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# Mountain Goat Trail Tennessee



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The Mountain Goat Trail runs in two main segments. The first links Sewanee and Monteagle in Grundy County with a paved pathway stretching nearly five miles. The route parallels busy Highway 41, providing a safer alternative between the towns for pedestrians and bicyclists. It offers a nice mix of both quiet wooded areas and connections to businesses where travelers can grab a drink or a bite to eat.

The Tracy City segment runs from Main Street, along Railroad Avenue, and heads west for 2.8 miles. Like the



Sewanee-Monteagle segment, it also threads through wooded settings and past town homes and businesses. There are also two disconnected middle segments.

### Trail History

The trail follows the former Mountain Goat Railroad, dating back to 1856. The railroad was primarily used to move coal out of the Tennessee mountains, but as the population grew, it also transported people. Eventually, the Sewanee Mining Company rail (later to become CSX) fell into disuse by 1985. The nonprofit Mountain Goat Alliance was created to raise funds and develop the right-of-way rail corridor into a multiuse trail.

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States: Tennessee Counties: Grundy Length: 7.5miles Trail end points: Hawkins Ln. (Sewanee) to Main St. (Tracy City) Trail surfaces: Asphalt Trail category: Rail-Trail Trail activities: Bike,Inline Skating,Wheelchair Accessible,Walking

# **Parking & Trail Access**

The Mountain Goat Trail runs between Hawkins Ln. (Sewanee), where parking is available, and Main St. (Tracy City).

In Tracy City, trail users can park at the lot on the corner of Depot St & Laurel St.

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



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