



The Asheville Amblers
 Welcome You to
Greenville, SC Walk
 An AVA Sanctioned Year Round Event



Walk through a diverse downtown with a vibrant mix of classic and modern architecture. See the Reedy River tumbling over the falls in the "award winning" Falls Park. A great photo op from the curved Liberty Bridge. The pedestrian friendly Main Street is a delight to stroll with its many shops, restaurants and art galleries. You can also enjoy a unique scavenger hunt looking for nine bronze mice, inspired by the childhood favorite book, *Goodnight Moon*. Near the Historic West End "Fluor Field", home of the Boston Red Socks' Greenville Drive team you can visit the "shoeless" Joe Jackson statue. Don't miss the Chihuly glass sculpture "Rose" passed on both the 5 and 10 Km walks.

Walk Registration:

Registration takes place online using that 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.

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.

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, by registering using the OSB and then completing your event using the PSB nor signing 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.

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Starting Point Location:

From I85 north or south: Take exit 51C. Travel to the third traffic light, turn left onto N Main Street and go through 4 traffic lights. The Westin Poinsetta Hotel will be on the right at 120 S Main Street, Greenville Sc 29601. There are parking garages around the downtown area as well as at the Westin (fees may be charged).

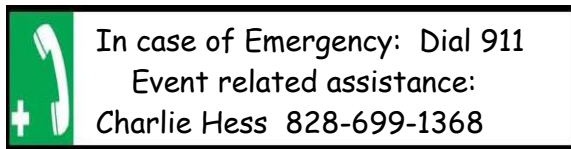
GPS: latitude is 34.84865, longitude -82.40015

Restrooms:

There are restrooms at the start inside the Westin Hotel.

Restrooms on the left of the stairs on the approach to the Liberty Bridge.

At the turn around on the 10 Km route there are restrooms in the park close to the Zoo entrance.

Emergency Numbers:**Walking Instructions:**

Abbreviations used:

POI - Point of Interest

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

Walk Directions:

* Denotes Point of Interest (POI) number on POI sheet.

1. *Exit Start Point to street and turn right to Broad St (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ blocks).
2. *Cross Broad with light and turn right on Broad to Japanese Dogwood Lane (no sign -end of brick building) (2 blocks).
3. Left on Lane as it follows river and passes outdoor stage and Wyche Pavilion on the right to footbridge over river.

4. *Right to center of bridge for view of pilings for Swamp Rabbit Railroad Bridge; then continue across bridge.

5. Right on sidewalk to "Y", then under bridge to Children's Garden.

6. Right into park and then go on left path off semi-circle.

7. Go past bears to left at Ginger Bread Houses.

8. After split rail fence, take second left to Native American statue. See wooden marker to the right of statue. Return to path and turn left.

9. Go straight at 4 way intersection, keeping river on your left. Continue thru park to entrance. Turn left and continue on path under bridge to Swamp Rabbit Railroad Bridge (Inst #4).

10. Public restrooms are to your right across from bridge.

11. Keeping river on your left, head to and through underpass.

12. *Bear left at "Y", staying on Swamp Rabbit Trail, passing by rock and stone wall on right to stairs. Just before stairs, note ground level sign on right "McBee Mill".

13. Go down stairs to overlook.

14. Go back up steps to walkway and left on walkway to stone bridge.

15. Left across bridge, Left at end of bridge and then left down first stairs to walkway, following walkway along river, bearing left at all forks.

16. *Left on asphalt path and continue on path along river.

17. * At "T", left under highway bridge, cross bridge and, at "Y", Right and continue down walkway along river to Anderson Memorial.

Checkpoint - what is Maj. Anderson's first name?

5KM walkers - retrace steps to bridge and continue with inst #37

18. 10KM walkers -pass Memorial, right and cross bridge.

19. On far side of bridge, left on path as it curves and goes under bridge.

20. *Continue on path over small stone bridge to 3 way intersection.

21. Take middle asphalt path uphill to street.

22. Left on street to asphalt drive on left at top of rise (metal pole barriers - street makes 90 degree right turn).

23. Left down drive to path at bottom.

24. Right and follow path, bearing left at fork, to end at road (Woodland).

25. Left over bridge and then left and down on asphalt path.

26. Continue on path as it follows the Reedy River.

27. After passing shelter #5 on right, at "Y", bear right to road.

28. Carefully cross road, turn left and take asphalt path into trees.

29. At intersection (Eagle Trail sign), left and go down hill.

30. At first intersection, right and, keeping tennis courts on your left, go left at next two intersections.

31. Just past entrance gate to tennis court, right on path, carefully cross road and stone bridge to path on other side of bridge.

32. Left on path along creek to road (when water fountain on right, restrooms available uphill on right. Also entrance to zoo).

33. *Carefully cross road and continue on path past war memorials to twin bridges.

34. Left, cross bridge and then right to follow path along river back toward Picnic Shelter #3.

35. Before Picnic Shelter, go right over stone bridge, pass under road bridge and bear right crossing bridge.

36. Left on path on other side of bridge to Major Anderson Memorial.

37. Continue on path to stairs on right just before overpass. Go up stairs and left on street to Cleveland. Cross and left to blue sculpture entry. Right to overlook and then take stairs down to front of building, Go over bridge and immediately past lion to path. Right on path going under highway bridge to road.

38. *Straight up road to bridge (Furman pillars on left), cross bridge and left on sidewalk, passing stage and follow as it wends along creek. NOTE: if wet or icy, continue up road to bridge - Inst# 40.

39. At end, carefully go up stone steps to road

40. Right on road to stone bridge and cross bridge toward quartz sculpture.

41. *Right on sidewalk as it crosses parking lot to stairs and go upstairs.

42. Right on street (Main) to entrance Falls Park on the Reedy (1 block).

43. *Right into park, go down stairs and cross Liberty Bridge. Note: restrooms behind restaurant.

44. Left after bridge on concrete walkway along falls and river.

45. *At overpass, cross street to right and go under overpass.

46. Continue on street (Japanese Dogwood Lane) to midpoint Wyche Pavilion on left, right up slate walkway.

47. *Right up stairs, by Gunther Theater and water fountain to Main St.

48. Left on Main to Broad, crossing Main, then Broad with light.

49. *Left on Main to Elford Street (7 blocks) MICE HERE

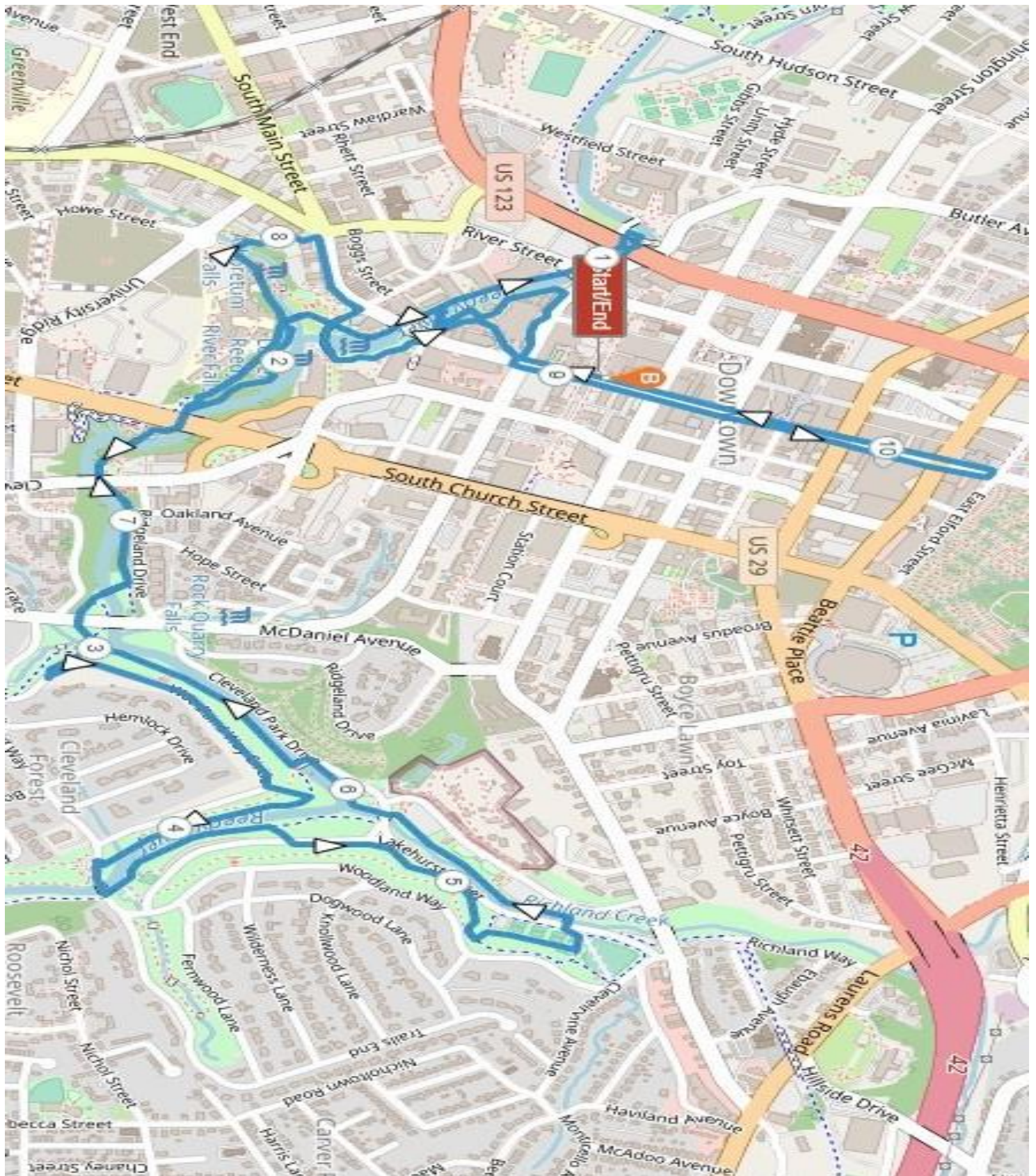
50. *Cross Elford and then Main with lights and follow Main back to Finish Point.

We hope you enjoyed your walk. If you have not already done so, please login to the Online Start Box to "complete" your walk.



Greenville SC Map

Map created using "Plotaroute" software



NOTE: the number on the POI sheet refer to the corresponding instruction number. When you see a star in the written directions, read the POI information FIRST so you know what to look for. The POI can be seen somewhere while following that numbered instruction.

1. Poinsett Statute - Joel Roberts Poinsett, 1779 to 1851, served as first US Minister to Mexico and introduced from that country a plant which now bears his name poinsettia.

Westin Poinsett - W.L. Stoddard constructed this \$1.5 million, 100 room grand hotel in 1925. A \$20 million renovation and restoration was completed in October 2000. The original decorative plate-work and handcrafted marble have been restored in the ornate lobby and grand ballrooms. Today, Westin Poinsett combines 1920s style with 21st century conveniences.

2. The Peace Center for the Performing Arts, built in 1990, is known for hit Broadway touring shows, world renowned classical artists and performing arts companies, famed country and rock performers, internationally acclaimed dance companies, and beloved family shows. The complex includes the Peace Concert Hall, seats 2,111, the Dorothy Gunter Theater, seats 402, and the amphitheater along the Reedy River, which seats 1,500. The Peace Center gets its name from the Peace family who made a substantial contribution to the facility. The Peace Center Concert Hall leads into the Huguenot Mill.

Greenville County's textile industry began in 1820; however, mills were not built in the city of Greenville until the 1870's. The Huguenot Mill was built in 1882 and advertised itself as an electric plant that made plaid cloth. Even though it was located along the Reedy River, it was a coal-fired plant. This building is a classic example of adaptive reuse. Inside this building, along with some business offices, is a pictorial display depicting the history of textiles in the area. The small separate building was the office for the mill.

4. For 100 years the "Swamp Rabbit" railroad crossed the Reedy River at this site. The train trestle was demolished in 1990, leaving the old concrete piers which now form an integral part of this dam. Primarily a carrier of freight, the railroad was first known as the Carolina, Knoxville and Western and later became the Greenville and Northern. It was nicknamed "Swamp Rabbit" by local Greenvillians who often rode it on picnic excursions to northern Greenville County.

12. Falls Park on the Reedy is the home to Reedy River Falls, one of the great downtown waterfalls in the nation. This beautiful riverside park features a spectacular world-class pedestrian bridge, a beautiful public garden and two amphitheaters. The park was completed in the fall of 2004.

17. Major Anderson Memorial - this memorial (F-86 Sabre Jet) is for the only US Pilot, a native of Greenville, shot down and killed during the Cuban Crisis on October 27, 1962.

20. Cleveland Park - For many residents of Greenville, this is "The City Park." This large and diverse park was created in 1928 after the Cleveland family donated to the city 126 acres of land along the Reedy River near downtown. The park features tennis and volleyball courts, softball fields, playground areas, a fitness trail, and both small-group and large-group picnic shelters. In addition, Cleveland Park is the site of the Rock Quarry Garden, the Fernwood Nature Trail, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the Greenville Zoo.

33. Greenville County Vietnam War Memorial honors the people who served in the war. The wall, like the wall in Washington, DC, lists the 108 Greenville County people killed or MIA.

38. Governor's School for Art and Humanities opened in 1999. Furman University moved from Winnsboro to here in 1851, and relocated to Poinsett Hwy in 1958, Men's College and 1960, Women's College.

Vadrey Mill and Mill Village see 17 for details.

40. Purple quart sculpture is by Chihuly, a famous artisan in glass and plastic

42. Touchstone House-Falls Cottage - built 1894 to 1896 and is now a restaurant.

43. Liberty Bridge - this pedestrian suspension bridge opened in 2004, replaced the Camperdown vehicle bridge which had totally obscured the falls from view. The \$4.5 million Liberty Bridge is 355-foot long, 12-feet wide, has a horizontal curve radius of 214-feet, inclines 12 feet or 3% from east to west and 90-foot towers weighing 26 tons each. The unique design, created by architect Miguel Rosales of Boston, engineered by Schlaich Bergermann and constructed by Taylor and Murphy Construction Co. Inc. of Asheville, NC received the Arthur G. Hayden Medal at the 2005 International Bridge Conference for outstanding achievement in bridge engineering demonstrating vision and innovation.

45. Col Richard Pearis, first white settler in area and noted Indian trader, had a house and grist mill here. He was a prominent Tory during the Revolutionary War with great influence until the Battle of Kings Mountain.

47. Between the Gunter Theatre and the Peace Center Concert Hall is the old coach factory building, built mid-1800's, that made wagons and carriages. Their entire inventory was shipped out for use during the Civil War. It now houses a restaurant and a cabaret theatre in what was the blacksmith shop of the coach factory. On site also is an open pavilion, which was the paint shop of the coach factory. It later became the manufacturing home of Duke's Mayonnaise.

49. McBee Statute - Vadrey McBee, 1775 to 1864, founder of Greenville and built first grist mill here in 1815.

Mice on Main Street - developed by local high school student to promote the community and based on the children's book "Goodnight Moon", there are 9 small bronze mice located on both sides of Main Street that you will pass between Westin Poinsett and Hyatt. SEE MICE ON MAIN HINTS.

50. Note the inscriptions in the sidewalk in front off Carolina First Bank.

MICE ON MAIN HINTS

(Broad to Elford)

1. Mifflin's husband, Uncle Miles loves to eat Italian. He's by the rain spout.
2. Watch out! Mitch does his skateboarding in the banks alley.
3. Millie keeps an eye on the pedestrians from above and is the hardest to find.
4. Marvin Jr. is at the top of the stairs where coffee lovers and computer gurus and poets love to count their feet.

5. Where the water flows in and out of the hotel, you'll find Marvin reading his book.

(Elford to Finish Point)

6. Mother Maggie sits across from Marvin where she can keep an eye on him.
7. Marclay's somewhere near the plaza square. Look around. You'll find him there. Look also for a Clemson Mouse looking out at you.
8. Melissa fell off the wagon and loves to play near here.
9. Aunt Mifflin sits where there's old money. She's looking at the flowers honey

| AVA SPECIAL PROGRAMS | | | | | |
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| Program Name | Years | 10K | 5K | __ K | Information |
| Rails-To-Trails | (2022 - 2026) | | | | |
| Step to the Beat | (2024 -2026 | | | | |
| Walking with America’s Veterans | (2021 - 2028) | | | | |
| IVV-Americas | (2022 – no end | | | | |
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| AVA NATIONAL PROGRAMS | | | | | |
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| Walking the United States (States) | (no end date) | | | | |
| Centurion Achievement Challenge | (no end date) | | | | |
| Walk the USA (A To Z) | (no end date) | | | | |