



Cleveland Metroparks
Trail Challenge

Presented by



2026: Trails

Trail Surface: All trail mileage reflects round-trips.

Paved (APT)

Natural Surface

Water

These trails are considered the most accessible and suitable for most skills and abilities.

Complete 10 of the designated trails below in 10 different Cleveland Metroparks reservations (bike, hike, ride, paddle, run, skate or walk) from **March 1 – September 30** to receive your 2026 Trail Challenge sticker and prize! Complete these trails on your own, or by joining a staff-led program. Upcoming staff-led Trail Challenge programs and complete program details can be found at clevelandmetroparks.com/trailchallenge, or by scanning the QR code above.

Looking for a little added adventure? Visit all 18 Cleveland Metroparks reservations between March 1 - September 30 (for any activity or event of your choosing) and receive a FREE Bandana at any Cleveland Metroparks Nature Center!

Acacia Reservation

Woodpecker Way to Center Pond – .75 miles (out-and-back)

Start at the kiosk near the **Acacia Shelter** and head north to Center Pond. Head back to Acacia Shelter.

Headwaters Loop – .7 miles (loop)

Start at the kiosk near the **Acacia Shelter**, and follow the loop to return to the trailhead.

Program / Activity & Date: _____

Bedford Reservation

Viaduct Park Loop – .4 miles (loop)

Start at **Viaduct Park** Parking Lot. Follow the loop down and back to return to the parking lot.

Forbes Woods APT Loop - .25 miles (loop)

Start at **Forbes Woods Picnic Area**. Take a relaxing stroll along this scenic woodland loop.

Program / Activity & Date: _____

Big Creek Reservation

Lake to Lake Trail – 4.8 miles (out-and-back)

Start at the **Eastland Road Trailhead**. Wooden boardwalks traverse this vibrant marshy wetland.

Program / Activity & Date: _____

Bradley Woods Reservation

Bunn's Lake Loop – .5 miles (loop)

Start at **Bunn's Lake Trailhead**. This short loop around the lake is a pleasant spot for nature lovers.

Program / Activity & Date: _____

Brecksville Reservation

Deer Lick Loop – 4.5 miles (loop)

Start at **Brecksville Nature Center**. Take a short detour to explore Deer Lick Cave along the loop.

Program / Activity & Date: _____

Brookside Reservation

Meadow Ridge to Cherry Grove – 1 mile (out-and-back)

Start at **Meadow Ridge Picnic Area**. Access the All Purpose Trail from the North side of the parking lot, and turn left. Stroll along the APT towards Cherry Grove Picnic Area, and back.

Program / Activity & Date: _____

Euclid Creek Reservation

Eastern Ledge Trail – 1 mile (out-and-back)

Start at **Welsh Woods Picnic Area**. Enjoy one of the Emerald Necklace's most scenic vistas before heading back.

Wildwood Marina to Euclid Beach Pier – 1.2 miles (out-and-back)

Start at **Wildwood Boat Launch**. Continue West across the bridge to Euclid Beach Pier and back.

Program / Activity & Date: _____

Garfield Park Reservation

North Ravine Loop – .4 miles (loop)

Start near **Garfield Park Program Center**. Keep Mill Creek on your left as you head North on the All Purpose Trail towards the park entrance. The North Ravine Loop trailhead starts on your left with a set of stairs leading into the forest.

Redbud Loop Trail – .5 miles (loop)

Start at **Garfield Park Program Center**. Admire the historic architecture on this short but beautiful loop.

Program / Activity & Date: _____

Hinckley Reservation

Worden's Ledges Loop – .7 miles (loop)

Start at **Worden's Ledges Trailhead**. Take the short spur trail to reach Worden's Ledges Loop.

Paddle Hinckley Lake - 1 mile (loop)

Launch from the ramp near **Hinckley Boat House**, and take a lap skirting the edge of the lake.

Program / Activity & Date: _____

Huntington Reservation

Porter Creek – .6 miles (loop)

Start at the parking lot near **Porter Creek Sledding Hill**. Take the APT south and then turn left onto the Porter Creek Trail loop.

Lake Erie Water Trail - 1 mile (out-and-back)

Set off from **lower launch paddling access** and paddle East along the shoreline to Cahoon Park Beach overlook. Be prepared for wind and waves during this advanced open water paddle.

Program / Activity & Date: _____

Lakefront Reservation

- Abby Road to Industrial Valley Overlook** – 2.4 miles (out-and-back) Start at the **parking lot near the corner of Abby Ave. and W. 13th**. The Towpath Trail is accessible from the North side of Sokolowski’s University Inn. Take a right on the Towpath, following it East until you reach the Industrial Valley Overlook and Towpath Mounds. Head back the way you came.
- Lower Edgewater Loop** – 1.6 miles (loop) Start at **Edgewater Beach House**. This portion of the All Purpose Trail circumnavigates Lower Edgewater Park.
- Program / Activity & Date:** _____

Mill Stream Run Reservation

- Bonnie Park Loop** – .6 miles (loop) Start at **Bonnie Park Picnic Area**. Keep an eye out for wildlife in this recently restored wetland habitat.
- Music Mound Loop** – .5 miles (loop) Start at **Music Mound Picnic Area**. This scenic loop travels along the East Branch of the Rocky River.
- Program / Activity & Date:** _____

North Chagrin Reservation

- Scenic Loop** – 2 miles (loop) Start at **Strawberry Picnic Area** parking lot. From the kiosk located near the All Purpose Trail, follow the Squire’s Lane Trail until it meets the Scenic Loop Trail.
- NC2 Bridal Trail** – 4.5 miles (loop) Start at **Squire’s Castle Picnic Area**. If horseback riding, there is trailer parking on Chagrin River Road approximately 1 mile south of Squire’s Castle.
- Program / Activity & Date:** _____

Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation

- CanalWay Center to Rockside Road** – 8 miles (out-and-back) Start at **CanalWay Center**. Follow the All Purpose Trail downhill. Cross the bridge over the Ohio & Erie Canal, then turn left to head south on the Towpath Trail. Turn back when you reach Rockside Road.
- Lower 40 Loop** – 1.6 miles (loop) Start at **CanalWay Center**. Follow the All Purpose Trail downhill, crossing the bridge over the Ohio & Erie Canal. Turn right to follow the Towpath Trail north until meeting up with the Lower 40 Trail junction on your left.
- Program / Activity & Date:** _____

Rocky River Reservation

- Fort Hill Loop** – 1.3 miles (loop) Start at **Rocky River Nature Center**. Just past the Nature Center, ascend 155 stairs to access the loop trail.
- West Channel Pond Loop** – .5 miles (loop) Start at **Rocky River Nature Center**. Turn right to cross the bridge and follow the loop counter-clockwise.
- Program / Activity & Date:** _____

South Chagrin Reservation

- Look About Lodge Loop** – 1 mile (loop) Start at **Look About Lodge**. Access the trailhead from the driveway near the parking lot entrance.
- Program / Activity & Date:** _____

Washington Reservation

- Washington APT** – 1.28 miles (out-and-back) Start at **Washington Golf Course**. Access the All Purpose Trail near the parking lot entrance. Turn left, following the APT east along Washington Park Boulevard. At the first trail junction, turn left to stroll past the golf course. Turn around when you reach Pallister Drive.
- Program / Activity & Date:** _____

West Creek Reservation

- North, South & Outer APT Loops** – 2.2 miles (loop) Start at **Blue Bird Point**. The West Creek All Purpose Trail has three sections: North Loop (.55 miles), South Loop (.65 miles), and the Outer Loop (1 mile). Choose one loop or combine all three!
- Keystone Loop to Skyline Overlook** – 1.3 miles (loop) Start at **Keystone Shelter**. Cross the roadway to access the All Purpose Trail and turn left. The connector trail to the Keystone Loop will be on your right. Turn left on the Keystone Loop until you reach the Skyline Trail. Follow the Skyline Trail to the overlook. Keep left on the Skyline and Keystone Trails to complete the loop back.
- Program / Activity & Date:** _____

New for 2026!

Attend a MetroHealth Be SimplyWell Health Talk as part of Trail Challenge! Count up to 5 of these programs in place of completing a trail (each Health Talk attended counts towards one trail completion):

1. Topic & Date: _____
2. Topic & Date: _____
3. Topic & Date: _____
4. Topic & Date: _____
5. Topic & Date: _____

Visit the MetroHealth webpage [HERE](#) for a full list of upcoming Health Talks.

As a reminder, we offer in-person and virtual health talks.