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## About the Route

The Chattahoochee Riverwalk in Columbus skirts the banks of the Chattahoochee River, which follows the border between Georgia and Alabama. The meandering and hilly paved pathway links the quaint cotton mill village of Bibb City, downtown Columbus, and the drill fields at Fort Benning.

A highlight of the route is the Oxbow Meadows Environmental Learning Center, located near the

southern end of the trail, where visitors can learn about the local ecology and wildlife, and explore nature trails along wetlands and ponds.

Other enjoyable amenities along the way include: Rigdon Park with its playground, pool, and athletic facilities, and Rotary Park, which offers picnic tables and boating opportunities on the river. As the trail traverses downtown Columbus, trail goers will have access to Woodruff Riverfront Park, which serves as a popular event venue and also offers a splashpad and playground.

## Connections

The Riverwalk is part of the Dragonfly Trails network, the city's effort to connect more than 60 miles of trail throughout Columbus. A connection to the [Columbus Fall Line Trace](#) offers the opportunity to travel 11 miles on a northeast trajectory through the city with access to many amenities and Columbus State University. You can also continue your exploration of the Chattahoochee River along the [Chattahoochee Valley Railroad Trail](#), just over the border in Alabama.

## Trail History

The Chattahoochee River originates in the mountains of north Georgia and flows to the Florida Panhandle. Steamboats loaded with cotton plied the river through Columbus in the 1800s and commerce depended on the river with the arrival of the railroad and other means of transportation.



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**States:** Georgia

**Counties:** Muscogee

Length: 15.5miles

**Trail end points:** Lake Oliver Rd, south of Lake Oliver Marina (5501 River Rd, Columbus) to Baltzell Ave between Rainbow Ave & Miller Loop (Fort Moore)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt, Concrete

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike, Fishing, Inline Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

## Parking & Trail Access

The Chattahoochee Riverwalk runs between Lake Oliver Rd, just south of Lake Oliver Marina (5501 River Rd, Columbus) and Baltzell Ave between Rainbow Ave & Miller Loop (Fort Moore).

Parking is available at:

- Woodruff Riverfront, 1000 Bay Ave (Columbus)
- Rotary Park, 1808 Victory Dr (Columbus)
- Rigdon Park, 1600 Howe Ave (Columbus)

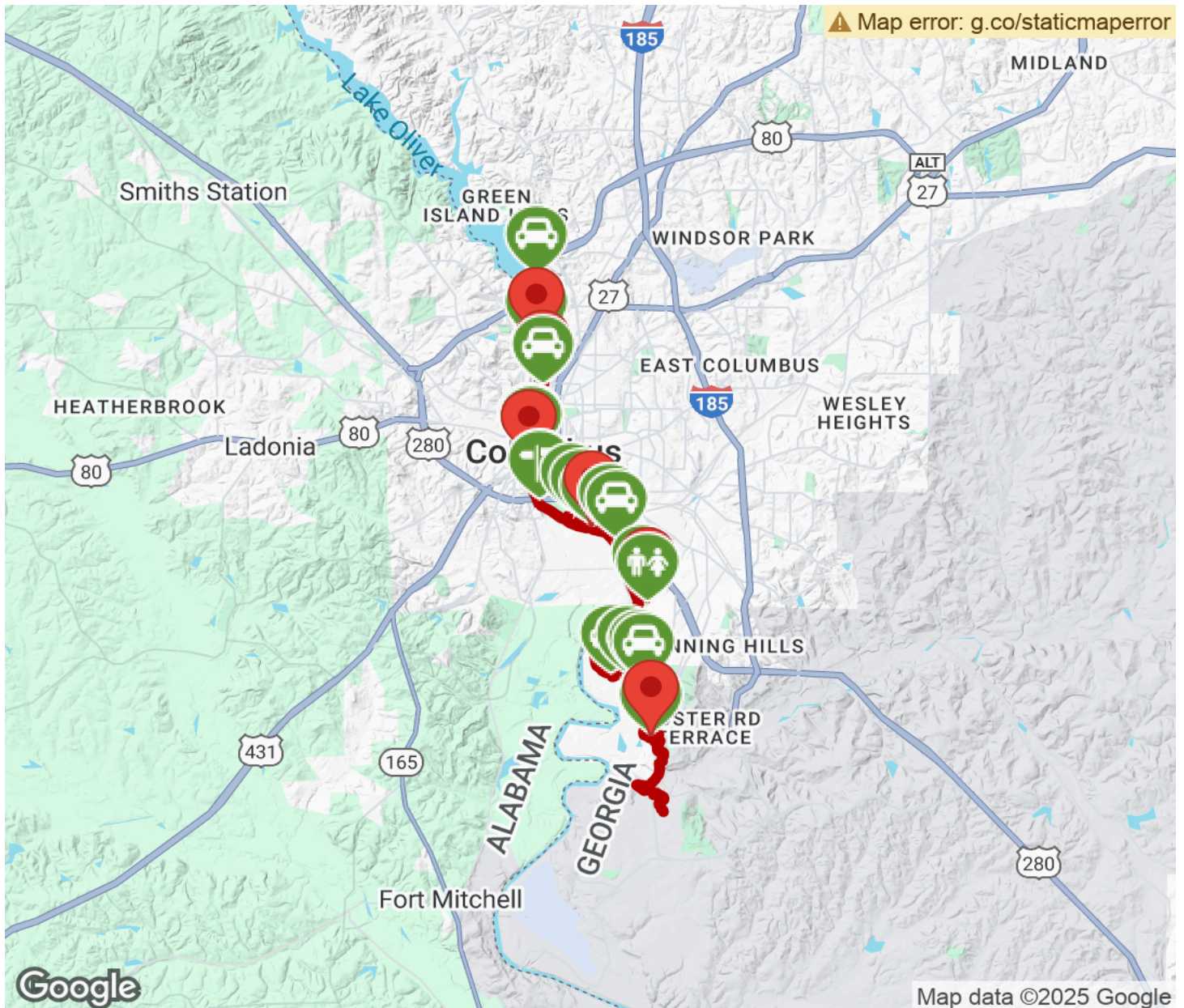
Visit the [TrailLink map](#) for all parking options and detailed directions.





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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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