

# **COBBS CREEK TRAIL**

East Coast Greenway Philadelphia and Delaware County, Pennsylvania

### **ACCESS**

### **Public Transit:**

SEPTA Market-Frankford Line 63rd Street Station SEPTA Trolley Route 13 to 65th Street Route 34 to 61st Street SEPTA Bus Routes 31, 21, 42, 60, and 108

### **Bicycle**

There are currently no off-road bicycle trails linking with the Cobbs Creek Trail and 58th Street Greenway, except for a short completed section of the Schuylkill River Trail in Bartram's Garden.

Numerous streets with bicycle lanes link to the Cobbs Creek Trail and the 58th Street Greenway.

### **Vehicle Parking**

Parking is available on many local streets along the entire trail corridor.



### **OVERVIEW**

#### **General Characteristics:**

- Trail length: 3.7 miles
- Smooth asphalt path with one steep hill
- Very few street crossings: Ideal for families with children
- The trail is part of Cobbs Creek Park, which was built in 1911 to protect Cobbs Creek.
- Cobbs Creek Park was designed as a tree-lined parkway running through several attractive neighborhoods.
- The Cobbs Creek Trail connects several historic and educational sites that trail users can visit.

### **History and Future**

The Cobbs Creek Trail was developed following the completion of the Fairmount Park Commission's Trail Master Plan for Cobbs Creek Park in 2001. This plan was prepared with considerable resident and user input. In 2013, the 58th Street Greenway opened to link the Cobbs Creek Trail to Historic Bartram's Garden on the Schuylkill River.

Plans are underway to extend the north end of the trail to the city limit at City Avenue where it will continue as the Forge to Refuge Trail. The south end of the trail will extend to link with the John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge trail system. These plans will connect Cobb's Creek to many of the Circuit Trails, including the Schuylkill River Trail, the Chester Valley Trail, and the East Coast Greenway.



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### **SPECIAL AMENITIES**

From the Trail you can access the 58th Street Greenway, an off-road bike and pedestrian path.

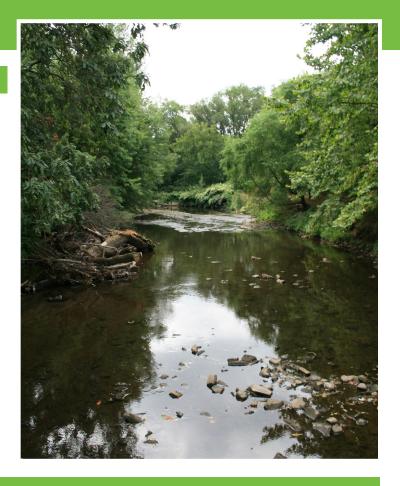
The 58th Street Greenway leads to historic Bartram's Gardens and the Schuylkill River Trail.

The former Cobbs Creek Stable, built in the 1930's, has been repurposed as the Cobbs Creek Environmental Education Center.

The Trail crosses two historic parkway bridges, one into Delaware County, and one back to Philadelphia. The bridges connect two parts of the historic Mt. Moriah Cemetery, which extends on both side of the creek valley.

The Cobbs Creek Golf Course, at 7400 Landsdowne Ave, is the site of the first public golf course in the Greater Philadelphia area and today houses two 18-hole courses and an historic clubhouse.

Restaurants and cafes are accessible at two intersections along the trail: Market St. in Millbourne (North) and Woodland Ave. and 65th St. (South). Both locations offer a variety of international foods.



### TRIP IDEAS

### **Nature Explorer Excursion**

Go south on the trail from the 63rd St. Station of the Market-Frankford Line.

Follow signs to the Cobbs Creek Community Environmental Education Center (CCCEEC) at 700 Cobbs Creek Parkway

(www.cobbscreekenvironmentalcenter.org)

After exploring CCCEEC, continue south and take the 58th Street Greenway to Bartram's Gardens. Here you will find the only wetlands on the Lower Schuylkill River. Plan a visit around one of the Gardens' Family Discovery Days (www.bartramsgarden.org).

### **History Adventure**

Go north on the trail from 70th Street and Cobbs Creek Parkway.

Attend a restoration event at the historic Mount Moriah Cemetery. Events are posted at www.friendsofmountmoriahcemetery.org.

Continue north and take the 58th Street Greenway to Bartram's Gardens.

Tour the National Historic Landmark house and garden, built by John Bartram in 1728.

### Local Flavor Walking Loop (3 hours)

Take the Market Frankford Line to Millbourne and enjoy lunch on Market Street.

Take the trail south to the 58th Street Greenway.

Follow the Greenway to Woodland Avenue, and grab a dessert at one of the many international restaurants.

Take the 36 trolley back to the Market-Frankford Line



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### **TRAIL MAP**

