

Views of the Valley - 5 Best Hikes of the Week



Short and Sweet

Madison Boulder

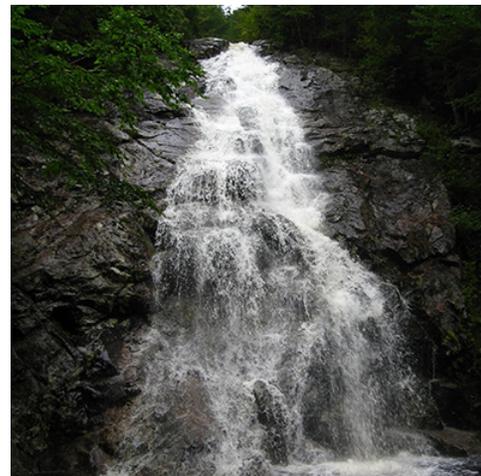
If you're looking for a short stroll in the fresh air, and think it might be interesting to set your eyes on the area's largest glacial erratic, look no farther than the Madison Boulder! This geological phenomenon is gigantesque enough to make your jaw drop! Follow the sign for Madison Boulder from Route 113 in Madison (turn onto 113 from Route 16 in Albany, just south of Conway Village).



Off The Beaten Path

Imp Face

The Imp Face gets its name from the shape of the rock outcropping that sits in the middle of this loop hike. A 6.3 mile loop (plus a couple tenths of a mile on the road to return to your car), or a 4.4 mile 'out-and-back' (one half of the circle) brings you to the top of this cliff (the Imp's Face) with stunning views! The trailheads are on Route 16 just south of Dolly Copp Campground.



Waterfalls

Nancy Cascades

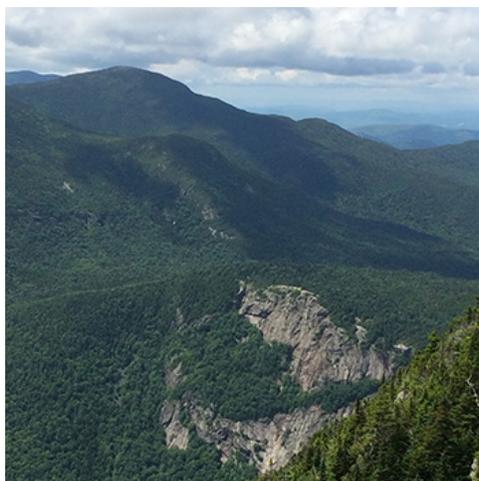
It is a bit of a hike in to reach the beauty of Nancy Cascades, but uncovering this White Mountain treasure is well worth the walk! 2.4 miles (one way) with about 2,200' of elevation gain along the Nancy Pond Trail brings you to this thunderous cascade. The Nancy Pond Trailhead is on Route 302 about five miles west of Bartlett Village.



4,000 Footer

Mount Pierce

About three and a half miles along the Crawford Path (the nation's oldest continually maintained hiking trail!) from the AMC Highland Center in Crawford Notch lies the summit of Mount Pierce. Mount Pierce sits on the Appalachian Trail and boasts stunning views of the Southern Presidential Range. New to 4,000 footers? Mount Pierce is often suggested as a good one to start your list with. Mount Eisenhower as seen from Mount Pierce.



Kid Friendly

Mount Willard

A 3.2 mile round trip hike from the AMC Highland Center in Crawford Notch brings you to the summit of Mount Willard. The Mt Willard Trail branches off of the Avalon Trail early on and brings you to views of Crawford Notch over Webster Cliffs that are among the best view:effort ratio in the White Mountains. A perfect hike to enjoy a nice day, and that likely falls within the ability of the kiddos! Willard Cliffs as seen from Mount Webster.

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Helpful Resources

White Mountain National Forest:

www.fs.usda.gov/whitemountain

NH State Parks:

www.nhstateparks.org

Leave No Trace:

[Int.org](http://www.lnt.org)

Hike Safe:

www.hikesafe.com

MWOBS Higher Summit Forecast

www.mountwashington.org



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