

Mountain House

on Red Road Farm

GUEST WELCOME BOOK

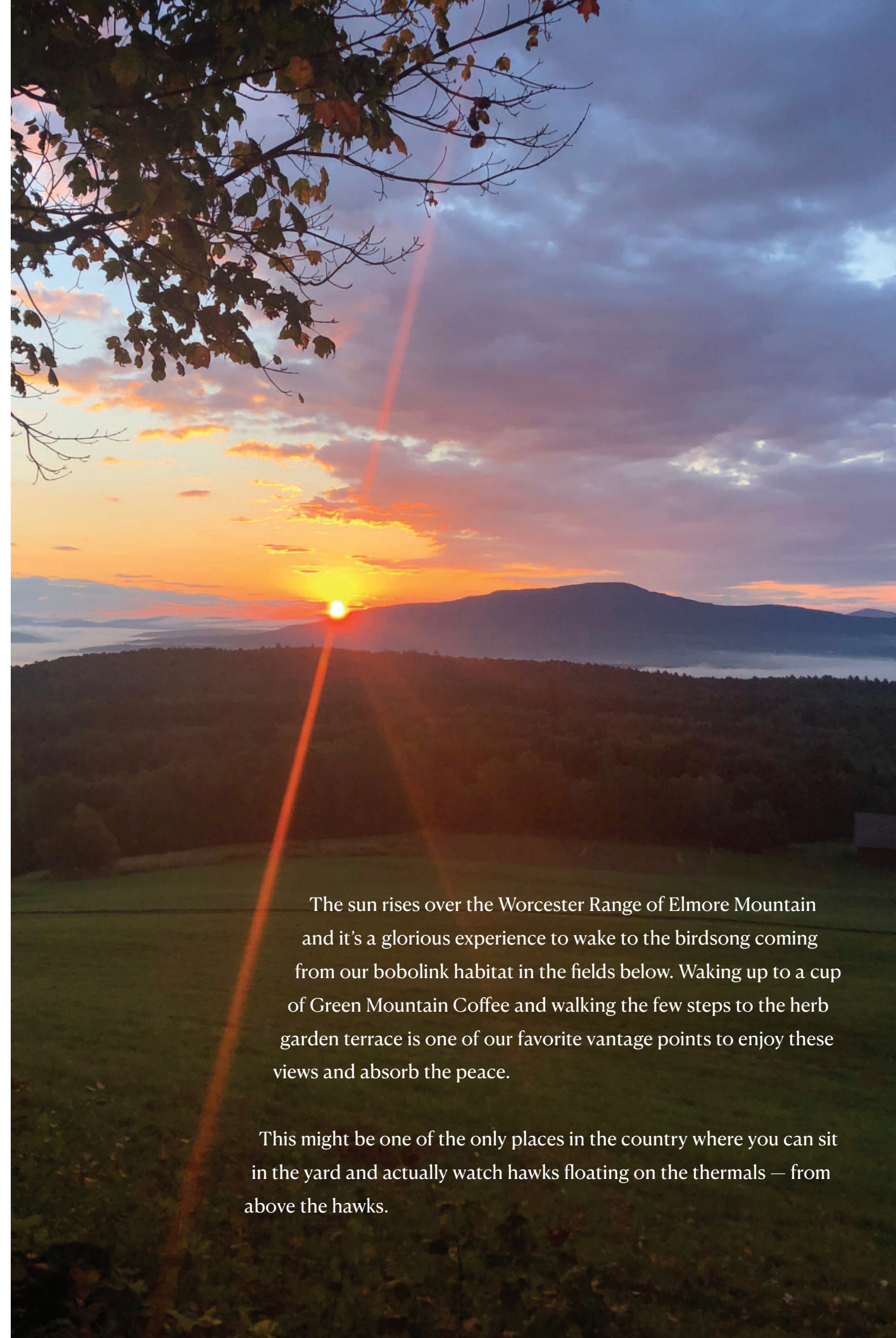
We are so very pleased to welcome you to the Mountain House on our beloved Red Road Farm!

ABOUT THE LAND

Our 200 acre land was named by our Native American relative Stephen Red Bow many years ago, during one of the summers he loved to stay here as a break from the hot summers of South Dakota. “The Good Red Road” is a term used by many different Native American tribal communities to represent those walking the road of balance, living right and in harmony with the wildlife we share the land with.

Stephen said that he felt this energy about our home and land, and we feel blessed to be entering our fourth decade as stewards of such a special place. Now, we also feel blessed to have this opportunity to share Red Road Farm and the Mountain House with you.

So many of our guests and friends have described our views as among the best in all of Vermont, rivaling even the iconic views of the nearby Trapp Family Lodge.



The sun rises over the Worcester Range of Elmore Mountain and it's a glorious experience to wake to the birdsong coming from our bobolink habitat in the fields below. Waking up to a cup of Green Mountain Coffee and walking the few steps to the herb garden terrace is one of our favorite vantage points to enjoy these views and absorb the peace.

This might be one of the only places in the country where you can sit in the yard and actually watch hawks floating on the thermals — from above the hawks.



Walking our hill farm, whether on a stroll or for exercise, will take you through our apple orchard — some of our trees are over a hundred years old and still producing Macintosh, Wolf River, and Golden Gingers. Recently, this vast section of fruit trees was certified as one of the last 'Ancient Vermont Orchards' in the Green Mountain State. On good apple years we even make our own homemade cider!





Continuing along the trail, you'll come out into the 'top field' also known as the 'Monarch Butterfly Refuge.' In December 2020, the monarch butterfly officially became listed under the Endangered Species Act; we are thrilled that our top field has allowed us to create a recognized sanctuary environment for this beautiful neighbor of ours.



The top field is also a favorite spot for white-tailed deer, and the monarch meadow offers views of Jay Peaks and further out to Canada! Our trails are also great for hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding, and snowshoeing and x-Country skiing in the winter.

Looping back around to the Mountain House, 'The Stone Wall' in the yard awaits as another stunning viewing spot and having end-of-day drinks in our locally-made Adirondack chairs — the perfect bookend to a day on Red Road Farm.



Crossing the farm on a sunny day, you'll likely be serenaded by the many bird species that we manage under guidance by the National Audubon Society. As a National Wildlife Certified habitat, we are also blessed to share this land with a generational fox family (in May/June, you might even get to see newborn fox kits — please enjoy from a respectful distance) and other north country wildlife that we so love here on Red Road Farm.

To experience our wooded acreage, head down the dirt driveway and follow the marked 'Sugarwood Trail.' You'll pass through the historic site of an authentic Vermont sugaring operation from the 1940's. This trail will take you up to the highest point of the property where you'll be able to take in the spectacular views of Bullmoose, Whiteface, and Madonna Mountains.



Not ready to go in yet? Move over to the patio and sit around the fire pit (gas operated) to plan tomorrow's fun. Please remember that living close to nature does not exclude occasional insect 'hatches' in summer. Not to worry: This is why we created a comfortable screened-in sitting room — a bug-free woodland oasis. This is one of our favorite summer spaces as we get to experience the songs of woodland birds not heard when enjoying the farm fields.



ABOUT THE MOUNTAIN HOUSE

While the outside of the house was built in an architectural design style known as Vermont Mountain Vernacular, the inside of the home has been influenced by our travels around the world.

7,000 sq feet is a sizeable living space, yet you will find the Mountain House to be extremely cozy and relaxed. What our guests always say is that it's a great place to gather together, but also to find one's own cozy corner for precious alone time.



The library is one such room; sit by the fire and get lost in our book collections and curios. Or enjoy the living room — a great spot for dessert by the fire. If you're a musician, you might appreciate the rare 1927 Poole baby grand piano, restored and refinished by John Young. Moreover, the acoustics in this room have inspired many musical gatherings with well-known artists over the years.

The spacious kitchen was designed for gatherings that bring together food and friends, creating wonderful memories of your time at the Mountain House. It is our true pleasure to host you and yours, and we hope you return soon!



AREA HIGHLIGHTS

- Mountain Resorts
- Breweries, Wineries, Cideries & Distilleries
- Cross Country/Nordic/Backcountry Ski Areas
- Mountain Biking/Fat Biking
- Golf Courses (Traditional/Frisbee/Miniature)
- Spas and Wellness Retreats
- Local Farmers' Markets
- Stowe Village (Shopping, Dining, Entertainment, Rec Path, Bike Rentals, bowling)
- State Parks (Hiking, Swimming, Paddling, Fishing)
- Cold Hollow Cider Mill
- Cabot Cheese Creamery and Annex
- Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory
- City of Burlington (Shopping, Dining, Entertainment, Museums, Parks, UVM)
- Antiques
- Fishing

LOCAL BREWERIES, WINERIES, CIDERIES & DISTILLERIES



The Alchemist



Lawson's Finest Liquids



Boyden Valley Winery



Lost Nation Brewing



Brewster River Brewery



Prohibition Pig Brewery



Caledonia Spirits



Rock Art Brewery



Cold Hollow Cider Mill



Stone Corral Brewery



Green Mountain Distillers



Stowe Cider



Hill Farmstead Brewery



Ten Bends Beer



Idletyme Brewing



von Trapp Brewing



MAP
LOCAL BREWERIES,
WINERIES,
CIDERIES,
DISTILLERIES

MTB/FAT BIKE TRAIL LOCATOR



MORRISTOWN

Cady's Falls trails

- parking area at the end of Duhamel Road

STOWE

Adams Camp

- turn on to Ranch Brook Road and park in the designated area (road is class 4)

Cady Hill Forest

- park across from Blessed Sacrament Church

Cotton Brook/Little River

- park at the gate on Cotton Brook Road

Sterling Forest

- take Sterling Valley Road to Sterling Gorge Road.

Trapp Family Lodge trails

- located at Trapp Family Lodge

WATERBURY

Little River State Park trails

- take Little River Road, just west of Waterbury village

Perry Hill trails - WATA

- park at the lot on River Road, off S. Main Street

HYDE PARK

Cricket Hill trails

- park at the lot on Cricket Hill or Lamoille Union High School, Route 15

HARDWICK

Hardwick trails

- park at Hazen Union High School or Green Mountain Tech Center

CAMBRIDGE

Valley trails

- park at Valley Dream Farm, Pleasant Valley Road

Midland trails

- park at Brewster River Park, Canyon Road; or near the intersection of Clif Reynolds and Edwards roads

Smugglers' Notch trails

- at Smugglers' Notch Resort

MAP LEGEND



Mountain Bike Trail



Lamoille Valley Rail Trail - open



Road

SHOPS/RENTALS

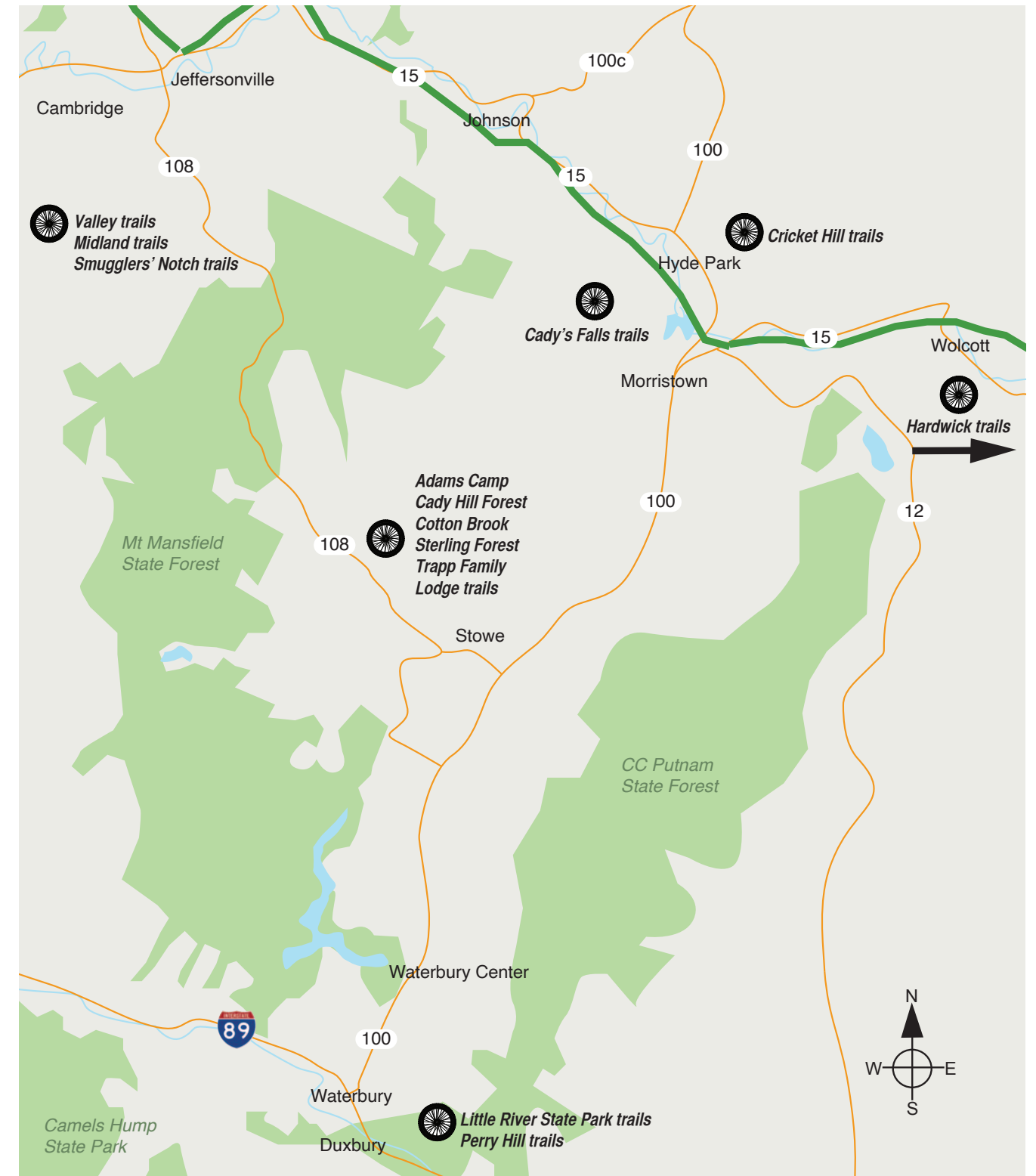
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powerplaysportsvt.com

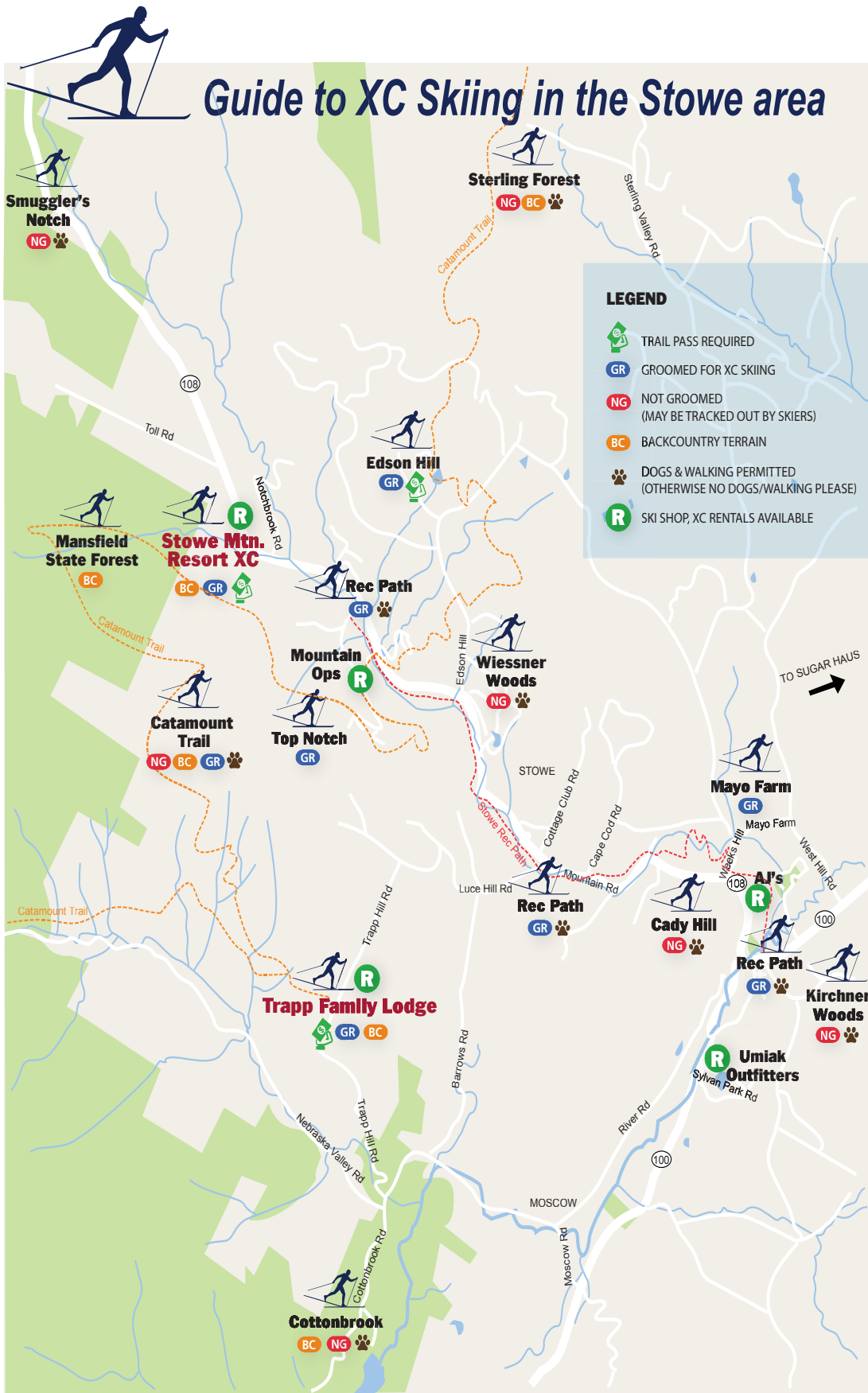
Chuck's Bikes, Morrisville
chucksbikes802.com

AJ's, Stowe
stowesports.com

Trails can be used with fat bikes, XC skis and snowshoes in winter ONLY

LOCAL MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS





LOCAL MOUNTAIN RESORTS & AREAS

- STOWE MOUNTAIN RESORT | stowe.com
- SMUGGLERS' NOTCH RESORT | smuggs.com
- JAY PEAK RESORT | jayepeakresort.com
- SUGARBUSH RESORT | sugarbush.com
- MAD RIVER GLEN | madriverglen.com
- BOLTON VALLEY RESORT | boltonvalley.com
- COCHRAN'S SKI AREA | cochranskiarea.com