

# Triple Gap

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**Rating: Difficult**

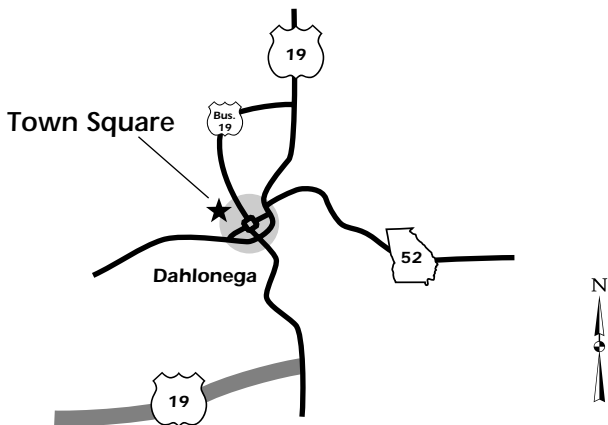
**53 Miles**

This ride is rated difficult due to its length and the long, steep climbs.

**T**heres a lot to see on this ride. Starting in Dahlonega, the route heads out into rural, rolling farmland. At times you can see the blue wall of mountains in the distance. You guessed it, this is where you are going. The first of three long climbs is up to Neels Gap. It is followed by a fast descent to Vogel State Park. The next climb is through the pristine forest of Sosebee Cove to Wolfpen Gap. On the other side you'll traverse a high mountain valley and pass beautiful Lake Winfield Scott. The final climb to Woody Gap from the little community of Suches is the easiest and shortest of the three. Following it is a really long downhill, with just a few ups and downs at the end, all the way back into Dahlonega.

## **Estimated Riding Times**

- Beginner: not recommended
- Intermediate: 5-6 hours
- Advanced: 4 hours



## Directions to the Start

- Ride begins at the town square in Dahlonega
- Most of the parking around the square has a 3-hour limit, so look on the back streets for longer term free parking.

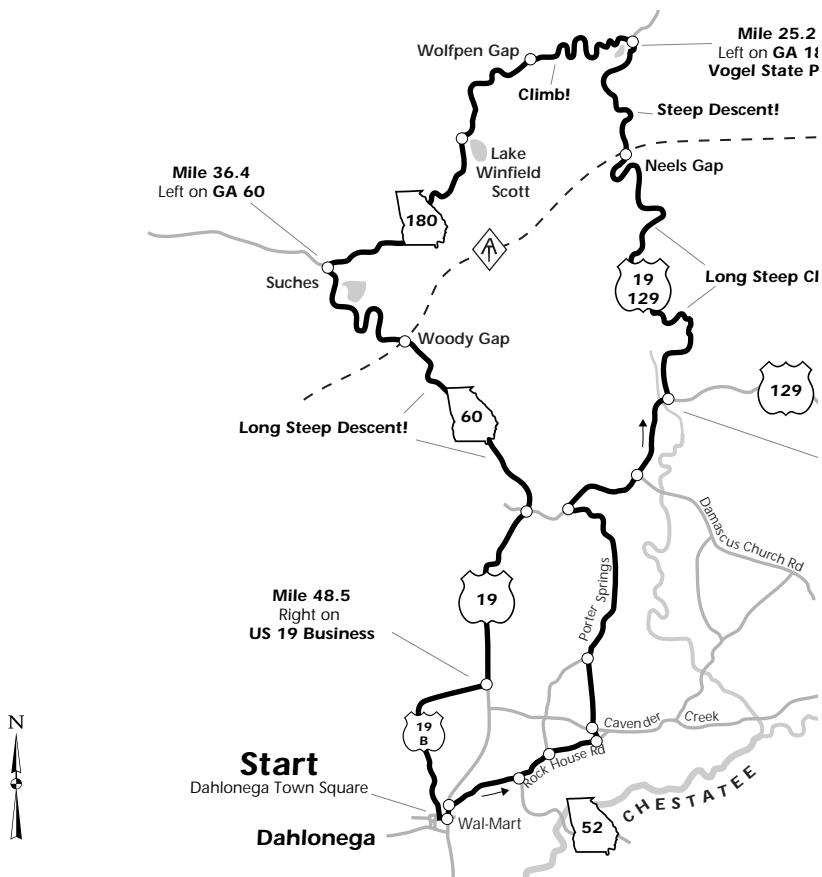
## Ride Characteristics & Cautions

- Route follows highways US 19 and 19/129 and GA180 and 60. Of these, US 19/129 and 19 near Dahlonega see the most traffic. GA 180 and 60 are very quiet. You'll find a nice wide shoulder on US 19/129 and not much shoulder on US 19 near Dahlonega.
- Check your brakes; the descents are quite steep from each of the gaps

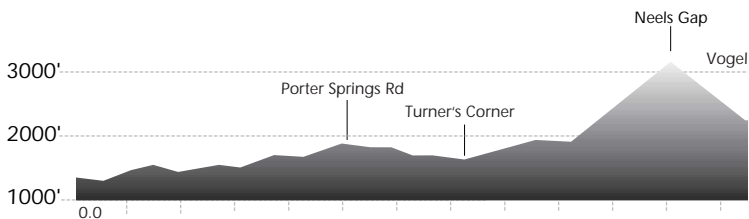
## Points of Interest

- Town of Dahlonega—site of Americas first gold rush
- Route crosses Appalachian Trail
- Vogel State Park
- Lake Winfield Scott
- Small community of Suches
- Grave of Trahlyta, a Cherokee Indian Princess

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**Profile**



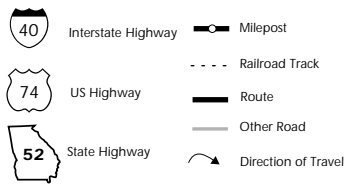
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Park

For detailed turn-by-turn directions see page 132.

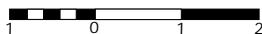
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Mile 14.3  
Left on US 19/129/GA 11

### Map Legend



Approximate Scale of Miles



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