

Explore the Mississippi Greenway: Jefferson Barracks Park to River des Peres



Enjoy magnificent views
of the Mississippi River
while connecting with history
at Jefferson Barracks.



SHORT TRIP 1

2.5 miles from **A** to **B** and back

1 hour 30 minute walk/30 minute bike

SHORT TRIP 2

3 miles from **A** looping around North and South Trails in Jefferson Barracks Park

1 hour 45 minute walk/30 minute bike

TRAIL SURFACE

Greenway is asphalt trail separated from the road.
Greenway along River City Casino Blvd. between Broadway and River City Casino is not yet built.

LONG TRIP 1

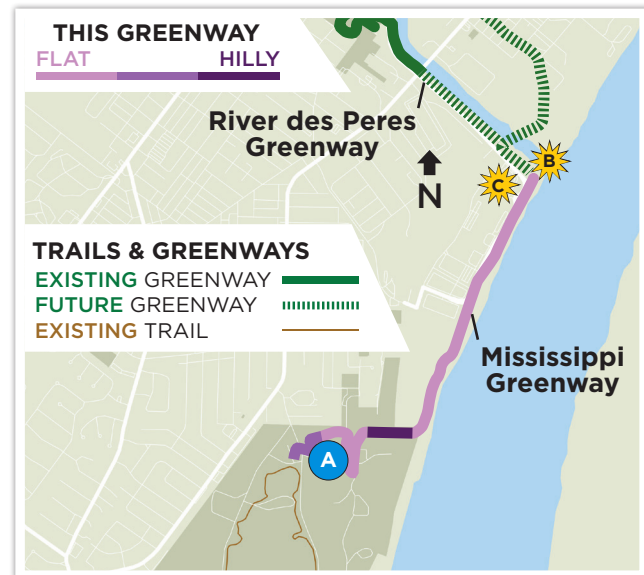
10.5 miles from **A** to the Mysun Charitable Foundation Trailhead on the Gravois Greenway and back

5.5 hour walk/2 hour bike

LONG TRIP 2

15 miles from **A** to Shrewsbury Metro Station and back

7.5 hour walk/2.5 hour bike



EXPLORE & ENJOY

Trailhead

A **Jefferson Barracks Park** Gold Star Pavilion Trailhead and Leuthauser Shelter:
345 North Road West, St. Louis, MO

Points of Interest

- B** Confluence of the Mississippi River & River des Peres
- C** Casino



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WHILE YOU'RE EXPLORING

- » Look for white-tailed deer, songbirds, birds of prey, and other wildlife along the greenway
- » Play disc golf, grill out or use the archery range in Jefferson Barracks Park
- » Explore the history of Jefferson Barracks at the three museums located around the park

NATURE: The Mississippi River is one of the world's major river systems because of its size, habitat diversity, biological productivity, migration for birds and fish, commercial transportation, and recreation. 25% of all North American fish species live in the Mississippi River, and 60% of all North American bird species migrate along this river.

CULTURE: 50 cities get their drinking water supply from the Mississippi River.

HISTORY: Decommissioned since the end of World War II, Jefferson Barracks was once the largest military post in the United States. In 1826, the US Military purchased common land from the village of Carondelet to establish a military post named for Thomas Jefferson who had died that same year. Jefferson Barracks started out as a base camp for troops fighting against Native Americans who were forcibly removed from their homelands by the federal government. Jefferson Barracks served as a departure point for the federal government's operations to open the Louisiana Territory to colonial settlers. Jefferson Barracks was used as a weapons and ammunition storage facility, basic training center, engineer base, cavalry post, general hospital, and a center for soldiers entering and leaving the military.



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.