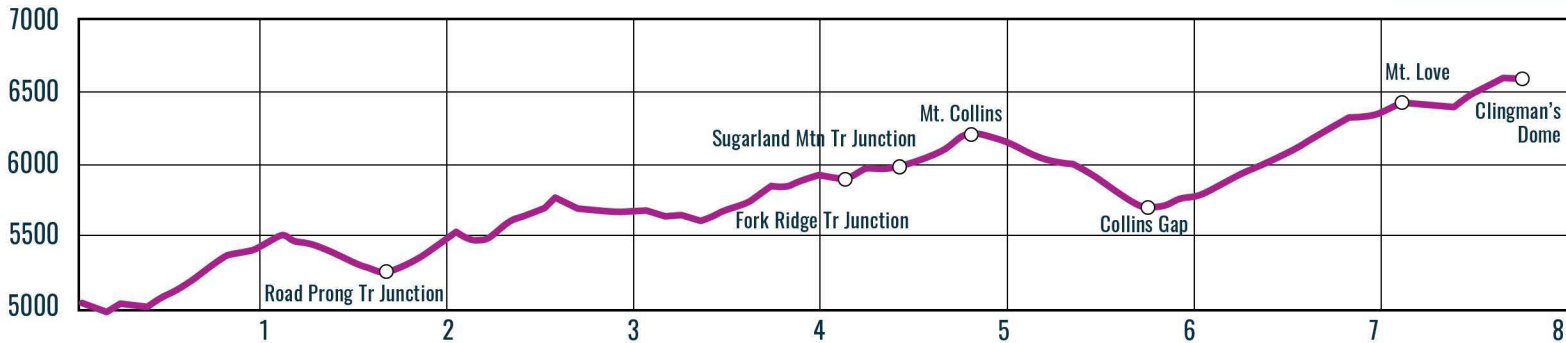


Newfound Gap to Clingman's Dome on the Appalachian Trail (7.9m)

15.8 R/T



mountain maple, witch-hobble, trout lily, spring beauty, blackberry patches
log water bars slanting across trail can be slippery; step over

1.2 - traffic noise from Clingmans Dome Road (will go away)

1.3 - enclosure to keep wild hogs out (150 yds wide)

1.7 - Indian Gap after switchback, view of traffic

4.8 - Mt. Collins shelter

7.1 - Mt. Love named for physician who explored area w/ NC Senator Thomas Lanier Clingman

7.9 - trail comes out at base of the tower

Clingmans Dome (6643') - highest point in the park & entire AT; Samuel Buckley originally made barometric measurements in this area and named the highest point for himself - then in 1958, Arnold Guyot made more precise measurements - named the dome after Clingman who had helped to arrange his expeditions