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Guides



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One of the city's three major trails, the Herring Run Trail is a corner-stone of the developing [Baltimore Greenway Trails Network](#), a Rails-to-Trails Conservancy [TrailNation](#) project to create a 35-mile network of trails that will connect more than 75 neighborhoods in Baltimore City.

A good place to access the trail is on the western side of the park at Harford Road and Chesterfield Avenue, where street parking is available. This busy section of the park provides areas for recreation and relaxation, with picnic tables, ball fields, playgrounds, basketball courts, and multiple views of the stream from pedestrian bridges that cross over Herring Run.

The northwestern endpoint sits just south of the northeast end of Lake Montebello, another popular recreation attraction for students and families. Located adjacent to Herring Run Park to the southeast and Morgan State University to the north, the scenic reservoir is encircled by a 2.5-mile shared-use path and roadway that is a haven for walkers, runners, and bikers. Users can access the Herring Run Trail from Lake Montebello via a trail crossing over Harford Road at Chesterfield Avenue.

Just past Harford Road, the Herring Run Trail splits into two sections—flanked by trees and neighborhoods—that travel southeast on either side of the stream and then reconnect at Sinclair Lane between Shannon Drive and Parkside Drive. Trail users can access the eastern side of the park here, where street parking is available.

Recreational amenities are available along the western sections of trail, including playgrounds at Brehms Lane and Chesterfield Avenue on the southwest leg, and at the intersection of Parkside Drive and Robertson Avenue on the northeast side. Football fields are dispersed throughout and are often the site of local Little League games.

A lesser-known section of the park, referred to as Lower Herring Run Park, extends for 0.5 mile past Sinclair Lane into the Armistead Gardens neighborhood. This portion of the park—whose undulating landscape reflects its former life as a city landfill—is largely unmanaged and consists mostly of unpaved dirt trails. Please note that while the rest of Herring Run Trail and the park are ADA-accessible, this lower portion



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**States:** Maryland

**Counties:** Baltimore City

Length: 2.5miles

**Trail end points:** Harford Rd/SR 147 &  
Chesterfield Ave (Baltimore City) to south of  
Sinclair Ln (Baltimore City)

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt,Dirt

**Trail category:** Greenway/Non-RT

**Trail activities:** Bike,Inline  
Skating,Wheelchair Accessible,Walking

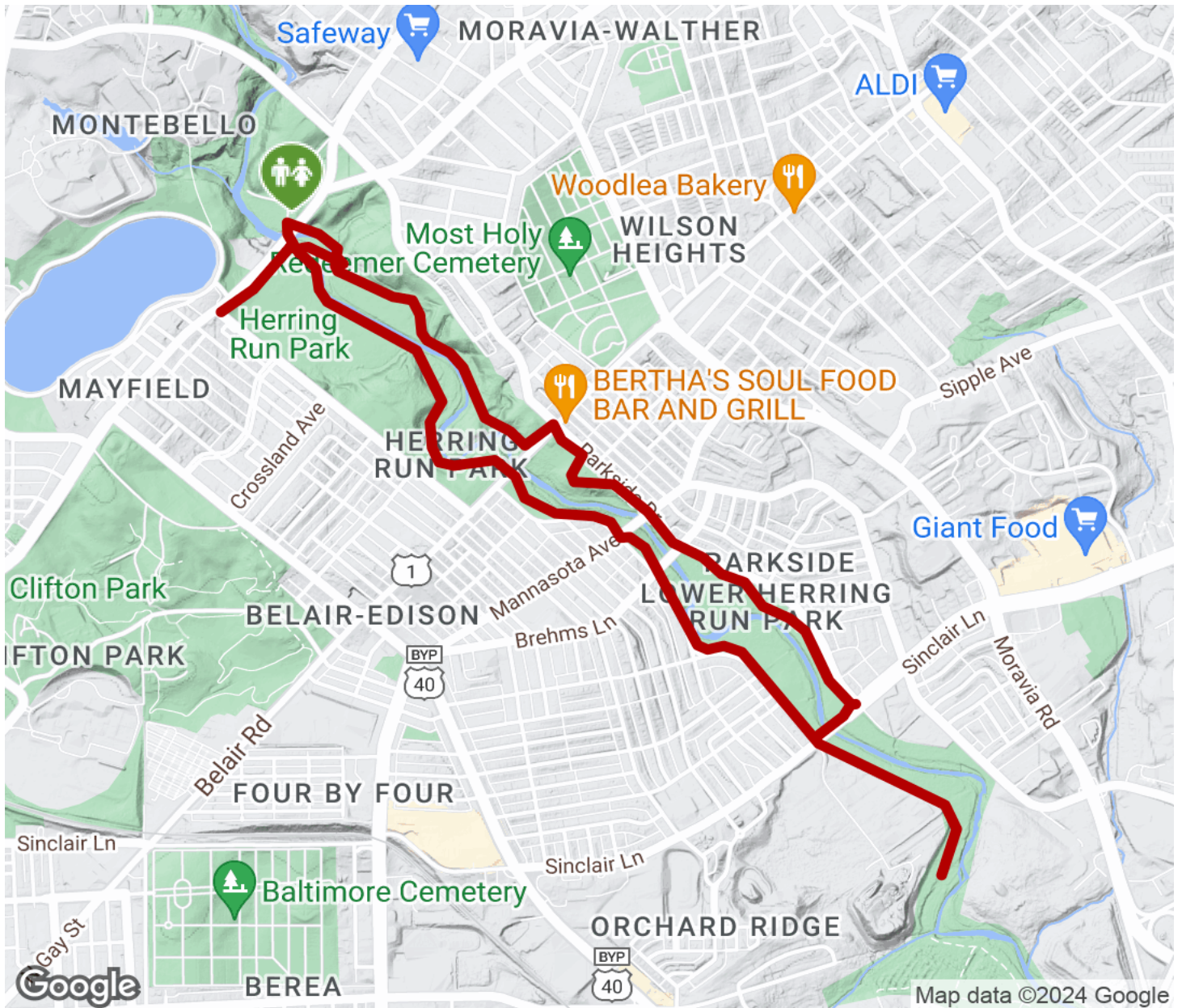
## Parking & Trail Access

Although there are no designated parking lots for the trail, street parking around Herring Run Park can be found along Chesterfield Ave, Shannon Dr, and Parkside Dr. Limited street parking can also be found along Easterwood Dr.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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