

Tobacco Heritage Trail



Trail Etiquette:

Riding right and passing left.
Use vocal signals when passing.
Maintaining a safe and courteous speed.
Please read and obey all signs.
Be courteous and respect other visitors.
Be mindful of posted private property, some railroad beds are privately owned.

Trail Courtesy:

Bicyclists please YIELD TO ALL.
Hikers please YIELD TO HORSES.

Leave What You Find:

Preserve the past: examine, but do not touch, cultural or historic structures and artifacts.
Leave rocks, plants and other natural objects.
Avoid introductions or transporting non-native species.

Respect Wildlife:

Observe wildlife from a distance. Do not follow or approach them. Never feed animals.

The Tobacco Heritage Trail, a system of long-distance recreational, multiuse, non-motorized trails, is a project of major importance for Southside Virginia.

The Trail presents an opportunity for all Southside Virginia to participate in a viable undertaking that will unify our diverse communities, enrich our lives, and help rebuild our economy.

The Trail will assist economic development through tourism and business enterprises and will serve as a quality-of-life tool by providing both residents and tourists valuable health and recreational benefits. In addition, the trail will be preserving a greenway and will serve as a link to nature for all its users.

The off-road trail, which will primarily utilize abandoned railroad corridors, will be limited to non-motorized traffic (not including handicap equipment) and will be for multiple user groups, pedestrians, hikers, bicyclists, and horseback riders. With portions accessible to those with mobility limitations.

The Town of Victoria has pursued with the help of local businesses and citizens to open 5 miles of the Tobacco Heritage Trail that will connect to the Town of Victoria's Railroad Park in the Central Business District. Through donations by the public and businesses we have cleared 3 miles of trail that is open to the public at interim trail condition and 2 miles of completed trail through a DCR grant.

