

EXISTING ON-ROAD BIKE ROUTES

loomington has a number of on-road bike routes to serve recreation, fitness

and transportation bicyclists comfortable with riding on the road. Many of the bike routes feature striped shoulders. On-road bike routes are shown with heavy red lines on the map on the opposite side.

86TH STREET BIKEWAY Coordinates B2 - F1.

Beginning at the Hyland Lake Park Reserve entrance on West 94th Street, the bikeway proceeds east to Poplar Bridge Road and West 90th Street, turns north onto Xerxes Avenue South, turns east at West 86th Street and ends near East Old Shakopee Road at the Bass Ponds upper parking lot. Most of the bikeway features five-foot-wide, bikeable shoulders. Parking along the route includes Lower Penn Lake Park, 1925 W. 86th Street, and the Bass Ponds, 2501 E. 86th Street. Toilets are provided seasonally at Ridgeview Park, 6001 W.

102ND STREET BIKEWAY

Cooordinates B3 - D3 (West segment), D3 - E3 (East segment). The bikeway's western segment begins at Nesbitt

94th St., and Cedarcrest Park, 8700 Bloomington Avenue S.

Avenue South and heads east until Penn Avenue South. The eastern segment starts at Lyndale Avenue South and heads east to Portland Avenue South. Sections feature bikeable shoulders. Parking along the bikeway includes the Gene C. Kelly Playfields, 185 E. 102nd Street. A chemical toilet is provided seasonally at Gene C. Kelly Playfields.

AUTO CLUB ROAD/NORMANDALE **BOULEVARD/110TH STREET BIKEWAY** Coordinates A₃ - D₃.

Following Bloomington Ferry Road south from West Old Shakopee Road, the bikeway heads east onto Auto Club Road, turns north at Normandale Boulevard, then proceeds east on West 110th Street to Penn Avenue South. Sections on Auto Club Road and West 110th Street feature bikeable shoulders. Parking along the bikeway includes Dred Scott Playfields, 10820 Bloomington Ferry Road. This route connects to the scenic Bloomington Ferry Trail Bridge over the Minnesota River which borders Bloomington and Shakopee. A toilet is provided seasonally at Dred Scott. **NESBITT AVENUE SOUTH BIKEWAY**

Coordinates B2 - B3. Starting on Nesbitt Avenue South at West Old

Shakopee Road, the bikeway heads north to West 94th Street and connects to the 86th Street Bikeway. The route features bikeable shoulders. A chemical toilet is provided seasonally at Ridgeview Park, 6001 W. 94th Street.





Off-Road Biking and HIKING TRAILS

loomington's off-road trails offer commuter, recreational and fitness opportunities for the whole family. The majority of the trails are multiple use; bikers, hikers, roller bladers, dog walkers and other enthusiasts share the trails. The multiple-use trails are shown in orange on the maps. A select number of trails are pedestrian only; they are shown in green. Paved trails are shown with a solid line, unpaved trails are shown with a dotted line.

Make sure to confirm designated uses for each trail when planning your visit.

BLOOMINGTON FERRY ROAD AND VENESS ROAD Coordinates A2 - A3.

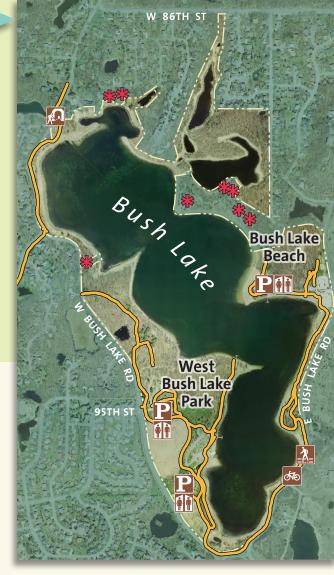
This 2.4 mile trail runs north from West 106th Street along Bloomington Ferry Road, then northeast on Veness Road to West Bush Lake Road. With the songs of birds as background music, the trail travels by neighborhoods and wetlands. Most trails are eight feet wide, bituminous and designated for multiple use.

Bush Lake Park Biking and Hiking Trails 👘 📄 Coordinates A2.

The trails around Bush Lake are owned and operated by the City of Bloomington. Most trails are 10 feet wide, bituminous and designated for multiple use. Some trails wind up and down through forests; others pass playground equipment and fishing piers. Access points with parking are Bush Lake Beach, 9140 East Bush Lake Road, and West Bush Lake Park, 9401 West Bush Lake Road. Restrooms are provided seasonally at Bush Lake Beach and West Bush Lake Park.

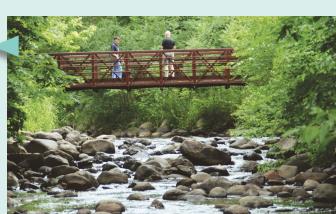
* NOTE ON TRESPASSING: Nine private properties are located on the shores of Bush Lake and its northeast bay. It is not possible to walk all the way around the lake without trespassing on private property. Note where private properties are located and do not cross them when visiting Bush Lake Park.





CENTRAL AND MOIR PARKS HIKING TRAILS Coordinates D3 - D4.

The trails in Central and Moir Parks are owned and operated by the City of Bloomington. Most are 8- to 10feet wide with a bituminous surface and restricted to pedestrians. Trails south of West 106th Street are natural surfaced. While Nine Mile Creek is 15 miles long and winds through neighboring cities, the trails south of West Old Shakopee Road are set in a beautiful ravine landscape. The length of your hike depends on your access point; approximate mile markers are located along the trails. Access points with parking include: Harrison Picnic Grounds, 1701 W. 100th Street; Moir Park, 10320 Morgan Avenue S.; and a car park area at West 106th Street near Morgan Avenue South. The access near the Minnesota River at West 112th Street and Queen Avenue South is not shown. Toilet facilities are provided seasonally at Moir Park.

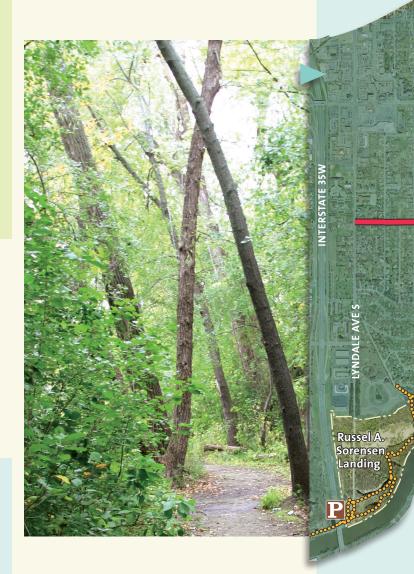




GIRARD LAKE PARK HIKING TRAIL Coordinates C1.

The trail around Girard Lake, that is owned and operated by the City of Bloomington, is 10 feet wide and 1.08 miles long with a cushioned, wood-chip surface. As the trail loops gently around the lake, you will have ample opportunities to view nature. Parking is available on West 84th Street just east of France Avenue South.





SMITH PARK BIKING AND HIKING TRAILS Coordinates E1.

The trails in Smith Park are owned and operated by the City of Bloomington. Most are 10-feet wide, lighted, bituminous and designated for multiple use. A total of more than one mile of trails encompasses a loop around Smith Pond. Access points with parking include: East 82nd Street at Park Avenue South; Chicago Avenue South,



north of East 82nd Street; and East 82nd Street at 10th Avenue South. Restrooms are available seasonally near the Chicago Avenue parking lot.





Hyland Lake Park Reserve Trails Coordinates B1 to B3.

The trails in Hyland Lake Park Reserve are owned and operated by Three Rivers Park District. These destination trails traverse the picturesque reserve and connect on the south, north and east ends to City trails. Both bituminous and natural surface trails are available. Biking and hiking are permitted on the paved trails, *pictured as solid* orange lines, while the natural surface trails, *pictured as dotted green lines,* are restricted to pedestrians. Access points are: West 94th Street at Colorado Road; West 105th Street at Hampshire Avenue South; Richardson Nature Center, 8737 E. Bush Lake Road; and Hyland Visitor Center, 10145 E. Bush Lake Road. Parking and restrooms are available along the trails, including the Hyland Visitor Center and Richardson Nature Center.

Normandale Lake Park **BIKING AND HIKING TRAILS** Coordinates B1.

The trails around Normandale Lake are owned and operated by the City of Bloomington. The inner 1.9-mile trail is 10-foot wide, bituminous and designated as pedestrian only. This trail is identified by a solid green line. The two-mile outer trail is designated multiple use,



NORTH AND SOUTH CORRIDOR PARKS/ West Bush Lake Road/Tierney's Woods

Coordinates A2 to B1. The trails in the North and South Corridor Parks, and along West Bush Lake Road, are owned and operated by the City of Bloomington. Tierney's Woods is also owned by the City of Bloomington, but operated by Three Rivers Park District. The North and South Corridor trails are 8- to 10-foot-wide, bituminous trails. The West Bush Lake Road

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primarily for bicyclists and rollerbladers. The south, east and north sections of the outer trail are 10-foot wide, bituminous and identified as solid orange lines on the map. The west section of the outer trail, *identified as a solid red line*, is a striped five-foot wide, bikeable shoulder along Chalet Road. Access points with parking include the 84th Street parking lot, north of the bandshell, and the Chalet Road parking lot, which is west of the lake. Restrooms are available at the Normandale Lake Bandshell and the

south end of the Chalet Road parking lot. During the summer, enjoy free evening concerts at the bandshell. For details. visit the City's website, keywords: Arts in the Parks.



trail is a 6- to 8-foot-wide, bituminous trail that connects the Bush Lake Park trails to the North and South Corridor Park trails. Trails in Tierney's Woods are natural surfaced and restricted to pedestrians; no bicycles or dogs are allowed. Underpasses at the northwest corner of Bush Lake under West Bush Lake Road and at the eastern end of the South Corridor Park under East Bush Lake Road connect to trails in Hyland Lake Park Reserve. Parking is available at the Tierney's Wood parking lot on Highwood Drive, just west of West Bush Lake Road.



***** NOTE ON TRESPASSING: Two private properties are located on the shores of the Minnesota River in southwestern **Bloomington.** See map on the opposite side. We ask that you note where private properties are located and do not cross these properties when visiting the Minnesota River trails.



MINNESOTA RIVER BIKING AND HIKING TRAILS Coordinates A4 to G1.

A number of natural surface trails in the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge are owned and operated by the City of Bloomington and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. These trails are popular for mountain bikers, hikers and nature lovers. Certain segments of the trails are designated for pedestrians only and are identified with dotted green lines on the maps. Access points with parking facilities: Minnesota Valley Wildlife Refuge Visitor

LEGEND FOR MAPS

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Smith Park: Faye Roy

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Cover 1: Three Rivers Park District

Scale varies	
	TRAILS
	On-Road Bike
	Off-Road Paved
000000	Off-Road Unpaved
	Off-Road Paved Pedestrian Only
000000	Off-Road Unpaved Pedestrian Only
0,3	Distance in Miles between Markers

Wildlife Refuge

SYMBOLS ৰ্কাত Biking Trail 👌 Hiking Trail P Parking

- X Pedestrian Bridge
- Seasonal Restroom **Underpass**

seasonal flooding.

Visitor/Nature Center

OPPOSITE SIDI Biker: stock.xchng (http://www.sxc.hu) Woman and dog: Bigstock.com



Center, 3815 American Boulevard East; Bloomington Bass

Ponds, 2501 86th Street East; Old Cedar Avenue Trailhead,

9500 Old Cedar Avenue; Parker's Picnic Grounds, 101401

Columbus Road; Pond-Dakota Mission Park, 401 East 104th

Street; Russell A. Sorenson Landing, 11135 Lyndale Avenue

are available at the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife

Refuge Visitor Center. Be aware that the segment of trail

along the river between the Russell A. Sorensen Landing

and Cedar Avenue South is a primitive trail subject to

South; and Bloomington Ferry Trailhead, 11255 Bloomington

Ferry Road, pictured on the opposite side. Restroom facilities

The City of Bloomington Active Living Biking and Hiking Guide is provided as a service to the public and is designed to show the general location of properties. This map does not reflect legal property lines.

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hether you're in the mood for a hike, an easy walk with the family, a leisurely bike ride, a challenging all-terrain trail, walking your dog or commuting to work on your bike, you can find a path to follow in Bloomington. With nearly 9,000 acres of parkland and recreational spaces, the Minnesota River, lakes, wide streets and well-lit sidewalks, being active is easy. The trails showcased here are special. Tiny jewels, such as Girard Lake Park, feel secluded and restful – you can get close to nature while traveling the short trail. If you like drama with your hike, visit the Central and Moir Parks trails; you will traverse ravines and cross bridges that span the rockstrewn Nine Mile Creek as it bubbles down to the Minnesota River. Like to watch people and nature? Hyland Lake Park Reserve is always busy; there's lots to do and see. Finally, if

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than half the trail.

CONTROL DOGS



KEEP

KEEP RIGHT For safety, stay to the right of the trail, except when passing another user.



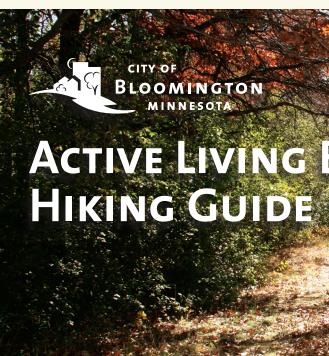


BIKING EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST

Wear a helmet – always. This inexpensive investment prevents head injuries and can save you thousands of dollars later on.

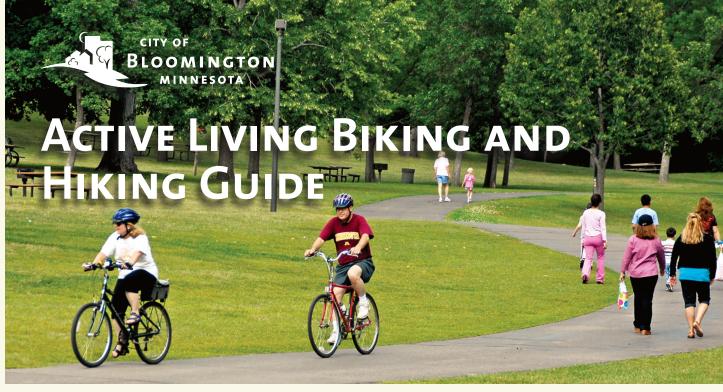
- Bring water. Staying hydrated helps with long distances and makes rides enjoyable. Use sunglasses. Protect your eyes from the sun, gravel
- and bugs.
- Check bike tires for proper inflation. On rides, carry a spare tube, a patch kit and a pump.

Make sure your bike is the proper height. Check brakes. You want brakes that skid on dry pavement but don't send you hurtling over the top of the handlebars. Using rear brakes helps prevent this.



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EXPLORE BLOOMINGTON'S PARKS, STREETS AND TRAILS USING PEDAL AND FOOT POWER!

your mind and spirit.

transportation plan."

the opposite side.

ravel in a consistent and predictable manner. Always look behind before changing position on the trail.

When in a group, avoid using more

Keep your dog under control and on a six foot non-retractable leash.



you like fresh air and exercise and want to get from point A

Whoever you are – a commuter, a solitary traveler or

explore Bloomington's biking and hiking trails. Get active! It's

Additional on-road bikeways and off-road hiking and

biking trails are planned. For more information, check out

website, www.BloomingtonMN.gov, keywords: "Alternative

The coordinates on this page refer to the large map on

the City's Alternative Transportation Plan on the City's

great for your body. And the fresh air and nature will soothe

someone looking to exercise with friends and family -

to point B, take Bloomington's on-road bikeways.

Pass on the Left

Pass others going in your direction on their left. Faster traffic must yield o slower and oncoming traffic.

GIVE AUDIBLE SIGNALS When passing, use a warning such s..."PASSING ON YOUR LEFT." Give a lear warning by voice, bell or horn.

WEAR HELMETS Bicyclists, skaters and skateboarders should always wear a properly fitted

STOP MEANS STOP

BICYCLING AND CITY SIDEWALKS

he city of Bloomington has approximately 250 miles of sidewalks available to bicyclists. City Code 8.13 (b) Bicycles on Sidewalks. Pursuant to Minnesota

Statutes, Chapter 169, and unless otherwise posted, persons may ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk in the City of Bloomington, but must yield rightof-way to any pedestrian on the sidewalk. Yielding the right-of-way shall mean leaving the sidewalk if necessary.

Hiking EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST Wear comfortable

shoes that fit.

Bring water. This is a definite must for longer walks and, even, for short

ones on very warm days.

Use sunglasses all year round to protect your eyes from the sun and bugs. Bring bag(s) to carry out what you carry in.

Be prepared for weather changes.

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bicycle information on the City's website, BloomingtonMN.gov. Plans for more biking routes and hiking trails are available in the City's

Alternative Transportation Plan that is

also on our website, blm.mn/atp.

- C3 Bloomington Ice Garden, 3600 W. 98th St.
- E2 Bloomington Family Aquatic Center, 201 E. 90th St.
- A2 Bush Lake Beach, 9140 E. Bush Lake Rd. C4 Dwan Golf Course, 3301 W. 110th St.
- B3 Hyland Greens Golf Course, 10100 Normandale Blvd.
- E2 Pond Center, 9600 3rd Ave. S. C1 Poplar Bridge Elementary, 8401 Palmer Rd. B2 Ridgeview Elementary, 9400 Nesbitt Rd.
- C4 Southwood Center, 4901 W. 112th St.

E1 Valley View Elementary, 351 E. 88th St. E1 Valley View Middle, 8900 Portland Ave. S.

2501 W. 84th St.

B2 Three Rivers Park District Hyland Hills Chalet, 8800 Chalet Rd.

C1 Washburn Elementary, 8401 Xerxes Ave. S. C3 Westwood Elementary, 3701 W. 108th St.

D3 Oak Grove Elementary, 1301 W. 104th St.

D3 Oak Grove Middle, 1300 W. 106th St.

C3 Olson Elementary, 4501 W. 102nd St.

C3 Olson Middle, 4551 W. 102nd St.

provided to allow individuals with disabilities to participate in all City of Bloomington services, programs, and activities. The City has designated nators to facilitate compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as required by Section 35.107 of the U.S. Department of Justice regulations, and to coordinate compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as mandated by Section 8.53 of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations. For information, contact the Human Services Division, City of Bloomington, 1800 West Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN 55431-3096; 952-563-8733 (Voice); MN RELAY 711.

Upon request, this information can be available in Braille, large print, audio tape and/or computer disk.