

HIKING

CARIBOU TRAIL - MUD BROOK TRAIL



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The Caribou Trail and Mud Brook Trail leave from a common trailhead parking area on Route #113 between Hasting Campground and the Basin Recreation Area. To reach the trailhead, travel 4.5 miles south on Route 113 from Route 2 in Gilead, Maine, or 21.5 miles north on Route 113 from Fryeburg, Maine.

Both trails use parts of old logging roads to lead hikers through land that has a rich history as farmland and timber land. Hikers will pass over parcels of land that are currently managed for diverse wildlife habitat, timber production, water quality protection, and recreation. Both trails also travel through part of the Caribou-Speckled Mountain Wilderness, which was designated by Congress in 1990 to be preserved for future generations. The Wilderness is managed to protect this special place from disturbance by humans. Hikers will notice narrower trails and fewer signs within the Wilderness.

CARIBOU TRAIL

TRAIL BEGINNING: Trailhead parking area on Route 113. 1100' elevation.
TRAIL ENDING: 2450 ft. elev. Trail ends at the Bog Road in Mason Township, Maine.

LENGTH: 6.3 miles

AVERAGE TIME: 4.5 hours

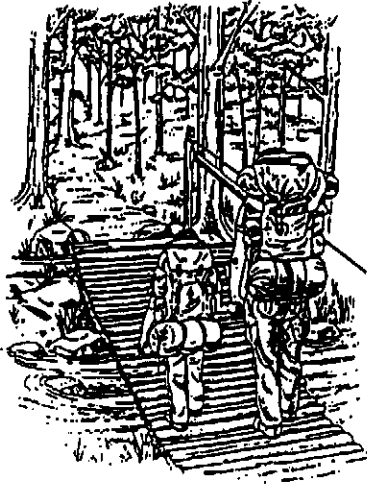
NARRATIVE: The Caribou Trail is a relaxing and scenic hike. It passes through a northern hardwood forest as it follows Morrison Brook, which treats hikers to several waterfalls, including the spectacular 25 foot Kees Falls. The trail crosses Morrison Brook several times before climbing over the col into the Bog Brook basin and ending at the Bog Road.

Caribou Trail Mileages

Parking Area, Rte. 113	0 miles
Gradual Climb	first 1.5 miles
Kees Falls	2.1 miles
Caribou/Mud Brook Trail Junction	3.1 miles
Bog Road	5.7 miles
Caribou Summit Via Caribou Trail	3.7 miles



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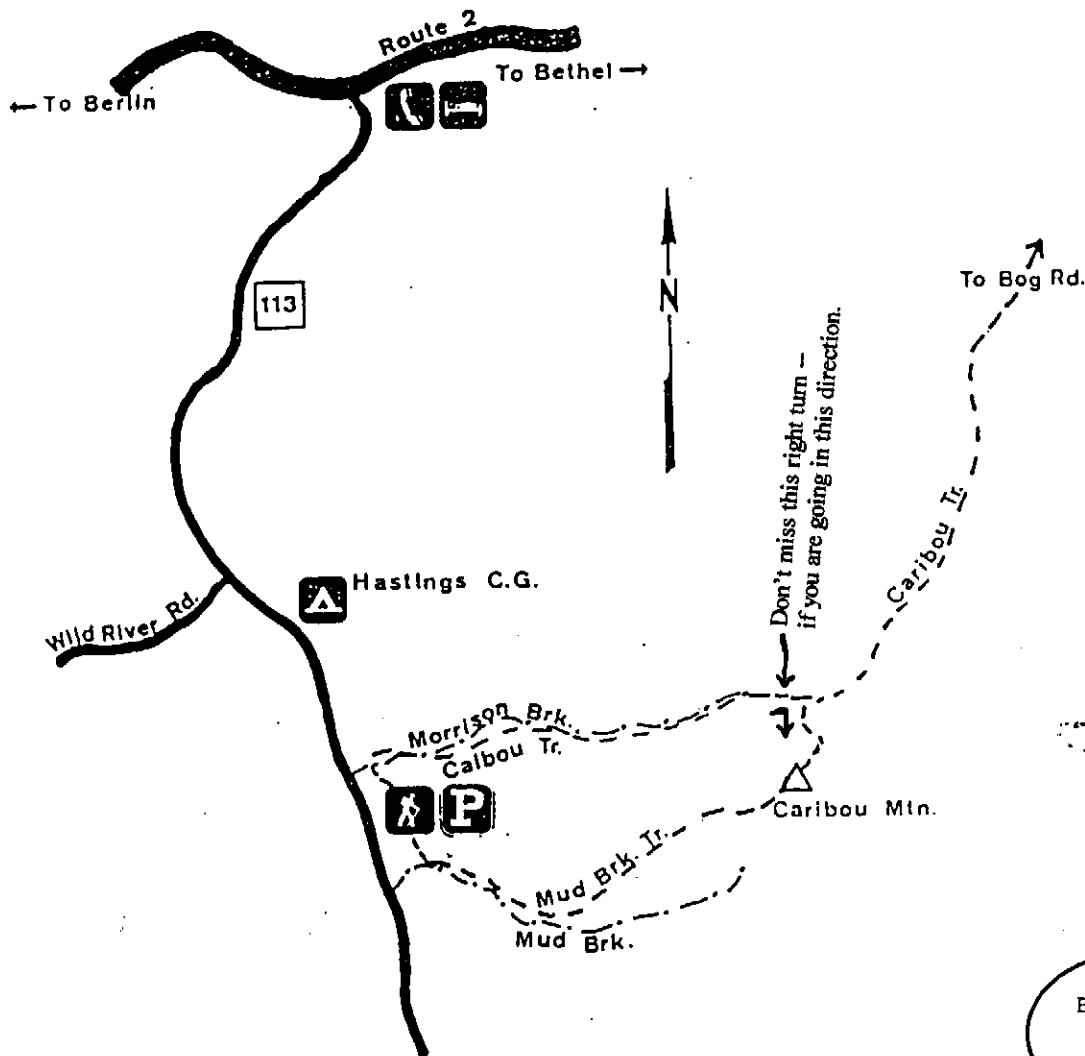


Handy Guide/References

1) AMC White Mountain Guide (complete with maps). Published by the Appalachian Mountain Club, 5 Joy Street, Boston, MA 02108.

2) AMC Carter-Mahoosuc Map (#7).

While in the White Mountains, both may be obtained at the AMC Pinkham Notch Camp, Route #16, Gorham, NH 03581, or at most book stores.



Be kind, be smart, to man & earth —
 Get OFF the trail.
 Dig a hole. (6" deep)
 Bury your waste.
 Pack out your toilet paper.