

Explore the Centennial Greenway: Katy Trail to Heritage Museum



Bridge over highway
and river barriers
on the Centennial Greenway
in St. Charles.



SHORT TRIP

- 4 miles from **A** to **D** and back
- 2.5 hour walk/45 minute bike

LONG TRIP

- 15.5 miles from **A** to Creve Coeur Park, around the lake, and back to **A**
- 10 hour walk/2.5 hour bike

TRAIL SURFACE

Greenway along Hemsmath Road has shared lanes for bicycling but no sidewalks.

Trail over Page Extension Bridge is physically separated from vehicle traffic.

All other trail segments have an asphalt surface separated from the road.



EXPLORE & ENJOY

Trailheads

- A** **St. Charles County Heritage Museum:** 1630 Heritage Landing, St. Peters
- B** **Northern MoDOT Lot:** 2360 South Old Highway 94, St. Charles
- C** **Southern MoDOT Lot:** 2900 South River Road, St. Charles

Points of Interest

- D** Katy Trail
- E** Page Extension Bridge over the Missouri River



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WHILE YOU'RE EXPLORING

- » Explore local history at the St. Charles County Heritage Museum
- » Cross over the Missouri River via the Page Extension walking/biking path and connect into Creve Coeur Lake Memorial Park for paddling, picnicking, wildlife viewing, disc golf, and mountain biking
- » Fish for the catch of the day in the Missouri River or Creve Coeur Lake
- » Continue on the Katy Trail to explore historic Main Street in St. Charles and Frontier Park

NATURE: In recent years, the Missouri River has been shortened and straightened to make boat travel easier. Before the river was straightened, its constant movement created channels, bars, and wetlands where native plants and animals thrived. To restore habitat for the native Missouri River aquatic life, notches are being cut into the wing dikes (partial dams) and secondary channels are being built.

CULTURE: When a flood damaged many sections of the Missouri-Kansas-Texas railroad line into St. Louis in 1986, the State of Missouri took on the land and opened Katy Trail State Park.

HISTORY: Many greenways such as the Centennial Greenway follow historic trade routes. Sac, Fox, Pottowatomie, and Osage Native American people and French-Canadian people traveled along this section of the Missouri River in the 1700s to trade with one another.



Greenways are outdoor spaces connecting people and places. Each greenway is unique, reflecting the character of the communities it connects. Greenways can include **trails, conservation projects** such as rain gardens and restored prairies, **amenities** like restrooms and drinking fountains, and **connections** to businesses, neighborhoods, parks, schools, waterways and transit. There are over 120 miles of greenways throughout St. Louis City, St. Louis County and St. Charles County for you to explore and enjoy.