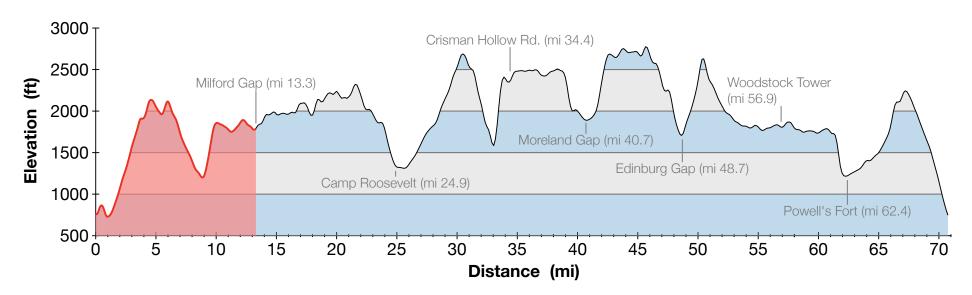
Start

Down: 0 mi

To Go: 70.8 mi

Next: 13.3 mi • 3,075 ft ascent • 2,075 ft descent

Lots of climbing, but generally runnable. You have fresh legs, so you won't notice that this section is the longest with the most ascent.



Milford Gap

Down: 13.3 mi

To Go: 57.5 mi 81%

Splits

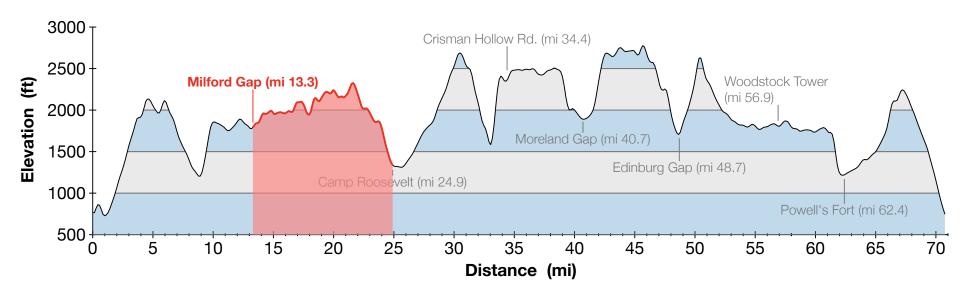
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Next: 11.6 mi • 2,150 ft ascent • 2,525 ft descent

19%

Nice ridge running, generally ascending, with several PUDs (pointless ups and downs), ending with a 3 mile descent. Beware of yellow-blazed Stephen's Trail entering from right in 7.5 miles. Stay to the left on orange! At Edith Gap (paved road), look for orange-blazed Massanutten Trail reentering the woods on the right for final descent into Camp Roosevelt.

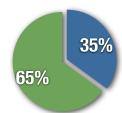




Camp Roosevelt

Down: 24.9 mi

To Go: 45.9 mi



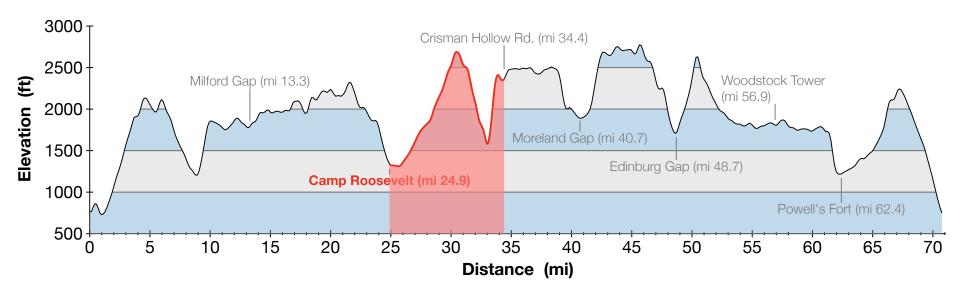
Splits

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4:45 5:45 6:45 8:30

Next: 9.5 mi • 2,525 ft ascent • 1,575 ft descent

A nice (though can be hot), gradual climb up Duncan Hollow, followed by a runnable descent down Big Run (with reliable creek), then a very steep climb up Waterfall Mountain.

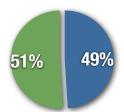




Crisman Hollow Rd

Down: 34.4 mi

To Go: 36.3 mi



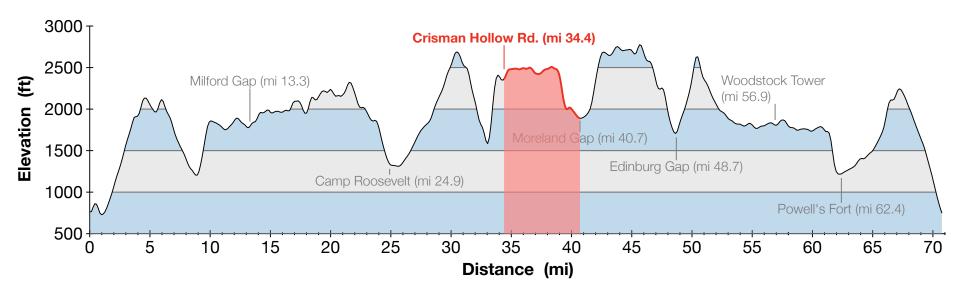
Splits

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6:45 8:15 10:15 12:30

Next: 6.3 mi • 825 ft ascent • 1,250 ft descent

On paper, this next section seems easy. A simple 10k, mostly downhill. Unfortunately, the infamous Kerns Mountain is viewed by many to be the gnarliest, most unpleasant on the entire Ring. This section is tough.





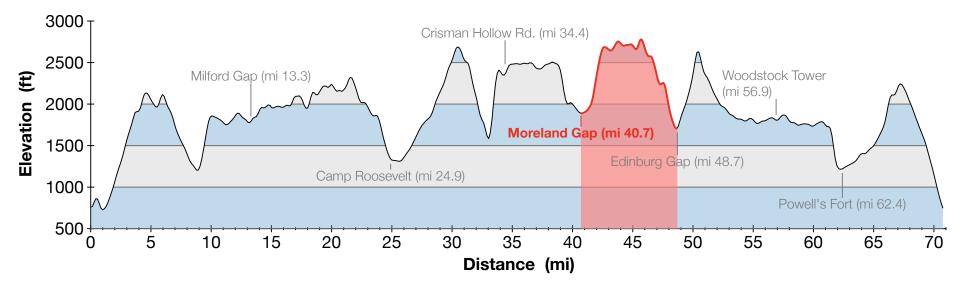
Moreland Gap

Down: 40.7 mi
To Go: 30.7 mi

15 h 20 h 25 h 30 h 8:15 10:15 12:30 15:40

Next: 8.0 mi • 1,425 ft ascent • 1,625 ft descent

Next up is the famous Short Mountain section. Rocky, technical, and seems longer than 8 miles. This will take a while, especially in the dark.





Edinburg Gap

Down: 48.7 mi 31%

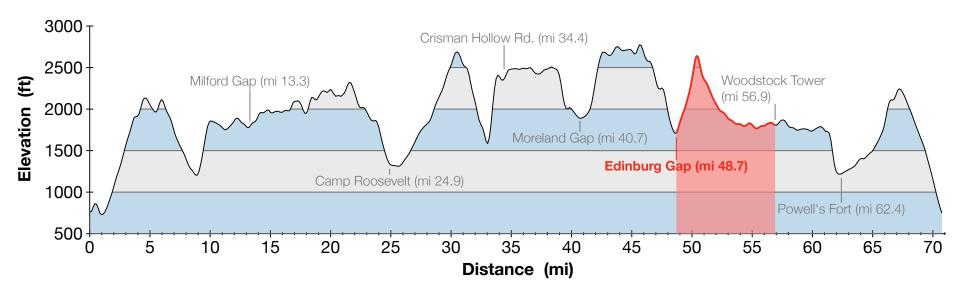
To Go: 22.1 mi

Splits

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Next: 8.2 mi • 1,400 ft ascent • 1,275 ft descent

This is another tough, long section, especially in the dark. After the big climb up Waonaze Peak, there is runnable trail on a ridge, much of which is downhill. This section is longer than it seems. When you think you are close, you are probably halfway to Woodstock Tower.





Woodstock Tower

Down: 56.9 mi

To Go:

13.9 mi

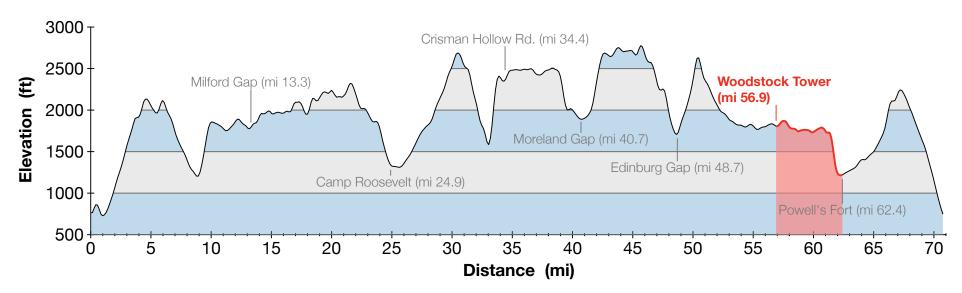


Splits

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Next: 5.5 mi • 475 ft ascent • 1,075 ft descent

Runnable ridge running, with a few PUDs (pointless ups and downs), with a steep descent down to Powell's Fort Camp. You will intersect the blueblazed Tuscarora Trail near the end of the section. Don't take it — remember, stay on orange!





Powell's Fort Camp

Down: 62.4 mi

To Go: 8.4 mi



Splits

15 h 20 h 25 h 30 h 13:10 17:10 21:45 26:15

Next: 8.4 mi • 1,150 ft ascent • 1,600 ft descent

Leave here on a nice runnable gravel road. You will intersect a few trails before and after the Strasburg Reservoir. Always stay on orange. You will top out at Signal Knob — be sure to take the trail out to the view. From here you'll have one last rocky section before the final descent to Signal Knob Parking Lot.

