

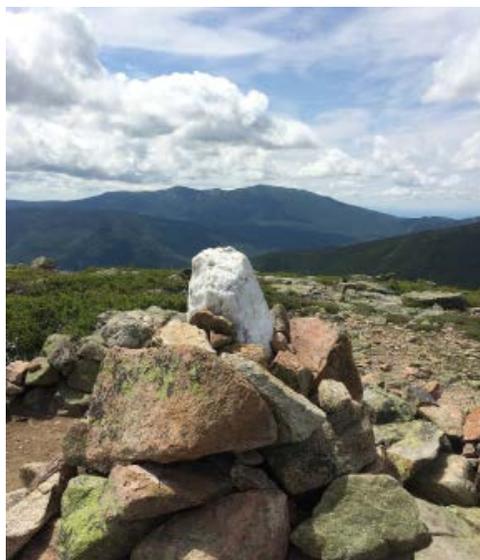
Views of the Valley - 5 Best Hikes of the Week



Short and Sweet

Cave Mountain

Just 0.7 miles (one-way) from the trailhead in Bartlett lies the summit of this small 1439' mountain, with an amazing cave at the top to explore! Take the road directly across from Bear Notch Road in Bartlett to the trailhead (right side of the road) for this hike. Take the MT Langdon trail 0.3 miles to where the trail for Cave Mountain splits off for another 0.4 miles to the cave. Have fun exploring!



4,000 Footer

Mount Bond

Not the most quickly accessed 4,000 footer, but it is worth the trek! From Lincoln Woods on the other side of the Kancamagus Scenic byway, spend about 4.5 miles walking along the East Branch of the Pemigewasset River on the Lincoln Woods and Bondcliff Trails, before turning up to begin the long climb up to Bondcliff. Bondcliff, another 4,000 footer, boasts a stunning rock outcropping that may be one of the most spectacular views in the Whites. From there is another 1.2 miles to the summit of Mount Bond. This is a VERY long hike, but may be turned into a two-day adventure by spending the night at the nearby Guyot Shelter with the proper gear. Good luck!



Off The Beaten Path

Cranmore Mountain

Ever hiked down to a mountain top? This might be one of the few opportunities to do so. From the Black Cap trailhead at the top of Hurricane Mountain Road, begin your stroll towards Black Cap, then turn right onto the Cranmore Trail at the first intersection, from here the trail proceeds down to the summit of Mount Cranmore, with fantastic views out over Conway. Warning, you will have to hike UP from the summit to return to your car!



Waterfalls

Champney Falls

This a stunning set of falls (and a very cool gorge!) located 1.8 miles (one-way) up the Champney Falls trail on the Kancamagus Scenic Byway. For a short excursion, hike up to the falls and back, or continue up the trail to Mount Chocorua for a full-day hiking expedition!



Kid Friendly

Moat Mountain Mineral Site

Ever wanted to dig up gems and crystals from the ground? Well, here's your chance! The White Mountain National Forest has a designated mineral collection site where smoky quartz are abundant! From West Side Road in Conway, turn on to Passaconaway Road and then right onto High St. Follow High St to the trailhead. From there it is .9 miles (one-way) to the mineral site. Good luck, and get digging!

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Helpful Resources

White Mountain National Forest:

www.fs.usda.gov/whitemountain

NH State Parks:

www.nhstateparks.org

Leave No Trace:

www.lnt.org

Hike Safe:

www.hikesafe.com

MWOBS Higher Summit Forecast

www.mountwashington.org



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