

# Tour 9 - Saco River Century - 100.4 miles

The Saco River Century attempts to be a kinder, gentler century even though it passes through the hills of western Maine. The route winds through pine woods and small villages; past lakes and around the Burnt Meadow Mountains. The ride parallels the Saco River even though you get to glimpse the Saco only now and then. The route includes River Road from Hiram to Cornish, a classic stretch of understated Maine beauty - though as is the case here, Maine beauty isn't always accompanied by the smoothest of paved road surface. Still, any style road-bike will be fine for this ride, since the route is paved, with only a few rougher sections and 1/8 mile dirt at one turn. Lots of turns, so the road will be marked. However, please follow the cuesheet too. If you miss a mark, the cuesheet will help alert you. See examples of white markings for Saco Century at bottom of cuesheet.

At	Go	Onto	For	Travel Information
0.0	R	Bradley St.	0.2	
0.2	L	Main St.	1.5	
1.7	L	Haleytown Rd.	5.3	
7.0	L	Hampshire St.	2.1	
9.1	L	Route 160	1.2	
10.3	R	Route 113	6.5	There will be no confirmation mark after this turn. This is near a route crossing and confirmation marks may cause confusion.
16.8	R	River Rd.	5.4	Rough surface, but worth it. Hydro-electric dam along leg.
22.2	L	Durgintown Rd.	0.6	
22.8	L	Route 25	2.8	No convenience stores for the next 33 miles. You might want to stock up here in Cornish.
25.6	R	Route 117	4.8	
30.4	L	Route 11	0.3	
30.7	R	Pine Hill Rd.	0.8	STOP sign after steep descent at end of leg.
31.5	L	Pine Hill Rd.	1.0	
32.5	R	Route 25	1.1	
33.6	R	River Rd.	3.5	This turn is just after crossing Saco River at Limington Rips
37.1	R	Saco Rd.	0.6	
37.7	R	Cape Rd.	1.0	
38.7	S	Warren Rd.	1.3	Some rock scrambles out to Saco River along this leg.
40.0	R	Route 112	0.1	
40.1	L	Christian Row	0.6	
40.7	L	Route 112	1.8	There will be no confirmation mark after this turn. This is near a route crossing and confirmation marks may cause confusion.
42.5	L	Back Nippen Rd.	1.5	Poor sight lines for oncoming drivers. Use care on left turn.
44.0	L	Route 112	1.7	
45.7	R	Fountain St.	0.5	
46.2	R	Route 4A	0.1	
46.3	L	Salmon Falls Rd.	1.1	This left is just <b>BEFORE</b> bridge. Sightlines bad. Use care.
47.4	R	Route 202	0.1	
47.5	R	Salmon Falls Rd.	1.2	Different Salmon Falls Rd. on opposite side of river.
48.7	L	Route 4A	0.1	

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48.8	R	River Rd.	1.0	
49.8	S	Route 35	1.9	
51.7	R	Route 35	1.8	
53.5	R	Moderation Rd.	0.3	Cool bridge, and dam off to left.
53.8	R-L	Route 112-then-Christian Row	0.6	Almost straight across at end of bridge. Jog right then left.
54.4	R	Route 112	0.6	There will be no confirmation mark after this turn. This is near a route crossing and confirmation marks may cause confusion.
55.0	S	Route 112	1.2	Another rough stretch of paving. Sorry.
56.2	L	Chicopee Rd.	2.4	<b>At press time road became packed dirt just about 1/8 mile before turn - so no mark.</b>
58.6	L	Dingley Springs Rd.	1.1	
59.7	S	Dingley Springs Rd.	0.5	
60.2	L	Buck St.	1.0	
61.2	S	Route 25	0.8	
62.0	S	Oak Hill Rd.	4.6	Old Red Church on right.
66.6	L	Boundary Rd.	2.6	
69.2	R	Route 113	3.7	
72.9	L	Pigeon Brook Rd.	2.1	
75.0	L	Route 113	1.1	
76.1	L	Rocky Dunn Rd.	0.9	Short, sharp climb. View to Saddleback Hills to right at top is worth it.
77.0	L	Route 5/117	1.6	Railroad tracks at bottom of descent. Use care.
78.6	R	Route 5	0.3	
78.9	R	Route 25	1.1	
80.0	R	South Hiram Rd.	3.2	
83.2	R	Route 160	9.3	
92.5	R	Pig St.	0.9	
93.4	L	Route 5/113N	6.8	There will be no confirmation mark after this turn. This is near a route crossing and may cause confusion.
100.2	R	Pine St	0.6	
100.8	L	Bradley St.	0.0	
100.8	R	Fryeburg Academy		