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BAXTER STATE PARK / MOUNT KATAHDIN AREA

Although Baxter State Park is not part of this tour, Tour 5 is close (23 miles) to the northern entrance of the park.

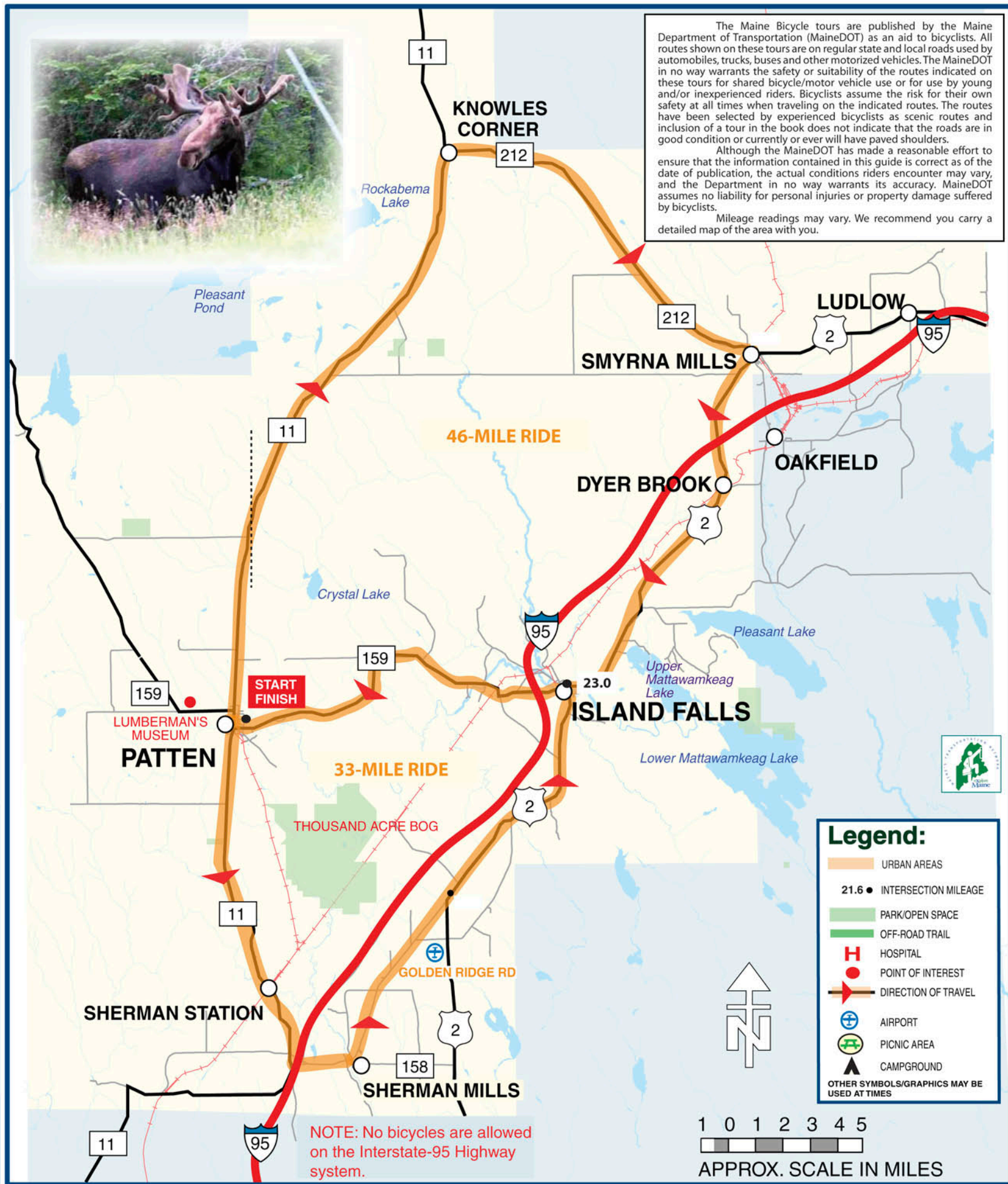
CAUTION: THE PARK LOOP ROAD IS GRAVEL THROUGH THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE PARK. THERE IS CONSIDERABLE TRAFFIC IN THE SUMMER ON THE SOUTHERN HALF. THE ROAD CAN BE DUSTY OR MUDDY DEPENDING ON THE SEASON. BIKING IS NOT ALLOWED IN ANY OTHER PART OF THE PARK. THIS IS A REMOTE WILDERNESS AREA WITH FEW SERVICES AVAILABLE. THEREFORE, PLANNING AHEAD IS VERY IMPORTANT.

TAKE BASIC TOOLS, SPARE PARTS, WARM CLOTHING, FOOD, WATER, ETC. IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO MAKE RESERVATIONS WELL IN ADVANCE IF PLANNING TO CAMP IN THE PARK. SEVERAL COMMERCIAL CAMPGROUNDS ARE AVAILABLE JUST OUTSIDE THE PARK PERIMETER.

See the National/State Park Section.



From Patten Village, take Grand Lake Road to Matagamon Gate checkpoint (approx. 23 miles). There are commercial campgrounds at Island Falls on Pleasant Lake if you are entering the park from this direction. There is another campground at Shin Pond (has a small store) and just outside the Matagamon checkpoint on the East Branch of the Penobscot River.



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