

Mountain Birdwatch 2.0

Route 127: Chocorua, NH

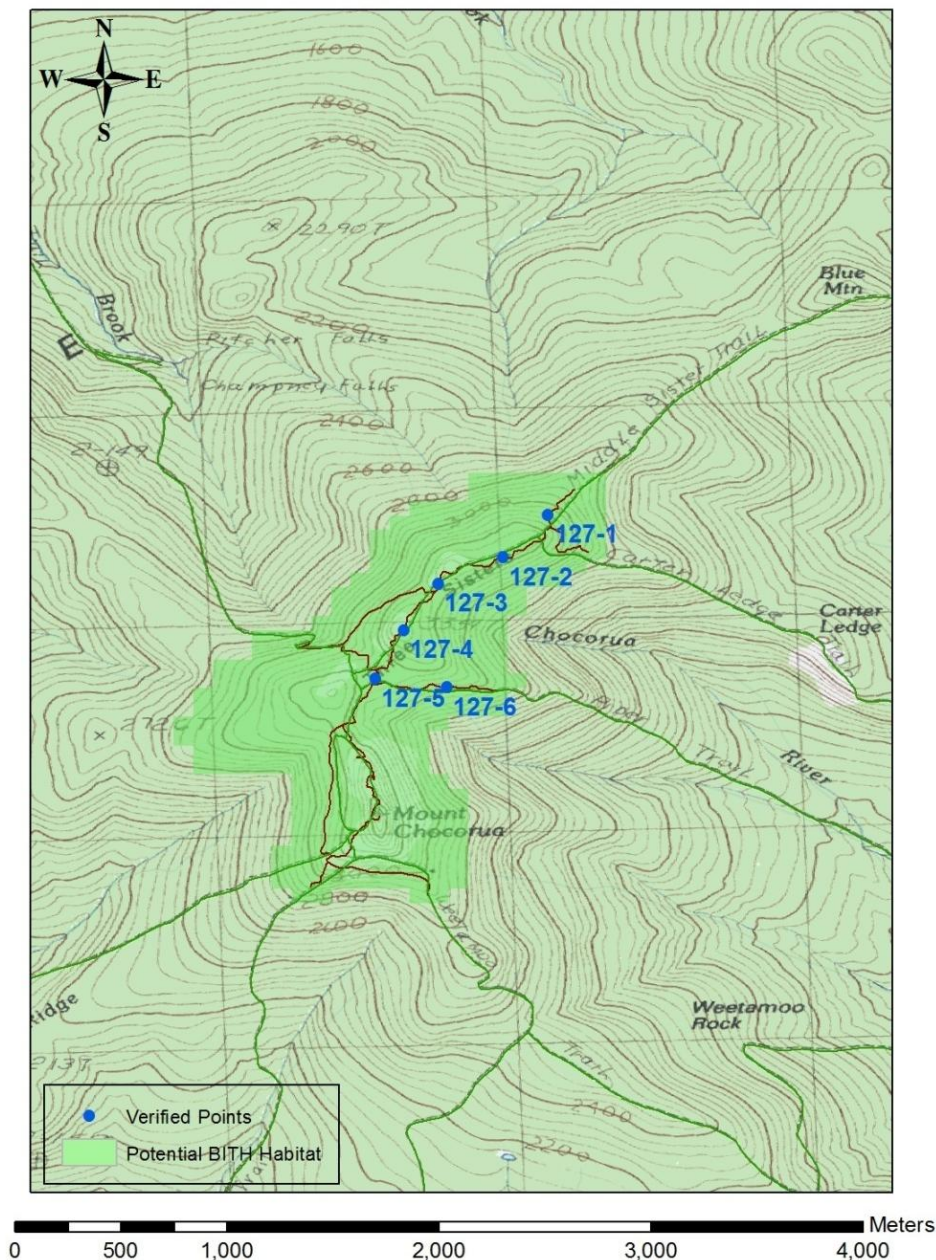
Hike Duration/Difficulty: 4 hours: 4.7 miles of strenuous difficulty. Take Liberty trail to the Liberty Cabin ~3.6 mi from the parking area. Liberty Cabin is a shelter with bunks and room for 2 tents on the site. Camping is only permitted at Liberty Cabin or Camp Penacook. Signs mark a good water source behind Liberty Cabin. Follow the signs for Middle Sister Trail. Point 1 is on Middle Sister Trail, 25 m S from Carter ledge junction. Points 2-5 are S of Point 1 along Middle sister trail. (you will pass points 2-5 on your way to point 1 if coming from Liberty Cabin). Point 6 is on Piper Tr. The hike to point one is ~1.5 miles from Liberty Cabin (~4.7 miles total from the parking lot to point 1). The hike to the cabin is fairly strenuous but with moderate grades.





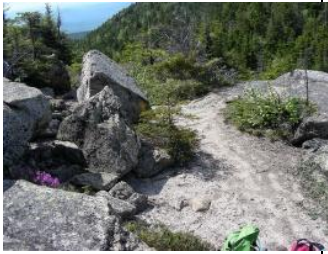



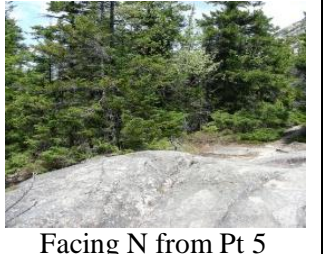
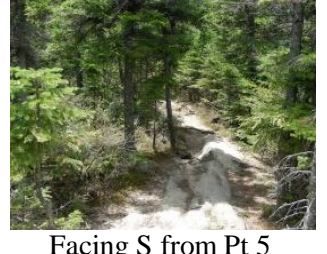


Beyond the cabin, the trail gets difficult, crossing over large steep slabs of rock.

Route/Trail Access: Take Chocorua Lake Rd off of Route 16. Bear Right onto Mill Rd. Bear right again onto Paugus Rd. The road turns into Chocorua mtn road. Follow the signs for the trail and park in the designated parking lot. The lot will be marked with signs for Chocorua mountain and Liberty Trail. The parking has a self registration stand and the fee is \$3.00/day. Take Liberty Trail towards Liberty Cabin

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Pt #	Picture 1	Picture 2	GPS ¹	Description
1	 Facing E from Pt 1	 Facing W from Pt 1	N 43.96716 W 71.26613 Elev(m) 950	Trail sign for Carter ledge and middle sister summit ~25m S of point. After moderately steep incline and 2 flat curving stones ~ 5m in length terminating at a boulder .8m tall on NW corner of a sharp turn to the W. Point is 3 m past boulder where another incline begins.
2	 Facing E from Pt 2	 Facing W from Pt 2	N 43.96535 W 71.26807 Elev(m) 986	Solar powered antenna is ~150m SW of point (on trail). 200m S of sign for middle sister summit and carter ledge. Point just before incline of rock. Point is ahead of dirt trail (where it meets rock) strange snag on SW side of trail with three branches. A fallen log across trail just after point.
3	 Facing S from Pt 3	 Facing E from Pt 3	N 43.96424 W 71.27080 Elev(m) 988	50 m. N of trail sign for Champney Falls. 95m S from antenna enclosed in stone structure point is on rock vista with rock outcropping on E side and view is on W. S on trail, just ahead of point is yellow trail marker painted on the side of ~1.2m high rock (paint on N side of rock)
4	 Facing E from Pt 4	 Facing W from Pt 4	N 43.96226 W 71.27225 Elev(m) 998	Point is 20m SW of edge of flat rock about 15m long. You can see the antenna tower 250 m to the NE of point. On NW side of trail, a long rock ridge ~1.5m high and ~30m long separates you from the vista. SW of the point, (~2.5m) two rocks about 1 m total break up through the middle of the path
5	 Facing N from Pt 5	 Facing S from Pt 5	N 43.9602 W 71.27348 Elev(m) 966	~45m SW from middle sister and champney falls sign. Trail opens up to flat rock ~10m side. Island of 2 spruce trees 10m N of point. Point is where trail begins to narrow east of a dead fir tree ~3m high. ~25 m N of sign for piper trail and chamney brook trail
6	 Facing E from Pt 6	 Facing W from Pt 6	N 43.95983 W 71.27044 Elev(m) 945	Point is 50 m E of 10m tall rock face on N side of trail. Trail has "staircase" rocks down along the rock face. Dead stump 1 m high, 3 m W of point. Its root runs across the trail. Another smaller stump .1m high on S side of trail 1 m from point. Rocks ~ .5 high on N side of trail at point.

Please survey this route in order, beginning with point 1.

¹ Note that waypoint locations are provided in decimal degrees.

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