



Tay Shore Trail

Township of Tay

Main Trail: 16 km **Difficulty:** Easy to Moderate

Parking: Ste. Marie Park, Trestle Park, Waubaushene, Government Dock, Victoria Harbour

A fully paved rail trail winding its way along the southern shore of Georgian Bay from Midland to Waubaushene with a spur to Port McNicoll. Some great vistas and a ride through history with interpretive nature signs along the route. This multi-use trail is part of the Trans Canada Trail and perfect for the whole family.

Points of Interest

1. Midland Rotary Waterfront Trail: Conjunction
2. Martyrs' Shrine: The Shrine honours the eight Jesuit saints who lived, worked and died here more than 350 years ago.
3. Ste. Marie Among the Hurons: From 1639 to 1649 this land was home to a French Jesuit settlement in Wendake, the land of the Wendat. A reconstruction of the mission now operates as a living museum. Note: no parking for trail users.
4. Wye Marsh: This wetland is home to an amazing diversity of bird species and also provides nesting habitat to uncommon species such as the Least Bittern, Black Tern and the Trumpeter Swan. Wye Marsh is open from 9 am to 5 pm, and entry is \$10 per person, \$6.50 for seniors. Parking for trail users allowed but note that the gate closes at 5 pm.
5. Trestle Trail: This a paved trail leads into Port McNicoll by following Hogg Bay to Ney Avenue.
6. View of Hogg Bay: Wetland area and trestle bridge sign.
7. Victoria Harbour: Can be accessed from where the trail crosses Albert Street. There are a few stores and parking in this location.
8. Sturgeon Bay: You can view the bay as the trail swings east, then northeast.
9. Tanners Beach: A pathway leads to the beach from the trail to the swimming and picnic area.
10. Waubaushene Beaches Provincial Nature Reserve: The park is in a region of diverse forest types and other biotic communities, but overgrown with poison ivy.
11. Christ Church: Also known as Waubaushene Memorial Church, this was built in 1881 by the Georgian Bay Lumber company in memory of its general manager, Theodore W. Buck, who had died earlier that year.
12. Willow Street: This street leads to the waterfront, where you can find a government dock, picnic area, parking and washrooms.
13. Coldwater Road Parkette: This location includes parking and a picnic area.

The following trail is owned and maintained by the Township of Tay. Please note that the trails are maintained periodically throughout the year, though fallen hazards and debris may appear due to weather.



