

The **Cotaco Backroads Metric** ride is 63 miles, rolling with long grades and three climbs. It travels on mostly good pavement thru beautiful quiet farmland, with rest stops at 17, 27 and 37 miles.

Directions to start: This ride begins and ends at the Cotaco Florette Road intersection with AL-36, south of the Tennessee River. Travel **South** from Huntsville on **HWY-231** (Memorial Parkway) across the Tennessee River. **Three miles** after the bridge turn **Right** on **AL-36** at the flashing yellow light. Travel **8.3 miles** to the intersection with **Cotaco Florette Road**.

You'll pass the Cotaco fire station on the left before reaching the intersection. There's a convenience store with parking on both sides of the road, and the Cotaco School is located just to the west.

Miles	Turn	Description	Leg
0.0	South	on Cotaco Florette Road	0.9
0.9	Right	on Red Oak Road	0.9
1.8	Left	on AL-36 at "T"	0.2
2.0	Right	on Herman Bailey Road	1.6
3.6	Right	on Antioch Road (no sign)	4.2
7.8	Right-Left	across Upper River Road onto Sharp Ford Road	2.2
10.0	Left	on Charest Road at "T" (no sign)	2.8
12.8	Straight	across Upper River Road onto J Henderson Road	0.2
13.0	Right	on Center Springs Road (no sign)	4.1
17.1	Left	on Main Street / Bluff City Road	0.2
17.3	Rest Stop	at convenience store in Somerville	-
17.3	South	across AL-67 onto Cut Off Road	0.6
17.9	Left	on Old 6 Mile Road	1.4
19.3	Left	on AL-36 at "T" (no sign)	0.1
19.4	Right	on S Old 6 Mile Road	1.7
21.1	Right	on 6 Mile Road at "T" (no sign)	0.8
21.9	Straight	onto 6 Mile Creek Road	1.9
23.8	Begin climb	405' in 0.9 miles, 8.5% avg grade	1.9
25.7	Right	on Eva Road at "T"	1.0
26.7	Rest Stop	at convenience store on left	-
26.7	West	on Lawrence Cove Road which immediately becomes Wilson Mountain Road	2.6
29.3	Left	on Key Turney Road	3.2

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32.5	Left	on Nat Key Road at "T"	0.4
32.9	Left	on Gandys Cove Road	2.6
35.5	Begin climb	265' in 0.8 miles, 6.3% avg grade	0.9
36.4	Bear Right	on Lawrence Cove Road	0.1
36.5	Rest Stop	at convenience store across Eva Road (last stop, 27 miles to finish)	-
36.5	East	on Lawrence Cove Road	5.5
42.0	Right	to stay on Lawrence Cove Road	2.3
44.3	Left	on Gum Pond Road at "T" (no sign)	0.3
44.6	Right	on AL-67 at "T" (no sign)	0.2
44.8	Left	on Crawford Road	2.1
46.9	Left	on Apple Grove Road	3.5
50.4	Left	on Pine Ridge Road	0.4
50.8	Continue	Pine Ridge Road becomes Pines Road	1.6
52.4	Right	on Morrow Mountain Road	0.1
52.5	Begin climb	410' in 0.9 miles, 8.6% avg grade	3.5
56.0	Left	on West Point Road (no sign)	0.9
56.9	Left	to stay on West Point Road	2.1
59.0	Right	to stay on West Point Road	0.2
59.2	Right	on Fowler Cove Road	2.2
61.4	Straight	on Dotson Road	0.4
61.8	Left	on Guyer Cove Road at "T" (no sign)	0.1
61.9	Right	on Cotaco Florette Road at "T"	1.3
63.2	Finish	at AL-36 in Cotaco	-