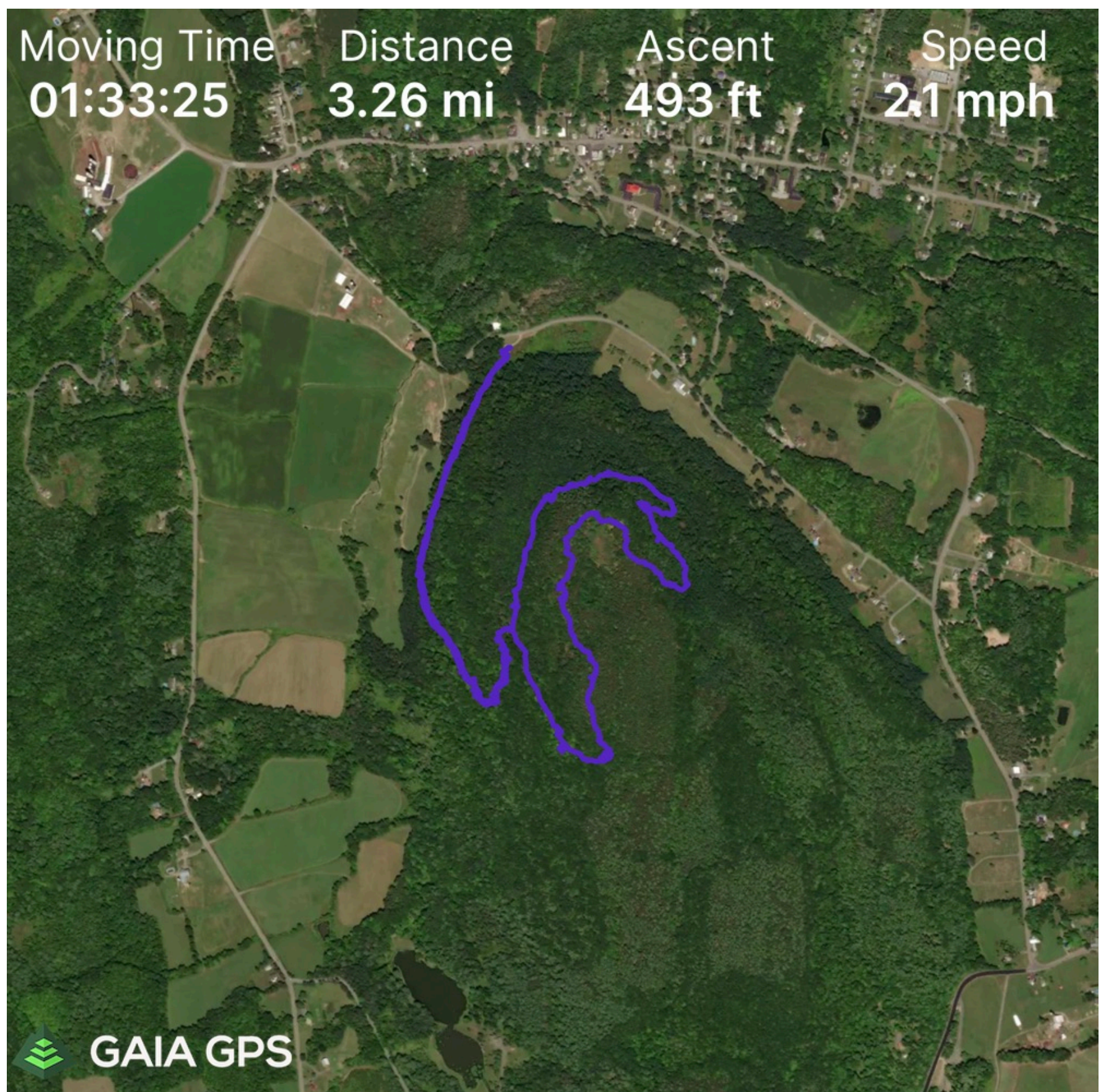


Bennett Hill Preserve hike



We will hike a 2.5 mile loop along the green, red, and yellow trails of the preserve, which overlooks Clarksville. We will start at an elevation of 740' and climb to 1140' for a moderate climb. Views along the way include the surrounding countryside, the Helderbergs, and a narrow outlook at the top of the hill toward the city of Albany. Although this will be a relatively short hike of approx. 2hrs, it includes a fairly steady uphill grade and a few short steep sections on the way up. It is not a level walk in the park but not too hard either. Start in the parking lot on the green trail, pass the red trail turn by as you'll later return this way instead keep going to the yellow trail and turn left you'll get to the peak and when you start down you can go left on the red trail that will meet back at the green. Alternatively, you could pass up the red and stay on yellow and it will loop back around to the green. we completed it the first way and our map is below:



The top of the Bennett Hill is a relatively flat plateau, the northern edge of the plateau is at an elevation of about 1120 feet; outcrops in that area are a dark shale with a reddish hue. In the middle of the plateau is a small wetland at an elevation of 1100 feet. South of the wetland, the highest point on the hill is at 1135 feet in elevation. Bring some lunch – the views are terrific!

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Bennett Hill Rd

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