Access Points
Northern Portion

Windmill Ridge Nature Reserve and Trail

Windham County, Vt.

   - In the village of Grafton, turn south off Main St onto Kidder Hill Rd (just west of the intersection of Rtes 121 and 35) and drive 0.8 mi up to the trailhead, which is on the right.

2. Ledge Rd Trailhead (758 Ledge Rd), Grafton, Vt.
   - From Cambridgeport, follow Rtes 121/35 west 0.5 mi and turn left onto Ledge Rd. Parking is 1.0 mi up this road on the left; kiosk is on right (the last 0.5 mi may be rough, and is not plowed in winter).

3. Rte 35 Trailhead (30 Route 35), Athens, Vt.
   - From Cambridgeport, follow Rte 35 south 0.5 mi. Parking is on right, across from Sleepy Valley Rd.

   - From Saxtons River, follow Westminster West Rd south for 2.4 mi and turn right onto Bemis Hill Rd. Trailhead is 1.5 mi up this road on right.
   - From the school in Westminster West, follow Westminster West Rd north 3.05 mi and turn left onto Bemis Hill Rd. Trailhead is 1.5 mi up this road on right.

5. Athens Access Trailhead (37 Valley Cemetery Rd), Athens, Vt.
   - From Cambridgeport, follow Rte 35 south 1.3 mi and bear left onto Brookline Rd. Continue 1.75 mi and turn left onto Valley Cemetery Rd. The trailhead is 0.4 mi up this road on the left.
   - From Rte 30 north of Newfane village at the sign for Brookline, follow Radway Hill Rd, which becomes Grassy Brook Rd at the West River bridge, soon turns left, eventually becomes unpaved, and becomes Brookline Rd at the Athens town line, 8.1 mi to Valley Cemetery Rd and turn right. The trailhead is 1.1 mi down this road on the right.

   - From Saxtons River, follow Westminster West Rd south for 5.8 mi to the center of Westminster West and bear right onto West Rd at the church. Follow West Rd 0.55 mi to Old Athens Rd and turn right. In 1.3 mi, Old Athens Rd turns sharply left and becomes rough. The trailhead is 0.7 mi farther on the left.
   - From the center of Putney village, follow Kimball Hill/Westminster Rd (which becomes Westminster West Rd) for 6.9 mi to the center of Westminster West and turn sharply left at the church onto West Rd. Follow directions above.

   - From Saxtons River, follow Westminster West Rd south for 5.8 mi to the center of Westminster West and bear right onto West Rd at the church. Follow West Rd 0.95 mi to Windmill Hill Rd North and turn right. The trailhead is 1.0 mi up this road on the right.
   - From the center of Putney village, follow Kimball Hill/Westminster Rd (which becomes Westminster West Rd) 8.9 mi to the center of Westminster West and turn sharply left at the church onto West Rd. Follow directions above.

8. Radford Smith Trailhead (1200 Grassy Brook Rd), Brookline, Vt.
   - From Rte 30 north of Newfane village, at the sign for Brookline, follow Radway Hill Rd, which becomes Grassy Brook Rd at the West River bridge and soon turns left, 6.4 mi to the trailhead on the right. This is 1.1 mi after the pavement ends.

For access points in the southern portion of the Windmill Hill Nature Reserve and Trail (those managed by the Putney Mountain Association), see the Southern Portion map on the reserve side.