

The **Grant-Nat Mountains Connection** is 75 miles. The route has two climbs and many hills; it also travels along Lake Guntersville for a few miles. Rest stops at miles 12, 25, 33, 45, 58, and 63. Just after the rest stop at mile 33 there's an optional one mile lakeside out-and-back.

**Directions to start**, at the **Cove Park ballfields** near Hampton Cove:

If traveling over Monte Sano on Highway 431 (east on Governors Drive): go 4.8 miles after passing Monte Sano Boulevard and turn Left at Old 431/Sutton Road. Travel 1.6 miles and turn right onto Old 431. The ballfields are on the right.

If traveling over Cecil Ashburn Drive: continue straight on Sutton Road for 0.7 miles and go straight across Highway 431. From the intersection go 1.6 miles and turn right onto Old 431. The ballfields are on the right.

Miles	Turn	Description	Leg
0.0	<b>Southeast</b>	on <b>Old Highway 431</b>	1.2
1.2	<b>Left</b>	on <b>Cherry Tree Road</b>	7.5
8.7	<b>Right</b>	at "T" onto <b>New Hope Cedar Point Road</b>	1.1
9.8	<b>Left</b>	on <b>Butler Mill Road</b>	2.5
12.3	<b>Left</b>	on <b>Mill Road</b> (optional rest stop)	2.2
14.5	<b>Right</b>	at "T" onto <b>Jim Tom Hodges Road</b>	0.2
14.7	<b>Straight</b>	across onto <b>Kenamer Cove Circle</b>	2.0
16.7	<b>Left</b>	on <b>Cathedral Caverns Highway</b>	0.9
17.6	<b>Left</b>	on <b>Cavern Cove Road</b>	1.7
19.3	<b>Left</b>	on <b>Cathedral Caverns Road</b>	2.0
21.3	<b>Right</b>	on <b>Babe Wright Road</b>	0.3
21.6	<b>Begin Climb</b>	One mile at 10% average grade	2.3
23.9	<b>Left</b>	on <b>Swearengin Road</b>	0.7
24.6	<b>Rest Stop</b>	Grocery Store on right	-
24.6	<b>Continue</b>	East on <b>Swearengin Road</b>	2.0
26.6	<b>Begin Descent</b>	One mile at 10% average grade	1.6
28.2	<b>Left</b>	on <b>AL-79</b>	1.1
29.3	<b>Left</b>	on <b>CR-114</b>	3.1
32.4	<b>Right</b>	on <b>US-72</b> shoulder	1.0
33.4	<b>Rest Stop</b>	convenience store on left	-
33.4	<b>Left</b>	Northwest on <b>AL-79</b>	0.1
33.5	<b>Option</b>	One mile lakeside out-and-back (Left on <b>Porter Road</b> )	-

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33.5	<b>Continue</b>	Northwest on <b>AL-79</b>	2.4
35.9	<b>Left</b>	on <b>CR-23</b>	1.0
36.9	<b>Sharp Right</b>	on <b>Sauty Bottom Road</b> (no sign)	2.2
39.1	<b>Straight</b>	across onto <b>CR-17</b>	0.8
39.9	<b>Begin Climb</b>	Three miles at 5% average grade	4.1
44.0	<b>Left</b>	on <b>CR-15</b>	1.1
45.1	<b>Rest Stop</b>	convenient store on left	-
45.1	<b>Left</b>	West on <b>CR-8</b>	8.5
53.6	<b>Begin Descent</b>	Two miles at 8% average grade	4.0
57.6	<b>Left</b>	across railroad tracks onto <b>CR-63</b>	0.2
57.8	<b>Left</b>	on <b>AL-35</b>	-
57.8	<b>Rest Stop</b>	at convenience store on right	-
57.8	<b>Return</b>	South on <b>AL-35</b>	-
57.8	<b>Left-Right</b>	onto <b>CR-63 / Grant Highway</b>	1.2
59.0	<b>Right</b>	on <b>US-72</b> merge lane	0.1
59.1	<b>Left</b>	on <b>CR-63 / Old Grant Road</b>	0.2
59.3	<b>Bear Left</b>	on <b>CR-108 / Jim Tom Hodges Road</b>	1.2
60.5	<b>Right</b>	on <b>Mill Road</b>	2.2
62.7	<b>Right</b>	on <b>Butler Mill Road</b> (optional rest stop)	2.5
65.2	<b>Right</b>	at "T" onto <b>New Hope Cedar Point Road</b>	1.1
66.3	<b>Left</b>	on <b>Cherry Tree Road</b>	7.5
73.8	<b>Right</b>	on <b>Old Highway 431</b>	1.2
75.0	<b>Finish</b>	at <b>Cove Park ballfields</b>	-