

LEGEND AND SUMMARY OF BEC ORANGE EAST SHORT DAY RIDER TRAIL

ORANGE SHORT 15 Mi  Counterclockwise loop (with shorter 7.5 mile option)

ORANGE SHORT: The trail starts on the back side of the Day Trail Parking to the right going behind the guest horse paddocks. The trail runs through the French Broad River bottom and woods. After going through an open area created by Tropical Storm, the trail reaches the Bass Pond Rd at 7 ½ miles. (see ALTERNATE SHORTER ROUTE.) The trail then alternates between gravel roads and dirt trails. At 8 miles the trail comes to a pavilion area with a tie rack. You may tie your horse and take the very short walk to view the front of the Biltmore House from the statue of Diana, the Huntress (photo op). The trail then climbs on a gravel road and goes around the old water reservoir for the Estate and reaches Lone Pine Mountain, the high point on the Estate. The trail continues through woods reaching the Deer Park area with the carriage barn and hack stable at 12 miles. Turn left and cross the paved Deer Park road where Orange Short splits from Orange Long. Continue to Big Rock and the French Broad River bottom where you will make a sharp left. At around mile 13, cross a paved road. You are now in a popular area shared with walkers and bikers. **Walk or trot only.** Turn right along the road and then turn left alongside a paved hiking and bike path to the Reflecting Lagoon. Be careful given the many non-equestrian guests in the area. There is a beautiful view of the Biltmore House with a reflection in the lagoon in calm weather. Go between the lagoon and the river. Continue back through the French Broad River bottom to the *Day Trail Parking* area.

ALTERNATE SHORTER ROUTE: At the Bass Pond, one can take the Green Trail (**Black Arrows on Green Diamonds**) ¾ mile back to the *Day Trailer Parking Area*.

Trails marked with black arrows on orange diamonds. Markers attached to trees or stakes.

Orange arrows have reflective silver tape to distinguish from Red.



At turns, expect one or more warning arrows before the turn. Turn arrow for Orange Trail.



There are confirming straight arrows after turns. Confirming arrow for Orange Trail.



There are occasional “go straight” arrows along the trail. Straight arrow for Orange Trail.



Orange octagons with **large black X mean wrong way** for Orange Trail. Do not pas.

Orange Octagons with Black X's have reflective tape in the middle to distinguish from Red.

—— Paved roads on estate.

— — — Gravel Roads on Biltmore Estate

SUPER IMPORTANT FOR SAFETY

If you meet any carriage or guided trail ride group, you MUST come to a walk or halt and wait for instructions from the Trail Guide before passing. In congested areas, for example the lagoon and Big Rock, please obey all signs re walking or trotting..
Do NOT go into the French Broad River or lagoon/lakes at any point! **NO SMOKING ON TRAILS**

EMERGENCY: Biltmore Security 828-225-1234; Biltmore Equestrian Center 828-225-1454.