



## Madison Memorial Walk Year-Round Walk – 5K AND 10KM

**This map and directions may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association (AVA) athletic waiver. All other uses are prohibited.**

**In case of emergency, dial 911. For administrative questions, text (256) 541-7243.**

**START/FINISH POINT: Main Street Cafe, 101 Main Street, Madison AL 35758.**

There is ample free parking. Restrooms located at Cafe (M-S 11-2pm; W-Th 5-8pm; F-Sa 5-9pm) at start and Dublin Park (6am-8pm) (10km only).

**AVA Special Programs:** Walking With America's Veterans, Par for the Course, Town Halls/ City Halls, Step to the Beat, Walk the United States (50 States), Walking the USA A-Z (M).

**State Program:** Amblin' Alabama County Walks

### 5K and 10 K Directions

1. Downtown Madison - Start at Main Street Cafe, 101 Main Street, Madison AL. *The Cafe was the original City Hall and Jail in 1955.*

*The current home of Main Street Café was originally constructed to be Madison's third City Hall in 1954-55. There were 2 jail cells in this City Hall, along with the offices for the Chief of Police and his deputy on the east end of the building. The west end of the building housed the Mayor's office, the City Clerk-Treasurer's office, the water Department, Collections Clerk, and the Inspector's desk, as well as a long counter for handling city licenses and other public requests. The center of the building housed the Volunteer Fire Department's fire truck. There was a fire siren on top of the building. When the Fire Station was moved, a judge's bench was put in the middle of the room. The building was converted to a gift shop in the 1990's and then finally into the Main Street Café in 2000.*

2. Facing out, turn RIGHT towards Sullivan Street away from Black Bear Brewing Co. (the Cafe should be at your back). You will pass a Little Free Library on the LEFT.
3. Turn RIGHT on Sullivan, walk across the railroad tracks.
4. Turn RIGHT on Front Street.
5. Turn LEFT at Buttermilk Alley.
6. Turn LEFT on Arnett Street.
7. Turn RIGHT on Sullivan Street.
8. Turn RIGHT on Mill Road.
9. Turn Left on Sturdivant Street.

10. Turn LEFT on Maple Street. You will see Big Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church and Little Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church.

(Please be aware on Sunday that there may be traffic on Maple Street).

11. RIGHT on Mill Road. 10 K Walkers, turn Left on Hughes Road. (bathroom at Ace Hardware across the street)

**5 Km option turn Right on Hughes Rd. and go to Step 22.**

*In 1907, Little Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church was birthed from the "Withdrawal Act" of the Old Indian Creek P.B. Association. Little Shiloh, along with other area churches, established the Steadfast Indian Creek P.B. Association. In 1918 the congregation purchased an acre of land from A. M. Booth for \$150. The members constructed a one-room, backless pew, wood-frame building. The church was lit by three oil lamps and heated with a coal-burning stove. A nearby creek was used for baptisms. In 2012, the church purchased 5.55 acres of land, cleared the land, and began the process of building a new sanctuary. In October of 2017, the church modified the name to Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church, but locals continue to call the two churches "Big" and "Little."*

12. Cross Browns Ferry Rd / Old Madison Pike and turn Right on Old Madison Pike. When you reach Dublin Park, turn left onto the first asphalt Bike Pathway. There will be a small lake on your right after you make the turn.



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13. Follow the bike pathway as it meanders around the park, keeping the park interior on your right
14. Left on the first pathway to your left then an immediate left. You will be walking uphill towards several soccer fields.
15. Turn Right on the next asphalt pathway. You will be walking between a soccer field and a large tree. Follow this pathway as it turns right along the perimeter of the park to the Kids Kingdom Parking lot.
16. Turn Right at the parking lot and follow the road until you can get onto an asphalt pathway along the right side of the road. **Use extreme caution while walking downhill on the road.** Follow this pathway as it becomes a concrete path to the next parking lot. You will pass several sports fields on your right
17. Turn Right on the asphalt pathway between fields 1 and 2 walking uphill to the T intersection with the next asphalt pathway. This will be the pathway on which you entered the park.
18. Turn Left on this pathway and return to Old Madison Pike.
19. Turn Right on Old Madison Pike
20. Cross Hughes Rd and turn Left on Hughes Rd.
21. Cross Mill Rd and continue on Hughes Rd. to Skate Park Dr.
22. **5K&10K:** Turn Right on Skate Park Dr. and follow it around the circle until it intersects Mill Rd. *Insanity Skate Park has roller skating, a climbing wall, and mini-golf.*
23. Turn Left on Mill Rd.
24. Cross and turn Left on Church St.
25. Cross and turn Right on Arnett St.
26. Turn Left on Buttermilk Alley
27. Cross and turn Left on Front St. You will be walking along a park area with several historic markers. At the end of this area is the Veterans Memorial. Walk through the memorial and exit onto Church St.
28. Cross and turn Right on Church St. crossing the Railroad Tracks (**Use Caution - this is a very active track**).
29. As Church St intersects with Main St., descend the steps and follow Main St. along the store fronts to Garner St. If you cannot descend the steps, follow the sidewalk along Main St.
30. Turn Left on Garner St (this is a brick street).
31. Turn Right on Martin St.
32. Turn Right on Wise St. and return to the start point.

*Thank you for walking the Madison Memorial Walk. We hope you enjoyed your walk around the historic town of Madison. Please contact the POC if you have a comment or a recommendation for improvement of our walk.*

*Notes about the Madison Cemetery - it's an Alabama Historical Cemetery and has 500 graves in it. The oldest people were born in 1811. All the pioneers from the Madison Area are buried there with last names like Slaughter, Cain, Balch, and Whitworth. The most interesting sounding nickname on a gravestone is that of Cleopatra Indiana "Clippie Annie" Cartwright Abernathy. It is a segregated cemetery with the Madison's white residents buried on the northern side and Madison's Black residents buried on the southern side, close to Big Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church.*



