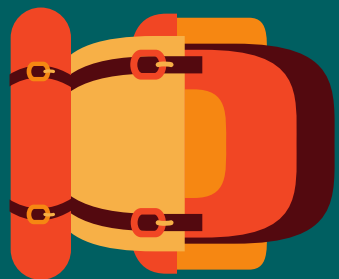
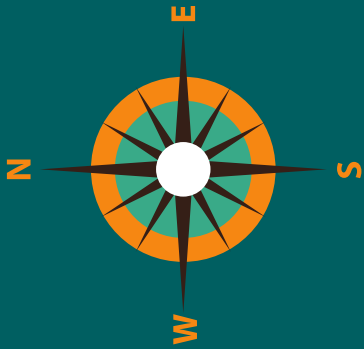


EXPLORE THE CVNP PARTNERS



How many can you check off for our Cuyahoga Connections Challenge?

CONSERVANCY FOR CVNP:



- Visit a Conservancy Retail Store location
- Volunteer for Invasive Plant Removal
- Attend an education program
- Learn how to become a volunteer
- "Plant Your Roots" - become a member/sign up for newsletter!

COUNTRYSIDE FOOD & FARMS:



- Visit Farmer's Market at Howe Meadow
- Shop the Curbside Farmer's Market
- Visit one of the Countryside Farms
- Learn how to become a volunteer
- Make a donation/sign up for newsletter

CUYAHOGA VALLEY SCENIC RAILROAD:



- Take the National Park Scenic excursion
- Take the CVSR to Hale Farm & Village
- Use the CVSR Explorer Pass
- Learn how to become a volunteer
- Become a member/sign up for newsletter

FOR EXPLORING:

- Pack plenty of water & snacks
- Pack a journal and pen
- Wear hat and sunscreen
- Bring a camera
- Get a map or GPS
- Carry a small first aid kit
- Wear comfortable shoes
- Use a versatile bag/backpack
- Money for tickets/souvenirs
- Have a great time making memories on your adventure!

Can you complete this hike for the Conservancy's Cuyahoga Connections Challenge?

THE LEDGES TRAIL



Location:

- 405 Truxell Road, Peninsula 44264

Length:

- 2.2 miles

What you'll find:

- Picnic shelter
- Meadow
- Woods
- Creek
- Geological features including cliffs & ledges
- [Ice Box Cave](#)
- [Valley Overlook](#)
- [Animals](#)
- [Plants](#)

BLAZE NEW TRAILS IN CUYAHOGA VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

NEARBY SITES

- Pine Grove Trail, 2.2 miles
- Forest Point Trail, 0.5 miles
- Haskell Run, 0.5 miles
- [Octagon Shelter](#)
- [Happy Days Lodge](#)



TIPS

- Screenshot [the map](#) ahead of time in case of lack of cell service
- Head north from the parking lot toward the Picnic Shelter, grab a trail map at the kiosk, and join the Ledges Trail loop from the north steps
- Take a great photo at the Overlook
- Pack a lunch to eat at a picnic table or bring a blanket to sit out on the meadow
- Bring a pair of binoculars for some peaceful bird watching throughout the trail

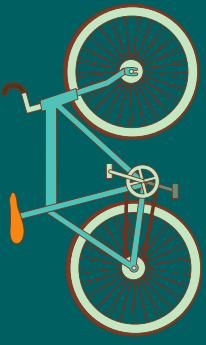
GEAR



- Sturdy & comfortable shoes/socks
- Clothes for the weather
- Sun protection (sunscreen, hat, sunglasses, etc.)
- Bug spray, tick remover
- Water, snack
- [First aid kit](#)
- Bag for trash

BLAZE NEW TRAILS

IN CUYAHOGA VALLEY NATIONAL PARK



Can you complete this ride for the Conservancy's Cuyahoga Connections Challenge?

BOSTON STORE TO BEAVER MARSH

Locations:

- Boston Store, 6947 Riverview Rd, Peninsula 44264
- Beaver Marsh, 3801 Riverview Rd, Peninsula 44264

Length:

- approx. 15 miles round trip of flat Towpath trail
- approx. 2 hours

What you'll find:

- Cuyahoga River
- Ohio & Erie Canal
- Woods
- Meadow
- Farmland
- Wetlands

- [Animals](#)
- [Plants](#)

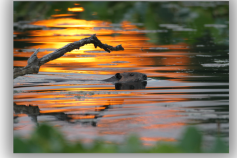


Photo: Conservancy for CVNP

NEARBY SITES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Boston Mill Visitor Center | <input type="checkbox"/> Hale Farm & Village |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boston Store | <input type="checkbox"/> Hunt House |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railway Peninsula Depot | <input type="checkbox"/> Szalay's Farm & Market |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trail Mix Peninsula | <input type="checkbox"/> Beaver Marsh |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canal locks, like Lock 29 | |

TIPS

- Park at the Visitor Center and bike down Boston Mills Road 0.1 mile to the Boston Store to join up with the Towpath Trail
- Stock up on delicious snacks at Boston Store before heading out, or end your ride there with a bite of Mitchell's ice cream
- Grab delicious fruits, vegetables, or treats at Szalay's, and take a rest at one of their rocking picnic tables
- Bring a pair of binoculars for viewing animals like turtles, herons, wood ducks, and many more at Beaver Marsh

GEAR



Photo: NPS/Ted Toth

- Sturdy & comfortable shoes/socks
- Clothes for the weather
- Sun protection (sunscreen, hat, sunglasses, etc.)
- Bug spray, tick remover
- Water, snack
- [First aid kit](#)
- Bag for trash
- Bike repair kit, helmet, bell, safety lights

BLAZE NEW TRAILS IN CUYAHOGA VALLEY NATIONAL PARK



Can you complete this paddle for the Conservancy's Cuyahoga Connections Challenge?

STATION RD BRIDGE TO LOCK 39

Locations:

- Station Road Bridge, 9141 Riverview Rd, Brecksville, OH 44141
- Lock 39 at Rockside Station, 8000 Rockside Rd, Valley View, OH 44125
- [Map: 21L to 13.2R](#)

Length:

- approx. 8 miles one way
- Day trip

What you'll find:

- Cuyahoga River
- Ohio & Erie Canal
- Woods
- Flood plains
- [Animals](#)
- [Plants](#)
- There is a log jam hazard before Lock 39 Trailhead, marked by a sign. Portage right if needed. Know the river flow before you go, and [check river gauges](#).

KAYAK ABOARD WITH CVSR

- Kayak one way down the river, then ride back to your car on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railway at Rockside Station or Station Road Bridge.
- \$10 for a single kayak and \$15 for a double kayak. Cash is preferred; exact change is appreciated.
- Flag down the train at the stations by waving both arms over your head.
- Download the CVSR Train Tracker app to follow the train's schedule.



Photo: cleveland.com

TIPS



Photo: NPS/DJ Reiser

- Visit [nps.gov](https://www.nps.gov) for safety tips, rules & regulations, and known hazards
- Pack a lunch to eat while you float, but be sure to also bring a trash bag to contain all waste and prevent any litter
- Bring a pair of binoculars for viewing animals like turtles, herons, otters, and many more

GEAR

- Life jacket/personal floatation device
- Dry bag/waterproof containers
- Throw bag/lifesaver/paddle float
- Whistle/air horn
- Bilge pump
- Patch kit for inflatable vessels
- [First aid kit](#)
- Waterproof shoes
- Clothes for the weather
- Sun protection (sunscreen, hat, sunglasses, etc.)
- Bug spray, tick remover
- Water, snack
- Bag for trash