



The Cross County Trail is managed by the Fairfax County Park Authority (703-PK-WATCH)

- Natural surface trail
- Hard surface trail
- Cross country trail
- A Water crossing grade (A best - F worst)

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Part of this section of the Cross County Trail between Camelot Drive and Route 236 is ideal for both walkers and bicyclist of all ages. It is flat, hard surfaced, and has no at-grade road crossings. It is wheelchair accessible at the ballfield at Accotink Parkway. The section between Route 236 and Mockingbird Drive utilizes Accotink Parkway for one block and is somewhat rough for wheelchair use.

It is necessary to park on Camelot Dr. and use the Camelot Pool parking lot access road to connect to the CCT at the northern end. The Camelot Pool parking lot is next to the CCT and open to vehicles on weekends but is privately owned by the Camelot Pool. It is possible to walk down the short access road from Camelot Dr. at any time.

1. **(South)** From the Camelot Pool parking area turn left onto the trail next to Accotink Creek and walk in the direction with the creek on your right and the parking area on your left.
(North) This section of the walk ends at the short trail connecting the CCT to the Camelot Pool parking lot. Take the access road up the hill to reach Camelot Drive. People wishing to continue to the next section of the CCT should go straight on the current trail continuing to follow Accotink Creek on the left.
2. **(South)(North)** The trail crosses a bridge over Accotink Creek. The pictures show damage to the railings caused by the June 2006 floods. The bridge is passable. Also shown is a family skipping stones in the creek.
3. **(South)** The trail turns right and follows I495 down to Route 236. There are trees lining both sides of the trail although the right-of-way has been cut back making this section of the trail sunny. Flooding has washed out the shoulder of the trail in parts creating drop-offs of several inches.
(North) The trail turns left to leave I495.
4. **(South)(North)** The trail crosses another bridge over Accotink Creek. The railings on this bridge have also been damaged by floodwaters. The bridge is passable. Pictures also show the bridge before flooding.
5. **(South)(North)** The trail crosses a bridge over Accotink Creek next to Route 236. The railings here have also been damaged by floodwaters. The bridge is passable.
6. **(South)** The trail passes under the Route 236 bridges.
(North) The trail leaves the bridges carrying Route 236 overhead. It then follows I495 going north. Sections of the trail have shoulders that have washed out creating drop-offs of several inches.
7. **(South)** The asphalt trail ends at the parking lot of a baseball field on Accotink Parkway and Route 236. The trail follows the outside of the fence at the edge of the baseball field. This area can get wet and the paved access road to Accotink Parkway can serve as a slightly longer detour. Bicyclists will be more comfortable using the access road at all times.
(North) Turn left at the end of the access road to follow the paved trail under Route 236.
8. **(South)** It is necessary to walk on Accotink Parkway for about one block as there is no separate trail here. Traffic on that road is light.
(North) Walker should turn right upon reaching the baseball field and walk on the outside of the fence. Bicyclist will be more comfortable riding down to the park access road for a slightly longer detour. Walkers may also prefer the detour under wet conditions.

9. **(South)** The trail continues to follow the path of Accotink Parkway at the end of that road. Stay on the stone trail as it follows the creek on the left.
(North) The trail ends at Accotink Parkway. Follow that road for about one block. Traffic on that road is light.
10. **(South)(North)** A short pipe sticks up in the middle of the trail presenting a possible safety hazard. Keep your eyes on the trail.
11. **(South)(North)** This section of the trail has poor drainage but is passable. There is a stone surface here.
12. **(South)** The trail turns right here to cross a small side stream.
(North) The trail turns left after a short distance to continue following Accotink Creek.
13. **(South)** The creek crossing marks the end of this section of the trail. People wishing to go on to the next section should cross the creek and turn left. The columns are too narrow for a comfortable crossing but the creek is usually shallow here. There is a connection to Mockingbird Drive here.
(North) This section of the walk starts from the creek crossing at the end of the side trail at Mockingbird Drive and Woodlark Drive. The columns across the creek are too narrow for a comfortable crossing but the creek is usually shallow here. People coming from the previous section of the trail should turn right to make the crossing. The trail goes only a short distance before turning left to follow Accotink Creek.