

Southeast County Tour

A good route for **Strong and fearless bikers**

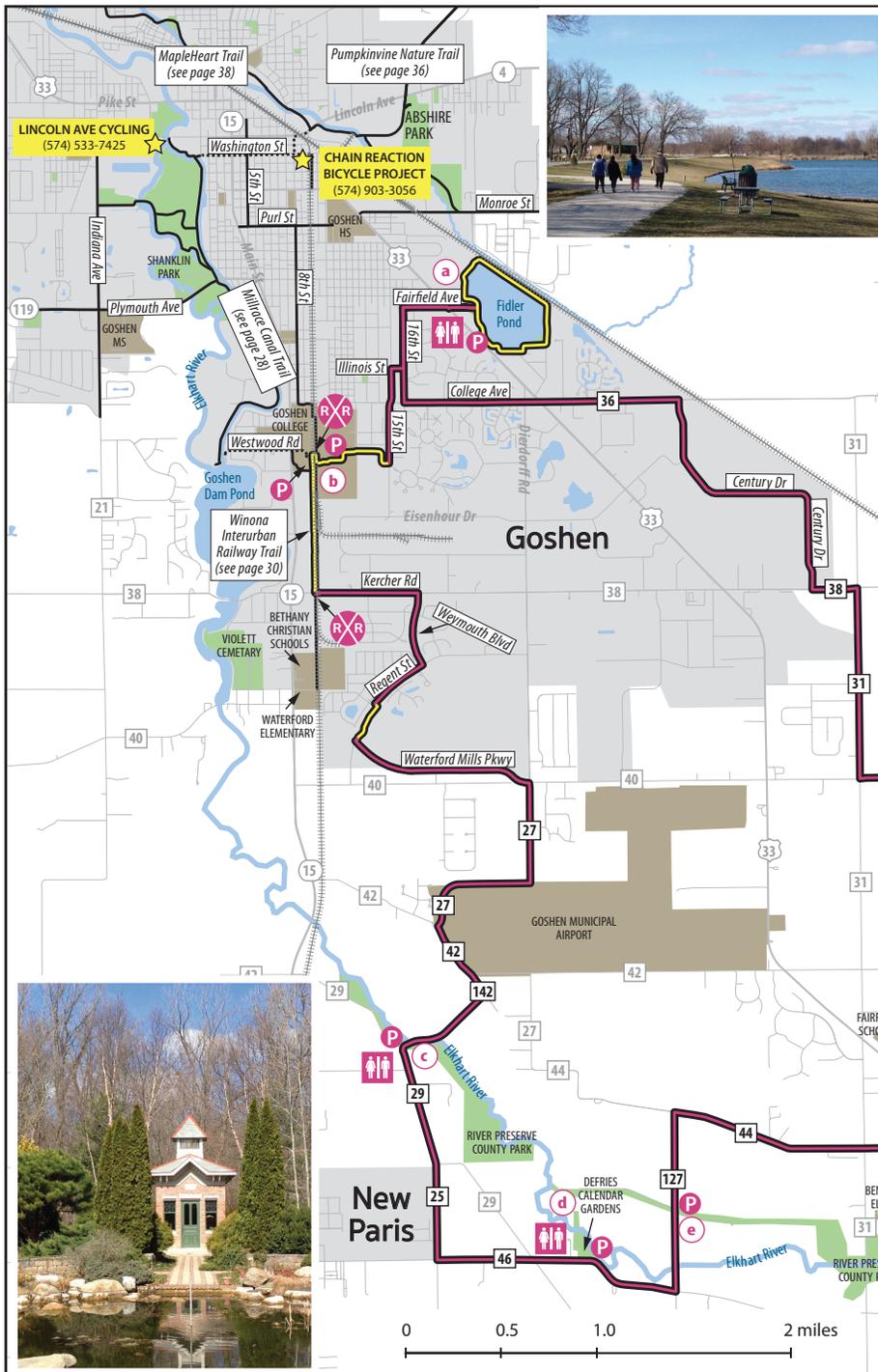
Route access points

- a** Fidler Pond Park in Goshen
- b** Goshen College Church-Chapel
- c** River Preserve County Park
- d** DeFries Calendar Gardens
- e** Intersection of Co Rd 127 and Canal Dr
- f** Intersection of Jefferson St and Washington St

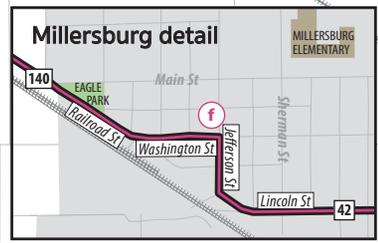
Route length

30.3 miles • loop, including Fidler Pond Trail

This tour is best as an all-day ride so you can stop and enjoy the views. We recommend riding it counter-clockwise - from Fidler Pond, head south to Goshen College and the Winona Trail. The route takes you past the Goshen Airport to the River Preserve County Park with short paths to wetlands and the old hydroelectric dam. Continue on to the beautiful DeFries Calendar Gardens, which showcases plants of different colors and textures in every season. Millersburg, a town of just over 900 residents, has its own unique charm. Take a rest in Eagle Park before riding back to Goshen.



Download turn-by-turn directions at HTAdventures.com



Highlighted trail (off-road)	Public parking	Route access point
Highlighted route (on-road)	Railroad crossing	Water
Alley or driveway	Trail crosses a road	Public park
Other trail	Public restrooms	Landmark
Other on-road route		City boundaries



What's Your Style?

Everyone has a different reason for getting on the trail or taking off on a county road. Knowing what you most enjoy about biking and walking will help you choose the right route.



CONFIDENT, BUT CAUTIOUS

- Your route is mostly on trail and sidewalk.
- Some sections require merging with car traffic, but only on local, low-traffic roads.
- You will often be in busier parts of town, close to some good food and entertainment.



CASUAL

- Your route is entirely on off-road trails.
- Expect very few road crossings, if any, and lots of opportunities to view wildlife.
- You will be in the quieter, slow-paced corners of our communities.



STRONG & FEARLESS

- Your route is mostly on county roads, but you will also see sections of our off-road trails.
- Some routes have long, straight stretches great for getting in training mileage. Some will require more navigation.
- You will be in the rural areas of the county, passing Amish farms and corn fields.

Each route in the 2017 Biking and Walking in Elkhart County Guide recommends the type of biker or walker that may want to try it out. For example, if you know that you want to take it easy and stop to watch ducks along the river, look for the "Casual" recommendations.

Gear Up

You can walk and bike in any weather if you have the right gear!

Walking in the rain can be a very relaxing activity, but only if you are dressed right. Wear a venting jacket with hood, waterproof boots, and two pairs of socks. Carry a water-proof bag for items that should not get wet.

Bicyclists should invest in a good riding poncho that attaches over the handlebars to keep your legs dry. Fenders with mud flaps and water-proof shoe covers are well worth the money, too.

The key to walking and biking in cold weather is wearing several layers so you can remove some as your body warms up. Overheating is a real concern, so remember to wear breathable materials. Wide bike tires with tread are a necessity to bike in snow.

CYCLISTS: CHECK YOUR A, B, C'S **A** Air **B** Brakes **C** Chain



Need to make a connection? Check out the Interurban Trolley map and schedule at interurbantrolley.com. You can secure up to two bikes on a rack located on the front or back of any Trolley. Then, sit back and relax awhile.

Note: Bicycles are not allowed inside the Trolley. If the rack is full, you must wait for the next available Trolley. Regular fare is \$1.00 per person for each one way trip. Children 5 and under ride free when traveling with an adult.

Does your bike need a tune-up? Do you need new gear or want to rent a bike for the day? These locally-owned businesses can help you.

Pumpkinvine Cyclery

413 N Main St, Middlebury
Tu-F: 10-6, Sat: 9-4
(574) 825-2252
pumpkinvinecyclery.com

Family Bicycle Center

3410 S Main St, Elkhart
M-F: 9-6, Sat: 9-4
(574) 294-2865
familybicyclecenter.com

Lincoln Ave Cycling

430 W Lincoln Ave, Goshen
M-F: 10-6, Sat: 9-4
(574) 533-7425
lincolnavenucycling.com

Elkhart Bicycle Shop

401 E Jackson Blvd, Elkhart
M-F: 10-6, Sat: 9-3
(574) 294-7243
allaboutcycling.net

Want to connect to a community bicycle shop or advocacy group?

Chain Reaction Bicycle Project

510 E Washington St, Goshen
(574) 903-3056
crbp.org

Pedal Power Bike Shop

1320 Prairie St, Elkhart
(574) 361-0009

Bike Elkhart

bikeelkhart.org

Bike Michiana Coalition

bikemichiana.org