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Guides



**Lincoln
Prairie Grass
Trail**
Illinois



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The Lincoln Prairie Grass Trail for 13.4 miles, much of the way along an old railroad right-of-way between County Highway 2 east of Charleston and N 16th Street in Mattoon; an additional 1-mile loop takes you around the ball fields to Logan Street.

All 12 miles of the trail's surface is paved. The trail is open year-round from dawn to dusk.



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States: Illinois

Counties: Coles

Length: 13.4 miles

Trail end points: County Rd 2/CR 1800 E (east of Charlestown) to N 16th Ave. (Mattoon)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Horseback

Riding, Mountain Biking, Walking, Wheelchair

Accessible, Cross Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available at the trail's end in Mattoon. Parking is also available midway off Loxa Road where the trail crosses the road. In Charleston, there is a small parking area between the industrial sites where Madison Avenue and CR 7/Old State Road run parallel. Additional parking is at the ball fields on Division Street.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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