



## Twin Valley Trail Challenge

### Important Information

### Routes, Support and Shuttles

Station Location	Items Available	Staffed	Hours	Approx. Mile Marker
High View – Twin Creek	Snacks and water	YES	7:00am – Non	5
Old Mill Picnic Area	Snacks and water	YES (Until 6 pm)	9:00am – 9:00 pm	12 / 20
Nature Center/Boardwalk	Water	No	10:00 am – 4:00 pm	14
Kercher Park Shelter	Water	NO	4:00 pm– 9:00 pm	23.5

**Shuttle Service.** Please call **Jordan Hart at (937) 216-9733**. You may call from any location on the trail for pickup, however, the shuttle is limited to road and parking lot access, so please wait at a specific location near the road or a parking lot. There are several pick-up locations along the entire route. Available from 2:00 – 8:00 pm.

**Emergency Contact.** If you become injured or find another injured person, we recommend you call 911 right away, and then after, please call John Youker at (937) 974-5176 to let him know where you are on the trail. Please do not attempt to MOVE the injured person. The Germantown Fire Department does have a Gator that can get back to all locations on the trail.

**End Time:** There is no set end time for the TVT Challenge, however, shuttle service ends at 8:00 pm. Sunset is at 8:30 pm, and dark is at 9:00 pm. The parks and trails officially close at 10:00 pm. You are responsible for determining if you can safely complete your desired hike. If not please call for a shuttle to avoid having to hike in the dark or if overly fatigued.

**THE HIKE:** You will be following the HIKER BLAZE (Picture at right) the entire length of the hike, other than a short one mile addition of the pink trail in Germantown this year. The trail color may change several times, but you will always see the HIKER BLAZE on the posts – regardless of the color of the trail blazes. You MUST follow this blaze in order to hike all the miles listed in your hike. ALL HIKES FOLLOW THIS BLAZE!! In Twin Creek you will be hiking PURPLE and ORANGE (trail is shared with Silver, green, pink, yellow, blue, and red at times). In Germantown you will be hiking ORANGE, YELLOW, GREEN, ORANGE, PINK (trail is shared with silver, white, blue, red, and pink at times). The hike DOES NOT GO IN THE LOWER FLOOD PLAIN ON THE ORANGE TRAIL on EITHER SIDE OF THE RIVER. The trail stays true to the TVT blaze pictured on the right. At specific locations, you will find signs and markers pointing you in the correct direction.



## HIKE OPTIONS

Desired Mileage**	Trails to Hike	Shuttle needed
1 mile stroll	Walk around the Camp Hook area	No
2 miles	Purple trail	No
3.6 miles	Purple and Green	No
4.3 miles	Purple and Pink	No
5.2 miles	Purple and ORANGE with YELLOW cut-off	No
8 miles	Purple and ORANGE	No
10 miles	TAKE SHUTTLE to Old Mill and Hike TVT route back to Bob Gardner Lodge	Yes – at start
15 mile FLIP-FLOP hike	TAKE SHUTTLE to Sledding Hill and hike back the TVT route to the end	Yes – at start
15 miles	Hike the classic route, stopping at the Sledding Hill and calling for a shuttle	Yes – at finish
20 miles	Hike the classic route, stopping after completing the Germantown loop at the Old Mill Picnic Area (2nd time through here)	Yes – at finish
Classic 27.5 mile TVT Hike	Start at the registration tent in Twin Creek and hike the entire route back to the registration tent	No
	<i>**Mileages are approximate. The MetroParks Map provided has been updated and includes accurate mileage for the hike. The route has been measured multiple times on multiple devices, and the average over time is 27.5 miles for the entire route.</i>	