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Guides



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Trail**
Georgia



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About the Route

The entire route runs from Esom Hill all the way to Smyrna. While the trail was built within the railroad corridor, the gradient may feel a bit steeper than one would expect of a rail-trail. The western section is more bucolic, with a mixed landscape of pine stands and farmland. At dusk, the countryside comes alive with animal sounds. The eastern section runs through residential areas, including housing developments with

private trail access.

As the trail continues east from the AL/GA state line, the trail passes by the town of Cedartown, which features a restored train depot and many refreshment stops. From here, the trail passes the small town of Rockmart and nearby baseball and recreation fields.

As the trail continues east, the Brushy Mountain Tunnel sounds like a spooky note with 700 feet of damp, dark corridor. Further east, the Pumpkinvine Creek Trestle stands 100 feet high and 700 feet long. Standing atop the trestle, trail users can almost picture the Comet streaking past in a silver blur. At Mile Marker 30.8, the Brushy Mountain Tunnel sounds like a spooky note with 700 feet of damp, dark corridor.

The Silver Comet offers a wide array of activities: Its rich history appeals to railroad enthusiasts, and its first-rate facilities draw recreation seekers from miles around. Whether you want to run 5 miles or bike 60, this rail trail is an excellent option. Enjoy it for an hour or make an entire day of it.

Connections

At the trail's western end, it directly connects to Alabama's [Chief Ladiga Trail](#).

At the trail's eastern end, trail users can use the [Cumberland Connector](#) to connect to the trails of Smyrna.

Trail History

The Silver Comet Trail follows the bed of the old Seaboard Air Line. From 1947 to 1969, the shiny Silver Comet passenger train provided luxury service between New York and Birmingham. Today, three trestles and a railroad tunnel integrated into the trail design hint at past glories.



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States: Georgia

Counties: Cobb, Paulding, Polk

Length: 61.65 miles

Trail end points: Alabama/Georgia State Line (Esom Hill) to South Cobb Drive (Smyrna)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Concrete

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Inline

Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

Parking & Trail Access

The Silver Comet Trail runs between the Alabama/Georgia State Line, which offers parking, and South Cobb Drive (Smyrna).

Parking is also available at:

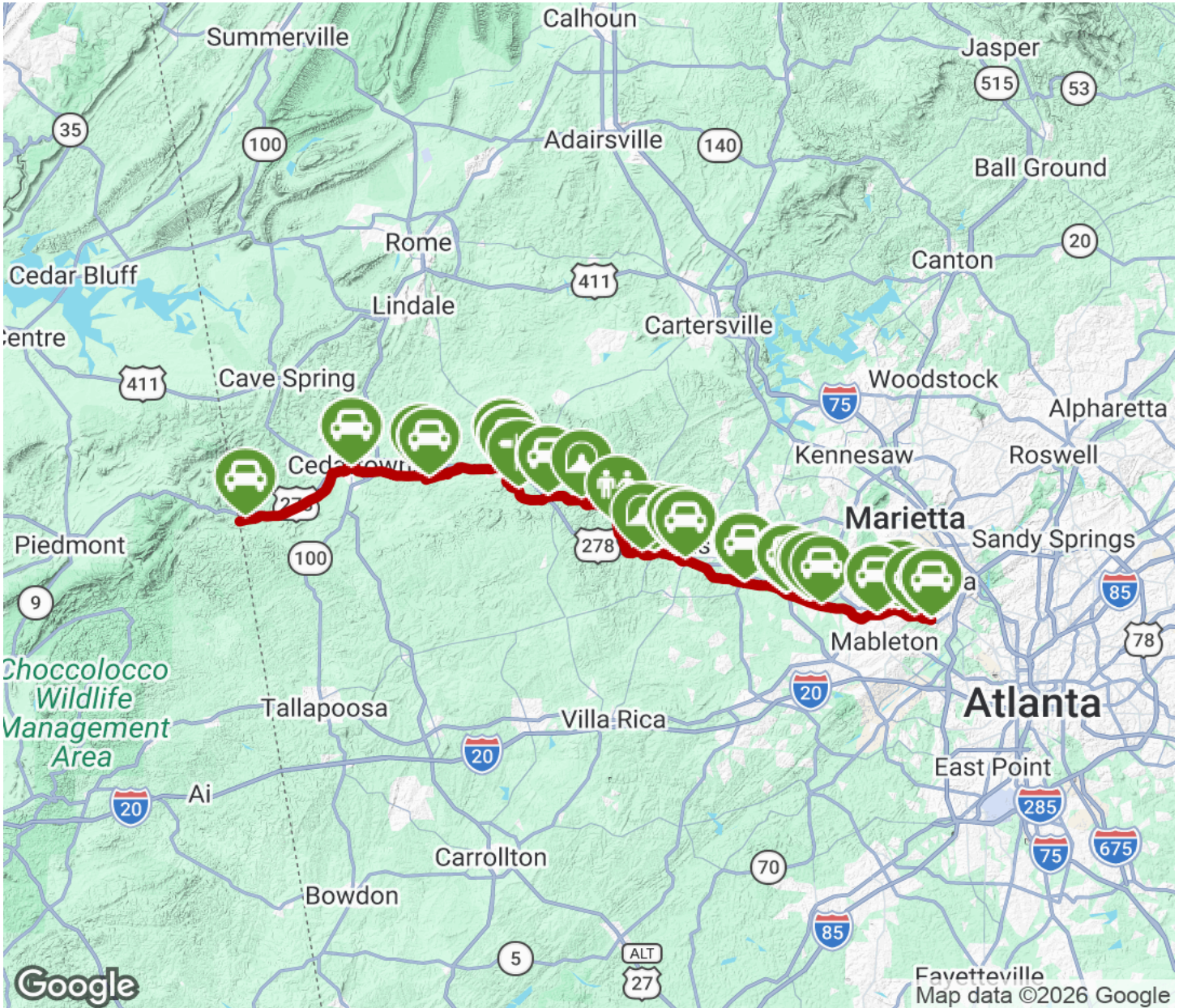
- Cedartown Welcome Center, 609 S Main St (Cedartown)
- 100 E Church St (Rockmart)
- 1301 Richard D Sailors Pkwy (Powder Springs)

Please see [TrailLink Map](#) for all parking options and detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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