

Whitehall NY Walks – Rated 2A

Starting Point: Skenesborough Museum/
Visitors Center
37 Skenesborough Dr.
Whitehall, NY 12887

Parking is available on either side of Skenesborough Drive in front of the Skenesborough Museum/Visitor Center. The Museum (and its restroom facilities) is not open until 11:00 AM but there are restrooms available in the park building next to the outdoor amphitheater near the Start Point. Also, there is a Stewarts Shop along the route of both the 5K and 10K walk.

DIRECTIONS TO START POINT: Whitehall is located approximately 230 miles north of New York City and approximately 79 miles north of Albany NY.

From Lake George (Georgian Lakeside Resort): Take Canada St (US9) south to traffic light at intersection with NY Route 149E (4.3 mi). Left on Rt149 to George St (US4) in Fort Ann (11.7 mi). Left on US4 north to Poultney St. in Whitehall (10.6 mi). Right on Poultney St. to Skenesborough Dr (0.1 mi). Left on Skenesborough Dr., Museum/Visitor Center is on your right in approx. 0.3 miles.

From the North: Take I-87 (Adirondack Northway) south to Exit 20 for NY Route 149/Fort Ann/Whitehall. Left at end of exit ramp onto Gurney Lane (NY149) and continue to traffic light at intersection with NY149 E/US9 N. Left on NY149/US9 for approx. 0.7 mi. to traffic light at intersection with NY149 E. Right onto NY149. Follow **From Lake George** Directions.

From the South: Take I-87 (Adirondack Northway) north to Exit 20 for NY Route 149/Fort Ann/Whitehall. Bear left on exit ramp, then left onto NY149 E/US9 N. North on NY149/US9 for approx. 0.5 mi. to traffic light at intersection with NY149 E. Right onto NY149. Follow **From Lake George** Directions.

From the East: Take I-90 west until you cross the Massachusetts/New York border. Merge onto I-90 West via Exit 1B towards Albany/US-9/Hudson. Continue on I-90 E to Exit 6A. Take Exit 6A to merge onto I-787 towards Troy. Take I-787 north to Exit 9W towards Schenectady/Saratoga Springs (5.8 mi). Take Exit 6A merging onto NY7 West via the ramp for I-87 Schenectady/Saratoga Springs. Continue on NY7 West to ramp towards I-87 North Saratoga Springs/Glens Falls (3.5 mi). Take I-87 North to Exit 20, NY149E/Fort Ann/Whitehall (44.2 mi). Take Exit 20 and bear left on exit ramp, then left onto NY149 E/US9 N. North on NY149/US9 for approx. 0.5 mi. to traffic light at intersection with NY149 E. Right onto NY149. Follow **From Lake George** Directions.

From the West: Take I-90 east to Exit 27 for NY Route 30 Amsterdam. Right at end of ramp onto for NY30 N and after approx. 1 mile keep right to continue on Church St (NY67E). Continue on NY67 to Milton Ave (19.2 mi). Left on Milton to Malta Ave (1.0 mi). Right on Malta Ave. to US9 N (3.5 mi). Left on US9 for approx. 0.5 miles to entrance ramp for I-87 N. Take I-87 North to Exit 20, NY149E/Fort Ann/Whitehall (25.1 mi). Bear left on exit ramp, then left onto NY149 E/US9 N. North on NY149/US9 for approx. 0.5 mi. to traffic light at intersection with NY149 E. Right onto NY149. Follow **From Lake George** Directions.

Course Description: Whitehall was known as Skenesborough after its founder Captain Philip Skene until 1786. Whitehall is considered the birthplace of the US Navy because in 1776 Benedict Arnold under the direction General Philip Schuyler built a number of vessels to confront the British forces on Lake Champlain during the beginning of the American revolution. Although defeated, Arnold's small fleet was able to delay the British advance south from Quebec until the American forces were able to mount an offense that ultimately defeated the British Army under General Burgoyne near Saratoga. This decisive victory led France to support the American Revolution and ultimately won America her independence. Naval ships were also constructed in Whitehall during the war of 1812 to protect American interests in Lake Champlain and the North Country. Volkssporters will also walk along what's considered the southern end of Lake Champlain and the beginning (north end) of the Champlain Barge Canal, including Lock C12. Skene Manor, a majestic, Victorian, Gothic-style mansion built in 1874 is also on the walk route and has a tearoom open for light lunch. You may wish to consider Skene Manor, Bottoms Up Bar and Grill, or The Railroad Taproom and Restaurant, for lunch following your walk.

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1. **EXIT** Museum/Visitor Center area and turn **LEFT** to path around caboose display. Note Whitehall Town Hall and Offices across the street from the Museum.
2. Follow path along Champlain Canal through Waterfront Park. You'll pass a building on the left covering the USS Ticonderoga.
Take a minute to examine the hull of the Ticonderoga, one of McDonough's fleet on Lake Champlain during the war of 1812. (SP: Anniversary Hurrah!)
3. **Continue** on path, bearing **LEFT** up a set of stairs to an outside amphitheater on the left and Park Building on the right. Building has restrooms available.
The amphitheater is where the town has its annual Sasquatch Calling Contest in the Fall during the Sasquatch Festival.
4. **Continue** on path between the amphitheater and the building to another set of stairs.
5. Walk down the stairs and bear **LEFT** on the path towards the canal.
6. Follow the path along the canal and bear **RIGHT** at the end of the park.
7. **RIGHT** through the parking lot to Skenesborough Dr.
8. **LEFT** on Skenesborough to traffic light at Poultney St. (Rt 4).
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11. **LEFT** on Elizabeth to Davis St. Note gnomes at #7 Elizabeth. (*SP: Walking With the Wild Things*)
12. **LEFT** on Davis to Poultney St.
13. **RIGHT** on Poultney to Pauline St.
14. **RIGHT** on Pauline to Elizabeth St.
15. **LEFT** on Elizabeth to Park Ave. (no street sign)
16. **LEFT** on Park to Poultney St.
17. **Carefully CROSS** Poultney then **LEFT** to Potter St. (no street sign)
18. **RIGHT** on Potter to Wheeler St.
19. **RIGHT** on Wheeler to Mountain St.
20. **LEFT** on Mountain past Wheeler and McCotter Streets on the left.
21. **Continue** on Mountain, keeping right (straight) as road becomes Potter Terrace, entrance to Skene Manor.
22. **Continue** to top of the hill and Skene Manor.
Tour house, if open; rest, take in great view.
23. **RETRACE** steps back down Potter Terrace to STOP sign.
24. **SHARP RIGHT** onto N Mountain St. (steep downhill) **Continue** to Cliff St.
25. **RIGHT** on Cliff, uphill to Cannon Monument to Soldiers and Sailors of the American Revolution.
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26. **RETRACE** steps back down to N Mountain St.
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29. **Continue** on sidewalk, walking around roped-off section near gazebo, to the end of the sidewalk.
30. **TURN AROUND** and walk back on N Williams to Saunders St.
31. **RIGHT** on Saunders over bridge to Main St.
32. **RIGHT** on Main for approx. 100ft, just past entrance to parking area, to stairway on the right.
33. Walk down stairway to path along canal.
34. **RIGHT** on path passing under bridge to canal side of Museum/Visitors Center. Note Veterans Memorial Wall on the right above canal-side path. (*SP: Walking With America's Veterans*)
35. **RIGHT** around building, to the front of the Museum/Visitors Center and **Start Point**.

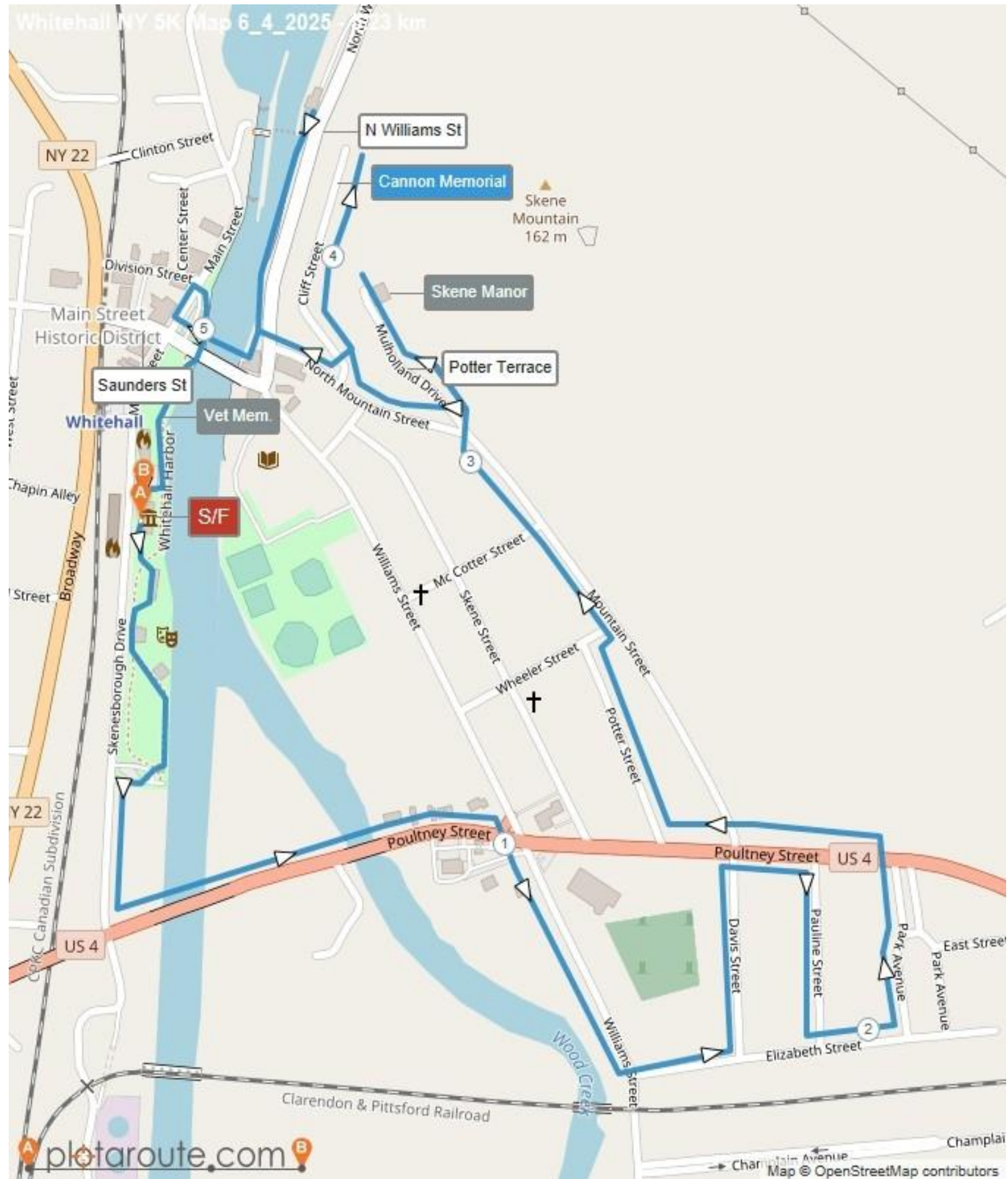
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32. **CROSS** Main St. then **RIGHT** down the left side of on Main St to point where the Champlain Canal Lock begins (crosswalk on the right)
33. **RIGHT** crossing back over Main St. to get a better view of the lock. This is the lock that connects Lake Champlain to the Champlain Canal System.
34. **LEFT** along sidewalk next to the lock. **Continue** to end of the lock then look for a NYS historical marker on the grassy area to the left.
35. **Walk** over to the Whitehall Harbor historical marker.

This marker describes the deliberate destruction of American vessels to avoid capture by the British during the Revolutionary War. (SP: Anniversary Hurrah!)
36. **CROSS BACK** to left side of Main St. You should be at the corner of Main St and Clinton Ave.
37. **Continue straight** up Clinton to Rt 22.
38. **Carefully CROSS** then **RIGHT** on Rt. 22.
39. **Continue** on Rt 22 past Bellamy and Brookdale to where Neddo St (no street sign) enters on the left.
40. **LEFT** on Neddo (old Rt 22) as it curves around and ends at North St. (no street sign, cemetery on the right)
41. **RIGHT** on North back to and **Carefully CROSS** Rt 22.
42. **RIGHT** down left side of Rt 22 to traffic light at Saunders St.
43. **RIGHT** on Saunders to and **CROSS** West St.
44. **LEFT** on West to Chapin Alley. (street enters from the left, street sign hidden behind corner of red garage)
45. **LEFT** on Chapen Alley to Rt 22.
46. **RIGHT** on Rt 22 to traffic light intersection with Poultney St.
47. **LEFT** using two crosswalks onto Poultney St.
48. **LEFT** on Poultney to and **CROSS** Skenesborough Dr.
49. **LEFT** on Skenesborough back to Visitors Center and **Start Point**. (Note Veterans Memorial on right side of path, SP: Walking With America's Veterans)

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Whitehall NY 10K Map 6/4/2025 - 9.66 km

