

Stone Mountain State Park

At Elkin's back door, and just minutes away up Hwy 21 is Stone Mountain State Park. With over 8 formal trails covering 18+ miles, and numerous freedom hiking and climbing options, it is a great place to stretch your legs for the morning, enjoy a quick picnic or spend all day. There are trails suitable for families and for the more adventurous including multi-day hikes and excursions.

Visit NCParks.gov for a downloadable trail map.



With Town walks, historic trails and scenic walks, Elkin has a good mix of walks for the outdoor walking enthusiast. Volunteer Elkin residents are actively pursuing extensive trail development, with connections and access points to further the Elkin Trails system from Stone Mountain State Park to Pilot Mountain State Park. These trails carry the official designation of Mountain-to-Sea trails. ncmst.org

For additional Trails information or to get involved: Contact the Elkin Valley Trails Association (EVTA). ElkinValleyTrails.org



Getting Here - From I-77

Elkin's trails and walks either start from Historic Downtown or the Municipal Park. Directions to each are:

From Exit 85 – travel West on the Hwy 268 bypass, after 2.1 miles, turn left on Hwy 21 (North Bridge St. – signed to Downtown), stay on this until you reach Historic Downtown.

To Elkin Municipal Park from Historic Downtown – travel West on Main Street or Market Streets, take a right on to Front Street. You will see a small playground and a basketball goal on the left; this is one entrance to the park. Follow Front Street further, keeping left at the Fire Department, taking a left onto Spring St./Old Hwy 268 and using the main park entrance on your left. (399 Hwy 268 West)



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Elkin has numerous walks and trails for residents and visitors to enjoy. Whether you are interested in learning about Elkin's history, or just enjoying the scenery while you exercise, there is sure to be a route to fit your needs.

Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail (3 mi)

Walk in the steps of the 'Overmountain men'. This historic trail traces the route of the patriot militia leading to the battle of Kings Mountain during the Revolutionary War. Starting in Elkin Municipal Park, the trail follows the shores of Big Elkin Creek, crossing over Market Street and then W. Main Street in our historic district, leading toward and following to the Yadkin River West into Wilkes County. (separate brochure and information available)

Elkin Parks Link Trail (2 mi)

A walk which starts in the Elkin Municipal Park, travels through historic downtown and arrives at Crater Park on the shores of the Yadkin River. Boat Ramp and Picnic area available.

Elkin and Alleghany Trail / Mountains to Sea Trail (1 mi)

Starting in Elkin Municipal Park and heading off the northern end of the park's walking loop, this trail follows the Elkin Creek .5 mile before coming to a pond. Return is via the same route. Botanical signs are still present on this route, and efforts are being undertaken to further develop the route, to eventually follow the historic Elkin & Alleghany Rail Line North to Stone Mountain.



Historic Town Walk

This Downtown walk starts at the Yadkin Valley Chamber's Information Center on 116 East Market Street and heads West on Market Street, turning left on Church Street to carry on to sites on Main Street, back to 102 East Main Street, and then commencing at the start via the Market-Main stairs. (separate brochure available)

Start with Your Heart Walk

Get fit and enjoy the sites of Elkin at the same time. Starting at Town Hall at 226 North Bridge Street, there are three routes from 5/8 mile to 1/2 mile in length. Follow the plaques in the sidewalk for these walks. (separate brochure available).

