

3 Blackwater Wildlife Refuge – Out and Back

24-mile excursion in and around scenic wildlife refuge

This out-and-back route explores parts of Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge, with 28,000 acres of protected marshland, wooded areas, and fields. Start at the refuge's Visitor Center at 2145 Key Wallace Dr., Cambridge, with restrooms, exhibits, and a self-service bicycle "fix-it" station. Center is open daily 8am-4pm Mon-Fri; 9am-5pm Sat-Sun. More at friendsofblackwater.org. At the end of Wildlife Drive, across Route 335, is the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad State Park and Visitor Center. Cross carefully. Open 9am-5pm daily. Free admission.

Starting Point	Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge, 2145 Key Wallace Dr., Cambridge
Approx. Miles	24 miles
Approx. Time	2 hours (at 12mph) (allow extra time for wildlife watching)
At A Glance	Route travels through dramatic marshland before entering the refuge's 4-mile Wildlife Drive with beautiful vistas and wildlife. Nominal fee per bicycle at the drive's entrance; cash only.

MILE	TURN	DESCRIPTION	AND GO
0.00	S	Straight out driveway of Blackwater Visitor Center	0.07
0.07	R	Right on Key Wallace Dr.	1.60
1.67	R	Right on Maple Dam Rd.	8.39
10.06	U	U-Turn at intersection with Andrews Rd.	8.39
18.45	L	Left on Key Wallace Dr.	1.04
19.49	L	Left into entrance of Wildlife Dr.; nominal entry fee, cash only (\$)	2.52
22.01	L	Left to continue on Wildlife Dr.	1.00
23.01	R	Right on Golden Hill Rd. (Rt. 335); note Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad State Park & Visitor Center across the street	0.25
23.26	R	Right on Key Wallace Dr.	1.03
24.29	R	Right into Blackwater Visitor Center	0.07
24.36	S	End at Blackwater Visitor Center Parking Lot	

