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Grant's Trail Missouri



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Along the route, trail users will be able to access several historical sites along the trail, including Grant's Farm, home to the 1850s four-room log cabin that the famed general and president built, as well as White Haven, another home owned by Grant and now operated by the

National Park Service. While at White Haven, Grant approved the construction of the Pacific Railroad (later known as the Missouri Pacific Railroad) through his property. Ground was broken for the railway in 1851, and it was billed at the time as "The First Railroad West of the Mississippi." Grant's Trail is built on the former Kirkwood-Carondelet Branch of the rail line.

About the Route

The trail's eastern end, where it also meets the River Des Peres Greenway Trail parallels I-55. From there, the trail crosses a bridge over Bayless Avenue then turns away from the highway to a boardwalk over a wetland area and continues past open fields to the Mysun Charitable Foundation Trailhead at Orlando Gardens. Continuing west from Orlando Gardens, wooded areas complemented by creek crossings create a delightful experience. After 1.3 miles, the route arrives at the former Trailnet office which sits trailside at 3900 Reavis Barracks Road. This community development organization, which took the lead in collaborating with local and state government entities to create the trail, offers a trailside outdoor seating area, where trail users also have access to restrooms and drinking water.

Passing through the City of Green Park, the trail has optional paths that detour from the main route into Blake C. Snyder Memorial Park (9801 Green Park Rd.). The two paths winding through the park are also known as the Bottomland Trail and the Fox Run Trail. The park (formerly known as Clydesdale Park) has a playground, sports fields, and picnic shelters.

Just over 4 miles later the trail passes by Grant's Farm, which features an animal park and the Anheuser-Busch Clydesdale pastures. Just beyond Grant's Farm, consider stopping at Whitecliff Park with its wooded trails and other recreational facilities. To get there, turn left when the trail intersects Pardee Road; after only a tenth of a mile on this residential road, there is an entrance sign for the park.





States: Missouri **Counties:** St. Louis Length: 9.9miles

Trail end points: Germania Ave. (St. Louis) to

601 S Holmes Ave (Kirkwood)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Inline

Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible, Cross

Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

Grant's Trail runs between Germania Ave. (St. Louis) and 601 S Holmes Ave (Kirkwood), where parking is available.

Parking is also available at:

- Whitecliff Park, 9245 Whitecliff Pk Ln. (St. Louis)
- Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site, 7400 Grant Rd. (St. Louis)
- 4379 Hoffmeister Ave. (St. Louis)

Please see <u>TrailLink Map</u> for all parking options and detailed directions.







