

# Shelby Park and Bottoms

## HISTORIC URBAN PARK AND NATURAL AREA

Shelby Park and Bottoms encompass nearly 1300 acres of bluffs, rolling hills, and floodplain bordering the Cumberland River in East Nashville. Shelby Park and Bottoms is home to a community center, the nature center, nearly 10 miles of paved trails, more than 7 miles of unpaved hiking trails, sports fields, picnic shelters, and so much more!

Shelby Park was originally a private amusement park designed to attract residents to the growing Nashville suburbs. On July 4th, 1912 Shelby was dedicated as a city park and opened to the public. The Shelby Golf Course was opened in 1924.

Shelby Botoms Natural Area, added to the park system in 1994, is over 900 acres of locally protected wetlands and floodplane. Users can explore flora and fauna in this unique ecosystem. At the north end of the Shelby Bottom is the former Cornelia Fort Airpark with greenway access and other park amenities.



### HELP PROTECT SHELBY PARK AND BOTTOMS

#### PLEASE FOLLOW THESE RULES

- Paved trails are two-way and multi-use
- No motorized vehicles on the trails with the exception of class 1 and 2 e-bikes?
- Respect and do not disturb, harm or collect plants, animals, historic features
- Put litter in trash cans or pack out.
- Keep pets on a leash not exceeding 6 feet
- Protect Nashville's water quality by picking up your pet's waste
- Stay on designated trails
- Walk, run or skate no more than two people wide and keep to the right side of the trail
- Show courtesy and respect for all trail users

#### CYCLISTS HAVE SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- Ride on paved trails only
- Keep speed limit of 15 MPH
- Give audible signal when passing
- Yield to pedestrians and skaters
- Use caution at blind corners
- Keep to the right side of trail, pass to the left

#### SAFETY IS OUR HIGHEST PRIORITY

- Enjoy the greenway with a friend
- Leave valuables at home
- Take your car keys with you
- Watch for high water, trail is subject to flooding
- Trails and bridges may be uneven or slippery

#### NOTICE

- No weapons or hunting
- No alcohol or drugs
- Fishing permitted in Sevier Lake and Cumberland River with a permit. Fishing prohibited in Shelby Bottoms

#### IMPORTANT NUMBERS

- Metro Police 615-862-8600
- Parks Police 615-880-3429
- Emergency 911
- Metro Parks General Info 615-862-8400
- Shelby Bottoms Nature Center 615-862-8539
- Shelby Park Community Center 615-862-8467

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#### Map Legend

- Shelby Park and Bottoms
- Other Metro Parks
- Hiking Trail
- Multi-use Greenway/ADA Accessible
- Paved Walkway
- Park Road
- Highway
- Street/Road
- Lake/River
- Stream
- Intermittent Stream
- Elevation - feet
- Trail Distance - miles
- Greenway Distance - miles
- River Mile Point
- River Mile
- Restroom
- Water
- Parking
- Art Exhibit
- Trailhead
- Playground
- Fitness Equipment
- Basketball
- Tennis
- Picnic Shelter
- Viewpoint

