Giant Mountain Wilderness - Hopkins Mountain

Mossy Cascade Trail - The trail extends 3.2 miles and ascends 2,120 feet from the Mossy Cascade Trailhead to the summit. Hikers will need to cross Crystal Brook at the start of the trail. The first mile of this trail is on private land. Stay on the trail and do not trespass onto the adjacent lands.

Ranney Trail - The trail extends 2.7 miles and ascends 2,140 feet from the trailhead to the summit. The trailhead is located at the end of a private lane that is accessed via a bridge over the East Branch Ausable River. Hikers can park at the Rooster Comb Trailhead Parking Area. The bridge is a short distance down the road opposite the parking area. The trail joins with the Mossy Cascade Trail at the 1.8-mile mark and follows that trail 1.9 miles to the summit.

Direct Trail and Spread Eagle Trail from Beede Farm - Both of these trails are accessed from the Baxter Mountain Trailhead at the end of Beede Road off State Route 73. The first 1.4 miles ascends 750 feet on private lanes through Beede Farm - Stagecoach Road and Phelps Brook Road. Public motor vehicle traffic is prohibited on these lanes but hikers are allowed to use this private road system to access the trails. The starting point of the two trails lie at the end of the Phelps Brook Road. Direct Trail, the trail on the left, extends 1.3 miles and ascends 1,150 feet to the summit of Hopkins Mountain for a total length of 2.7 miles and a total ascent of 1,900 feet. Spread Eagle Trail, the trail on the right, extends 1.5 miles and ascends 1,235 feet to the summit for a total length of 2.9 miles and a total ascent of 1,985 feet. The trail crosses the summit of Spread Eagle Mountain at the 0.7-mile mark.

***Please respect private property. Stay on designated trails***
***Practice Leave No Trace Principles***
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