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**Great Miami
River Trail**
Ohio



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The trail has a wonderfully maintained asphalt surface for its entire length. The majority of the trail meanders alongside the namesake Great Miami River and creates a prime opportunity to observe wildlife along the way.

About the Route

Leaving Piqua on your way south to Troy, you'll be delighted with the Robert J. Shook Memorial Bikeway Bridge over the river. Riding along the river, trail users

can see the impressive levee system that keeps the river out of town and allowed for the trail to be built. Entering Troy, an off-road trail is maintained even through some tight downtown situations. As the trail regains the river, it also passes an impressive city park along the waterfront.

Heading south, trail users will welcome the shaded tree canopy. Tipp City offers many amenities for trail users, including some of the best way-finding signage you can hope to see along a trail. The next stretch of trail is amazingly scenic and quiet as you ride through forests and a metro park before crossing the river again and continuing underneath I-70.

The trail entrance into downtown Dayton is a great experience, as it passes through five different parks, one island, and two trail bridges. The path hugs the river through the city, with ample chances to turn off and enjoy amenities.

South of Dayton, The Great Miami River Trail continues through small towns, including Miamisburg, which boasts many trail-friendly places to visit and helpful signage telling you how to get to them. This long stretch of 77 miles of connected trail ends just south of Middletown and east of Trenton.

After about a 5-mile gap, the southernmost section of the path begins at Rentschler Forest MetroPark north of Hamilton. The trail travels through the city to its southern terminus at Waterworks Park just south of Hamilton.

Connections

In Piqua, the trail intersects with the [Ohio-to-Indiana Trail \(River's Edge Trail\)](#).

In Dayton, the trail connects to the [Mad River Trail](#), [Stillwater River Bikeway](#), and [Wolf Creek Trail](#).



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States: Ohio

Counties: Butler, Miami, Montgomery, Warren

Length: 87.5 miles

Trail end points: 9300 OH-66 (Piqua) to Water Works Park, 5133 Groh Ln. (Fairfield)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike, Fishing, Inline Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible, Cross Country Skiing

Parking & Trail Access

The Great Miami River Trail runs between 9300 OH-66 (Piqua) and Water Works Park, 5133 Groh Ln. (Fairfield), with parking available at both ends.

Parking is available at:

- Treasure Island Park, 409 N Elm St (Troy)
- Miami-Erie Canal Park, 5641 Marina Dr (Dayton)
- 50 Oxford State Rd (Middletown)

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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