

Three the Hard Way

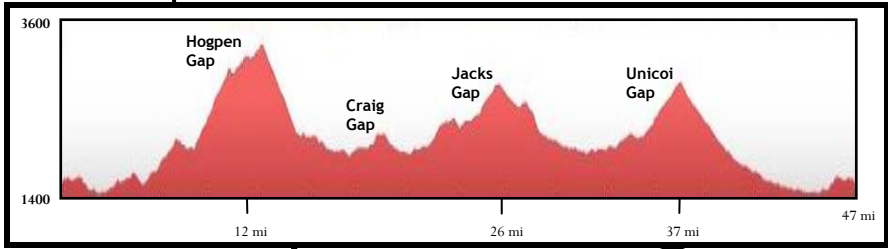
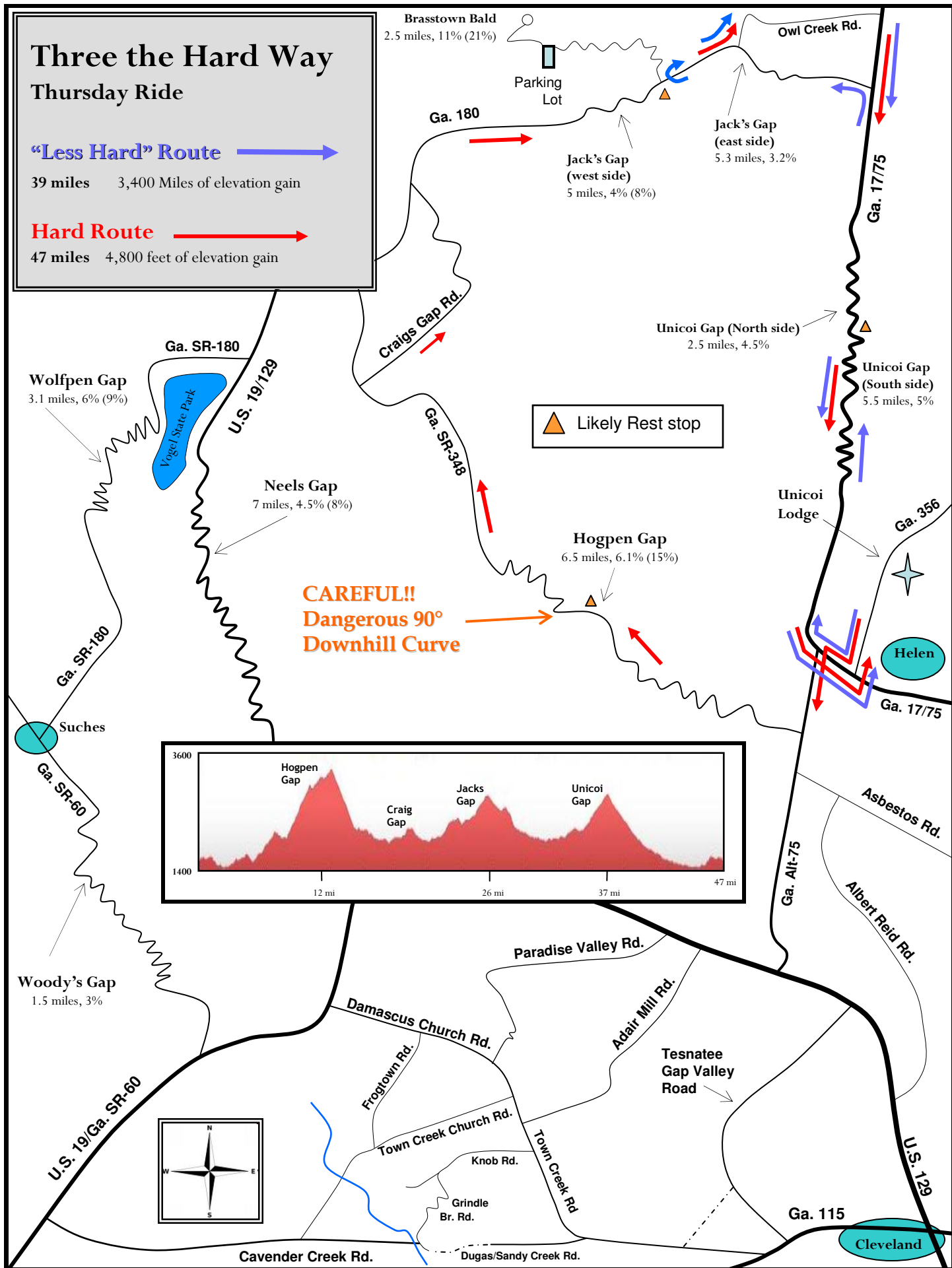
Thursday Ride

"Less Hard" Route →

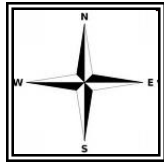
39 miles 3,400 Miles of elevation gain

Hard Route →

47 miles 4,800 feet of elevation gain



CAREFUL!!
Dangerous 90°
Downhill Curve



Turn by Turn Cue Sheet for Brasstown Baldbuster

“Less-Hard” Option (39 miles)

<u>Action</u>	<u>Inc. Dist.</u>	<u>Cum. Dist.</u>	<u>Road/Landmark</u>
START			Unicoi Lodge, Upper Parking Lot
LEFT	0.2	0.2	onto Ga. 356
RIGHT	2.0	2.2	onto GA 17/75 (T-intersection). Use caution, this road can carry some traffic.
		2.6	GA Alt-75 enters from left. Stay straight.
		10.4	Top of Unicoi Gap. Appalachian Tr. crosses here. Fun downhill ahead!
LEFT	10.7	12.9	onto GA 180
180°	5.3	18.2	Turn around at top of Jacks Gap, Spur 180 enters from right (to top of Brasstown Bald).
LEFT	1.4	19.6	onto Owl Creek Road – fun downhill ahead!
RIGHT	4.2	23.8	onto GA 17/75
		26.5	GA 180 enters from right
		29.1	Top of Unicoi Gap, AT crosses here. Very fun downhill ahead!
		37.0	GA. Alt-75 enters from right
LEFT	13.5	37.3	onto GA. 356
RIGHT	2.0	39.3	into Unicoi Lodge
		39.5	FINISH

The climb to Brasstown Bald, the highest point in Georgia, begins at the top of Jack’s Gap. It is 2.1 miles to the parking lot near the top, and bikes are not allowed beyond this point. If you tackle this climb, BE VERY CAREFUL!!

Hard Option (47 miles)

<u>Action</u>	<u>Inc. Dist.</u>	<u>Cum. Dist.</u>	<u>Road/Landmark</u>
START			Unicoi Lodge, Upper Parking Lot
LEFT	0.2	0.2	onto Ga. 356
RIGHT	2.0	2.2	onto GA 17/75 (T-intersection)
LEFT	0.3	2.6	onto GA. Alt-75
RIGHT	2.3	4.9	onto GA 348 (R. Russell Scenic Parkway)
		11.4	Top of Hogpen Gap, Appalachian Trail crosses here. Dangerous downhill ahead!
		12.5	Sharp 90 degree curve... SLOW DOWN!!
RIGHT	12.7	17.6	onto Craig Gap Road
RIGHT	3.4	21.0	onto GA 180
		26.0	Top of Jacks Gap, Spur 180 to top of Brasstown Bald enters from left
LEFT	6.3	27.3	onto Owl Creek Road – fun downhill ahead!
RIGHT	4.2	31.5	onto GA 17/75
		34.3	GA 180 enters from right
		36.8	Top of Unicoi Gap, AT crosses here; Very fun downhill ahead!
		44.7	GA. Alt-75 enters from right
LEFT	13.5	45.0	onto GA. 356
RIGHT	2.0	47.0	into Unicoi Lodge
		47.2	FINISH