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Douglas Greenway Trail Georgia



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About 135 miles southwest of Savannah, rural Douglas has successfully transformed its railroad line, a former economic generator, into a multiuse trail. Built atop the bed of the old Georgia & Florida Railroad, the 5+mile trail serves as a transportation corridor and recreational hub for the town's 15,000 residents.

From its southern trailhead on Trojan Lane at the former Middle School property (now a shopping center), the route meanders past tennis courts and a baseball field and crosses the landscaped campus of South Georgia State College, the state's oldest junior college. Beyond is an eclectic mix of single-family homes, businesses, old farmhouses, mobile homes and warehouses. While road crossings are plentiful on this trail, they're clearly marked for safe use. Midway along the trail on Ward Street West you'll pass the old train depot, now the Heritage Station Museum (open Tuesday-Friday & every first and third Saturday). Stop in to learn about the railroad that once ran through Douglas and contributed so much to the local economy.

Heading north and lined with sweet-smelling pines, the route crosses North Chester Avenue and then crosses Twenty Mile Creek via a pedestrian/bike bridge. Coming out of the woods, the trail is lined with grass and passes a few businesses. Crossing GA-206 Connector, the trail continues through grass meadows and woodlands to Van Davis Road near JC Adams Municipal Park (600 Van Davis Rd), the athletic park containing a number of sports complexes at the city's northern boundary. There is also a small playground and a large sheltered picnic area by the pond.

Benches and trash receptacles are placed along the route. Drinking fountains are located at the northern end of the ball field in the athletic park and just south of where the trail crosses Ashley Street. Enjoy the pleasant landscaping and take a breather on one of the trailside benches.



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States: GeorgiaCounties: CoffeeLength: 5milesTrail end points: JC Adams Municipal Park(600 Van Davis Rd, Douglas) to Trojan Ln by thetennis courts & shopping centerTrail surfaces: AsphaltTrail category: Rail-TrailTrail activities: Bike,InlineSkating,Wheelchair Accessible,Walking

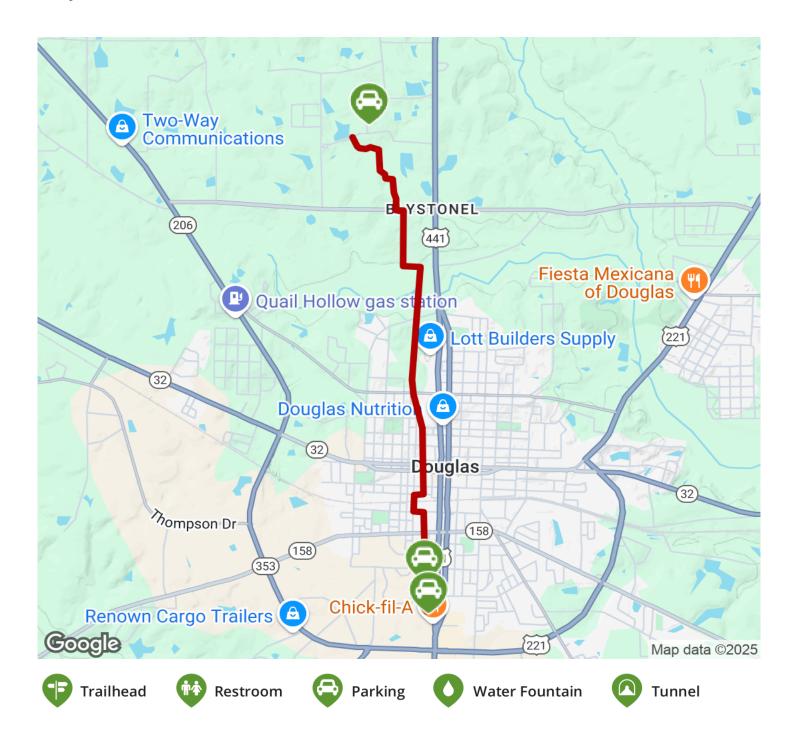
Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available at the southern trailhead on Trojan Lane in a large lot at the shopping center and near the northern end at JC Adams Municipal Park (600 Van Davis Rd, Douglas).



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