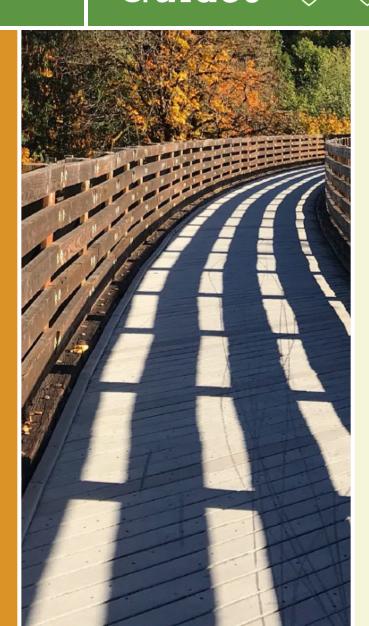




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Yakima Greenway Washington



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Central Washington's Yakima Greenway is a gem of a trail, connecting residents with the outdoors by providing access to the Yakima River, lakes, parks, nature trails, protected conservation areas and the Yakima Area Arboretum. There are wildlife viewing platforms along the way and you may even catch sight of a bald eagle on your journey.

The southern end of the pathway begins in Union Gap. From there, the paved pathway follows the river north and then west for about 10 miles on its journey to Yakima. From the midpoint at Yakima, the trail forks: a short spur travels up to Selah and a longer section extends west to Fruitvale and then north to Naches.

The northern section, sometimes referred to as the

Naches Rail to Trail, loosely parallels US 12 through the eastern foothills of the Cascades. Along the way, a striking link to its past is a refurbished railroad bridge over the Naches River. Also, as you enter Naches and cross Naches Avenue, keep your eyes open for an unusual sight: an eight-sided Art Deco building with a tall spire; the small white structure was once part of a gas station and now is a distinctive town landmark. The trail ends a touch farther on at the charming Historic Naches Train Depot, which serves as a visitor center. Built in 1906, the depot was used for both freight and passenger service until the early 1950s.



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States: Washington Counties: Yakima Length: 22.9miles Trail end points: Naches Train Depot (Naches) to E. Valley Mall Blvd. and I-82 (Union Gap) Trail surfaces: Asphalt Trail category: Rail-Trail Trail activities: Bike,Inline Skating,Fishing,Wheelchair Accessible,Walking,Cross Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

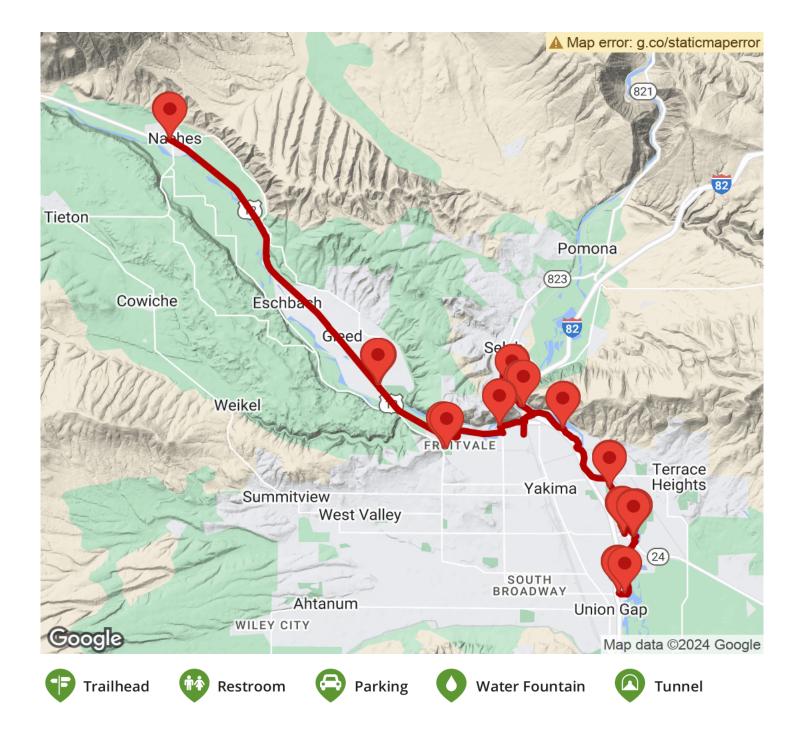
There are numerous parking areas along the Yakima Greenway. On the southern section of the trail, your best bets are in Sarg Hubbard Park on S. 18th Street, at the Yakima Area Arboretum on Arboretum Drive and at the E. Valley Mall Boulevard terminus just east of the I-82 underpass.

For the northern section of the trail, you can park at the Historic Naches Train Depot (Naches) and Chesterley Park (40th Avenue and River Road in Yakima).



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