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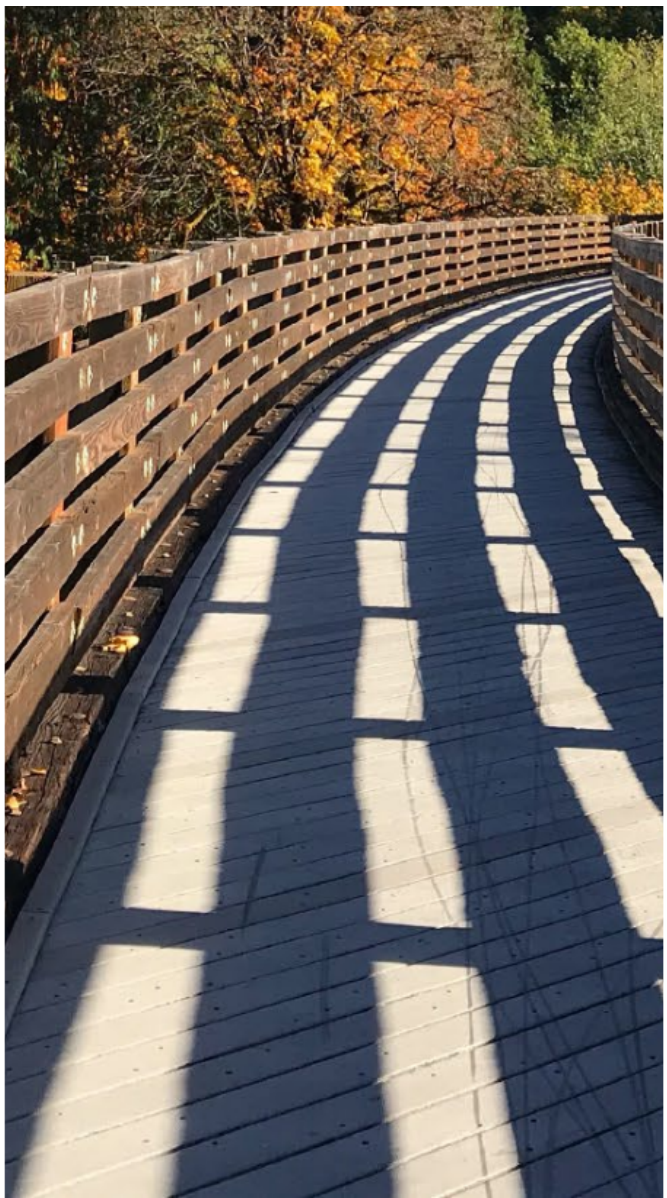
Guides



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Kick-off your journey at the trail's northern endpoint at Greenwood Circle and head south. As you go, you'll notice Lynn's run weaving through the woods, sometimes visible and sometimes obscured by the trees. Past Seabrook Ave. is MacDonald's Woods Park. Amenities here include a shaded playground and basketball slab. The trail remains close to the eastern border of the park. The next crossing is via a pedestrian overpass over US 1/64, where an art installation called Bowstring Vines, so look out for that. The greenway continues south, intersecting with Piney Plains Greenway which tears off to the east. Marla Dorrel Park, along Thurston Dr., is the southern terminus of the trail. This park features a unique and engaging play space designed to cater to children of all ages and abilities.

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States: North Carolina
Counties: Wake
Length: 1.7miles
Trail end points: Greenwood Circle to Marla Dorrel Park (Thurston Dr.)
Trail surfaces: Asphalt
Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT
Trail activities: Bike,Inline Skating,Walking,Wheelchair Accessible

Parking & Trail Access

You can park at Marla Dorrel Park (11 Thurston Dr.) The trail starts near the bike rack. You can also park along Greenwood Circle and Seawoods Ave.

Further details can be found on the Town of Cary's website.

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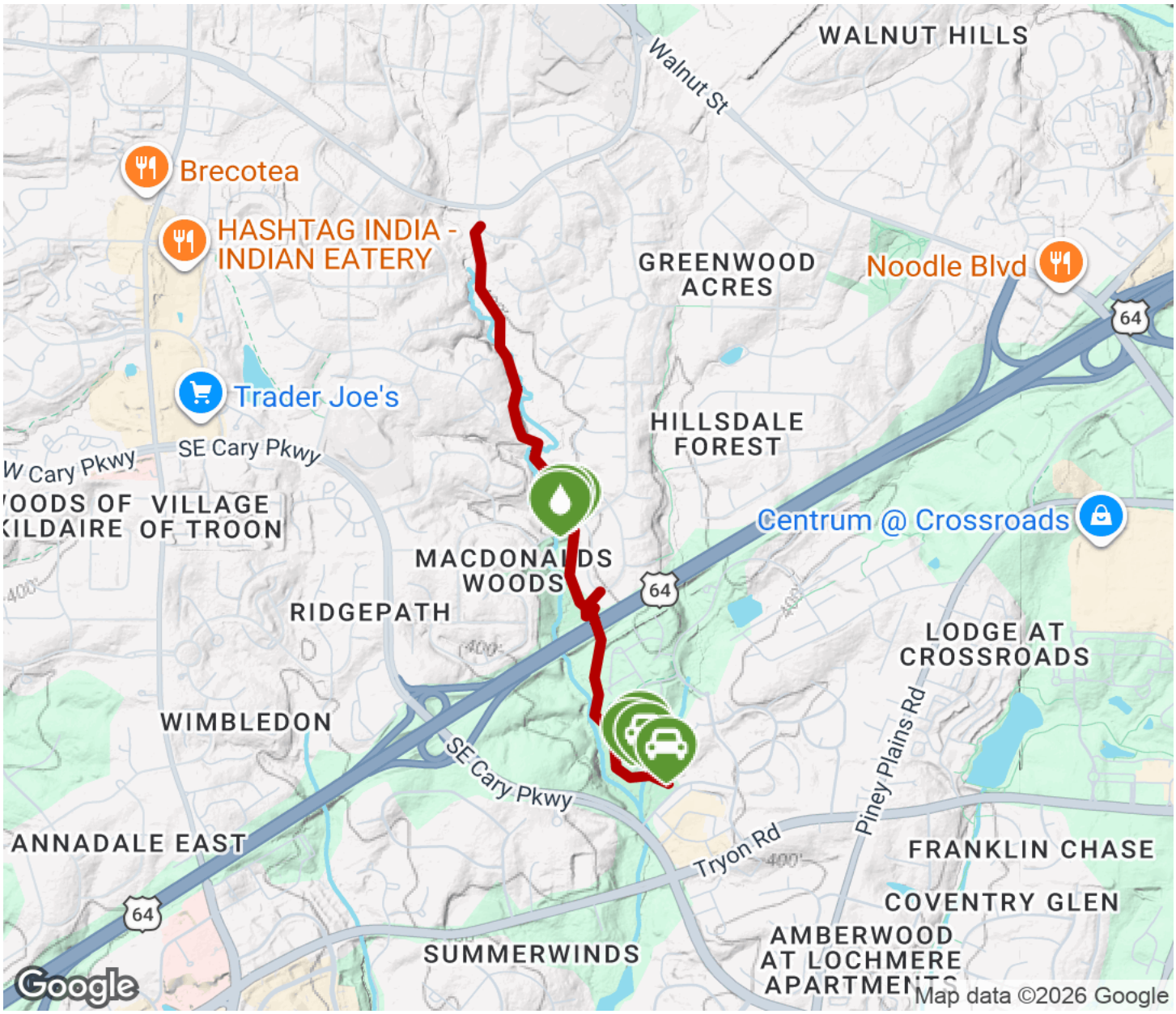

Trailhead Restroom Parking Water Fountain Tunnel

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