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The Carpendale Trail straddles the North Branch of the Potomac River between Carpendale in West Virginia and Cumberland in Maryland. The wooden bridge spanning 386 feet across the river is a highlight, as is the 1,500-foot-long tunnel through Knobley Mountain.

Although the Carpendale Trail is less than a mile long, easy connections can be made to two much longer trails. On the trail's east end, it directly connects with the [C&O Canal Towpath](#) (near mile marker 183), which stretches nearly 185 southeast to Washington, DC. In Cumberland, the C&O Trail also in turn connects to the famed [Great Allegheny Passage](#), heading 150 miles northwest to



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States: Maryland, West Virginia

Counties: Allegany, Mineral

Length: 0.8 miles

Trail end points: Miller Lane (Carpendale, WV) to C&O Canal Towpath (Cumberland, MD)

Trail surfaces: Crushed Stone

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

Parking & Trail Access

Take I-68 to Cumberland, Maryland; use Exit 42 to Ridgeley, West Virginia.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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