

Length 7.0 mi
Elevation gain 1,988 ft
Route type Out & back

Explore this 7.0-mile out-and-back trail near Kattskill Bay, New York.
Generally considered a challenging route, it takes an average of 4 h 6 min

to complete. This is a very popular area for hiking, snowshoeing, and running, so you'll likely encounter other people while exploring. The best times to visit this trail are March through November. Dogs are welcome, but must be on a leash.



The first mile of the hike is on a primarily wide trail with a slight grade. There is an intersection that leads to several other summits not too far in - be sure to maintain your trail markers. The ascent through mile 2 becomes steeper and has rocky sections with a few easy stream crossings. The views slowly start to come during the last mile or so of the hike as the canopy recedes and the rocky scrambles begin. Some of the scrambles may require a hands on approach

so care should be taken with the younger hikers. The view from the summit is well worth the hike. Tons of blueberries near the summit in early summer. Tend to go fast due to heavy foot traffic that same time of year.

Directions from Brant Lake: (approx. 40 minute drive time)

I-87 South to exit 21, Left on Route 9N, at traffic light turn left onto US-9 N Turn right onto NY-9L S go about 7 miles turn sharp onto Pilot Knob Road 3.4 miles to Buck Mountain Trailhead Parking Lot 1750 Pilot Knob Road





