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Guides



**Black  
Diamond Trail**  
*New York*



## Black Diamond Trail

New York

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Falls State Park near Trumansburg. The southern half of the trail (about 4 miles) offers a pleasant walk from Ithaca. There are no services along this trail.

Plans are under way to take the trail further south to Buttermilk Falls State Park and Robert Treman State Park, and include a connection to the planned Gateway Trail.

Notice: The Southern end of the trail, from Cass Park to Glenwood Heights Rd. may be experiencing daily trail closures on a high voltage power line. While the trail is not entirely closed, the southern end access may be spotty until September 20th. See Black [Diamond Trail](#) site for more updates.

Black Diamond Trail will one day stretch 15 miles to link four state parks in the Finger Lakes region of New York. Currently, 8 miles of the trail are open, which follow the Lehigh Valley Railroad route whose Black Diamond Express once ran from Buffalo to New York City and gives the rail-trail its name.

The unpaved trail runs through a rural backdrop as it makes its way from Cass Park in Ithaca to Taughannock



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**States:** New York

**Counties:** Tompkins

Length: 8.4 miles

**Trail end points:** Allan H. Treman State  
Marine Park (Ithaca) to Taughannock Falls  
State Park (Trumansburg)

**Trail surfaces:** Crushed Stone

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Mountain Biking, Walking

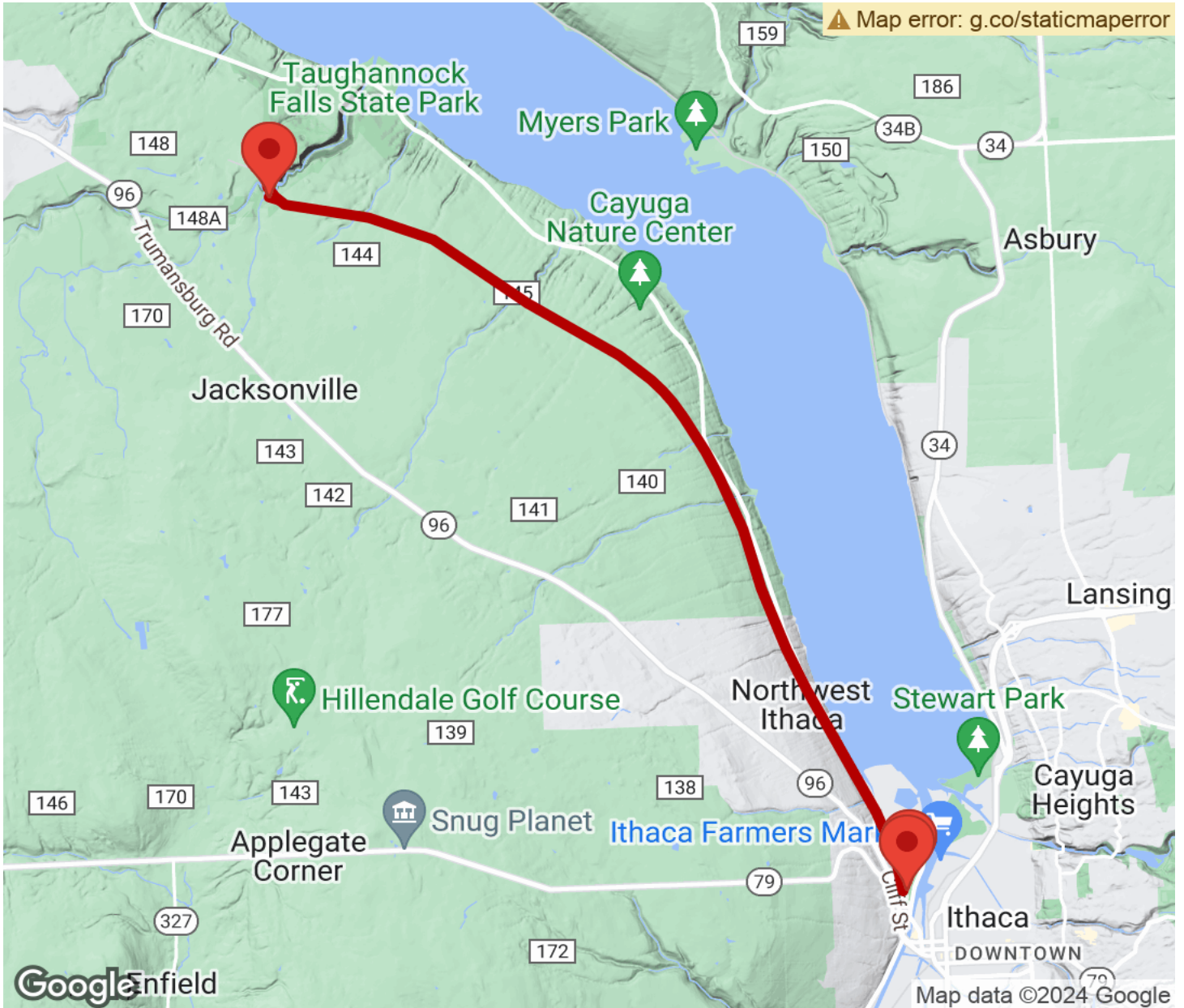
## Parking & Trail Access

At the south end of the trail, parking is available in Cass Park (701 Taughannock Blvd.). At its north end, you can park in Taughannock Falls State Park.



# Black Diamond Trail

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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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