

# EXPLORING PHILADELPHIA

There are many organizations and ways to experience the numerous hiking trails Philadelphia has to offer. Check out some suggested trails submitted by Philly area hiking clubs accessible from 30th Street Station by public transportation or a short drive away.

## 1 GREEN RIBBON TRAIL HIKE

### NORTH WALES TO FORT WASHINGTON

A peaceful creekside path outside Philadelphia with multiple mileage options and easy train access, stream crossings on historic Belgian block stones, and charming towns like Ambler to explore along the way. The trail was designated as one of the "Great Places in Pennsylvania" by the American Planning Association in 2022.

#### DESCRIPTION

Follow the Wissahickon Creek on a scenic, mostly flat trail that winds through woodlands, open fields, and quiet stream crossings. With multiple train stations along the way, you can choose your own adventure—whether it's a shorter 5–7 mile trek or the full 12.6-mile journey to the Flourtown Day Use Area.

#### DIRECTIONS

From 30th Street Station, take the Lansdale/Doylestown Line to North Wales Station. Walk about ½ mile to the trailhead in Upper Gwynedd Township Park (1 Parkside Place, North Wales, PA 19454). Return trains are available at North Wales, Penllyn (mile 5.5), Ambler (mile 7.5), and Fort Washington (mile 9). Continue on trail for 12.6 miles one way to the Flourtown Day Use Area. The Green Ribbon Trail ends at the Schuylkill River in East Falls. Hike submitted by the Philadelphia Trail Club.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO FIND THE GREEN RIBBON TRAIL MAP OR [CLICK HERE](#)

## 2 WAWA PRESERVE HIKE

### VALLEY ROAD TRAILS

A tucked-away natural escape just outside Philadelphia, the Wawa Preserve offers peaceful woodland trails, easy access by train or bus, and connections to nearby destinations like Tyler Arboretum. With short loops and connector trails, you can make your hike as quick or as adventurous as you like.

#### DESCRIPTION

Follow the 1.2-mile Rocky Run Trail through quiet forests, then extend your hike with the Darlington and Cornucopia trails for

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added mileage. For a longer outing, continue on the connector trail to Tyler Arboretum (1.3 miles). Kiosks with enlarged maps are available throughout the preserve, making it easy to navigate this scenic network of trails.

**DIRECTIONS** Option 1: From 30th Street Station, take the Market–Frankford Line west to the 69th Street Transportation Center. Transfer to Bus #111 and get off at Baltimore Pike & Valley Road. Walk about 4 minutes along Valley Rd. to reach Natural Lands' Wawa Preserve. Option 2: From 30th Street Station, take the SEPTA Media/Elwyn Line to the last stop at Wawa Station. Walk 16 minutes (0.7 miles) via U.S. Route 1, turning left onto Valley Road to reach the preserve entrance. Hike submitted by the Philadelphia Trail Club.



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## 3 BRYN COED PRESERVE HIKE

### WOODED HILLS AND MEADOWS

Escapetoone of Chester County's largest private-to-public conservation successes, where rolling meadows, shaded woodlands, and quiet streams provide a rich habitat for birds, wildflowers, and butterflies. Once threatened by development, this landscape is now permanently protected and open for exploration.

#### DESCRIPTION

Bryn Coed—Welsh for "wooded hill"—is a 520-acre preserve within a larger 1,505-acre network of conserved lands. Hikers can explore more than 10 miles of easy-to-moderate trails that weave through forests, meadows, and across streams. Highlights include the Pennsylvania Champion White Oak, the headwaters of Pickering Creek, and seasonal sightings of nesting Bald Eagles. This preserve offers a peaceful blend of natural beauty and conservation history.

**DIRECTIONS** By car, Bryn Coed Preserve is less than an hour from Philadelphia's 30th Street Station. Unfortunately, there are limited public transportation options to reach this site. The main entrance is located at 1869 Flint Road, Chester Springs, PA 19425. Hike submitted by the Chester County Trail Club.



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Find directions for all hikes from  
**Philadelphia's 30th Street Station**  
on the other side of this flyer!

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Here are a few local hiking clubs (there are many more)  
to get you on the path to adventure!

## PHILADELPHIA TRAIL CLUB

[PHILADELPHIATRILCLUB.ORG](http://PHILADELPHIATRILCLUB.ORG)

## BATONA (BACK TO NATURE)

[BATONA.WILDAPRICOT.ORG](http://BATONA.WILDAPRICOT.ORG)

## APPALACHIAN MOUNTAIN CLUB DELAWARE VALLEY CHAPTER (AMC-DV)

[AMCDV.ORG](http://AMCDV.ORG)

## CHESTER COUNTY TRAIL CLUB

[CCTRAILCLUB.ORG](http://CCTRAILCLUB.ORG)