

Cleveland Metroparks® Trail Challenge

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2023: Trails

Trail Surface:

● Paved (APT)

● Natural Surface

● Water

All trail mileage reflects round-trips.

CM App Navigation

Exclusive Routes in the CM App

Acacia Reservation

1.0 miles: Headwaters Loop ● 41.501361, -81.490750

Enjoy this loop as you go down a steep hill and hike over Euclid Creek enjoying this old golf course.

1.7 miles: Woodpecker Way ● 41.501361, -81.490750

Hike, bike, or run this beautiful trail as you admire this old golf course as it returns to nature.

Bedford Reservation

1.9 miles: Touch Stone Loop ● 41.358731, -81.563647

This is a fun mountain bike ride or hike, but pay attention as hikers and those biking go opposite directions. Please visit Twitter (@CMPmtb) to confirm the trail is open.

4.2 miles: Hawthorn Parkway Buckeye Loop ● 41.384812, -81.524360

This route is exclusive to the app and will take you on a portion of the 1,444 mile long Buckeye Trail!

Big Creek Reservation

1.2 miles: Lake Isaac Loop ● 41.358122, -81.569179

Relax by the lake before going for a hike where you can look for signs of coyotes, owls and other wildlife.

0.8 miles: Beyer's Pond Loop ● 41.354406, -81.841311

This small, secluded lake is tucked away and is a great place to enjoy some privacy. Consider bringing a fishing rod.

Bradley Woods Reservation

0.5 miles: Bunns Lake Loop ● 41.418623, -81.950958

This waterfowl habitat is a pleasant spot for nature lovers. This is a wide, flat trail great for anyone with mobility concerns.

0.8 miles: Pin Oak Loop ● 41.418736, -81.953233

This trail is a great addition to hike at Bradley Woods when you are in the area.

Brecksville Reservation

0.3 miles: Gorge Loop Trail ● 41.319255, -81.617188

If you haven't visited this newly opened trail, you are in for a treat. The intricate rock work on this trail is amazing.

4.4 miles: Ottawa Point Loop ● 41.305424, -81.608763

This route is exclusive to the app as it utilizes many different trails creating a unique route for you to enjoy.

Brookside Reservation

0.8 miles: Brighton Park ● 41.442560, -81.702871

Explore all the trails at this small pocket park; make sure you visit the Lower Big Creek Valley Overlook.

0.5 miles: Brookside Wetland ● 41.305424, -81.608763

A really short loop hike to enjoy when you are in the area. This loop is exclusive to the app.

Euclid Creek Reservation

1.0 miles: Eastern Ledge ● 41.548150, -81.528917

This newly opened trail, complete with a suspension bridge and overlook 130' above Euclid Creek is not something you want to miss.

0.5 miles: Euclid Beach Pier ● 41.582689, -81.567876

Visit this attraction on the coast of Lake Erie as part of this year's Trail Challenge. This trail is great for anyone with mobility concerns.

Garfield Park Reservation

0.4 miles: North Ravine Loop ● 41.428958, -81.606116

Start on the All Purpose Trail walking the way you drove in and turn right onto the dirt trail when you get towards the woods.

0.2 miles: Mill Creek Falls ● 41.444529, -81.626015

Enjoy the 48' high waterfall, the highest in Cuyahoga County!

Hinckley Reservation

1.0 miles: Whipp's Ledges Loop ● 41.221090, -81.698175

Challenging terrain, exposed cliff edges and ledges will be found on this route.

2.2 miles: Hinckley Hills Loop ● 41.221703, -81.731560

This trail is away from the main area of Hinckley Reservation, giving you a backcountry feel to this route that is exclusive to the app.

1.5 miles: Paddling Loop ● 41.217636, -81.716481

Launch from the ramp at Hinckley Lake Boathouse and take a lap skirting the edge of this inland, flatwater lake.



Use the CM App to easily navigate these trails!



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Huntington Reservation

0.6 miles: Porter Creek ● 41.489301, -81.935709

Take the APT south and then turn left onto Porter Creek trail, and enjoy this short loop. Enjoy the beach or a snack at The Noshery while in the area.

0.6 miles: Songbird Loop ● 41.486818, -81.934143 ●

Enjoy a beautiful walk through the woods at one of Cleveland Metroparks oldest reservations.

Lakefront Reservation

0.1 miles: Paddle Lake Erie ● 41.499338, -81.716423

Launch from the beach at Wendy Park and paddle anywhere on the Lake Erie Water Trail. Wind and waves could be a factor.

0.5 miles: Coast Guard Station ● 41.499667, -81.710991 ●

Hike out the causeway to the Historic Coast Guard Station, and enjoy the views as you visit this attraction. This trail is great for anyone with mobility concerns.

Mill Stream Run Reservation

5.7 miles: Royalview Yellow ● 41.310805, -81.793547

Pay special attention to trail direction as it varies from day to day on this shared use mountain bike trail. Please visit Twitter (@CMPmtb) to confirm the trail is open.

1.1 miles: South Quarry Loop ● 41.354982, -81.854818 ●

A flat trail winding along the flood plain and past remnants of an Interurban Streetcar line.

North Chagrin Reservation

1.6 miles: Hickory Fox Loop ● 41.565238, -81.434795

Visit through this wildlife sanctuary as you listen for all types of species.

4.1 miles: NC Bridle Main Loop ● 41.582386, -81.416972 ●

This loop follows NC2 and is a great longer hike and makes for a good horseback ride.

Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation

2.3 miles: Mountain Bike Loop ● 41.430924, -81.662246

This old school style mountain bike trail can be a real lung burner. Please visit Twitter (@CMPmtb) to confirm the trail is open.

1.6 miles: The Lower 40 Loop ● 41.430277, -81.662189 ●

Use the app to navigate down the hill and past the old canal on this loop trail.

Rocky River Reservation

1.4 miles: Rockcliff Spring ● 41.470123, -81.829451 ●

This fitness trail gives you views of Rocky River with the added challenge of fitness stations if you choose. This route is exclusive to the app.

1.8 miles: Wildlife Management Loop ● 41.409169, -81.882212

Start on the W Channel Pond Trail and head out to enjoy the Wildlife Management Loop Trail.

South Chagrin Reservation

1.0 miles: Chagrin Overlook ● 41.440022, -81.408437 ●

Hike east along the road, and you'll see the trail go into the woods on the left after the bridge.



Washington Reservation

2.4 miles: Arborview ● 41.454111, -81.658558 ●

Start at Arborview Shelter and take the APT south to Settlers Bluff Picnic Area. This trail is great for anyone with mobility concerns.

West Creek Reservation

1.0 miles: Keystone Trail ● 41.390105, -81.691342

Use the connector trail and get on the Keystone Loop for a nice hike at West Creek.

3.3 miles: Skinner's Run Trail ● 41.388053, -81.694141 ●

This out and back gives you the chance to see deer, coyote, owls and other significant wildlife.

NEW for 2023!

Guest Choice!

In addition to the trails listed above, you have the ability to hike, bike, ski, or travel any trail within Cleveland Metroparks and count that towards your prize. You can only do this one time for each reservation! The goal for this year's Trail Challenge is for you to have fun exploring trails in at least 10 reservations. If the wayfinding of the provided trails becomes confusing, use the Cleveland Metroparks App to navigate, create your own adventure by choosing a different trail for that reservation, or join Cleveland Metroparks staff for a variety of programs offered throughout the year.

Cleveland Metroparks App Integration!

Maps marked with the Trail Challenge Badge can be found on the Cleveland Metroparks App! Use the app to guide you to the start, navigate the trail, and track your trails by earning digital badges along the way. Some routes are exclusive to the app and will best be followed using the app for navigation as these routes often utilize and link together multiple trails to make up the complete route.



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