

# The Appalachian Trail in New Hampshire and Maine Pinkham Notch, NH, to Grafton Notch, ME



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## Pinkham Notch, NH, to Grafton Notch, ME

August 10: Pinkham Notch to Carter Notch Hut

August 11: Carter Notch Hut to Gorham

August 12: Zero Day in Gorham

August 13: Gorham to Trident Col Tentsite

August 14: Trident Col Tentsite to Carlo Col Shelter

August 15: Carlo Col Shelter to Speck Pond Shelter

August 16: Speck Pond Shelter to Grafton Notch

Pinkham Notch to Carter Notch Hut

August 10

5.9 Miles



Lost Pond in Pinkham Notch



Mt. Washington over Lost Pond



Mt. Washington over Lost Pond



Looking down the trail up Wildcat Ridge



Mt. Washington from Wildcat Ridge



Mt. Washington from Wildcat Ridge



Pinkham Notch



The trail up Wildcat Ridge



Mt. Washington



Mt. Washington



Mt. Madison and Osgood Ridge



A sideways white blaze (turn left)



Wooden steps attached to the rock face



Mt. Washington



Mt. Madison



Looking back down the trail up Wildcat Ridge



The view south from Wildcat Ridge



Mt. Washington



Lichen



Mt. Washington



Mt. Madison



Mt. Washington



The muddy, overgrown trail on Wildcat Ridge



Mushroom



Carter Notch from Wildcat Ridge



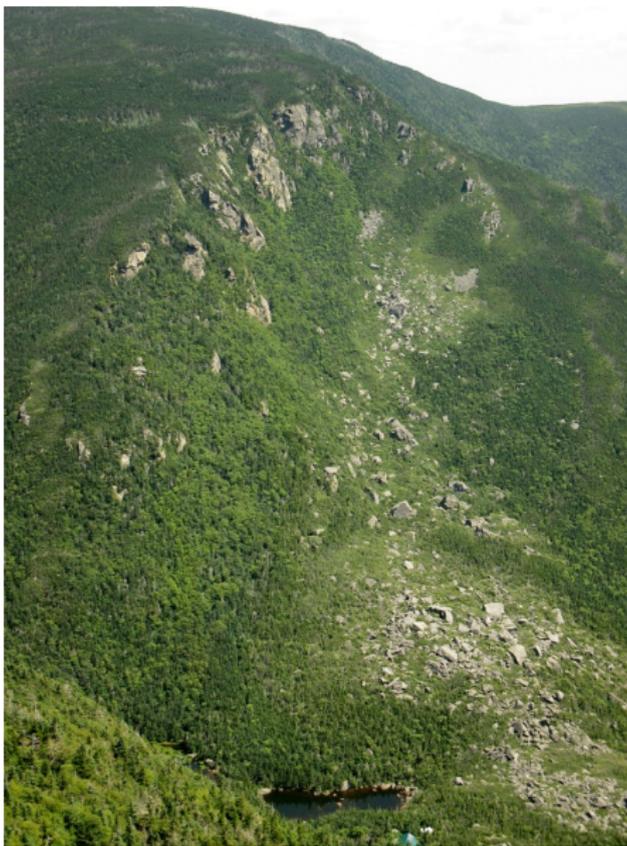
Carter Dome



Mt. Hight



Carter Notch Hut



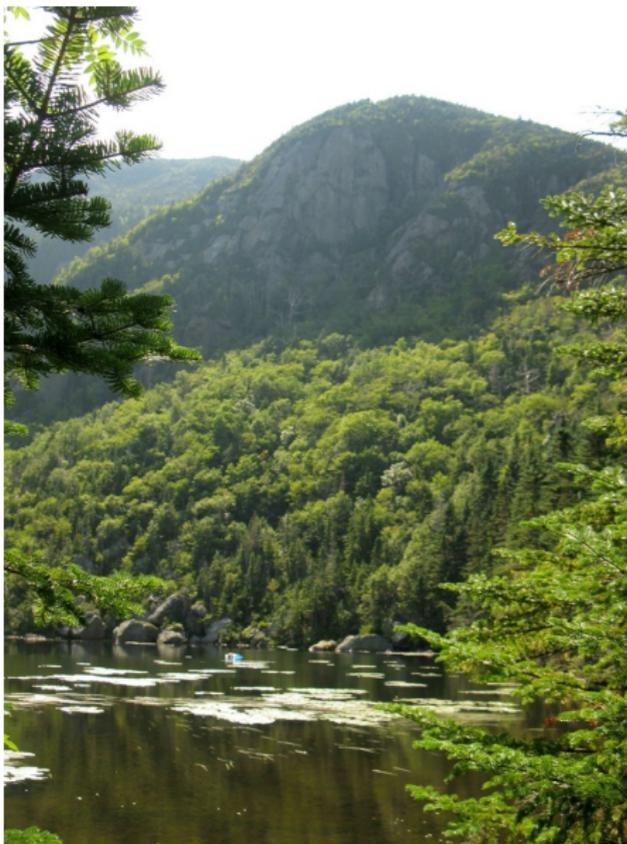
Carter Dome



The trail down Wildcat Ridge



Carter Lakes



Carter Lakes and Wildcat Mountain



Carter Lakes



Carter Notch Hut



The kitchen



The diningroom

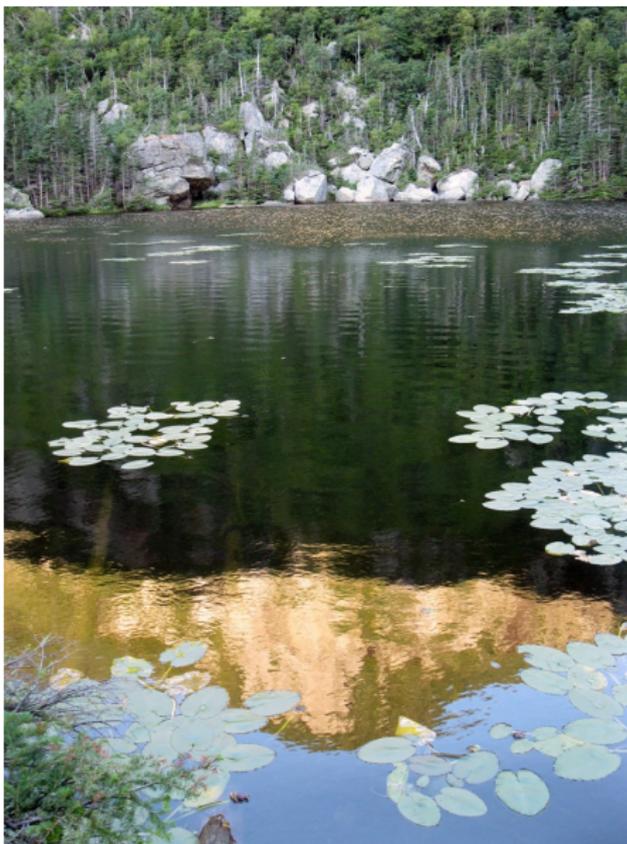


Outside Carter Notch Hut

Carter Notch Hut to Gorham

August 11

15.2 Miles



Carter Lakes



Wildcat Mountain



The view south from the trail up Carter Dome



Looking back at Carter Notch Hut



The view north from Carter Dome



The view north from Carter Dome



The view north from Carter Dome



Mt. Madison from Carter Dome



The view southeast from Carter Dome



Mt. Hight



Mt. Madison



Flower



Mt. Washington



The Presidential Range



The view south from Mt. Hight



The view south from Mt. Hight



The view north from Mt. Hight



Carter Mountain



The Presidential Range



The view north from Mt. Hight



A bog along side the trail



A bog bridge



Mt. Washington



The dense hemlock forest



The view north from Carter Mountain



The Presidential Range



Middle Carter Mountain



A bog bridge on Carter Mountain



Flower



The view north from Carter Mountain



A very steep descent from North Carter Mountain



The view north from North Carter Mountain



The view north from North Carter Mountain

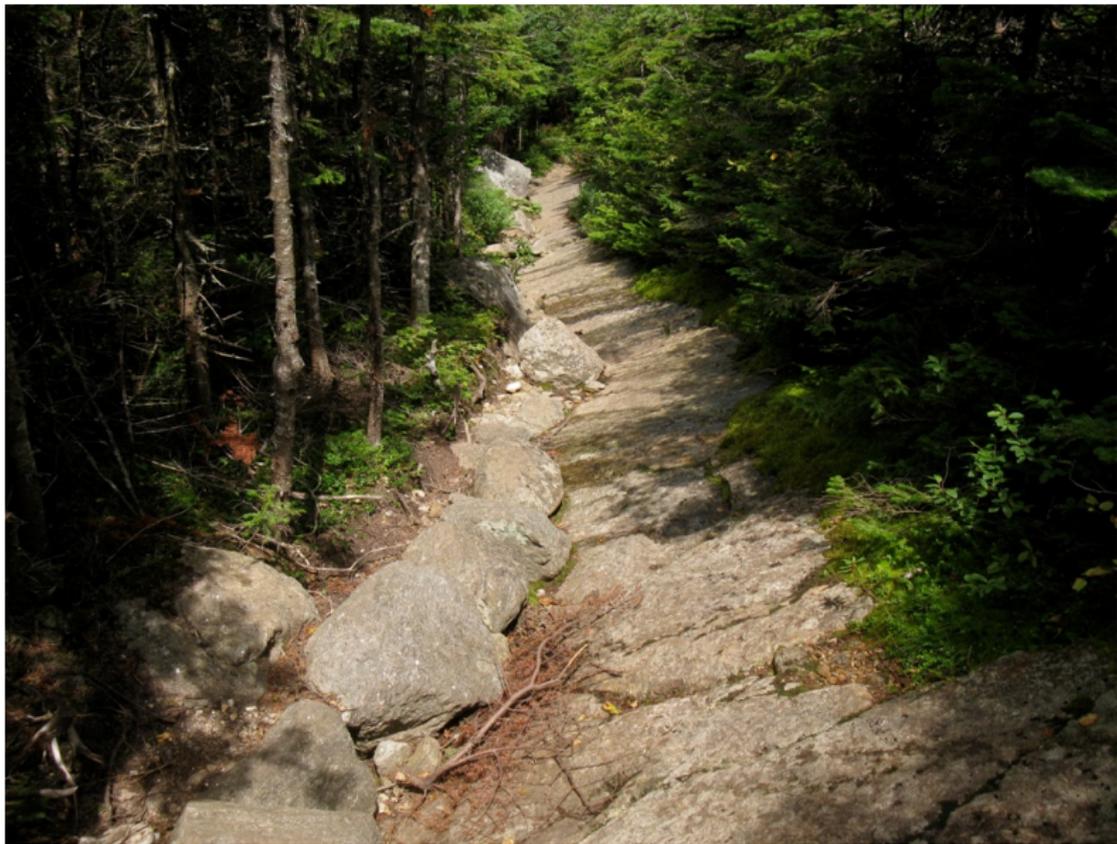




Looking back up the trail down Carter Mountain



Bunchberries



The trail near Imp Shelter



Gorham, NH



The Presidential Range



Mt. Moriah



Mt. Moriah



The view north from Mt. Moriah



The trail along the Rattle River

Zero Day in Gorham

August 12

0.0 Miles

Gorham to Trident Col Tentsite

August 13

6.9 Miles



Heading north from Gorham



The Androscoggin River



An Appalachian Trail benchmark



The summit of Mt. Hayes



Berry



An interesting tree



Looking back at Carter Dome



The view east from Cascade Mountain



Berry



An interesting plant



Tentsite at Trident Col

Trident Col Tentsite to Carlo Col Shelter

August 14

10.9 Miles



Morning fog in the valley



Page Pond



Page Pond



A rare stretch of sidehill





Stone steps



Mt. Success



Resting on Mt. Success



Looking south from Mt. Success



A bog on Mt. Success



Looking north from the summit



The summit of Mt. Success



The trail on Mt. Success



Newly built stone steps



A rugged stretch of trail



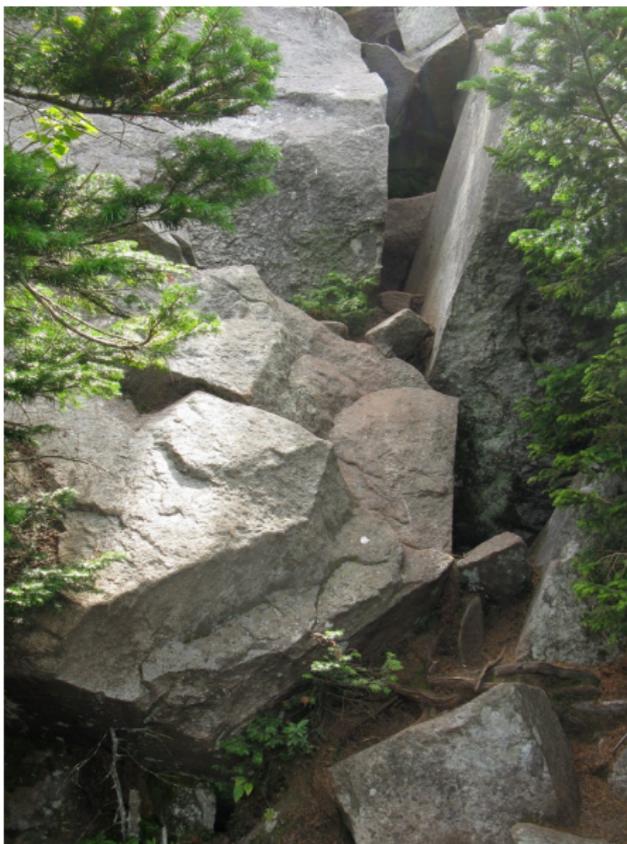
Boulders and ladders on the trail



Leaving New Hampshire and entering Maine



Bedrock and the thin topsoil



Looking back up the trail into Carlo Col



The descent into Carlo Col



An arc passing through the sun



Carlo Col Shelter



An arc around the sun



The interior of Carlo Col Shelter



The arc around the sun



The arc passing through the sun



The intersection of the two arcs



Flower

Carlo Col Shelter to Speck Pond Shelter

August 15

9.5 Miles



The Presidential Range from Goose Eye Mountain

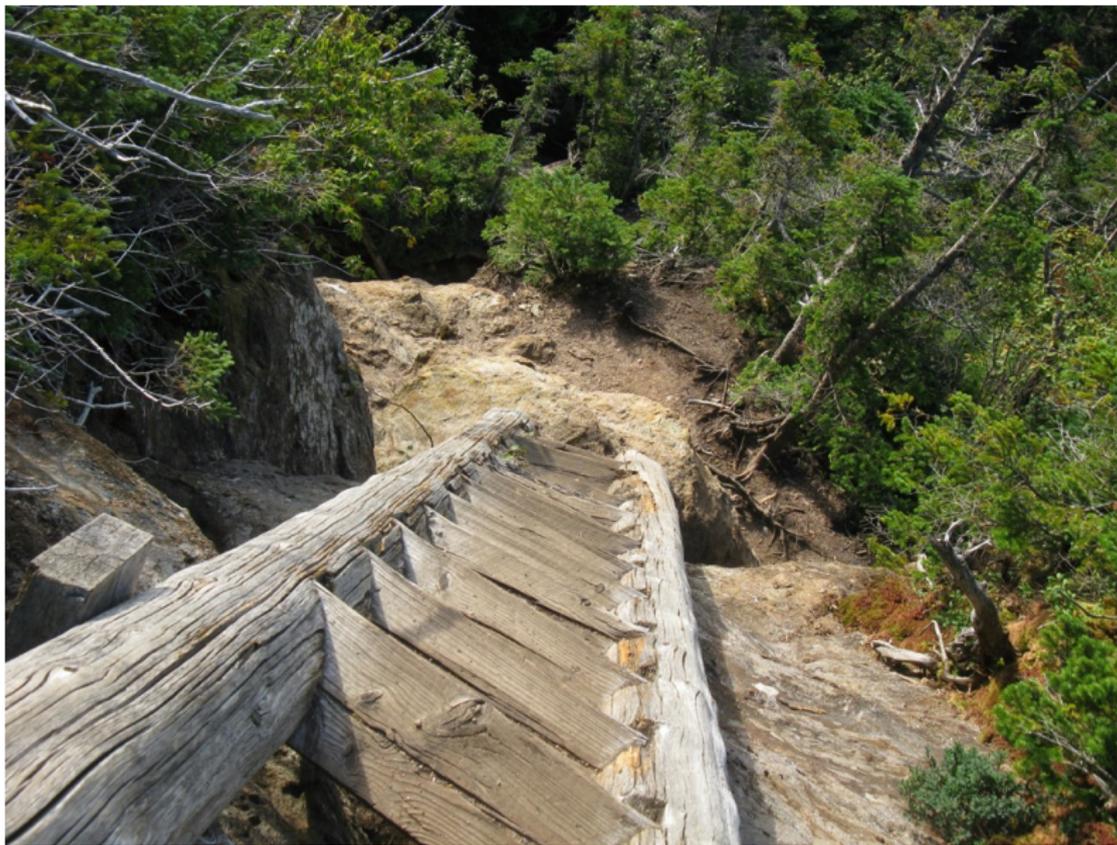




Mt. Washington



A steep climb on Goose Eye Mountain



Looking back down



Mahoosuc Notch



A deeply eroded trail



East Peak of Goose Eye Mountain



Fulling Mill Mountain



A steep descent over boards and steps





Iron rung steps up a rock face



The trail through a moss-covered forest



Mud everywhere



Fulling Mill Mountain



Ladders on Fulling Mill Mountain



Entering Mahoosuc Notch



The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



Cliffs on the north side of the notch



Cliffs on the south side of the notch



The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



The trail through Mahoosuc Notch (see arrow)



The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



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The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



Bunchberry blossoms



The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



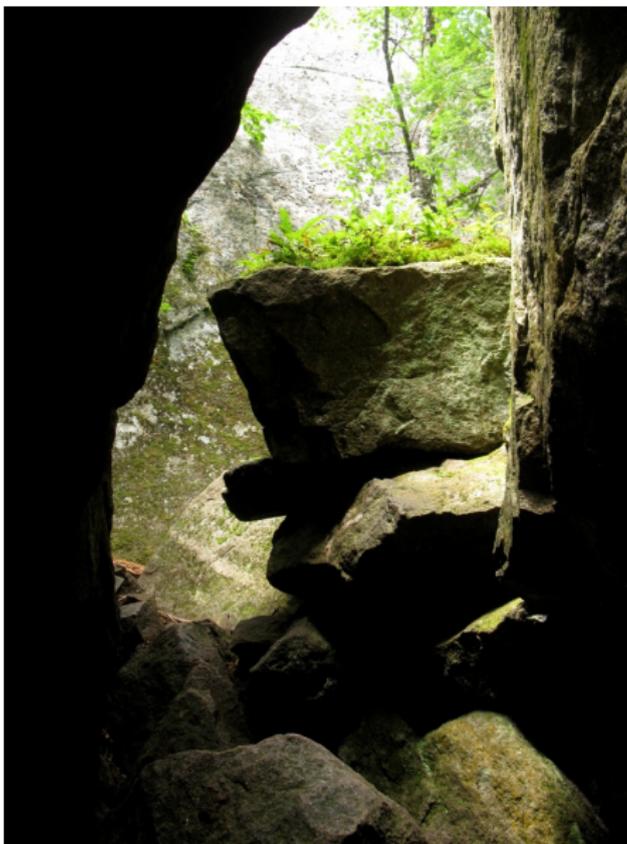
Flower



The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



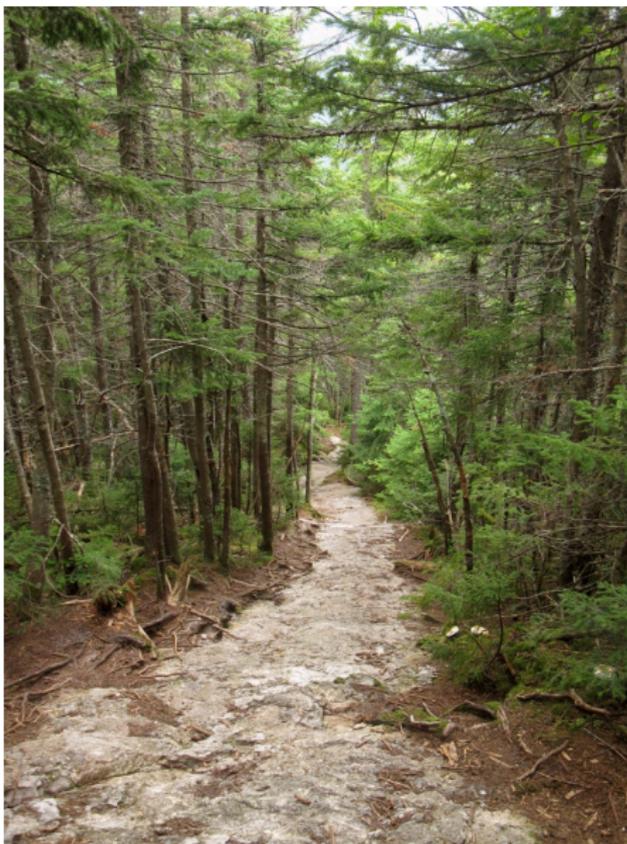
The trail through Mahoosuc Notch



A small pond in the notch



A very old trail marker



The “stone sidewalk” up Mahoosuc Arm



Looking back at Mahoosuc Notch



Old Speck Mountain



One of many signs about the alpine zone



Speck Pond



Speck Pond



Speck Pond



Speck Pond Shelter





Speck Pond



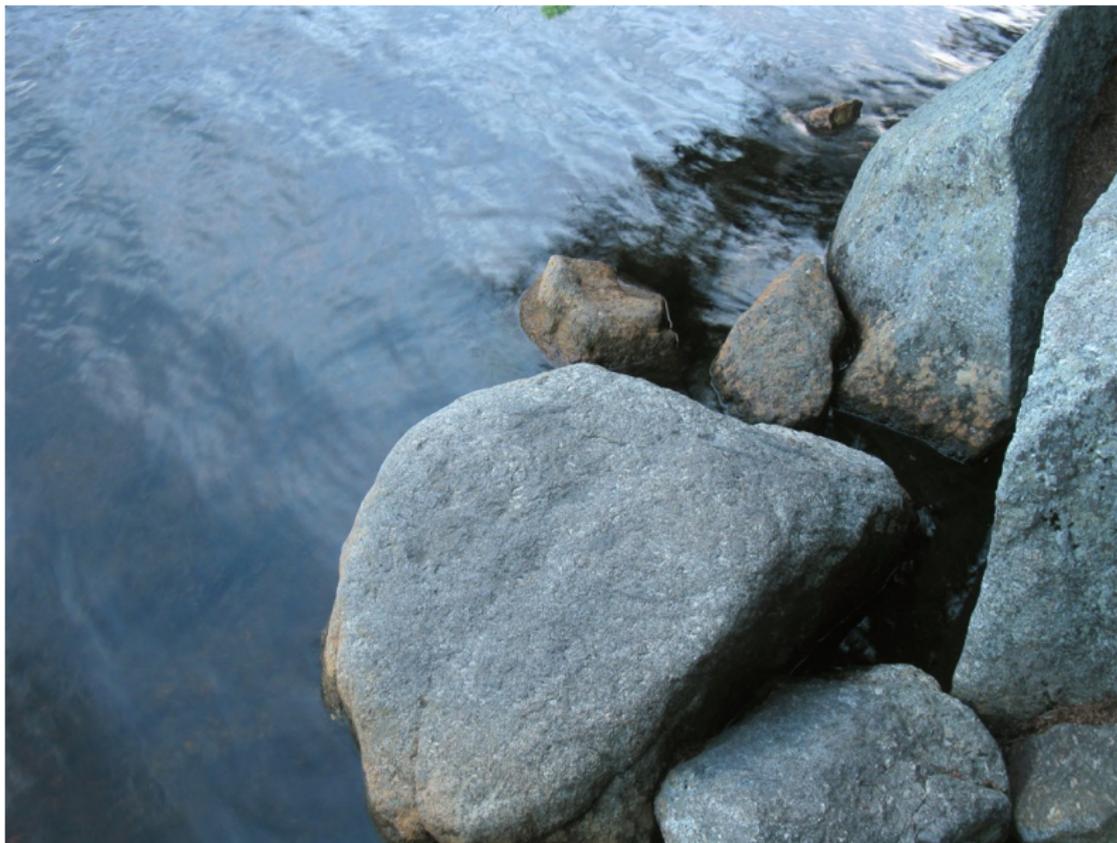
Speck Pond



Speck Pond at sunset



Speck Pond at sunset



Rocks on the shore



Speck Pond at sunset



# Speck Pond Shelter to Grafton Notch

August 16

4.6 Miles





The trail up Old Speck Mountain



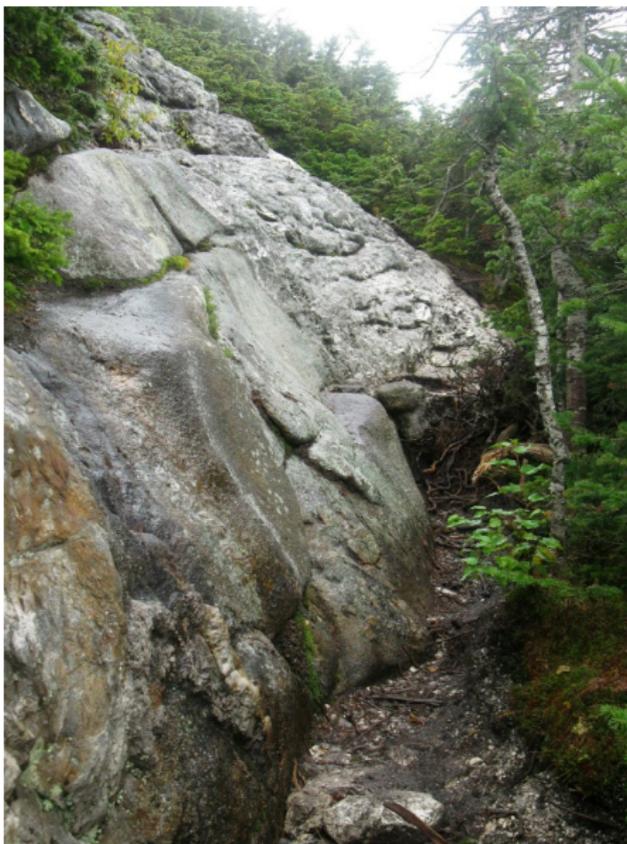
Mossy ground cover



A dewy spider web



The trail up Old Speck Mountain



The trail up Old Speck Mountain



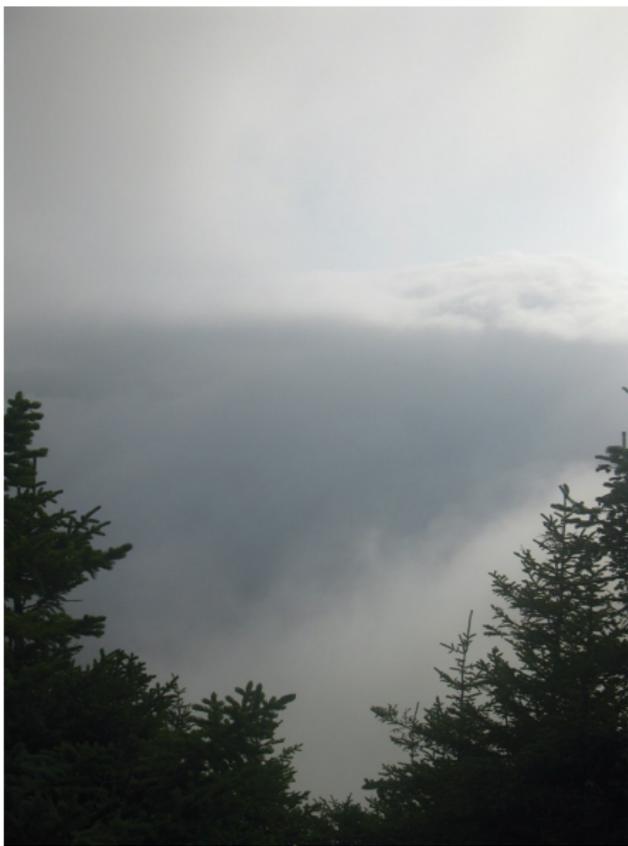
The firetower on top of Old Speck Mountain



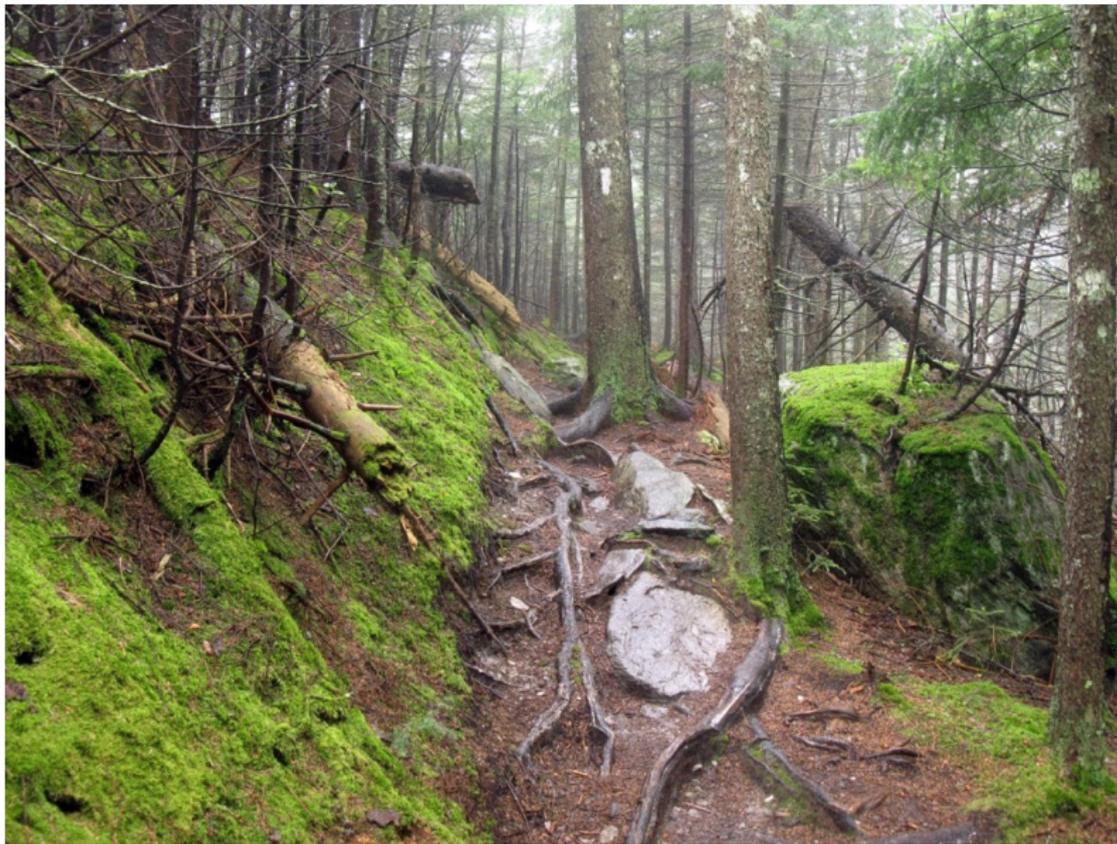
The summit of Old Speck Mountain



The firetower on top of Old Speck Mountain



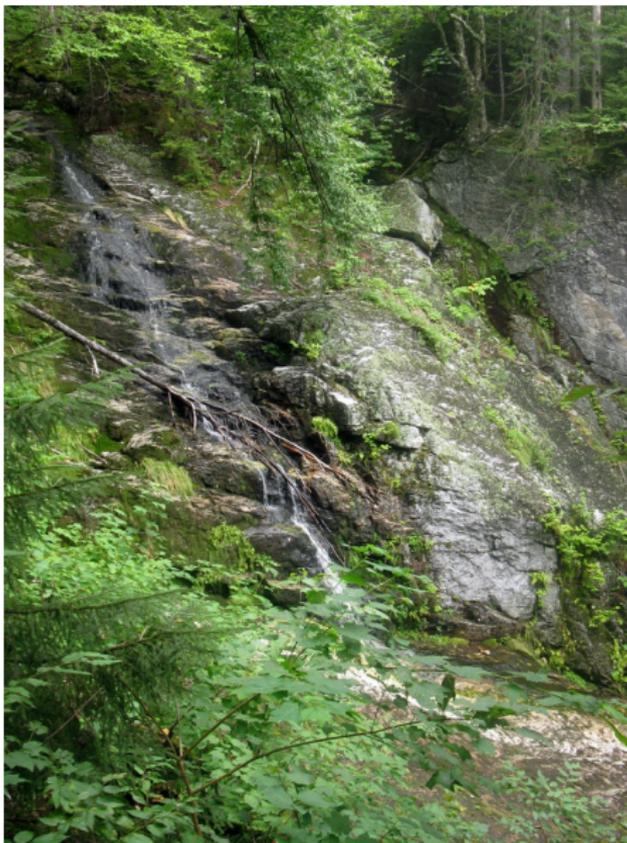
The clouds beginning to break up



The trail down Old Speck Mountain



Falls on Cascade Brook



Falls on Cascade Brook



Trail magic



Campsite at Grafton Notch Campground

The End