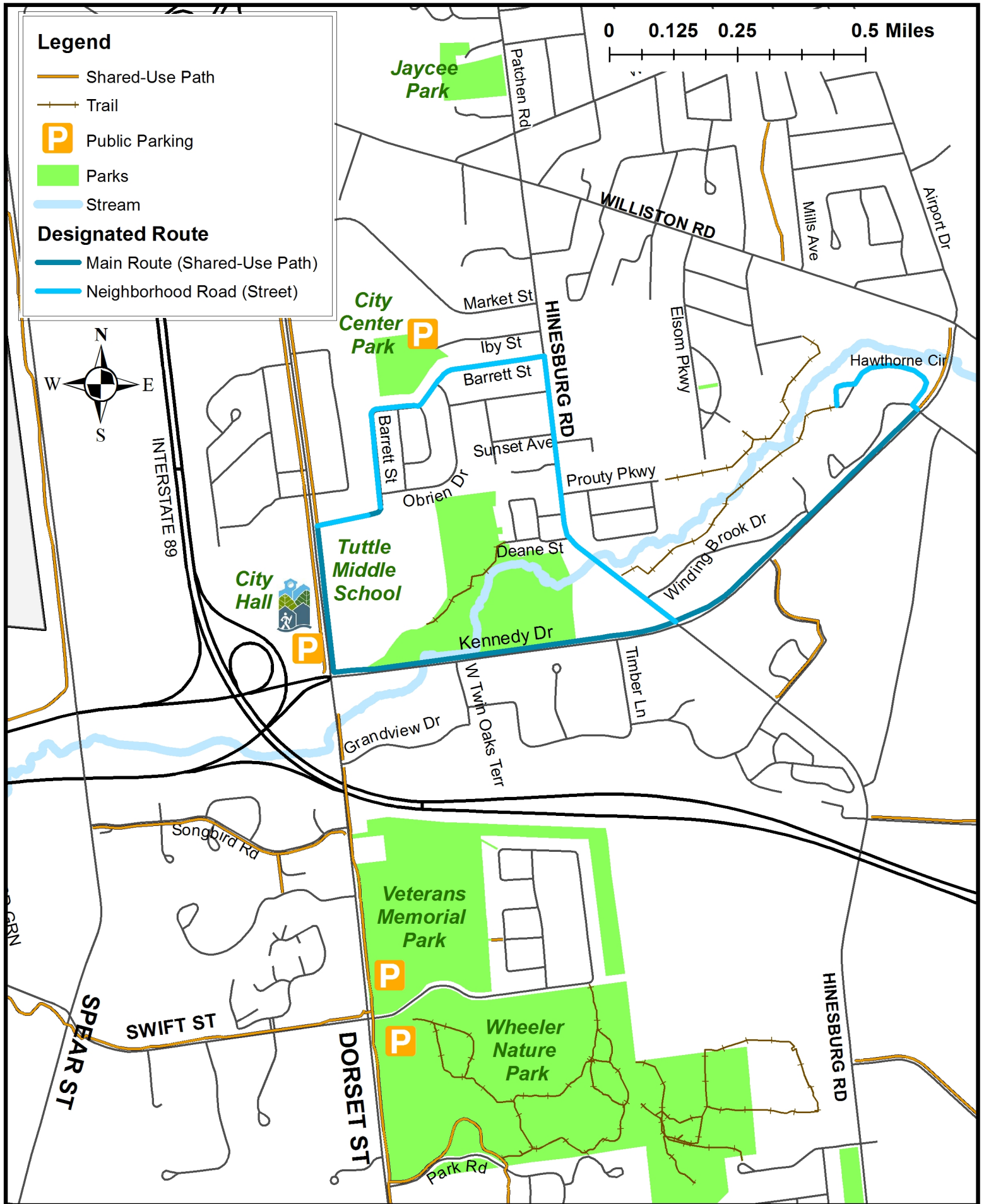


Family Friendly Rides in South Burlington

Route: Bike to Hike





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Bike to Hike Ride

Miles: 4 mile bike loop / 2 mile trail loop

Looking for a quick peddle around town and the ability to see some great wooded areas? Look no further than the quick Bike to Hike Route in South Burlington. This route provides great parking at the start/finish if needed and some excellent sights along the way. There is always the ability to flex with the plan, but be on the lookout for some of the tougher roads to ride along.

This route will guide you from the back parking lot of Tuttle Middle School, to City Center Park, down Hinesburg Road, up Kennedy Drive, into Hawthorne Circle, and ending at the Awasiwi Trail. To head back to the parking area at Tuttle, simply ride down Kennedy Drive, turn onto Dorset Street, and ride until you reach the parking lot.

Don't forget your bike lock, helmet, and camera!

Tuttle Parking Lot:

This is a dirt parking lot that is permit only during the school hours. This parking lot is available to the public during off hours. If you need a place to park, feel free to use the South Burlington City Hall parking lot across the street and use the crosswalk to get started. Please remember to walk your bike across crosswalks.

This will be our starting/ending point – but remember that you can begin at any part of this loop route.

Barrett Street:

Once you are ready to ride, ride towards the paved path that leads out towards the ball fields. Stay left, go through the poles that lead you into the neighborhood on Barrett Street. The traffic is fairly minimal around this area, but please remain on the side of the road and ride with traffic. When you get to the bend in the road, look left and you will see an entrance for City Center Park.

Ride down the pavement leading to the entrance of the park. Lock up your bike, walk around the beautiful area, and explore the neat features of City Center Park.

Don't forget to take some pictures before heading back to your bike.

Hinesburg Road:

Once you return to your bike, continue heading up Barrett Street until you get to Hinesburg Road.

Hinesburg Road is not the most bike friendly road. The city ordinance allows bikers to ride on the sidewalk, and for less experienced riders, this may be the better option.

Turn right and head down Hinesburg Road towards Kennedy Drive. Again, this road can be difficult to ride along. Feel free to ride on the side of the road or on the sidewalk. Please yield to people walking on the sidewalk.

Kennedy Drive:

The intersection of Kennedy Drive and Hinesburg Road is busy. You will be crossing left up Kennedy Drive. Use the signal crosswalk and be sure to walk your bike through the crosswalk. Ensure to use the crosswalks properly and wait until you have the walk signal.

Ride up on the shared use path along Kennedy Drive once you have crossed Hinesburg Road. You will ride for about a half mile before turning into the Treetop Condominiums.

Treetop Condominiums:

There is a small sheltered area before the turn into the Treetop Condominiums. Stay to the right once you turn into the Treetop Condominiums and travel down the road passed the tennis courts.

Continue heading all the way to the lower lot area until you arrive at the end of the back cul de sac. There is a small blue trailhead sign in the back right portion of the settlement. There is no current bike rack available, but lock your bike up to a nearby tree and gather your camera for a walk through the woods.

The Awasiwi Trail:

The hike is short, about a mile in and a mile out along the Awasiwi Trail. You will see puncheons and small bridges leading over muddy, wet areas. The trail continues all the way to the back end of the high school, but that requires crossing Hinesburg Road again. The typical route would be to walk all along the trail until arriving at the old rusted car – see if you can find it ☺

Turn back up the trail and walk back to your bike. Be sure to leave no trace in the woods! It is always a good idea to check for ticks after walking in the woods.

Your return trip:

When you return to your bike, ride back to the exit of the Treetop Condominiums. Turn right and proceed down Kennedy Drive back the way you came. You are able to bypass Hinesburg Road if you are going back to the Tuttle Parking Lot or City Hall.

Remember to be safe crossing the Hinesburg Road / Kennedy Drive intersection. Walk your bike across the cross walk.

Stay on Kennedy Drive all the way down the shared use path. Turn right when you reach the high school at the Dorset Street / Kennedy Drive intersection. Continue riding until you reach your starting point.

Feel free to share any pictures or comments with the Recreation and Parks department!