



Indiana State Capitol



White River Wapahani Trail



Canal Walk

# Self-Guided Bike Tour

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### Points of Interest (see map for location)

**A. NCAA Hall of Champions** Revel in the excitement of college athletics at this interactive museum! Practice your slam dunk, see how high you can jump spiking a volleyball, and learn about collegiate sports with the museum's interactive kiosks!

**B. Indiana State Museum** From mastodons to Hoosier celebrities, Indiana State Museum offers a view of the prehistoric to the present day. Enjoy the Turner and Wantanabe Gardens.

**C. Eiteljorg Museum of American Indians and Western Art** Named after a prominent local businessman and philanthropist, this preeminent Western Art museum features a who's who in Native American and Western Art. Visitors can enjoy works by sculptor Fredrick Remington, and paintings by Georgia O'Keefe.

**D. Canal Walk** Serves as an innovative connection between the serenity of the park and the hectic bustle of downtown. A variety of interesting architecture like fountains, waterfalls, bridges, and murals greet visitors along the waterside promenade.

**E. Indiana State Library** Built with locally occurring Indiana Limestone, the largest library in Indiana is home to over 60,000 books and manuscripts. Inside the library, murals, ornate fixtures, stained glass, and carvings delight and inspire all who enter.

**F. USS Indianapolis Memorial** The USS Indianapolis was sunk by a Japanese submarine at the end of World War II. A quarter of the crew died in the attack, while the remaining 900 crew members endured shark attacks, dehydration, and hypothermic conditions. Ultimately, only 317 men survived. This memorial was erected by those who survived.

**G. Indiana History Center** Founded in 1830, the Indiana History Center is known as "Indiana's Storyteller." The center's stately interior features a wide range of interactive historical exhibits.

**H. Military Park** The oldest park in Indiana, Military Park was founded in 1820. Today it's the site of concerts, festivals, and more, but during the Civil War, the park was used to station Union troops.

**I. Veterans Memorial Plaza** Completed in 1930, the plaza's 100 foot black granite obelisk and fountain features several bronze bas reliefs signifying law, science, religion and education. Found next to the plaza, visit the Indiana War memorial, honoring those who fought in World War I.

**J. American Legion Mall** Lined with memorials and grand buildings, this large open space serves as solemn tribute to those who served and lost their lives in armed conflicts. The American Legion helps honorably discharged veterans, and is headquartered here.

**K. Central Library** While the buildings striking Greek Doric architectural facade attracts many admirers, the library's vast catalog of 16 million items are borrowed and returned annually. The collection includes rare items from Kurt Vonnegut, May Wright Sewall, and James Whitcomb Riley.

**L. Lucas Oil Stadium** Home to the Indianapolis Colts, this multipurpose stadium features a retractable roof and hosts numerous sporting and musical events. Notable for hosting the 2012 Super Bowl.

**M. Monument Circle** Found in the heart of Indianapolis, the center of this traffic circle showcases the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument, honoring native Hoosiers who fought in the armed services during the American Revolution, War of 1812, Mexican-American War, and Civil War.

**N. Circle Center Mall** Over 100 retailers purvey their wares in this sprawling 7 acre shopping center.

**O. Indianapolis Arts Garden** Spanning 110 feet in diameter, the glass dome serves as a pedestrian walkway to the Circle Center Mall. It also serves as an event and cultural center for Indianapolis artists.

**P. Rhythm! Discovery Center** Learn about percussion, rhythm, and culture at this fun and interactive museum! Release your inner musician by trying out over 100 percussion instruments available in the center's interactive area.

**Q. Convention Center** Opening in 1972, over 1,300,000 square feet of convention space exists in this massive center. Famous conventions include Gen Con and the Pokémon Trading Card Game US National Championships. The quiet park plaza is just above the convention center parking lot.

**R. Indiana State Capital** This beautiful Renaissance Revival building was built in 1888. The State Capitol building has a wonderful interior with a stained glass dome, marble floors, and granite columns.

**S. White River State Park** In addition to trails, grassy areas, and waterways, White River State Park is home to the Indianapolis Zoo, White River Gardens, Indiana State Museum, IMAX® Theater, Eiteljorg

### Local Dining

**1. Massachusetts Ave.** A known foodie mecca, Mass Ave has wide array of dining options

**2. Illinois St & Washington St.** Located near Monument Circle, this area boasts a large number of dining options from casual to more intimate, you are sure to find a good option to fit your taste.

• with turn by turn directions & points of interest •



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# Explore White River State Park, the Indianapolis Cultural Trail, Monon Trail & More!

## Turn By Turn Directions

- 1 Exit Wheel Fun Rentals straight (facing the away from the kiosk), turning right onto the Canal Walk path, keeping along the water's edge.
- 2 **Optional Route 1:** Exit Wheel Fun Rentals straight (facing away from the kiosk) following the path as it veers right at the waterfront to join the White River/Wapahani Trail. **The Full length of the trail is 9.9 miles.**
- 3 Just past the University and Museum overhead walkway, turn right, following along the water. Follow the Canal Walk path to the loop and back down to Military Park.
- 4 Exit the Canal Walk using the pathways connected into the park or via the stairs at N. Blackford St., turning right to join the Indianapolis Cultural Trail.
- 5 Make a slight left at the intersection of N. Blackford St. and Indiana Ave. to rejoin the trail that runs along the right side of the street.
- 6 Follow the trail as it curves right alongside N. St. Clair St.
- 7 Follow the trail as it curves right so you are riding alongside the Canal.
- 8 Turn left, crossing the small pedestrian bridge to the other side of the canal and continuing straight on the trail/W. Walnut St.
- 9 At N. Meridian St. and W. Walnut St., turn left onto N. Meridian St., staying on the bike trail on the left side of the street.
- 10 **Optional Route 2:** Turn left on Massachusetts Ave., following the Indianapolis Cultural Trail. Cross the street along Bellefontaine St. and turn right on S. 10th St. so you are on the left side of the street. Turn right to join Monon Trailhead. **Full length of the trail is 10.4 miles.**
- 11 Turn right on N. Park Ave.
- 12 Turn right on Michigan St.
- 13 Turn left on Alabama St., rejoining Indianapolis Cultural Trail on the left side of street.
- 14 Turn left on E. Market St.
- 15 Turn right on East St.
- 16 **Optional Route 3:** Turn left on Virginia Ave., following Indianapolis Cultural Trail. Turn right on Shelby St. Turn right on E. Pleasant Run Parkway S. Dr. and join the Pleasant Run Trail on the right side of the street. **Full length of the trail is 6.9 miles.**
- 17 Turn right on E. South St.
- 18 Turn right on S. Meridian St.
- 19 Turn right, riding around Monument Circle.
- 20 Turn right back onto S. Meridian St.
- 21 Turn right on W. Washington St., rejoining Indianapolis Cultural trail (right side of street).
- 22 Turn right at the White River State Park main entrance. After the first walkway, make an immediate right, following the path to return to Wheel Fun Rentals!



### Optional Route 1

Continue on the White River/Wapahani Trail for 5.9 miles. At the trails end, just past 38th St, turn right, then left to join the Central Canal Trail.

Continue on Central Canal Trail for 3.8 miles, at the W. Illinois St. bridge, cross the street to ride the right side of the canal. Turn left to rejoin the Central Canal Trail.

Central Canal Trail will end at the Broad Ripple and College Ave. intersection. Proceed straight to explore Broad Ripple Ave. before returning to Wheel Fun Rentals.



### Optional Route 3

Virginia Ave. to Pleasant Run Trail

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