



TrailLink UnlimitedGuides



Suwanee Creek Greenway Georgia



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The city is known for its parks, and the greenway connects two nicely wooded ones. Suwanee Creek Park, an 85-acre city-operated facility, features an 18-hole disc golf course and a 19-point orienteering course. The county-managed George Pierce Park covers 304 acres with sports fields, a fishing pond, and a senior center. Both have restrooms. The greenway is popular not only for its natural setting but also for crossing traffic only once along its length. Much of the route is swampy, which is why there are segments on boardwalks. You may see deer along the edge of the forest, turtles sunning themselves on logs, or small fish in the shallow water.

About the Route

Starting from Suwanee Creek Park, the trail leaves the park but stays in the woods as it picks up the north side of the creek. It crosses a couple of wet areas on a boardwalk before it passes beneath McGinnis Ferry Road in about a mile. Immediately after the underpass, the trail route climbs up a ramp up to McGinnis Ferry Road, crosses the creek on the bridge, then descends to the south side of the creek on another ramp. Trail users can take a 1-mile loop around Berry Lake on a connecting trail after returning to the Suwanee Creek Greenway.

Rolling on, the greenway takes another boardwalk through a swampy section of woods and crosses Martin Farm Road in 0.8 miles. After another 0.6 mile of forest, the greenway passes beneath GA 317/Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road. Just before the underpass, a spur trail heads north to Portland Trail Drive and Suwanee Town Center, which boasts restaurants, a performance stage and amphitheater, and a large fountain. The city's Suwanee Fest occurs here on the third weekend of September.

Emerging from the underpass, the greenway heads east for 0.2 miles to a junction. The right fork comes to a trailhead behind an elementary school in 0.1 mile. The left fork crosses the creek into George Pierce Park, where it continues 0.8 miles to an array of sports fields.

Trail History

Suwanee Creek is a tributary of the Chattahoochee River,







States: Georgia Counties: Gwinnett Length: 5.16miles Trail end points: Suwanee Creek Park, 1170 Buford Hwy (Suwanee) to George Pierce Park, 55 Buford Hwy NE (Suwanee) Trail surfaces: Asphalt,Concrete Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT Trail activities: Bike,Inline Skating,Fishing,Wheelchair Accessible,Walking

Parking & Trail Access

The Suwanee Creek Greenway runs between Suwanee Creek Park, 1170 Buford Hwy (Suwanee), and George Pierce Park, 55 Buford Hwy NE (Suwanee), with parking at both ends.

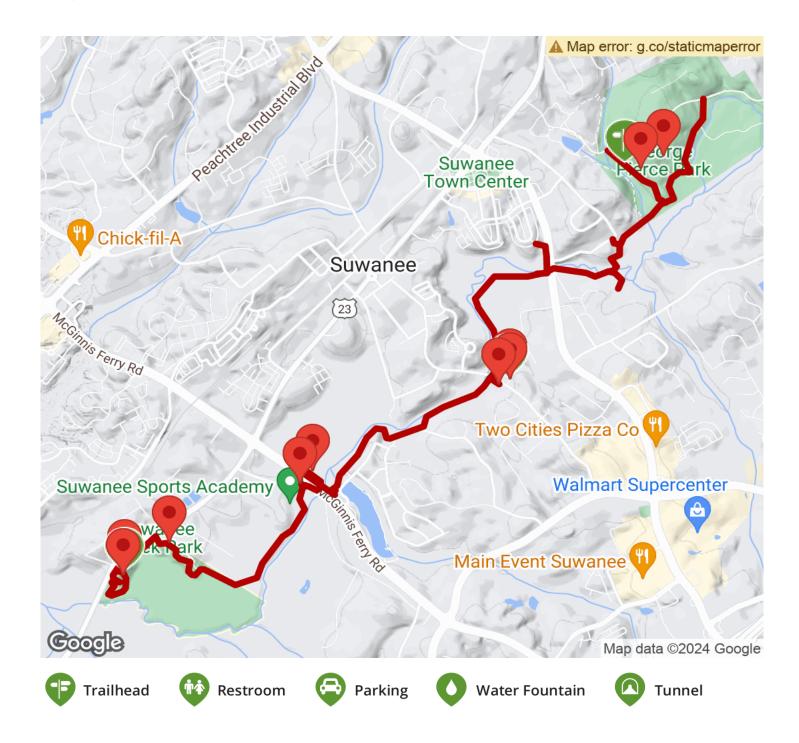
Additional parking is available along McGinnis Ferry Rd. and at Martin Farm Park. These are unofficial addresses.

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



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