

Rocky Top (Lead Cove) ☹

or "Thunderstorm on Thunderhead"

09 18.21



R/T MILES

12.2

TRAIL MILES

6.1

NEW MILES

4.4

AT MILES

1.4

HIKE DURATION

7:39

AVERAGE MPH

1.59

DURATION UP

3:11

UPHILL MPH

1.92

☹ #got wet: rain / snow / rock hopping

🗑 #hikertrash: group hike with Smoky Mountain Hikertrash

Lead Cove: 1.8 / Bote Mountain: 2.9 / AT: 1.4

Thunderhead Mountain rises 5,527 above sea level and is the highest point in Blount County. The hike to Thunderhead Mountain generally refers to the hike to its first subpeak, known as Rocky Top. The location is said to have inspired Felice and Boudleaux Bryant to write what is now the University of Tennessee's fight song.

Rocky Top (5,440 ft) is said by many to be one of the most beautiful vantage points in the Great Smoky Mountains.

