



On-Street Bikeways

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Oak Leaf Trail

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Parks Amenities

- W Water Park
- S Splash Pad
- I Indoor Pool
- O Outdoor Pool or Beach
- C Concession
- R Restroom
- G Golf
- P Parking

Bike Shops

1. Adventure Bicycle and Kiteboarding, LLC 6207 N 10st St., Milwaukee 414-760-1493
2. Ails Bike & Fitness, 9622 W National Ave., West Allis 414-327-1290
3. Ben's Cycle, 1018 W Lincoln Ave., Milwaukee 414-384-2236
4. Bike Milwaukee, 3470 N Oakland Ave., Milwaukee 414-332-3497
5. Casanova's Outdoor Adventure, 4561 N 124th St., Butler, 262-783-6456
6. Cory the Bike Fixer, 2410 N Murray Ave., Milwaukee 414-987-9448
7. Crank Daddy's Bicycle Works, 2170 N Prospect Ave. 414-347-5511
8. Emery's Third Coast, 9929 W Lisbon Ave., Milwaukee 414-463-BIKE (2453)
9. Johnson's Cycle and Fitness, 6916 West North Avenue, Milwaukee 414-476-2341
10. Milwaukee Bike and Skate Rental, Veteran's Park, 1750 North Lincoln Memorial Drive, Milwaukee 414-273-1343
11. Northshore Wheels, 2211 E. Capitol Dr., Shorewood, WI 414-332-3060
12. Pello Bike Shop, 9800 West Forest Home Ave., Hales Corners, 414-425-3535
13. Rainbow Jersey Bicycle Shop, 4600 North Wilson Dr., Milwaukee 414-961-1110
14. South Shore Cycles, 4758 South Packard Ave., Cudahy 414-831-0211
15. Sports Authority, 5070 S 74th St., Greenfield 414-282-2300
16. The Bikesmiths, 2885 N Murray Ave., Milwaukee 414-332-1330
17. Truly Spoken Cycle, 833 E Center St., Milwaukee 414-263-2453
18. Wheel and Spocket, 5722 S 108th St., Milwaukee 414-529-6600
19. Wheel and Spocket, 6940 N Santa Monica Blvd., Fox Point 414-247-8100

The Features On This Map

Milwaukee is a great place to ride a bike. We have many quiet off-street trails away from cars like the Milwaukee County Parks Oak Leaf Trail, the Hank Aaron State Trail, and the Beerline Trail, etc.

And Milwaukee's grid system of hundreds of miles of pleasant residential streets with few cars and low speed limits are ideal for cycling.

Milwaukee also has an officially designated on-street network of *bike routes* identified with green signs. These are usually more direct arterial roads with wider curb lanes that allow motorists and cyclists to travel safely side by side.

Every year Milwaukee stripes new bike lanes, streets with bikes-only lanes delineated with pavement markings. We now have 55 miles of *bike lanes* and many more are planned. It is illegal for cars to drive in bike lanes except to turn or park.

But cyclists often have to go places not on the bikeway network to get to work or shop. This map identifies those roads with wider outside lanes and those streets frequently used by cyclists as *preferred streets*. These streets may not be ideal, but are often the best choice in the area.

While many statistics show cycling on busy streets to be as safe as or safer than driving a motor vehicle, cyclists have differing comfort levels with riding in traffic. Conditions on all roads vary with the day of week and time of day.

This map does not rate road or traffic conditions. Use this map as a guide but always ride with caution within your own ability based on actual roadway conditions.

For more detailed information about how to enjoy getting around Milwaukee *by Bike* visit www.milwaukeebybike.org. There you will find more information on bike safety, where to report potholes and other hazards, information about bicycle parking, how get access to a bike locker, other maps and much more.

Free parking is available across Milwaukee. The City has installed over 2,000 bicycle parking racks. For those who want to drive to a trail and park, the map identifies parking lots at County Parks. Parking is also available on many municipal streets and all parkway drives.



The **Oak Leaf Trail** connects Charles B. Whitnall's emerald necklace of the Milwaukee County Park System. This trail was first laid out by Harold "Zip" Morgan in 1939 and consisted of 64 miles. Through the years it has been extended to 111 miles. The trail currently consists of 55 miles of paved off-road paths, 30 miles of parkway drives, and 26 miles that remain on municipal streets that will eventually be converted to off-road paths.

Please respect other trail users: ride on the right, travel at a safe speed, announce your intention to pass, move off the trail when stopped and walk your bike on crowded sections.

The section of the Oak Leaf Trail from Mason St. to Estabrook Park has many sections that are grade separated from the surrounding streets. Ramped connections are denoted with this symbol: **R**

Keep your eyes open to see the familiar **Oak Leaf Trail** signs throughout Milwaukee County.

This map identifies swimming pools and beaches. Lake Michigan has many sandy beaches that are great places to cool off on a hot summer ride. Lake Michigan can have strong undercurrents and variable water quality.

State Trails Council

The State Trails Council provides advice and consultation to the Department of Natural Resources on the planning, acquisition, development, and management of trails in Wisconsin. This council has an advisory role in administering the Federal Recreation Trails Project. This council is active in long term trail planning and is a leader in advocating trail development and management.

Milwaukee County Trails Council

The Milwaukee County Trails Council was established in 2005 and serves in an advisory capacity to Milwaukee County for long-term planning, policy recommendations, and identifying user needs. The meetings are open to the public. For dates and times of the meetings, contact the Milwaukee County Parks Dept.

Getting around Milwaukee *by Bike* is a safe, healthy and fun way to experience all the area has to offer. Whether you are pedaling along on the quiet Oak Leaf Trail to one of Milwaukee County's 150 beautiful parks or biking to work on the City's network of on-street bike lanes, this map should help you get where you want to go and enjoy the trip.

If your trip is a bit too far to ride or the weather catches you unprepared, simply put your bike on a bus and ride in comfort. All of Milwaukee County's Buses are equipped with bike front racks. You can find a nearby bus using Google maps on your smart phone.

Questions or Problems:
Start with www.milwaukeebybike.org

City of Milwaukee Bike Information:
(414) 286-3144

Milwaukee County Parks, Recreation and Culture
Watertown Plank Road, Wauwatosa, WI 53226
www.countyparks.com
(414) 257-6100

Bicycle Federation of Wisconsin
1845 N. Farwell Ave., Suite 110
Milwaukee, WI 53212
www.bfw.org
(414) 271-9685

This map is a work in progress and will be reprinted in a year or two. If you have comments about the bike routes on this map, or suggested alternative new routes, contact the City of Milwaukee Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator at (414) 286-3144 or david.schibye@milwaukee.gov.

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Bicycles are legal and intended users of the road and every person riding a bicycle upon a roadway or shoulder of a highway is granted all the rights and is subject to all the duties which this chapter grants or applies to the operator of a vehicle, except those provisions which by their express terms apply only to motor vehicles or which by their very nature would have no application to bicycles. —State statute 346.02(4)a

Other tips for motorists:

State law requires motorists to yield the right of way to people attempting to cross the street at a crosswalk. The illustration below shows 3 different crosswalks. Motorists should watch ahead for pedestrians at the curb and slow or stop to allow people to cross the street.



We can all make a difference in the safety of others and make Milwaukee a more pleasant place if we all obey the laws. Obey the speed limit and drive slower than the posted limit when in areas with high numbers of pedestrians. For more information about pedestrian safety, visit www.streetsshare.org.



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If you prefer to get dirty, this map will help you find some of Milwaukee's fabulous mountain biking trails. From the narrow twisting singletrack along the Menomonee River to fast downhill at Crystal Ridge Ski Hill, to the technical adventures at Ray's Indoor Mountain Bike Park, Milwaukee has more than its share of mountain biking for an urban center.

Bicycle use in Milwaukee has more than doubled over the last handful of years and at the same time the crash rate has gone down 75%. Riding a bicycle in Milwaukee is very safe as long as you follow the rules of the road. In order to help you enjoy a safe ride, we have included a traffic safety panel on the south side of this map.