

Coyote High Sierra Traverse (Habegggers to Baker Creek Route) - Cue Sheet

Shuttle / Driving Directions:

Shuttle Drop Off in Big Pine: Once you enter Big Pine (heading southbound), make a right on Crocker Rd. Drive up a couple blocks or so, and park where it's legal on the side of the road. We always park near the church.

Once you drop off a vehicle in Big Pine, drive back to Bishop. Go left on West Line St. (Hwy 168). Around 13 miles, go left on South Lake Rd. After 6 miles, you'll reach Bishop Creek Lodge and the Mountain Lodge General Store on your right. This is where we park. Ride up the road about .2 miles, and you'll see a sign "Miller 2325" on the left.

Cues:

** NOTE: we strongly suggest using a GPS track on this ride to accompany this Cue Sheet – please email us (fatbikemammoth@gmail.com) and we'll get you a .gpx file)

(In miles)

0.0 Start at "Miller 2325". Descend driveway/ dirt road.

.14 after crossing bridge, you reach the gate. If open, ride through. If closed, go a few feet to the right and bushwack through. Either way, you wind up back on a dirt road. There is debate as to whether this is private property – but all the guide books state that it's a Forest Service easement. Play dumb. Start riding, It will wind to the left, and turn into doubletrack as you pass the large gray house to your right. Start ascending. This is the Habegggers Jeep Rd. climb.

3.3 Your instincts might tell you to go straight, but you must go LEFT here.

3.55 reach the old broken gate. finally get some relief from climbing. It flattens out here and starts to descend down to the old cabin. Terrain gets a little rockier

3.93 pass the old cabin on right. Get ready for some more climbing, with some more technical features.

4.93 look back at the amazing view before entering the trees

5.64 great spot to stop and admire the views all around – Owens Gorge and White Mountains to the east, High Sierras to the west and north – breathtaking!

6.25- reach highest point of the ride!! Start descending into the open area

6.55 veer left during descent and climb up the hill about 150' – this is a little different the the "traditional" route. Gives you a little more climbing, some great views, and some fast descending.

6.85 reach top of a big open plateau

8.46 veer left and descend fast. There are mini rock gardens all through this descent, so take it easy – it's easy to pop a tire here.

9.08 left at merger, parallels coyote creek on your right- you are now back on the "traditional" route

10.2 go right at merger on 32E303

10.4 go right, cross coyote creek (this is a bail out point – if you go straight here, it'll take you back to Bishop)

12.5 left at junction 32E303

12.8 cross a dry creek
12.9 right on fainter double track 33E303B
13.4 go straight then quick left at 13.5. go past the wooden barricade keeping motos out. After a short while, you'll head right and parallel a barbed fence on your left. An old airstrip lies beyond this fence
14.0 veer right on old jeep rd
14.5 trail ends and you go left through a very faint singletrack/ cow path
14.7 merge with jeep road, go right
14.8 veer right on jeep road
15.8 trail winds left then heads into an open area
16.3 left at T, this takes you down to a wooden barricade
16.4 go past wooden barricade, right at T. descent starts
16.6 veer left here, going on 32E301C
17.0 reach baker cabin. Go past the cabin, straight ahead on your left is faint singletrack. climb up it.
NOTE: there are a few different horse trails here, and it can be a little confusing/ tough to find the trail. Look at your GPS closely. The trail is also marked with cairns.
17.2 cross baker creek, continue on very faint singletrack
17.4 trail is very faint, curves around left, goes straight and then starts climbing up to your right. you'll have to hike-a-bike through portions. The next two miles has you going up techy climbs and descending, steep, sandy, rocky, narrow sections. Stay alert!!
19.7 reach a high point, start descending
22.2 go left trail intersection. You're now on the home stretch heading towards Glacier Lodge
23.1 cross the bridge. There is a left turn shortly after the bridge crossing. This will take you to some singletrack that will pop you out on Glacier Lodge Rd. Or you can continue straight on a fire road that will wrap you around to Big Pine Campground. If you go this way, continue around and eventually ride past some cabins and go left at the bridge that takes you back to Glacier Lodge Rd
Descend Glacier Lodge Rd all the way down to Big Pine. It turns into Crocker Rd.
34.5 arrive at the vehicle we parked in front of the church.