



Houston Herman Park Walk

Houston Happy Hikers Welcomes You to Houston, TX. The walk can be done as a 5 or 10 K.

Walk Registration: Registration takes place online using AVA Online Start Box, on my.ava.org. Follow the instructions provided to create a user account and sign the AVA waiver (one time). Instructions for payment are also included. Download the directions and print as needed. The POC does not provide event directions or accept alternate payment methods.

The sponsoring club only receives credit for an OSB participation when an OSB registration has been completed online by entering your participation date, distances, and any special programs using the OSB.”

Walk Completion and Walk Credit:

Once you have physically completed the walk, please login to your Online Start Box account click on the “My Start Box” tab, then the “Finish Table” tab, then click on “Go to Finish Table” button for the event you have completed. Use the displayed entry form to submit the date and distance of your walk as well as select applicable AVA Special Programs to generate stamped “virtual” insert cards that you may choose to print out.

The OSB system does not deduct any event fee from a participant's Event Bank until they have submitted event completion info including the date of the event, the distance, and the selection of applicable special programs that person is participating in. (Nevertheless, a fee of \$2 for a downloaded PDF is deducted from the user's Event Bank when the PDF is downloaded. Later, any PDF fees are credited back to a user's Event Bank when he/she submits the event completion info as a paying for credit participant. Note, however, the \$2 coupon for the downloaded PDF will expire in 60 days.) Also note that an event registration expires after 30 days, but if your registrations lapses, you may re-register without cost.”

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In case of Emergency Call: 911

Event related assistance:

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WALK SAFELY – Do not assume drivers see you or that intersections are four-way stops

These walk directions and map may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association athletic waiver. All other uses are prohibited.



Starting Point Location: Double Tree by Hilton Medical Center, 6800 Main Street, 77030 for 10K 5K- Drive to Houston Zoo. (Exit Doubletree Suites on Holcombe. U-turn on Holcombe. Left on Main to Cambridge. Right on Cambridge to Hermann Park Dr. Left on Hermann Park Drive to zoo parking.)

Driving Directions: From Sugar Land, TX take I-69 North, Exit HWY 90, Becomes Main Street.

Restrooms: Restrooms located at hotel, Houston Museum of Natural Science .

Directions: "Please use either the Online Start Box (OSB) or Physical Start Box (PSB) to register and complete the event. Do NOT mix and match. For example, if you register using the OSB, do not complete your event by using the PSB (nor sign the PSB log sheet). The sponsoring club only receives credit for an OSB participation when an OSB registration has been completed online by entering your participation date, distances, and any special programs using the OSB."



**Directions for Herman Park 5k
Houston Happy Hikers, Houston, TX**

Welcome to the Hermann Park Event. Drive to Houston Zoo. (Exit the Doubletree Suites on Holcombe. U-turn on Holcombe. Turn left on Main to Cambridge. Turn right on Cambridge to Hermann Park Dr. Left on Hermann Park Drive to zoo parking.)

1. **START** at the Zoo's Main Entrance. Facing the McGovern Lake, turn
2. **←LT** on the sidewalk, keeping the lake on your right (you may walk the paths closest to the water if you wish).
3. **CT↑** on sidewalk bearing right around the lake (playground will be on your left). At the end of playground area, turn
4. **RT→** on first intersecting sidewalk.
5. **CT↑** across the wooden platform bridge and stay on the middle path.
6. **CROSS** the second wooden bridge. At the path's end turn
7. **←LT** to the Pioneer Memorial Monument. At the Monument, turn
8. **RT→** on first intersecting path, and follow path to the Miller Outdoor Theater.
9. **←LT** at first intersecting sidewalk and walk toward the hill (theater will be on right).
10. **BEAR RT→** on the sidewalk up and over the hill.
11. **CT↑** on sidewalk to its end. At the bottom of hill, turn
12. **←LT** on sidewalk (sidewalk will turn to gravel path after crossing the railroad tracks).
13. **CT↑** on path to the intersection of HERMANN PARK DR. and CAROLINE.
14. **CROSS** Hermann Park Dr. and walk to the entrance of the McGovern Centennial Gardens. Enter the Gardens, and turn
15. **RT→** on path by the Arid Garden. Continue to
16. **BEAR RT→** on path, passing the pagoda on your left until you reach the Rose Garden.
17. **CT↑** straight on main path through the Rose Garden. At the end of the Rose Garden, turn
18. **RT→** and then right again on the intersecting path into the Centennial Green.
19. **CT↑** on sidewalk towards the Garden Pavilion. Turn
20. **←LT** on sidewalk just before you reach the Pavilion and continue straight into the Celebration Garden.
(if Garden is closed, **CT** straight to next **RT** turn and enter Family Garden from there) Turn
21. **←LT** at path's end, then left again, and right through the gateway, passing the statue, to enter the Family Garden. At entrance, turn
22. **←LT** and then right on the path through the garden. At garden's end, turn
23. **←LT** to exit garden, and then right at intersecting path. Turn
24. **RT→** to enter the Woodland Garden and follow path to the END (do not use the early turnout). Exit Garden.
25. **←LT** on sidewalk through the Hawkins Sculpture Walk and continue to the Mount.
26. **RT→** at the sidewalk, bearing left, to the entrance for the Mount. Enter the Mount and
27. **CT↑** around the Mount to its top.
28. **REVERSE** down Mount to its bottom. Exit and turn
29. **RT→** on the sidewalk. Turn
30. **←LT** on the first path, following the path to the Garden's exit.
31. **EXIT** the Garden and cross HERMANN PARK DR. at the intersection of CAROLINE. Turn
32. **RT→** at gravel path and follow path to Lindsay Plaza and the Reflecting Pool.
33. **←LT** at the Plaza.
34. **CT↑** straight using the right side of the Pool. At the Pool's end turn
35. **RT→** into the Japanese Garden.
36. **BEAR RT→** and continue on the outer path to the exit. (use the same one as entrance)
37. **RT→** on path outside of exit to the first intersecting walkway. Turn **LT** and then **RT**.
38. **CT↑** straight to the lake viewing area.
39. **←LT** on walkway at lake. **RT→** at first intersecting sidewalk. **CT↑** to follow the sidewalk closest to the lake keeping the lake on your right until you reach the bridge that crosses to the Café.
40. Cross the bridge and continue to **FINISH** at the Zoo's Entrance.



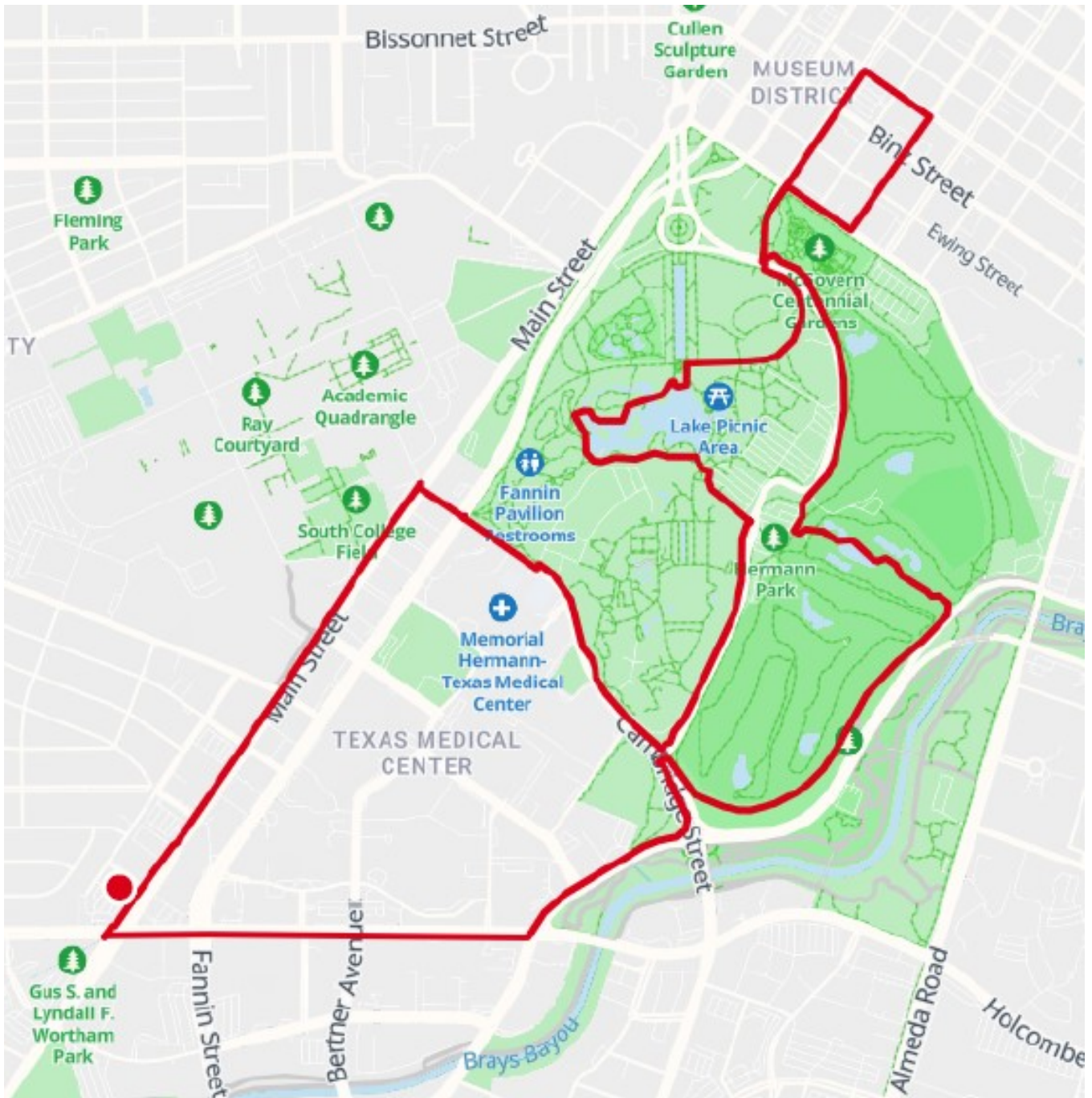
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Directions for Herman Park 10k
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Welcome to the Hermann Park Event. We hope you enjoy it!

41. **EXIT** the Doubletree Suites front entrance.
42. **←LT** towards MAIN Street (there is no sign).
43. **RT→** on Main to corner (**HOLCOMBE**).
44. **←LT** CROSSING Main on Holcombe.
45. **CT↑** on Holcombe past University of Texas School of Nursing, Biomedical Science, School of Public Health and M.D. Anderson Hospital to BRAESWOOD.
46. **←LT** on Braeswood, crossing Moursund. Pass the trail and continue to the sidewalk that bends left.
47. **BEAR ←LT** on the sidewalk to the CAMBRIDGE and HERMANN PARK DR. intersection.
48. **CROSS** Cambridge at the traffic light and then turn
49. **RT→** on the gravel path just past the intersection. CIRCLE the golf course, keeping it on your left.
50. **BEAR ←LT** at the intersecting path (this path will have a string of lampposts and a driving range on your right).
51. **FOLLOW PATH** to its end at parking lot (restrooms on left) and then turn
52. **RT→** on sidewalk.
53. **CT↑** on sidewalk to CAROLINE (the McGovern Centennial Gardens will be on your right).
54. **RT→** on Caroline to HERMANN DR. (Gardens on right and Museum/parking garage on left). CROSS Hermann Dr.
55. **RT→** on Hermann Dr. to LA BRANCH.
56. **←LT** on La Branch.
57. **CT↑** on La Branch, passing the Health and Children's Museums on right.
58. **CROSS** Binz and continue to CALUMET.
59. **←LT** on Calumet to CAROLINE, passing Holocaust Museum on right.
60. **←LT** on Caroline, crossing Binz and Ewing to HERMANN DR.
61. **CROSS** Hermann Dr. and reenter Park. (Gardens on left and Museum of Natural Science on right).
62. **CT↑** to the end of Caroline.
63. **CROSS** HERMANN PARK DR and immediately turn
64. **←LT** on gravel path leading to Miller Outdoor Theater.
65. **BEAR RT→** on cement path leading to theater Checkpoint. (Restrooms and water usually available here.)
66. **CHECKPOINT** -- As you approach the theater, find the statue of a small boy. What is he holding?
67. **CT↑** around the theater, keeping the building on your right, and then
68. **STRAIGHT AHEAD** on gravel path that leads to Pioneer Memorial Monument. At the Monument,
69. **←LT** towards lake viewing area and take path to RIGHT alongside lake.
70. **←LT** at first path keeping the water on your left. CROSS the wooden bridge.
71. **BEAR ←LT** on the path closest to the water (you may wish to take the center path if muddy). At the path's end, turn
72. **←LT** and CROSS the wooden platform bridge to sidewalk.
73. **←LT** on sidewalk (the playground will be on right). Continue to
74. **BEAR ←LT** on the sidewalk (you may walk the paths closest to the water if you wish) around the lake to the Zoo Main Entrance.
75. **CT↑** past the Entrance following the zoo fence line to Hermann Park Dr.
76. **RT→** at Hermann Park Dr. keeping the zoo fence on your right to CAMBRIDGE.
77. **RT→** on Cambridge, passing the Pioneer Memorial Log House on the left and another zoo entrance on the right (note the elephant sculpture). CROSS FANNIN CAREFULLY. (you may wish to cross Cambridge at Fannin and continue on the left side of Cambridge. The sidewalk is better.)
78. **CT↑** to MAIN. CROSS Main and turn
79. **←LT** on Main to the Doubletree Suites and **FINISH!!!**



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