



MILLERSYLVANIA STATE PARK Y 3392

Distance: 2 Separate 5K Loops

Difficulty Rating: Loop 1 rated 1B, Loop 2 rated 2B

There are 2 separate 5K loops, both starting at the Boat Launch Parking Lot, so to do 10k, you can do 1 loop, then the other. Loop 1 starts parallel to the lake, through the woods, passing many buildings built by the CCC, past an old orchard and through the campground. Loop 2 is mostly a woodsy walk, but also passes over some wetlands on boardwalks.

The park was originally called “Miller’s Glade” by the Miller family, who once owned the property. The family later changed the name to “Millersylvania,” meaning “wooded glade.” The park was homesteaded by Squire Lathum in 1855 before being sold to John Miller. Miller’s family gave the property to the state in 1921, stipulating that the land must forever be used as a park. Many of the park structures, including the kitchen shelters, were built by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) in the 1930s, making the park a great place to see and admire the hallmark artisanship of that era.

Pets are allowed on leash with owners responsible for cleanup. **Restrooms** are available at the swimming area near the start, and on Loop 1, in the campground area about 3k into the walk.

Walk Registration

Registration takes place online using the AVA Online Start Box at 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 a stamped “virtual” insert card that you may print.

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**MILLERSYLVANIA STATE PARK
LOOP 1
Y 3392**



Distance: 5k

Difficulty level: 1B

ESVA challenges: 39 Counties (Thurston); On the Road Again

AVA Challenge: United States States/Capitals; Walking the USA A-Z

Start Point: 12245 Tilley Road SW, Olympia, Wa. Follow signs to boat launch parking area. A Washington State Discover Pass or a \$10.00 day use pass is required for parking.

Driving directions:

From I-5 Southbound: Take exit 99. Turn left onto WA 121 S/93rd Ave SW. Then right onto Tilley Road (WA 121 S) to park entrance on the right. Follow signs to Day Use, then Boat Launch parking area.

From I-5 Northbound: take exit 95. Turn right onto WA 121 N/Maytown Rd SW. Turn left onto Tilley Road (WA 121 N) to park entrance on the left. Follow signs to Day Use, then Boat Launch parking.

Miscellaneous: Restrooms available near start and in the campground. Pets allowed on leash. Bring your own water.

1. From the parking lot, facing the lake turn **LEFT** onto the gravel trail into the park, past the “No Parking” sign. At the swimming area veer left to front of restrooms. Follow the path next to the restrooms. Continue on the path to the left side (entrance side) of kitchen #3.
2. Walk past entrance to kitchen #3 and continue on the path parallel to the lake passing bathhouse #1 and kitchen #2 and Lakeside Taphouse building (seasonally open).
3. Continue on main trail parallel to the lake, disregarding side paths. At the fork just past Group Picnic Area Shelter #1, bear **RIGHT** passing restroom #1 on your left.
4. Walk across grassy/dirt area, towards informational signs about the park’s history and the parking area.
5. Cross Park road and enter the trail on the **LEFT** just before the park entrance.
6. Where a road to a parking lot crosses trail, go straight ahead, through opening in the fence and follow trail. (1k)
7. Cross unpaved Park Service Road and continue straight on narrow path (fitness trail).
8. **RIGHT** at T intersection.
9. **LEFT** at next intersection by map post.
10. **RIGHT** at next intersection by map post.
11. **RIGHT** at next intersection for very short distance on service road.
12. **LEFT** by map post leading to Orchard Trail.
13. Follow grass path on right side of meadow/orchard with picnic tables.
14. **RIGHT** on gravel road to campground going straight onto blacktop toward brown building/restrooms. (3k)
15. With back to restroom, follow road to right as it curves right. Walk toward additional campsites.
16. When road Ts at campsite #7, turn **LEFT**.
17. **RIGHT** at “T” and sign to sites 33-132.

18. Pass restroom #5 **and STAY LEFT**.
19. **LEFT** at “Do Not Enter” sign (meant for cars), staying on paved road.
20. **STAY LEFT** at next “Do Not Enter” sign. Turn **LEFT** to walk past campsite #53. Pass around/through pole gate. Continue straight past 2 roads to right with “Do Not Enter” signs.
21. At campsite #8 go around gate and continue on road (the gate may be open).
22. At campsite #7 continue straight on road veering **LEFT** toward stop sign.
23. Cross road and go between posts to gravel road.
24. Walk gravel road passing a picnic shelter, restroom #4, and then another restroom on the left. Keep right.
25. **RIGHT** at Group Picnic Area Kitchen #1.
26. Pass kitchen #2 on your left, Lakeside Taphouse building on your right and bathhouse #1 on your left.
27. Continue on trail passing kitchen #3 on your left and between the swimming area and the restroom building, until you reach the boat launch area parking lot.

Thank you for participating in our walk!

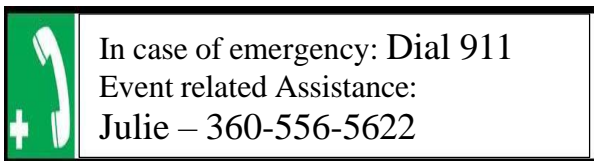
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**MILLERSYLVANIA STATE PARK
LOOP 2
Y3392**



Distance: 5K,

Difficulty level: 2B

ESVA challenges: 39 Counties (Thurston); On the
Road Again

AVA Challenge: United States States/Capitals;
Walking the USA A-Z

Start Point: 12245 Tilley Road SW, Olympia,
Wa. Follow signs to Day Use, then Boat Launch.
A Washington State Discover Pass or a \$10.00 day
use pass is required for parking.

Driving directions:

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Miscellaneous: Restrooms available near start by
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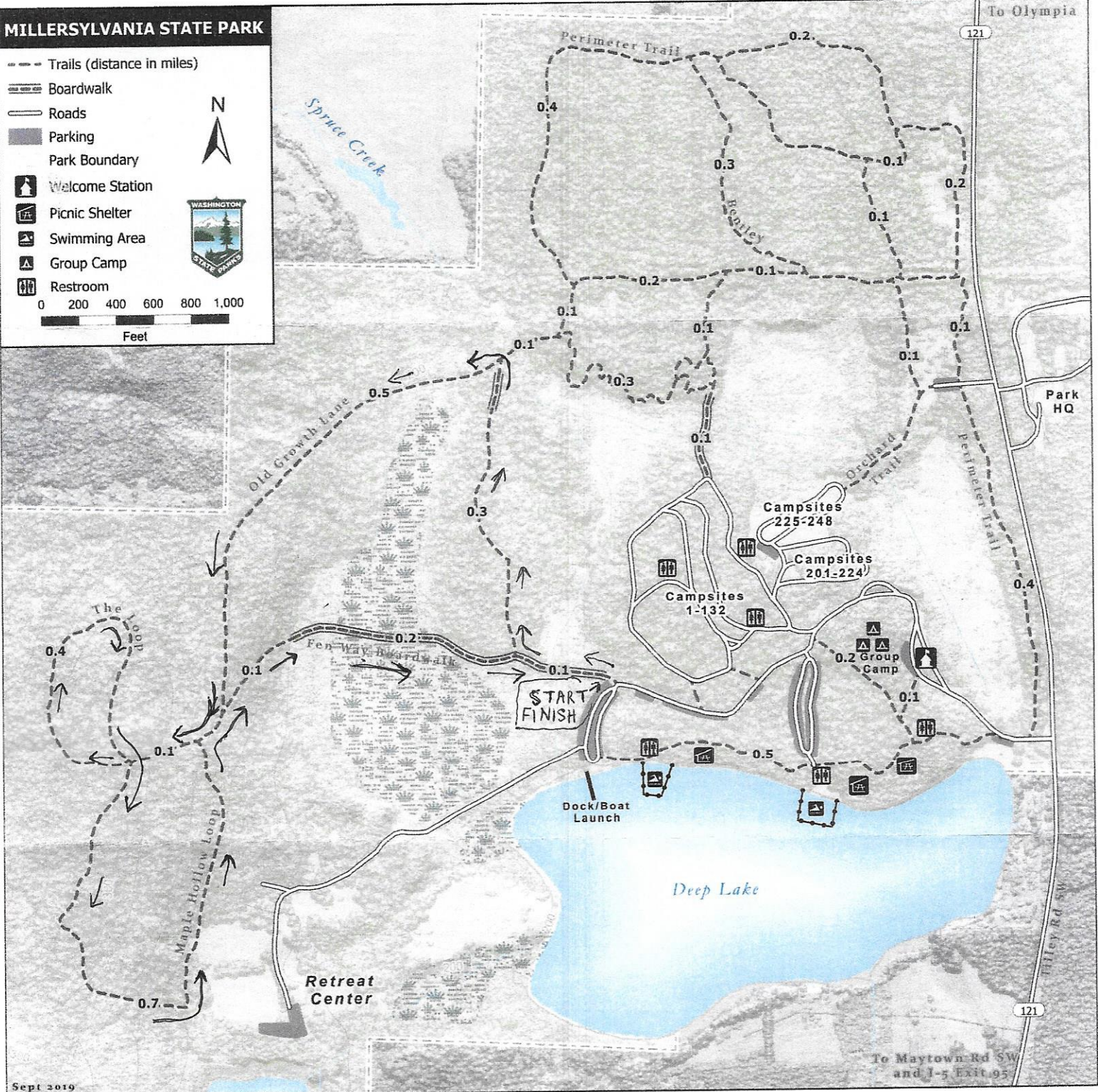
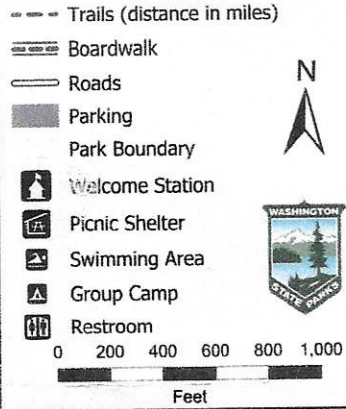
1. From the Boat Launch parking lot with your
back to the lake walk to the end of parking lot
away from lake.
2. At brown kiosk, turn **LEFT** onto Fen Way
Boardwalk trail to first intersection.
3. **RIGHT** at 1st intersection to gravel service
road.
4. **LEFT** on gravel service road (Old Growth
Lane). (~1k).
5. When road forks at the top of the hill (3 trees in
intersection), continue **STRAIGHT**.
6. At next intersection (with one tree in
intersection), continue **STRAIGHT**.
7. At 3-way intersection, continue **STRAIGHT**.
8. At 4-way intersection, continue **STRAIGHT**
onto the Loop Trail, passing a chain link fence
enclosure (2K).
9. Back at 4-way intersection, continue
STRAIGHT onto Maple Hollow Loop.
10. At Quarry Ponds sign, stay **LEFT**.
11. At gravel road, turn **RIGHT**.
12. At the “Y” with 1 tree in the middle, go
RIGHT.
13. At next intersection, go **SLIGHTLY RIGHT**,
eventually crossing a bridge and onto the Fen
Way boardwalk.
14. At asphalt road, turn **RIGHT**, back to the Boat
Launch parking lot.

**Thank you for participating in our
walk!**

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online registration.**

LOOP 2 5K

MILLERSYLVANIA STATE PARK



AVA/ESVA SPECIAL CHALLENGE PROGRAMS 2024

WALK NAME /NUMBER – Millersylvania / #3392				
ESVA SPECIAL PROGRAMS				
STROLLING ALONG THE RIVER [2023-2025]				
ON THE ROAD AGAIN [2022-2024]	YES			
FRONTLINE HEROES [2021-2023]	MEDICAL CENTERS	DELIVERY SERVICES	SUSTENANCE PROVIDERS	ESSENTIAL SERVICES
COUNTIES (ONGOING)	THURSTON			
THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT [2024-2026]	CULTURAL	FAIRS FESTIVALS ARCADES	CRAFTS/HOBBIES	SPORTS VENUES
AVA SPECIAL PROGRAMS				
50 STATES/51 CAPITALS	[ONGOING]	WASHINGTON		
A-Z (Walking the US A-Z)	[ONGOING]	OLYMPIA		
A-MAZ-ING LABYRINTHS	[2024-2026]			
BORDER CROSSING	[2014-2023]			
GREAT LAKES	[2021-2024]			
LIGHTHOUSES II	[2023-2025]			
PAR FOR THE COURSE	[2023-2025]			
RAILS TO TRAILS	[2022-2025]			
STEP TO THE BEAT	[2024-2026]			
TOWN HALL/CITY HALL	[2020-2024]			
WALKING WITH AMERICAN VETERANS	[2021-2024]			