacon

Bike rentals available within walking distance of the Beacon Train Station. Locks and rider helmets included. Reservations available online.  
430 Main St., Beacon, NY 12508  
(845) 765-2487 | [peoplesbicycle.com](http://peoplesbicycle.com)

## **PV BICYCLE SHOP** Pleasant Valley

Repairs, large selection of new and used bikes. Accessories for beginners and pros. Rentals available.  
1557 Main St./Route 44, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569  
(845) 635-3161 | [pvbikeshop.com](http://pvbikeshop.com)

## **RHINEBECK BICYCLE SHOP** Rhinebeck

Service repairs, daily rentals, sales & accessories, group rides.  
10 Garden St., Rhinebeck, NY 12572 | (845) 876-4025

## **VINTAGE FIXIE** Poughkeepsie

Road bicycle repairs and rentals available. Wide selection of vintage road bikes and electric bikes for sale.  
322 Main St., 2nd Floor, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601  
(845) 489-7642 | [facebook.com/vintagefixie](https://facebook.com/vintagefixie)

## **WASSAIC COMMONS** Wassaic

Full-service bike shop offering repairs, rentals, new bikes, and accessories.  
3 Main St., Wassaic, NY 12592  
(845) 789-1493 | [wassaiccommons.com](http://wassaiccommons.com)

## **WHEEL AND HEEL** Wappingers Falls

Bike rentals, repairs, sales & accessories, discounts, rides and events.  
2658 E. Main St., Wappingers Falls, NY 12590  
(845) 632-3050 | [wheelandheel.com](http://wheelandheel.com)



The train is an easy and convenient way to get your bike to Dutchess County. Just check your local train schedules and get you and your bike on board.



[new.mta.info/guides/bikes](http://new.mta.info/guides/bikes)



[amtrak.com/bring-your-bicycle-onboard](http://amtrak.com/bring-your-bicycle-onboard)





For digital versions of  
all maps please visit  
**[DutchessTourism.com/bikeride](https://DutchessTourism.com/bikeride)**

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## **DUTCHESSTOURISM.COM**

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