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Jones Falls Trail Maryland



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Running north to south for over 12 miles along the Jones Falls Stream Valley, the Jones Falls Trail is one of the Baltimore region's premier urban trails. Combining pristine forested stream valleys and busy parks, plazas, and streets, it's a perfect blend of the city's built and natural environments. The multiuse trail connects the Mount Washington Light Rail Station with the Inner Harbor and features some of the city's most popular attractions, parks, green spaces, and cultural landmarks.

About the Route

Beginning at the northern endpoint at Greenspring Avenue, the trail heads east along Cross Country Boulevard/Kelly Avenue for about 1.5 miles, and then south to Rogers Avenue via an elevated boardwalk that heads through a peaceful wooded area. From here, the route winds through Northwest Park and along a 400-foot bike/pedestrian bridge that crosses over Northern Parkway and connects to Cylburn Arboretum. This is the newest segment of the Jones Falls Trail, completed in 2020.

After about 4.5 miles, the trail meets Druid Hill Park, which offers a natural escape from city life with many historical and cultural amenities, including the Baltimore Zoo and the Rawlings Conservatory and Botanic Gardens.

Upon exiting the southeastern side of the park, the trail heads south along Falls Road, where the surroundings become more urban. Along the way, the Baltimore Streetcar Museum is a worthwhile stop.

An on-road portion of the trail begins just past Penn Station, heading south via a separated shared-use path to the Inner Harbor, a major tourist destination with restaurants, shops, museums, and other attractions. While navigating this section of the trail, look for painted green trail markings along the ground to help guide trail users. Hop on the Gwynns Falls Trail at the Inner Harbor at Light Street and East Barre Street to extend the trek another 3.5 miles through southwest Baltimore to Middle Branch Park and Cherry Hill Park.

Just before the Inner Harbor, the trail passes the Phoenix Shot Tower, a redbrick pillar built in 1828 that stands more than 200 feet above down-town. Molten lead was once dropped from its top into a vat of cold water at the bottom to produce shot for pistols, rifles, and other weapons. Today, it is one of only a handful of similar structures around the country.

Connections

The Jones Falls Trail is part of the Baltimore Greenway Trails, a developing network of trails in the Baltimore Metropolitan Area. The trail is also part of the developing East Coast Greenway, a 3,000-mile route between Florida and Maine





States: Maryland

Counties: Baltimore, Baltimore City

Length: 12.4miles

Trail end points: Greenspring Ave/Pimlico Rd & Cross Country Blvd (Baltimore City) to Gwynns Falls Trail/Light St & E Barre St

(Baltimore City)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt
Trail category: Rail-Trail
Trail activities: Bike, Inline

Skating, Wheelchair Accessible, Walking

Parking & Trail Access

The Jones Falls Trail runs between Greenspring Ave/Pimlico Rd & Cross Country Blvd (Baltimore City) and Gwynns Falls Trail/Light St & E Barre St (Baltimore City), where there is parking.

Parking is also available at:

• Druid Hill Park, 900 Druid Park Lake Dr (Baltimore)

The trail is also accessible from the city's subway system; several stations are either adjacent to the trail or just a few blocks away.

Visit the <u>TrailLink map</u> for all options and detailed directions.







