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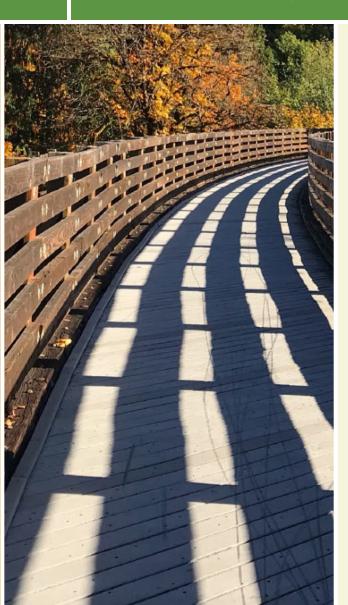


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### Perkiomen Trail

Pennsylvania



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#### Overview

The Perkiomen Trail spans 20.6 miles throughout the northern suburbs of Philadelphia. Created in 2003, often called, the "Perky", the trail rolls down the valley of Perkiomen Creek, which may have been a reference by local American Indians to the surrounding cranberry bogs.

#### About the Route

The northern end of the trail begins at Morrow Pavilion in

Green Lane Park, where trail users can find parking and restrooms. The trail passes Knight and Deep Creek Lakes, two of the reservoirs in this 3,400-acre park that supply water to the region. The park features 25 miles of equestrian, mountain biking, and hiking trails.

The trail then leaves Green Lane Park, and travels south alongside Deep Creek Road for 0.1 mile, crosses the creek on a stone-arch bridge that dates to 1839, and then the route rejoins the trail after 500 feet on Upper Ridge Road.

The path travels through forests and alongside some farm lots for the next 3 miles to the site of the Philadelphia Folk Festival, which takes place each August in Salford. In another mile, trail users will reach Spring Mount, a small local ski resort. Near Spring Mount, a steep 10% grade uphill awaits trail users heading south.

The trail crosses the creek on a separated path on Spring Mount Road, passes through more than a mile of woods, and crosses the creek again just before Schwenksville, a historic old town dating back to the 1680s. The trail runs by Meadow Park and just behind Schwenksville's historic Main St., which boasts several old historic homes and storefronts. Just on the other side of the creek from the trail is Pennypacker Mills, a historic mansion where George Washington once used as headquarters during the Revolutionary War.

Continuing south, the trail runs through the 800-acre Central Perkiomen Valley Park. Within the next 2 miles of trail, the trail crosses its namesake creek twice —first about 0.5 mile after crossing Plank Road, and the second about 1.8 miles farther south. Note that at the second crossing, the trail makes a sharp 90-degree turn left, followed by a sharp 180-degree turn right, heading uphill to meet an old railroad trestle bridge that crosses the creek.

The last portion of the trail passes through the towns of Rahns and Collegeville, which was named for the two colleges in the





**States:** Pennsylvania **Counties:** Montgomery

Length: 20.6miles

**Trail end points:** Gravel Pike & Lumber St (Green Lane): to Station Ave, 0.1 mile north of

Pawlings Rd (Oaks)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Crushed Stone

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Wheelchair

Accessible, Horseback Riding, Mountain Biking, Walking, Cross Country Skiing

### Parking & Trail Access

The Perkiomen Trail runs between Gravel Pike (Green Lane) and Station Ave (Oaks).

Parking options include:

- Green Lane Park, 2144 Synder Rd (Green Lane)
- Central Perkiomen Park, 1 Plank Rd (Schwenksville)
- Lower Perkiomen Valley Park, 101 New Mill Rd (Oaks)

There are numerous parking options along the route, see <u>TrailLink Map</u> for all options and detailed directions.sdfsdfdfdfdfdfdfdf



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