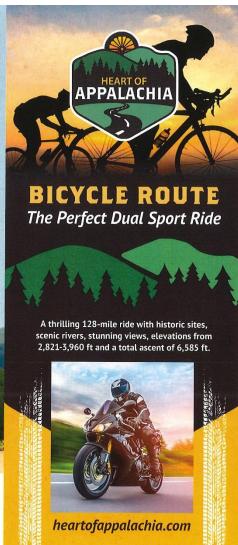


This 128 mile ride with 40 miles side trails treks through backroads, rails to trails, single track, historic sites, natural preserve, wilderness area, a swinging bridge, three scenic rivers, farms, coal country, and gorgeous views in the far southwestern counties of Tazewell, Bland, Russell, and Wise and crosses the Trans-America bike route. It takes secondary roads through some of the most diverse areas and there are several climbs on the route; elevations from 2821 ft. to 3960 ft. with a total ascent of 6585 ft. Cyclists traverse in and out of the Jefferson National Forest. NOTE: The riding surfaces are 80% paved and 20% gravel. The gravel sections are located at Clifton Farm in Russell County and the National Forest in Bland County.



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