MONTGOMERY COUNTY TRAILS

Six recreational trails pass through Montgomery County. More information about the individual trails can be found on the other side of this map or by visiting www.mvrpc.org/bikeways.
Creekside Trail
Meandering along the peaceful creek and the shade of the trees, you can barely recognize the urban and suburban surroundings. The trail passes by two wetland areas, providing an extraordinary view of rare plants and animals. One of these is the Creekside Reserve, which begins at Factory Road and runs along the south side of the trail to near North Fairfield Road.

Crossing the 140-foot bridge over Shawnee Creek at the James Ranch, you can commute to the Fairgrounds Recreation Center Park, Mullins Pool, the Greene County Fairgrounds and the Little Miami Scenic Trail (3). The trail continues into Montgomery County, Dayton and Kettering. Five Rivers MetroParks manages the Creekside Trail from the Greene County line to Eastwood MetroPark, which connects with the Mad River Trail (8) and the Great Miami River Trail.

Stillwater River Trail
Lining the banks of the scenic Stillwater River are some of the region’s largest stands of sycamore, maple and ash trees. Lush in spring and summer, and ablaze with color in the fall, the Stillwater River Trail provides runners, skaters and cyclists a serene and diverse terrain.

The central segment starts its journey in Island MetroPark and runs past the Diehl Bandshell—home to a variety of summer music concerts—on its way across the bridge through Triangle Park and along DeWeese Parkway, home to the Boonshoft Museum of Discovery. Further ahead, the trail passes through Wegerzyn Gardens MetroPark and ends at Sinclair Park, just west of Shoup Mill Road.

The northern segment connects Grossnickle Park to Englewood MetroPark. It passes through the relief spillway of the Miami Conservancy District’s earthen dam, along the base of the dam, and winds its way through Englewood MetroPark, ending at U.S. Route 40. Trail users can also follow a spur northward to Englewood MetroPark’s West Park.

Mad River Trail
The Mad River Trail is a great way to get from downtown Dayton near RiverScape to Eastwood MetroPark. The entire length of the trail is relatively flat, offering an easy workout that even children will be able to handle—whether biking, skating or walking. The Mad River Trail begins at downtown Dayton’s Great Miami River Trail at Webster Street and runs along the Mad River before ending in Eastwood MetroPark, connecting to the Creekside Trail (2).

Great Miami River Trail
From urban skylines to beautiful river vistas, the Great Miami River Trail has something for everyone. The 10-12’ wide trail winds its way by museums, picnic facilities, acres of natural parkland, and over gently rolling terrain—a perfect match for the runner, skater or cyclist.

From the current southern terminus in Franklin it travels along the levee to the north, passing historical points of interest and parks in MiamiSburg and southern Dayton. The trail through downtown Dayton splits and follows both sides of the Great Miami River, connecting to the Wolf Creek Trail (38) and the Mad River Trail (8) by the RiverScape hub. The central section wanders north, where the Stillwater River Trail (7) branches to the west. The Great Miami River Trail continues through grassy floodplains by the Taylorsville Dam, into the heavily wooded Taylorsville MetroPark and Madamoiselle Site.

The newest section of trail extends north to Tip City’s Kyle Park, and then 7 miles further up to Troy, the seat of Miami County. The northern section contains a short gap between Troy and Piqua, where the trail crosses the east-west Ohio to Indiana Trail (36) and follows the Great Miami River up past Johnson Farm Historical Area. The total trail length is more than 50 miles.

Iron Horse Trail
The Iron Horse Trail currently begins at State Farm Park in Kettering, and runs north along County Line Road and Spaulding road on a widened concrete sidepath. From there it travels on an asphalt trail adjacent to Eastown Shopping Center along the abandoned railway corridor, eventually merging with the Creekside Trail (2).

To the south there is a gap that can be covered on neighborhood roads. Kettering and Centerville have constructed a southern segment of the separated trail that covers 3.5 miles from Stroop Road to Iron Horse Park at 1675.

Wolf Creek Trail
The Wolf Creek Trail begins where Wolf Creek intersects the Great Miami River near downtown Dayton. Heading northwest, the trail follows along the creek—one of five waterways that give Five Rivers MetroParks its name.

The central segment winds its way through west Dayton past Adventure Central at Wesleyan MetroPark and ends at Little Richmond Road.

The northwestern segment of the Wolf Creek Trail follows an abandoned railroad route. This portion is relatively flat for most of its length, and it passes alongside Sycamore State Park. Here, you’ll find a variety of activities found in most Ohio state parks: hiking trails, ponds, prairies and plenty of picnic areas. The park is notable for its preservation of prairies and open fields filled with native grasses and wildflowers.

Head west. The trail winds through rolling farm fields on its way to Brookville and past Golden Gate Park. From here, the trail heads to the very northwest, rural corner of Montgomery County ending in the Village of Verina.