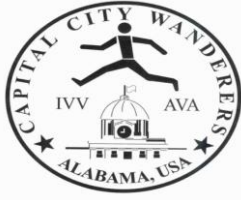


The Capital City Wanderers



*Welcome you to Wetumpka,
Alabama*



This walk has a 10K route, with a 5K option. It is along paved trails and sidewalks, rated 1A. The trail starts out on the trail along the Coosa River (part of the Alabama Birding Trail) and through Gold Star park. The trail then takes you into the recently renovated downtown area, where you will see a thriving commercial area that had been a collection of empty store fronts for many years, before HGTV “Home Town Takeover” chose to feature Wetumpka on its prime-time series in 2020. Now it has thriving businesses... boutique gift shops, art galleries, a variety of restaurants, etc. From there you will walk to the Veterans Memorial display at the courthouse, and then across the historic, Bibb Graves bridge to visit the Farmer’s Market and park that was also part of the renovations. Then, you will walk along the sidewalks in a residential area to see some beautiful, older homes and churches, before returning across the bridge and back to the start point.

Special Programs: Walking with America’s Veterans and Par for the Course

THIS WALK IS OSB ONLY!

Walk Registration:

Registration takes place online using that 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. The POC does not provide event directions or accept alternate payment methods.

REMINDER: Be sure to log back into the OSB system once you have physically completed the walk. 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.

Driving Directions to Start/Finish Point:

Wetumpka Administration Bldg. 408 S Main St., Wetumpka, AL 36092-2807

From I-65, take Exit 181 Hwy 14 East. Approximately 12.5 miles, stay straight on Hwy 212 when Hwy 14 goes off to the left. Continue approximately 1 mile as it becomes W Bridge St, crossing the Coosa River Bridge. Then, right at the traffic light onto S Main St. Just past the Hampton Inn, turn right just before the Administration Bldg, and continue down to the lower parking area, closer to the river.

Restrooms are available a short distance down the trail!

WETUMPKA, ALABAMA

ELMORE COUNTY

10K/5K

Please be advised that blocks, as noted in the directions, may NOT be evenly spaced!

Please walk facing traffic whenever there is no sidewalk!

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:

1. Facing the river, go toward the left end on the parking lot to the concrete walkway, and follow it to the **RIGHT** then **RIGHT** at the “T” (there will be a bridge to your left.)
2. Stay on the walkway as it winds along the river, across a wooden bridge, then across a parking lot and thru Gold Star Park.
(Restrooms are available in the small building up the steps on your right, just past the playground.) Cross another wooden bridge that goes under the Bibb Graves bridge.
4. Continue on the sidewalk past the “Old Caboose” jail circa 1820, and around to the right. to pass Coach’s Corner restaurant on your left.
5. Go **LEFT** at the corner to pass in front of “The Kelly” to the Fall Line Overlook to check out the view and the interesting information on the plaques.
6. Then return to the sidewalk and continue past the Coach’s Corner parking lot to the roundabout.
7. At the roundabout, go **RIGHT** to cross **ORLINE** (no sign), toward The Furry Kid, and immediately turn **RIGHT** on **ORLINE**, and go back in the opposite direction. Then bear **LEFT** as it curves around the corner.
8. **Halfway** down the short block, go **LEFT**, up the steps or the ramp to the left, and through the little park area, with a mural on the wall to your right.
9. **LEFT** on the sidewalk onto **COMPANY**.
10. At the roundabout go **RIGHT** and carefully cross **COMPANY**, then immediately **RIGHT** again to go back down on the opposite side of the street.
11. **LEFT** at the corner with the Southern City Saving and Loan clock on your right, across Company St. This is **HILL ST.** (no sign)
12. As you are crossing to The Grumpy Dog, look up the hill on your left to view the “Big Fish House.” Then go **RIGHT** to cross **HILL**, and proceed on **E BRIDGE ST** passing the Chamber of Commerce, to the traffic light.

13. **LEFT** on **MAIN**.

14. **CAREFULLY** cross **COMMERCE** watching for turning cars, and proceed to the right side of the Elmore County Courthouse.

15. **LEFT** on the sidewalk passing the Veteran's Memorials, then proceed up the steps to the Courthouse and go **LEFT** around to the front of the building.

16. Turn **LEFT** in front of the entrance doors and go down the steps and then carefully cross **COMMERCE** and proceed down **COURT**.

17. **CROSS E BRIDGE ST** at the crosswalk, turn **LEFT** and proceed across the Coosa River via the Bibb Graves Bridge.

18. **RIGHT** on **N BRIDGE ST.** (Hwy 111) (2 blocks)

19. **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on **E COOSA** to the Farmer's Market Pavilion, then bear **LEFT** as the road passes the park by the river, and continue bearing left away from the river (DO NOT enter new asphalt path). **CROSS COTTON** and proceed on the sidewalk on the left side of **E TALLASSEE**. (no sign at this point). At **MARSHALL** cross diagonally to the sidewalk on the right and continue on **TALLASSEE**.

20. **CAREFULLY** cross **N BRIDGE**.

10K Walkers go RIGHT on N BRIDGE (1 block) and continue with **step #21**.

5K Walkers go LEFT on N BRIDGE. (2 blocks) and continue with **step #20. A.**

5K ONLY!

20.A. **RIGHT** on **TUSKEENA.** (2 blocks)

20.B. **CROSS** and **LEFT** on **ALABAMA.**

(1 block) Uneven sidewalk. Watch your step! You may wish to walk in the street.

20.C. **CAREFULLY** cross **W BRIDGE.**

(If you happen to be there when the traffic is heavy, go **LEFT** one block to the traffic light, where there is a median, so you only have to cross halfway at a time, and the traffic light will stop traffic. But, be sure to watch for traffic turning right from N Bridge St.)

CONTINUE at step **#37.**

21. **CROSS** and **LEFT** on **N OSCEOLA.** (to 3rd right)

22. **RIGHT** on **NW MAIN.** (1 block)

23. At the back of the football stadium, at the crossing sign, go **LEFT** on **W MICANOPY.**

24. After crossing **KELLY FITZPATRICK DR,** continue on **MICANOPY,** then take the next **LEFT** (at the Stop sign) to cross **MICANOPY** onto **AUTAUGA.** (to 3rd left)

25. **LEFT** on **W TUSKEENA.** (to 6th left, just past the Methodist Church)

26. **CROSS** and **LEFT** on **ALABAMA**. (2 blocks. Uneven sidewalk. Watch your step! You may wish to walk in the street.)
27. **LEFT** on **W TALLASSEE**. (to 2nd right)
28. **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on **NW MAIN**. (1 block)
29. **CROSS** and **LEFT** on **W OSCEOLA**. (to 2nd left)
30. **LEFT** on **N PINE**. (to 2nd left)
31. **CROSS** and **LEFT** on **W TALLASSEE**. (1 block)
32. **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on **N OPTHLEOHOLA**. (1 block)
33. **LEFT** on **W TUSKEENA**. (to 1st right)
34. **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on **N SHELBY**. (1 block)
35. **LEFT** on **W BRIDGE**. (3 blocks)
36. At **ALABAMA**, turn **RIGHT** and **CAREFULLY** cross **W BRIDGE**. (If you happen to be there when the traffic is heavy, continue another block to the traffic light, where there is a median, so you only have to cross halfway at a time.)
37. **5K Walkers continue here!** Continue straight ahead on **ALABAMA** and then bear left around the back of the First Baptist Church. There will be an historical marker on your right just before you bear left again to approach the traffic light. It tells about Lock 31, that you will see as you cross the bridge.
38. **RIGHT** on **BRIDGE** to cross the river on the opposite side from when you first crossed it. When you look to the right, you will see the Lock on the right side of the river, as well as the Wind Creek Casino hotel in the distance.
39. **RIGHT** on **MAIN**.
40. **RIGHT** on **READY** (City Hall on your right) to Gold Star Park.
41. **Go LEFT to CROSS** the parking lot onto the trail by the river, to return to the **Start/Finish**.

