

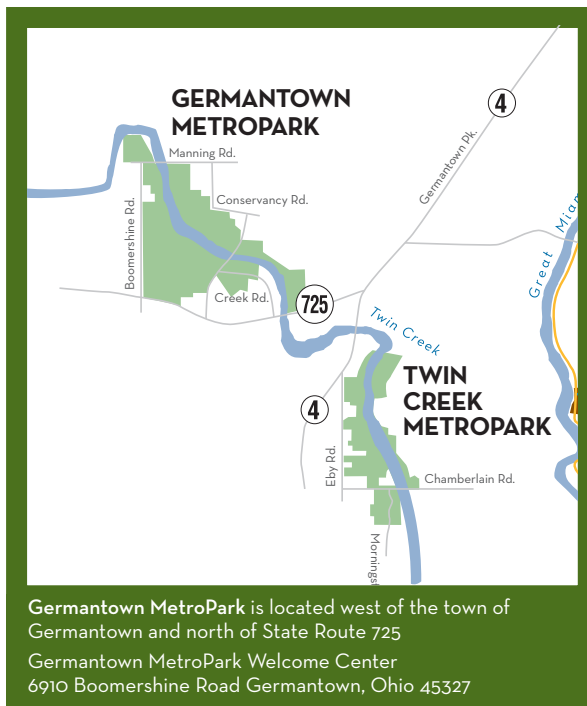
Volunteer Opportunities

The Twin Valley offers a variety of volunteer opportunities thanks to diverse habitats, extensive trails and abundant wildlife. Engage the public as an ambassador, help maintain and monitor the trails, care for wildlife ambassadors, and more. Additionally, volunteers can help MetroParks protect the region's natural heritage through conservation efforts such as habitat restoration, bluebird monitoring and by participating in Project Feederwatch. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact volunteerservices@metroparks.org.



Support Your MetroParks

By making a donation to the Five Rivers MetroParks Foundation, you support Five Rivers MetroParks' mission to protect the region's natural heritage and provide outdoor experiences that inspire a personal connection with nature. Donations are tax deductible and used to support programs and special projects. Sponsorships, tribute benches and trees, and planned giving options also are available. Visit metroparks.org/donate or call 937-275-PARK for more information.



It's our nature.

This park is one of 30 outstanding public locations operated by your Five Rivers MetroParks. Founded in 1963 to serve the greater Dayton area, MetroParks protects more than 16,000 acres of open space and provides year-round recreation, education and conservation opportunities. Entry to MetroParks' locations is free thanks to Montgomery County citizen support of a property tax levy.

For More Information

Administrative Offices 937-275-PARK (7275)
Website..... metroparks.org

Ranger Assistance

Contact the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office dispatcher at: 937-535-2580

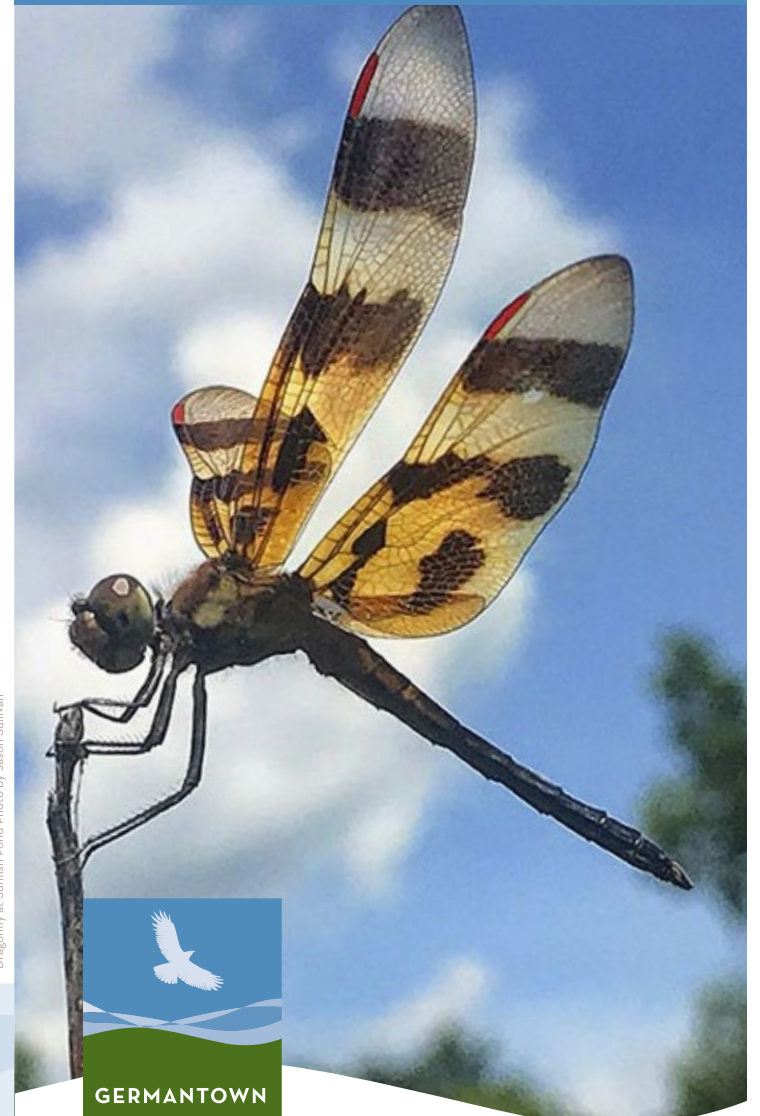


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GERMANTOWN METROPARK

USER'S GUIDE & MAP



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Germantown MetroPark

A world of wilderness awaits at Germantown MetroPark – just 20 minutes from Dayton. Spectacular ravines, towering trees, wildflowers and excellent opportunities to observe wildlife add to the appeal of this 1,655-acre MetroPark. It has been designated as a Watchable Wildlife viewing site by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and an Important Bird Area by the National Audubon Society.

Visit the Twin Valley Welcome Center, scenic overlook and 500-foot boardwalk. Also enjoy hiking trails (some quite rugged), fishing, fossil collecting and scenic picnicking. Picnic shelters are reservable, making them a great resource for family reunions or group picnics.

The Twin Valley Trail connects Germantown and Twin Creek MetroParks, offering more than 27 miles of trail complete with secluded backpacking camping. Choose to spend a night or a long weekend traversing this beautiful part of Montgomery County.

THINGS TO DO

WALKING & HIKING – Nearly 14 miles of trails through spectacular scenery are open year-round. Loop trails are color-coded, with intersections marked by a number corresponding to numbers on the inside map. Follow the same color to arrive back at your starting point.

PICNICKING – Reserve a shelter in a beautiful natural setting for your exclusive use by visiting metroparks.org/reservations or calling (937) 275-PARK (7275) during weekday business hours. Amenities and fees vary by shelter. Shelters that haven't been reserved are available on a first-come, first-served basis. A variety of sites with picnic tables are also available.

FISHING – Fish in Twin Creek for a variety of fish, including bass, crappie and bluegill. An Ohio fishing license is required. Catch and release in Sunfish Pond without a license.

FOSSIL COLLECTING – Search for fossils south of the Germantown Dam. Collecting fossils is only permitted in the marked area. Follow the rules posted at the site.

WINTER RECREATION – Cross-country skiers are welcome to use the park, but caution should be used on trails due to rugged terrain. A sledding hill is available at the entrance at 6206 Boomershine Rd.

CAMPING – Overnight camping is available with a permit. Call Five Rivers MetroParks at (937) 275-PARK (7275) or visit metroparks.org/reservations.

TOURS & GROUP PROGRAMS – Guided tours and special programs are available for school, youth and adult groups. Call (937) 275-PARK (7275).

CANOEING & KAYAKING – Twin Creek is a popular canoeing and kayaking location, although water conditions vary considerably. All watercraft should be launched from the river access site downstream of the dam. Places to take out include:

- Cherry Street
- SR 123
- Chamberlain Road in Twin Creek MetroPark
- Carmody Park

Visit mcdwater.org for water trail maps.

INFORMATION & REGULATIONS

Protect Germantown MetroPark as a natural area: Do not pick, collect or disturb plant or animal materials of any kind. Hunting, frog giggering and swimming are not permitted. Hikers should stay on trails. Motor vehicles must remain on roads; parking is permitted in specified parking areas only.

FIRES	Fires are allowed in designated areas only; bring your own charcoal. Do NOT bring firewood.
PETS	Dogs allowed on leash only. Leashes may be no longer than 8 feet.
ALCOHOL	Prohibited except by permit in reservable shelters.
BICYCLES	Not permitted on trails.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

HOURS OF OPERATION

PARK GROUNDS:

April 1 - October 31: 8 AM - 10 PM

November 1 - March 31: 8 AM - 8 PM

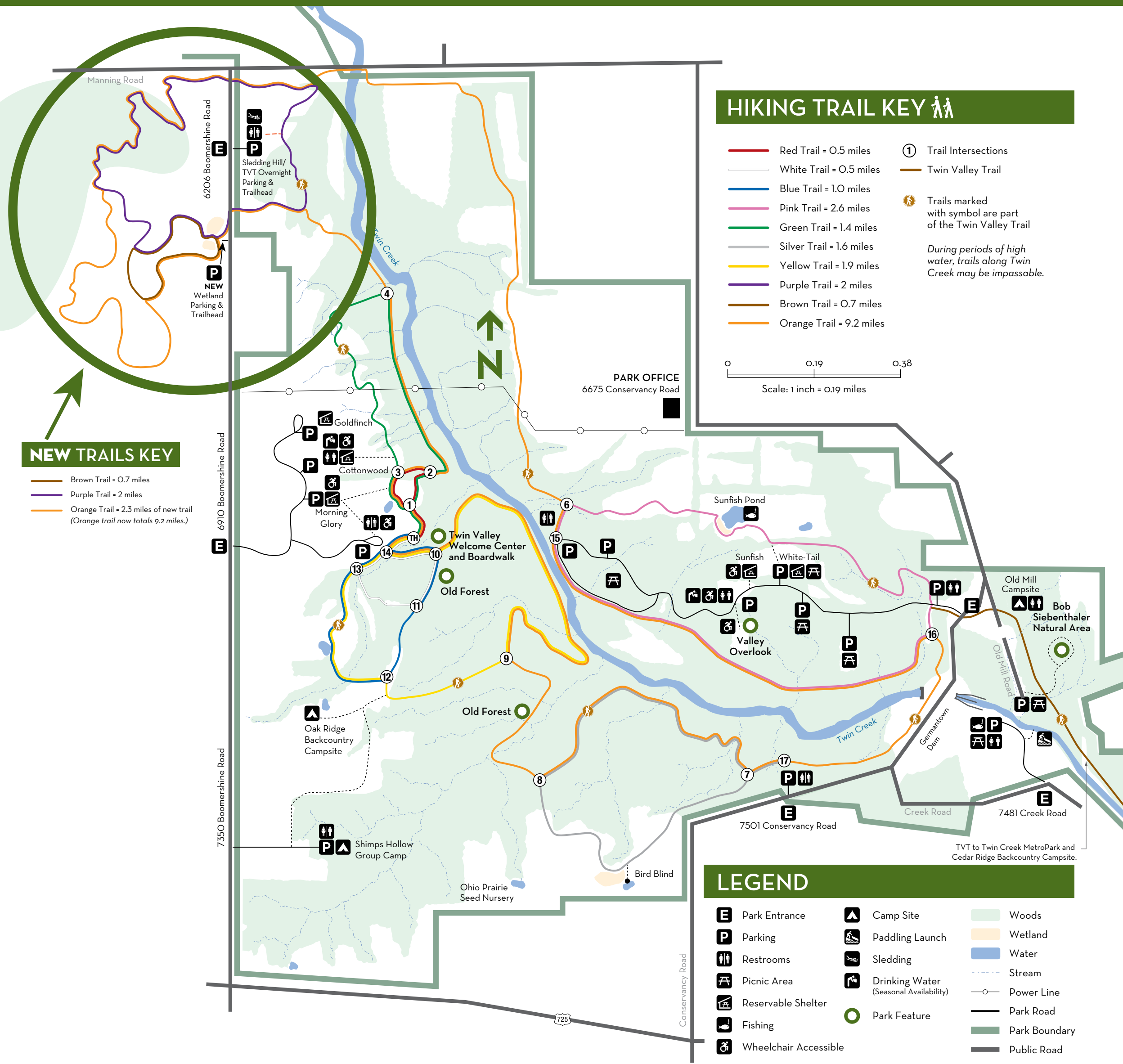
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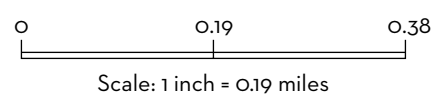
GERMANTOWN METROPARK • PARK MAP



HIKING TRAIL KEY

- Red Trail = 0.5 miles
- White Trail = 0.5 miles
- Blue Trail = 1.0 miles
- Pink Trail = 2.6 miles
- Green Trail = 1.4 miles
- Silver Trail = 1.6 miles
- Yellow Trail = 1.9 miles
- Purple Trail = 2 miles
- Brown Trail = 0.7 miles
- Orange Trail = 9.2 miles
- Trail Intersections
- Twin Valley Trail
- Trails marked with symbol are part of the Twin Valley Trail

During periods of high water, trails along Twin Creek may be impassable.



NEW TRAILS KEY

- Brown Trail = 0.7 miles
- Purple Trail = 2 miles
- Orange Trail = 2.3 miles of new trail (Orange trail now totals 9.2 miles.)

LEGEND

- E** Park Entrance
- P** Parking
- Restrooms
- Picnic Area
- Reservable Shelter
- Fishing
- Wheelchair Accessible
- Camp Site
- Paddling Launch
- Sledding
- Drinking Water (Seasonal Availability)
- Park Feature
- Woods
- Wetland
- Water
- Stream
- Power Line
- Park Road
- Park Boundary
- Public Road
- Access Trail

PARK FEATURES

BOB SIEBENTHALER NATURAL AREA
This beautiful woodland offers a rich display of spring wildflowers and scenic hiking year-round. The area honors the many contributions former MetroParks Commissioner Bob Siebenthaler made to land stewardship and conservation in the Miami Valley.

OLD FOREST
One of the most exciting features of this park is the mature and old-growth woodland preserved here. It is the largest tract of old woods in Montgomery County. This magnificent forested area is filled with large, old trees hinting at what Ohio's forests were like before European settlement. Due to its size, it provides crucial habitat for species not found in other areas. A variety of small orchids have been found, and wildflowers carpet the Old Forest in the spring. Wild turkeys have also been spotted. Breeding bird surveys indicate brown creepers and summer tanagers nest here, both rare occurrences in Montgomery County.

VALLEY OVERLOOK
For a spectacular view, especially during the peak of fall color, stop at the Valley Overlook. Year-round, this site provides a scenic view into and across Twin Creek Valley. Park at the restroom parking lot and follow the path to the wooden overlook platform.

TWIN VALLEY WELCOME CENTER
This welcome center provides a gateway to the Twin Valley, an area of rich natural habitats comprising Twin Creek and Germantown MetroParks, as well as the Upper Twin Conservation Area. Guests will find restrooms and water. Visit metroparks.org/tvwelcomecenter for more info.



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