



OLD MAN OF THE MOUNTAIN Scavenger Hunt Challenge

Start at Location **1** on the map for the first clue, and then follow along with each clue to find the answer to at least ten!

1 SEE MAP FOR LOCATION

From the **parking lot for the Old Man Historic Site**, follow the pathway downhill to a large boulder on your left. The Old Man, the Cannon Cliffs, and this boulder are called Conway Granite. What color is Conway Granite?

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Visit the **small log cabin** further along the path to the Plaza. Inside check out the large mural on the back wall. One of New Hampshire's grand hotels, the first **Profile House**, opened in...

1923 2003 1853

3 Many tourists came to the **Profile House** (often for the whole summer season) by horse & carriage, train and even automobiles. What happened to the **Profile House**?

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Next you come to a new **wooden bridge** over the brook that flows into Profile Lake. This little brook is the start of the **Pemigewasset River**. The Pemi flows south to Franklin NH where it joins the Winnepesaukee River to become the Merrimack River. The Merrimack River continues to which ocean?

Pacific Arctic Atlantic

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Walking further along the pathway, notice the different types of trees. There is a mixture of hardwoods and conifers making this a **Boreal Forest**. Do you recognize any of the trees you see here?

Oak Maple Birch Spruce
(Choose the trees you see.)

6 Many early artists painted scenes of the Old Man of the Mountain and Franconia Notch. Check them out at: <https://tinyurl.com/wvvpdc6k>. Which one did you like best?

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Continue to **the Plaza**. Standing in the right spot, use one of the **Profilers at the Plaza** to "put the Old Man" back on the Cannon Cliff. Did you "see him"?

Yes No

What did you think of that?

8 Early attempts to keep the Conway granite rocks of the Old Man Profile in place up on the Cannon Mountain cliffs involved installing **metal turnbuckles**. Members of the **Nielson family** helped with yearly inspections of the **Old Man**. When the Old Man fell on May 3rd, 2003 one of the turnbuckles came down too. Did you find it at the Plaza?

Yes No

9 Explore the rest of the Plaza. What year was the **Old Man of the Mountain** reportedly first seen by early European settlers?
<https://tinyurl.com/24ksx27s>

(year)

10 Check out the names on the granite pavers and the benches at the Plaza. Did your family or someone you know buy a **paver or bench** that is now at the Plaza?

Yes No

11 **Purchase of these pavers and benches** by those who want to remember the Old Man of the Mountain paid for all the work done constructing the plaza, the wooden bridge and the fishing dock. If you are interested in learning about these, or how you can help fund the Plaza's long-term care, visit this site: www.oldmannh.org

12 SEE MAP FOR LOCATION

Follow the path to the **Fishing Dock**. Sit on the **granite bench dedicated to Dick** _____ and enjoy the view. Dick was very involved in the Plaza's development.

13 The **Fishing Dock** is on **Profile Lake**. Summer visitors from the **Profile House** came here to use the Profile Hotel's rowboats on warm summer afternoons. Lake trout live in the lake. Anyone fishing today?

Yes No

14 Follow the path back to the plaza. Did you take a photo of your group all at the **Old Man Plaza**?

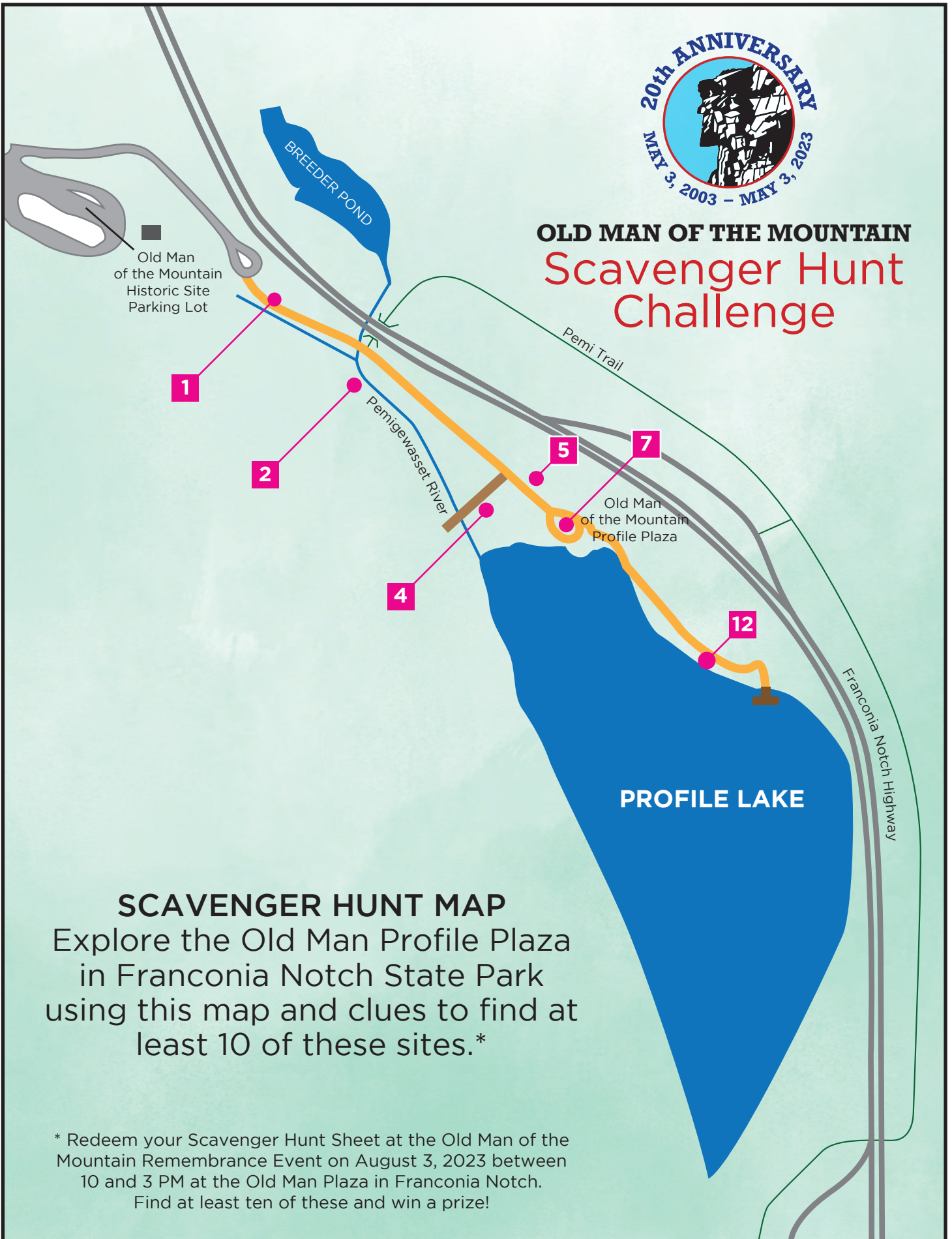
Yes No

Total Answers Found

_____ out of 14



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SCAVENGER HUNT MAP

Explore the Old Man Profile Plaza
in Franconia Notch State Park
using this map and clues to find at
least 10 of these sites.*

* Redeem your Scavenger Hunt Sheet at the Old Man of the Mountain Remembrance Event on August 3, 2023 between 10 and 3 PM at the Old Man Plaza in Franconia Notch. Find at least ten of these and win a prize!