

Introduction

The following pages contain information received from the National Park Service. They provide very useful guides, lists, maps and directions for a safe journey along the Natchez Trace Parkway by Bicycle.

Listed below are some of the links I found to be very helpful in my planing of a bicycling tour of the Natchez Trace Parkway.

Bicycling the Trace Links

- [The Natchez Trace B&B Reservation Service](#), 25 inns from Nashville to Natchez
- [The Natchez Trace Parkway](#) A great site if you want to ride the Natchez Trace Parkway from start to finish, lots of information and links too!
- [Bicycling the Natchez Trace](#) : A Guide to the Natchez Trace Parkway and Nearby Scenic Routes by [Glen Warner](#)



IN REPLY REFER TO:

United States Department of the Interior

National Park Service
Natchez Trace Parkway
2680 Natchez Trace Parkway
Tupelo, Mississippi 38801

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Thank you for your interest in the Natchez Trace Parkway, a unit of the National Park System. Information on bicycling the Natchez Trace Parkway is enclosed.

Bicycling has become a popular activity on the Natchez Trace Parkway. The enclosed information will help you plan your trip accordingly. To ensure a safe and enjoyable trip, bicyclists are encouraged NOT to use the following areas during heavy traffic periods: Ridgeland, Mississippi, I-55 North to milepost 103, from 7:00-9:00 am and from 4:00-6:00 pm and Tupelo, Mississippi, mileposts 258-268, from 7:00-8:30 am and 3:00-5:00 pm on weekdays.

If you are planning an organized or group ride, a special use permit is required. Contact the Chief Ranger's Office at 601-680-4014 Monday through Friday to obtain a permit and special information.

If we can be of further assistance with your travel plans, especially as they pertain to the Parkway, please write again or call us at 1-800-305-7417 or 601-680-4025. Someone in our Ranger Activities Division will be pleased to assist you.

We hope you will make the Parkway a part of your travel plans and that you will enjoy our colorful scenery, history, and southern hospitality.

We look forward to seeing you, soon, and we hope you have a safe and enjoyable trip.

Sincerely,

Wendell Simpson
Superintendent

Enclosures

BICYCLING ON THE NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY

Bicycle riding along the Natchez Trace Parkway is governed by Title 36, *Code of Federal Regulations*, which states:

Section 43. Bicycles

(a) ***Bicycle riders must comply with all applicable traffic regulations. Bicycle riders shall keep well to the side of the road and shall keep the cycle under complete control at all times. Bicycles shall not be ridden abreast of one another except on roads designed for cycle use only.***

(b) ***Each bicycle must exhibit a white light on the front and a red light or red reflector on the rear during periods of low visibility or during the period between sundown and sunup.***

Although bicycling is permitted with the flow of traffic on the parkway, extreme caution is advised on sections of the parkway with heavy vehicular traffic, such as in Tupelo, MS. Portions of the parkway in Alabama and Tennessee, plus the section south of Jackson, MS, usually have less traffic, although caution is still essential.

The parkway presently consists of two completed, but disconnected sections: 79 miles south of Jackson, and 335 miles north of Jackson. It is necessary to utilize either local, state or federal highways to travel from one of these sections of parkway to the other.

The width of the parkway varies from 400 feet to 1,000 feet, with a wider right-of-way at areas of historical, scientific, and recreational value. All lands outside of this boundary, with the exception of Tishomingo State Park and Tonbigbee National Forest in northeast Mississippi, are privately owned and require owner permission to use for any purpose.

RULES FOR SAFE BICYCLING ON THE NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY

- Observe all traffic regulations.
- Keep to the right and ride in a straight line. Always ride SINGLE FILE.
- Never hitch onto other vehicles or race in traffic.
- Never carry other riders or items that obstruct vision or prevent proper control of the bicycle.
- Be sure your bicycle is in perfect running condition, and brakes operate efficiently.
- Wear a helmet and reflective clothing.
- Always carry drinking water.
- Use proper hand signals for turning and stopping.
- Plan to be off the parkway by sundown.

In case of emergency, call: 1-800-300-PARK (7275)

**BICYCLE SALES AND SERVICE
ADJACENT TO THE
NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY**

MISSISSIPPI _____

Jackson

The Bike Rack
5403 Robinson Road Extens.; on Robinson Road
Jackson, MS 39204
Phone: 601-372-6722
Hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday

The Bike Rack
5050 Parkway Drive
(in Colonial Mart Shopping Center)
Jackson, MS 39211
Phone: 601-956-6891
Hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday

Natchez

Natchez Bicycling Center
334 Main Street
Natchez, MS 39120
Phone: 601-446-7794
Hours: 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Monday-Saturday

Western Auto Associate Store - Downtown
601 Main Street
Natchez, MS 39120
Phone: 601-445-4186
Hours: 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday

Ridgeland

Indian Cycle Shop
1060 East County Line Road
Ridgeland, MS 39157
Phone: 601-956-8383
Hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Friday;
9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday

Tupelo

Bicycle Shop and Racquets Inc.
1143 West Main Street
Tupelo, MS 38801
Phone: 601-842-7341
Hours: 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Tuesday-Friday;
9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Saturday

TENNESSEE _____

Columbia

The Wheel
11 Public Square
Columbia, TN 38401
Phone: 615-381-3225
Hours: 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday;
9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday

Franklin

Franklin Bicycle Co.
112 Watson Glen
Franklin, TN 37064
Phone: 615-790-2702
Hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday;
1-5 p.m., Sunday

Nashville

The Bike Pedlar
2910 West End Avenue
Nashville, TN 37203
Phone: 615-329-2453
Hours: 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Friday;
9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday

Cumberland Transit

2807 West End Avenue
Nashville, TN 37203
Phone: 615-327-4093
Hours: 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Friday;
9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday

The Ski Mogul

73 White Bridge Road, #G-4
Nashville, TN 37205
Phone: 615-356-7669
Hours: 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday-Friday;
10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday; 1-5 p.m., Sunday

ALABAMA _____

No known outlets at this time.

MOTEL AND BED & BREAKFAST ACCOMMODATIONS ADJACENT TO THE NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY

Natchez, MS: Numerous motels and Bed & Breakfasts.

Natchez Convention and Visitors Bureau
P.O. Box 1485
640 South Canal Street, Box C
Natchez, MS 39120
601-446-6345 or 800-647-6724

Lorman, MS: One. Bed & Breakfast.

Rosswood Plantation
MS Hwy 552 East
Lorman, MS 39096
601-437-4215 or 800-533-5889

Port Gibson, MS: One motel and two Bed & Breakfasts.

Port Gibson-Claiborne County Chamber of Commerce
P.O. Box 491
Port Gibson, MS 39150
601-437-4351

Clinton, MS: Three motels.

Days Inn - 601-925-5065
Clinton Inn - 601-924-5313
Holiday Inn Express - 601-924-W64

Jackson, MS: Numerous motels.

Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau
P.O. Box 1450
Jackson, MS 392151450
601-960-1891 or 800-354-7695

Kosciusko, MS: Three motels and one Bed & Breakfast.

Kosciusko-Attala County Chamber of Commerce
P.O. Box 696
Kosciusko, MS 39090
601-289-2981

French Camp, MS: One Bed & Breakfast.

French Camp Academy
French Camp, MS 39745
601-547-6835

Mathiston, MS: One motel.

Mathiston Motel
US Hwy 82
Mathiston, MS 39752
601-263-8219

Houston, MS: One motel and one Bed & Breakfast.

Chickasaw Development Foundation
P.O. Box 505
Houston, MS 38851
601-456-2321

Tupelo, MS: Numerous motels and one Bed & Breakfast.

Tupelo Convention and Visitors Bureau
P.O. Box 1485
Tupelo, MS 38802-1408
601-841-6521 or 800-533-0611

Tishomingo, MS: State park with cabins.

Tishomingo State Park
P.O. Box 880
Tishomingo, MS 38873
601-438-6914

Florence, AL: Numerous motels and Bed & Breakfasts.

The Shoals Chamber of Commerce
104 S. Pine Street
Florence, AL 35630
205-764-4661

Hohenwald, TN: Two motels and one Bed & Breakfast.

Lewis County Chamber of Commerce
412 Main Street
Hohenwald, TN 38462
615-796-4084

Iuka, MS: Numerous motels.

Iuka Area Chamber of Commerce
119 Eastport Street
Iuka, MS 38852
601-424-0000

Lawrenceburg, TN: Numerous motels.

Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce
P.O. Box 86
Lawrenceburg, TN 38464
615-762-4911

Columbia, TN: Numerous motels and Bed & Breakfasts.

Columbia Chamber of Commerce
9 Hunter-Matthews Building, Public Square
Columbia, TN 38401
615-388-2155

Franklin, TN: Numerous motels and Bed & Breakfasts.

Williamson County Chamber of Commerce
P.O. Box 156
Franklin, TN 37065-0156
615-794-1225 or 800-356-3445

Nashville, TN: Numerous motels and Bed & Breakfasts.

Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce
161 Fourth Avenue North
Nashville, TN 37219
615-259-4700

Note: This is an informational listing of current lodging accommodations adjacent or reasonably close to the Natchez Trace Parkway. It is subject to change and individual accommodations are only listed here when there are fewer than two units in/near the same town. No claims are made as to the completeness of the listing or the quality of services provided by these establishments.

CAMPGROUNDS ALONG THE NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY

(south to north)

Mississippi

Traceway (private) mp 8.1
(601) 445-8279
Electric, water, and sewer hookups; dump station, groceries/food, showers, and swimming; fee area; 42 sites. 0.1 mile south of parkway on US 61.

Natchez State Park mp 8.1
(601) 442-2658
Electric, water, and sewer hookups; dump station, showers, boating/fishing, and hiking; fee area; 24 sites. One mile east of parkway on US 61.

Grand Gulf State Park mp 41.1
(601) 437-5911
Electric, water, and sewer hookups; showers and hiking; fee area; 42 sites. 10 miles northeast of Port Gibson on US 61.

Rocky Springs (National Park Service) mp 54.8
(601) 535-7142
Drinking water and hiking; 22 sites. On the parkway.

Thimber Lake (private) mp 103.4
(601) 992-9100
Electric, water, and sewer hookups; showers, boating/fishing, and swimming; fee area; 66 sites. Exit parkway. Go right for 1 mile. Turn left 1st red light. Cross dam. Turn left 1st red light. Total 4.5 miles.

Goshen Springs (private) mp 115.0
(601) 829-2751
Electric, water, and sewer hookups; gas, groceries/food, dump station, showers, and boating/fishing; fee area; 34 sites. 4.5 miles off parkway on MS 43 east.

Ratiff Ferry (private) mp 123.7
(601) 859-1810
Electric, water, and sewer hookups; gas, groceries/food, drinking water, dump station, showers, and boating/fishing; fee area; 50 sites. 0.5 mile east of parkway.

Jeff Busby (National Park Service) mp 193.1
(601) 387-4365
Groceries/food, gas, drinking water, and hiking; 18 sites. On the parkway.

Sleepy Hollow Campground (private) mp 226.5
no phone
Electric and water hookups, dump station, comfort station, hot showers, fishing lake; 65 sites. Open year round. Adjacent to parkway on MS Hwy 389.

Davis Lake (US Forest Service) mp 243.1
Electric and water hookups; dump station, showers, boating/fishing, swimming, and hiking; fee area; 25 sites. Five miles off parkway. Open April through November.

Natchez Trace RV Park (private) mp 251.6
(601) 767-8609
Electric, water, and sewer hookups; dump station, showers, propane, and drinking water; fee area; 22 sites. One cabin. Adjacent to parkway on CR 506.

Trace State Park mp 259.7
(601) 489-2958
Electric and water hookups; dump station, showers, boating/fishing, swimming, and hiking; fee area; 25 sites. 7.5 miles west on MS 6, then 2.5 miles north.

Tombigbee State Park mp 263.6
(601) 842-7669
Electric and water hookups; dump station, showers, boating/fishing, swimming, and hiking; fee area; 20 sites. East off parkway onto US 78 towards Tupelo to second exit. Follow signs.

Barnes Crossing (private) mp 266.0
(601) 844-6063
Electric, water, and sewer hookups; dump station, showers, and drinking water; fee area; 39 sites. 0.5 mile off parkway on US 145 north.

Whip-Poor-Will (private) mp 293.5
(601) 728-2449
Electric and water hookups; gas, groceries/food, dump station, showers, and boating/fishing; fee area; 15 sites. Exit parkway. Go 1 mile north to MS 4. Follow signs.

Piney Grove/Bay Springs Lake (Corp of Eng . . .) mp 293.5
(601) 454-3481
Electric and water hookups; dump station, showers, boating/fishing, swimming, and hiking; fee area; 139 sites. Exit parkway. Go 1 mile north to MS 4. Follow signs. Open March through October.

Tishomingo State Park mp 303.9
(601) 438-6914
Electric and water hookups; dump station, showers, boating/fishing, swimming, and hiking; fee area; 62 sites. Adjacent to the parkway.

Alabama

Natchez Valley RV Campground, a mp 320
(205) 360-2493
Electric and water hookups; dump station, propane, laundry, showers, and boating/fishing. Exit parkway at US 72. Go west 6 miles to CR 20, then right 1/4 mile.

Tennessee

David Crockett State Park mp 369.9
(615) 762-9408
Electric and water hookups; dump station, showers, boating/fishing, swimming, and hiking; fee area; 95 sites. 14 miles east on US 64 to Lawrenceburg. Primitive camping 12/19 through 2/23.

Meriwether Lewis (National Park Service) mp 385.9
(615) 796-2675
Drinking water and hiking; 32 sites. On the parkway.

PARKWAY CAMPGROUND

INFORMATION

The Natchez Trace Parkway provides campgrounds to help make your visit more enjoyable. Certain rules exist to ensure equal opportunity for all to enjoy a pleasurable camping experience. We ask your cooperation in following these rules, which are established in your interest, for your enjoyment, and for your safety.

1. Campsites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. (Reservations are not required or accepted.)
2. No camping fees are charged.
3. Camp and park only at designated locations.
4. Maintain hours of quiet from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.
5. Campsites are not to be disturbed by cutting plant life, or digging or leveling of the ground.
6. Leave your campsite clean.
7. Build fires only in fireplaces. Burn only dead or downed wood.
8. Do not disturb the natural scene of the park.
9. Pets must be on a leash, or otherwise under physical restrictive control, at all times.
10. The use of fireworks or firearms on the parkway is prohibited.
11. Organized groups should make advance arrangements by writing to the Superintendent.

The following information supplements camping data given in the Natchez Trace Parkway information folder. The map in the folder shows the locations of the three campgrounds.

Individual campsites have a picnic table, fireplace with grill, and a level tent site. Drinking water and comfort stations are provided in the campgrounds. Trailers up to 35 feet long can be accommodated. There are no facilities for hot water, showers, electrical and sanitary hookups, or dumping. Each campground has a separate picnic area equipped with picnic tables, fireplaces with grills, drinking water, and comfort stations.

There are presently three campgrounds on the parkway, one in Tennessee and two in Mississippi.

Meriwether Lewis Campground

Location: Milepost 385.9 in Tennessee. 32 campsites. Camping/picnicking supplies and gas available four miles west of parkway on Tennessee Highway 20 toward Hohenwald.

Points of Interest: This site is named for the noted explorer of the Lewis and Clark Expedition and one-time governor of the Louisiana Territory. It is the site of Grinder's Inn, where Lewis died of gunshot wounds in 1809, and a monument in the park marks his remains. The sites of Steele's Iron Works and the Napier Ore Pit, a short drive south on the parkway, are reminders of the mining industry that flourished here at the turn of the century.

Jeff Busby Campground

Location: Milepost 193.1 in Mississippi. 18 campsites. A concessioner operates a service station and campstore here.

Points of Interest: This site is named for Thomas Jefferson Busby, late U.S. congressman from Mississippi who introduced a bill in 1934 authorizing a survey of the Old Natchez Trace. Four years later the Natchez Trace Parkway was authorized as a unit of the National Park System and construction began. A scenic view of Little Mountain, 603 feet above sea level, is noteworthy as the highest point on the parkway in Mississippi.

Rocky Springs Campground

Location: Milepost 54.8 in Mississippi. 22 campsites. Camping/picnicking supplies available at Port Gibson and Utica, both about 15 miles away.

Points of Interest: Settlers in the 1790s were attracted to the area by the rich soil and numerous springs, which served as a watering stop for Natchez Trace travelers. Land was cleared, homes built, and in 1837 an impressive brick church was constructed. Itinerant Methodist circuit riders visited the church until mid century. By 1860, Rocky Springs was a prosperous rural community of 2,616 people. The community had a post office, Masonic lodge, and several stores. Residents included carpenters, wheelwrights, cabinet-makers, a well digger and a cotton gin maker, blacksmiths and, most important of all--planters.

For more than 100 years these woods echoed with the sound of daily life. Cotton was truly the "King" and ruled for many years. But over the years the soil gradually became depleted and each rain washed more of it away. Small furrows became great gullies, and the land was soon a maze of barren red hills. The final blow was inflicted by the boll weevil in the early 1900s, and by 1930 the town was dead. Today, only the church and weathered grave markers remain, along with a short hiking trail among the ruins of the town.

Through the courtesy of the Rocky Springs Methodist Church congregation, you are invited to visit the nearby church and cemetery. You are also welcome to attend weekly services on Sunday at 9 a.m.

Additional Services

Food, overnight lodging, and gasoline can be found in towns along the parkway. For information about these services, we suggest you contact the local chambers of commerce or one of these state agencies:

Alabama Bureau of Tourism and Travel
401 Adams Avenue
Montgomery, AL 36104-4331
1-800-252-2262

Mississippi Department of Economic
Development
Division of Tourism
P.O. Box 849
Jackson, MS 39205
1-800-927-6378

Tennessee Tourism Development
P.O. Box 23170
Nashville, TN 37202
615-741-2158 (toll call)

We hope that you will have a safe and enjoyable visit while on the Natchez Trace Parkway, a unit of the National Park System:

Natchez Trace Parkway
Route 1, NT-143
Tupelo, MS 38801

Visitors should contact uniformed Park Rangers or call 601-680-4025 for additional information and assistance. For **emergencies**, call:

1-800-300-PARK (7275)

THIS IS YOUR PARKWAY
PLEASE HELP KEEP IT CLEAN



Natchez Trace Parkway

Bicycle Only Campgrounds

(north to south)

Tennessee Highway 50 (milepost 408)

Follow the signs to the TN Highway 50 trailhead of the Natchez Trace National Scenic Trail. This is a horse staging area. Water, picnic tables, fire grate, and garbage cans are available. Nearest restrooms are at the Gordon House and Ferry Site just south of TN Highway 50.

Colbert Ferry (milepost 327)

Enter the Colbert Ferry site, turn left, follow the road to the left of the contact station, past the parking lot. Continue to the gated road marked with tent and bicycle symbols. Proceed through the gate and down the path to the right. Two tent sites, picnic tables and fire grates are available. Water and restrooms are located at the contact station.

Tupelo Visitor Center (milepost 266)

Bicycle camping is available at an Outdoor Classroom across the road from the Tupelo Visitor Center. Cross the Parkway at the south end of the Visitor Center parking lot, proceed through all four lanes of

traffic and continue on this road to the small parking area/ trailhead. Across the road from the parking area is a trail through the forest. Follow this trail to the camping area. Primitive cabins, fire grates, picnic tables, garbage cans, water, and pit toilets are available.

Witch Dance (milepost 234)

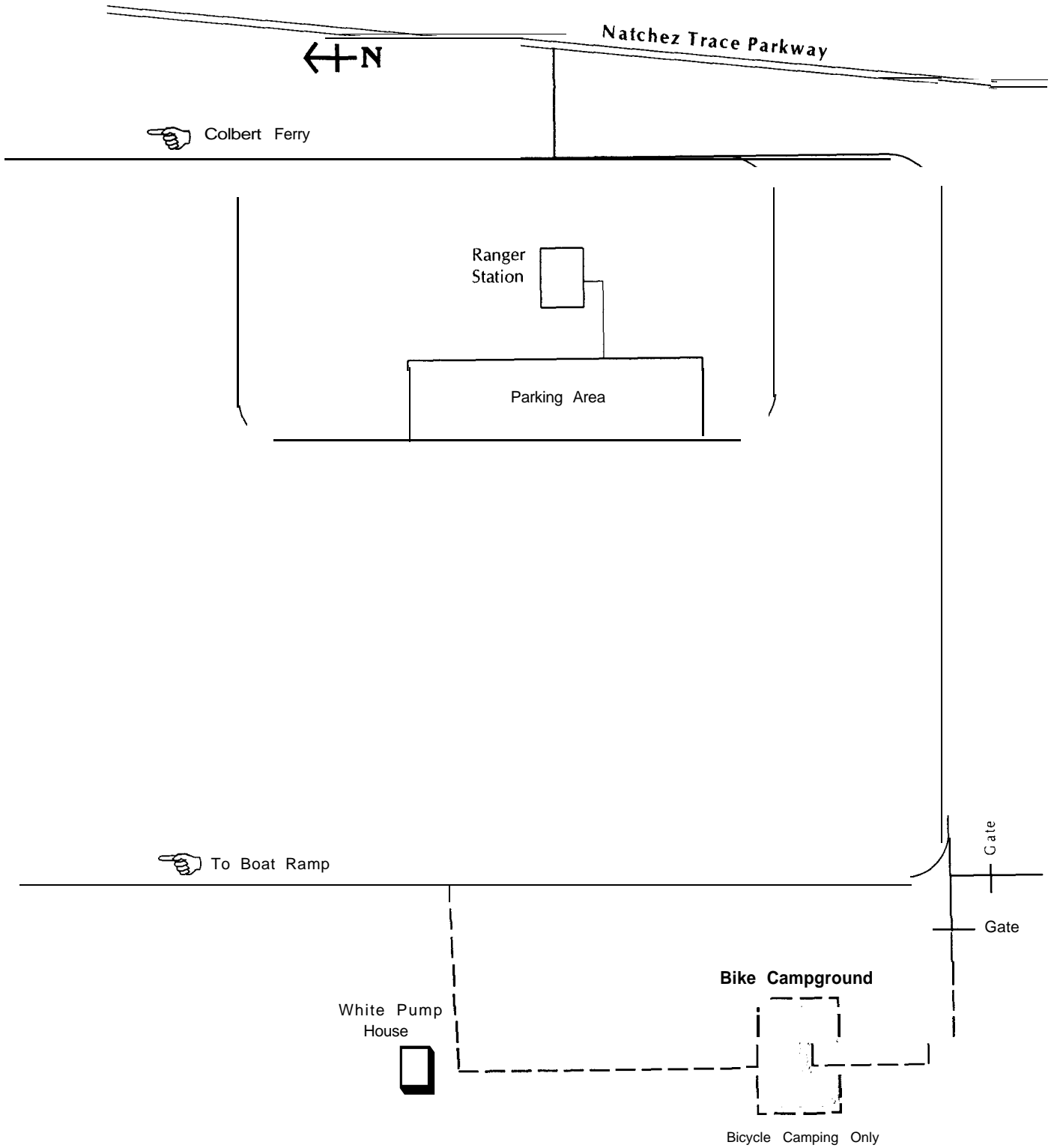
Bicycle camping is permitted at the Witch Dance picnic area. Camping is to be done in the horse staging area to the west and south of the restrooms. No camping is allowed in the picnic loop. Restrooms, picnic tables, fire grates, garbage cans, and water are available in the area.

Kosciusko (milepost 159)

Enter the road marked District Ranger Office just south of the Kosciusko Information Center. Once on this road, a tent symbol and arrow direct you into the camping area on your right. Picnic table, water, 4 tent pads, pit toilet, and fire grate are available.



Colbert Ferry Bicycle Camping





Natchez Trace Parkway

<i>Traveling the Trace</i> by Cathy and Vernon Summerlin	\$14.95_
<i>Traveling the Natchez Trace</i> by Lori Finely	\$12.95_
<i>Devil's Backbone: The Story of the Natchez Trace</i> by Jonathan Daniels	\$4.25_
<i>The Natchez Trace: Indian Trail to Parkway</i> by Dawson Phelps	\$1.00_
<i>Natchez Trace: Two Centuries of Travel</i> by R.C. Bert' Gildart	\$17.95_
The <i>Natchez Trace: A Pictorial History</i> by James A. Crutchfield	\$9.95
<i>A Way Through the Wilderness</i> by William C. Davis	\$30.00~
Natchez Trace Postrider Patch	\$2.50_
Natchez Trace Postrider Lapel Pin	\$2.50_
Assorted Postcards	\$0.25 ea._
Slides (in sleeves of 5)	\$1.25_
Natchez Trace: Road Through the Wilderness (6 cassette audio tour)	\$39.95_
The Journey: Music Inspired by the Natchez Trace (includes a 22 minute history)	\$9.95_

Videos

The Natchez Trace: A Path to the Past, VHS, 12 minutes	\$9.95_
The Natchez Trace: A Trace of History , VHS, 28 minutes	\$19.95_
Americas Historic Trails with Tom Bodett New Orleans and the Natchez Trace Parkway	\$29.95_
America's National Parks: Video Story of all 53 Nat'l Parks , VHS, 120 minutes	\$39.95_
Civil War: The Firey Trial, VHS, 30 minutes	\$9.95_

Native Americans

The Choctaw by Jesse O. McKee	\$14.95_
The Chicksaws by Arrell M. Gibson	\$21.95_
The <i>Southern Indians: The Story of the Civilized Tribes Before Removal</i> by R.S. Cotterill	\$12.95_
<i>Indian of Mississippi: An Archeological Perspective</i> by Richard A. Marshall	\$12.95_

Civil War

The Civil War: Strange & Interesting Facts by Burke Davis	\$7.99
<i>Bedford Forrest and His Critter Company</i> by Andrew Nelson Lytle	\$14.95_
The <i>Battle of Brice's Cross Roads</i> by Claude Gentry	\$6.00_
The <i>Civil War</i> by Bruce Catton	\$16.00_

Nature

<i>Peterson First Guide to Birds of North America</i> by Roger Tory Peterson	\$4.95_
<i>The Audobon Society Field Guide to North American Wildflowers - Eastern Region</i> by William A. Niering	\$19.00_
The <i>Audobon Society Field Guide to North American Trees - Eastern Region</i> by Elbert L. Little	\$19.00_
<i>Hiking Mississippi</i> by Helen McGinnis	\$15.95_

Children's Items

The <i>Kids' Nature Book: 365 Indoor/Outdoor Activities and Experiences</i> by Susan Milford	\$12.95_
Let's Go <i>Camping in a National Park, A Scratch and Smell book.</i>	\$6.95_

Cookbooks

- Cookin' on the Mississippi: Gourmet French and English Recipes from Louisiana and Mississippi Plantations and Paddle Wheelers*** by Bobby Potts..... \$5.95_
- Confederate Cookbook*** reprint of rare 1863 issue \$3.95_
- Just Naturally Sweet*** by Patricia B. Mitchell \$3.00_

Architecture

- Plantation Homes of Louisiana and the Natchez Area*** by David King Gleason \$49.95_
- Plantation Country Along the Mississippi River*** by Bobby Potts..... \$7.00_

Travel

- Trails Across America*** Traveler's Guide to Our Nat'l/Scenic/Historic Trails \$19.95_
- The ***Smithsonian Guide to Historic America: The Deep South*** by William Bryant Logan and Vance Muse..... \$18.95
- The ***Complete Guide to America's National Parks 1997/98 Edition*** by Fodor's \$15.95

Many other items are available at the Tupelo Visitor Center. All prices subject to change. For current pricing and additional information, please call 601-840-0580.

Ordering information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Please Total your order	\$ _____
Mississippi residents add 7.25 %	\$ _____
Please add postage*	\$ _____
Total Order	\$ _____

Please make check or money order payable to **Eastern National** and mail to:

Eastern National
 Natchez Trace Parkway
 2680 Natchez Trace Parkway
 Tupelo, MS 38801

For Mastercard, Visa, Discover, or American Express, please fill out the following:

Card # _____

Expiration Date: _____

Name on Card: _____

Driver's License #: _____

***Postage and Handling**

- \$00.01 - \$20.00..... \$3.50
- \$20.01 - \$40.00..... \$6.50
- \$40.01 -above..... \$8.50

International: add \$4.00 to the above fees

Bicycle Bypass Through Jackson, Mississippi

Traveling North

Although the Trace does not end until mile 87, the only exit at this point is onto the interstate. It is illegal as well as dangerous for cyclists to use the interstate in Mississippi; therefore, you must exit at the first left past mile 82. Follow these directions to connect with the northern section of the Trace which extends from Jackson to Nashville.

- 0.0 Exit at the first left past mile 82. At the bottom of this exit road, take a left onto Airport Road.
- 0.7 Turn left onto Raymond Clinton Road.
- 5.7 Go under I-20.
- 5.8 Go straight after stopping at 4-way stop.
- 6.0 Take a right onto College Street at stop sign.
- 6.4 Turn left onto Monroe Street. The brick streets are slippery when wet.
- 7.4 Turn right onto Northside Drive at the end of Monroe Street. This is a busy street with many traffic lights and stops.
- 9.4 Turn left onto Cynthia Road. An apartment complex with a pond in front is on your right before this turn.
- 12.5 Cynthia Road crosses Highway 49. This is a divided highway with fast moving traffic. Cross carefully and continue on Cynthia Road.
- 13.8 Turn right onto County Line Road.
- 16.7 Turn left on Highland Colony Parkway
- 21.7 Cross I-55. Store on left.
- 21.9 Stay to the right with the main road. This will take you through downtown Ridgeland.
- 22.7 Turn right onto Highway 51. This is a busy highway with fast traffic. Proceed carefully.
- 23.0 Turn left onto Natchez trace.
- 23.3 Mississippi Craft Center on the Trace.

Traveling South

Starting at the Mississippi Craft Center at mile 102.4, follow these directions to connect with the southern section of the Trace extending from the Jackson vicinity to Natchez.

- 0.0 Exit at the Mississippi Craft Center and follow this road to Highway 51. For the next 1 1/2 miles you will be following the signs directing you to I-55.
- 0.3 Take a right onto Highway 51. This is a busy road and traffic moves at high speeds, so be careful.
- 0.6 Take a left onto West Jackson. A sign directs you to I-55. This road will take you through downtown Ridgeland.
- 1.4 The road curves to the left and 2 other roads intersect the main road. Stay to the left on the main road.
- 1.6 Store on your right. Cross I-55. You are now on Old Agency Road. Continue straight ahead to stop sign.
- 5.0 Turn left on Highland Colony Parkway. Turn left onto County Line Road. The traffic moves very fast on this road. Watch for dump trucks and garbage trucks. Highland Colony Parkway is a new road. The distance from Old Agency to County Line is about 4 miles.
- 9.5 Turn left onto Cynthia Road.
- 10.8 Cynthia Road crosses Highway 49. This is a divided highway with fast moving traffic. Cross carefully and continue on Cynthia Road.
- 13.9 Turn right onto Northside Drive at the end of this section of Cynthia Road. This is a busy Clinton street with stop signs and traffic lights.
- 15.9 Turn left onto Monroe Street which will take you into downtown Clinton. The downtown portion of the street is brick and slippery when wet.
- 16.9 Turn right onto College Street. Monroe Street runs into the campus of Mississippi College at this point.
- 17.3 Turn left onto Old Raymond Road. Follow the sign that directs you to I-20.
- 17.4 Stop at 4-way stop on Highway 80. Go straight.
- 17.5 Pass under I-20. You are now on Clinton-Raymond Road.
- 22.6 Turn right onto Airport Road.
- 23.1 Go under the Trace.
- 23.2 Turn right onto Sam Herring Road. This is your access to the Trace.
- 23.3 Turn right onto the Trace toward Natchez.

**PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
ADJACENT TO THE
NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY**

NATCHEZ, MS

Natchez Bus Terminal
103 Woodville Road
Natchez, MS 39120
Phone: 601-445-5291

JACKSON, MS

Greyhound/Trailways Bus Lines
201 South Jefferson
Jackson, MS 39201
Phone: 601-353-6342

Amtrak
3400 West Capitol
(Corner of W. Capitol and Mill Street)
Jackson, MS 39201
Phone: 601-355-6350 - passenger station
1-800-872-7245 - reservations

Jackson Metropolitan Airport - served by all major carriers

TUPELO, MS

Greyhound/Trailways Bus Lines
201 Commerce Street
Tupelo, MS 38801
Phone: 601-842-4557

Tupelo Municipal Airport - served by several commuter lines

NASHVILLE, TN

Greyhound/Trailways Bus Lines
200 Eighth Avenue, South
Nashville, TN 37203
Phone: 800-231-2222

Nashville Metropolitan Airport - served by all major carriers

NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY

SUBDISTRICT OFFICES

Natchez Subdistrict (milepost 15.5)
Route 4, Box **250**
Natchez, MS 39120
Phone: 601-445-4211 (all offices)

Port Gibson Subdistrict (mp 39.2)
Route 1, Box 46
Port Gibson, MS 39150
Phone: 601-437-5252

Rocky Springs Site (mp **54.8**)
Star Route, Box 14-C
Carlisle, MS 39049
Phone: 601-865-7321 (all offices)

Ridgeland Subdistrict (mp 102.4)
Post Office Box 687
Ridgeland, MS 39157
Phone: 601-856-7321 (all offices)

Kosciusko Subdistrict (mp 159.7)
Post Office Box 416
Kosciusko, MS 39090
Phone: 601-289-3671 (all offices)

Jeff Busby Site (mp 193.1)
Route 3, Box 80-A
Ackerman, MS 39735
Phone: 601-387-4365 (all offices)

Dancy Subdistrict (mp 214.5)
Route 1, Box 173
Mantee, MS 39751
Phone: 601-263-5677

Tupelo Subdistrict (mp 266)
and Headquarters Area
Route 1, NT-143
Tupelo, MS 38801
Phone: 601-680-4002

Cherokee Subdistrict (mp 320.3)
Route 1, Box 380
Cherokee, AL 35616
Phone: 205-359-6472 (maintenance)

Cherokee Subdistrict (mp 327.3)
Route 1, Box 53
Cherokee, AL 35616
Phone: 205-359-6372 (rangers)

Meriwether Lewis Subdistrict (mp 385.9)
Route 3, Box 368
Hohenwald, TN 38462
Phone: 615-796-2675 (rangers)
615-796-2921 (maintenance)

Leipers Fork Subdistrict (mp 428.9)
5335 Old Highway 96
Franklin, TN 37064
Phone: 615-790-9323 (rangers)

In case of emergency, call: 1-800-300-PARK(7275)

Drinking water is available at the following Parkway locations.

<u>Milepost</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Milepost</u>	<u>Location</u>
15.5	Mount Locust	233.2	Witch Dance
17.5	Coles Creek	266.0	Tupelo Visitor Center
54.8	Rocky Springs	286.7	Pharr Mounds
102.4	MS Crafts Center	327.3	Colbert Ferry
122.6	River Bend	364.5	Glenrock Branch
154.3	Holly Hill	365.1	Glenrock Branch
159.8	Kosciusko Welcome Center	377.8	Jack's Branch
180.7	French Camp	385.9	Meriwether Lewis
184.8	Yowani	404.7	Jackson Falls
193.1	Jeff Busby	407.7	Gordon House
		427.6	Leipers' Fork

NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY

ACCOMMODATIONS
LOCATED WITHIN A 15-MINUTE BICYCLE
RIDE OF THE PARKWAY
(south to north)

Natchez, MS (mp 0) _____
Numerous motels and bed and breakfast accommodations are available. For a listing, write:

Natchez Convention & Visitors Bureau
422 Main Street
Natchez, MS 39120
601-446-6345
1-800-647-6724
Fax: 601-442-0814

The Mississippi Welcome Center is located at 370 Sargent S. Prentiss Drive, just south of its intersection with US Hwys 84 and 98. To contact the center, call 601-442-5849.

Lorman, MS (mp 27) _____

Rosswood Plantation
MS Hwy 552 East
Lorman, MS 39096
1-800-533-5889
601-437-4215
Fax: 601-437-6888

Directions: From parkway milepost 30, take MS Hwy 552 east 1 mile to US Hwy 61, then south (right) 1 mile on US Hwy 61 to Lorman, then east (left) 2.5 miles on MS Hwy 552 to Rosswood. Grocery items at the Lorman Country Store.

Port Gibson, MS (mp 38) _____

Oak Square (bed and breakfast)
1207 Church Street
Port Gibson, MS 39150
1-800-729-0240
601-437-4350 or 5300

Gibson's Landing
1002 Church Street
Port Gibson, MS 39150
601-437-3432

Directions: For northbound bikers, from parkway milepost 37.7 take US Hwy 61 north into Port Gibson. Oak Square is approximately 2 miles on the right and Gibson's Landing is 2.2 miles on the left. For southbound bikers, from milepost 41.1 take MS Hwy 18 west 1.3 miles into Port Gibson, then south (left) on US Hwy 61. Gibson's Landing is approximately 0.8 miles on the right and Oak Square is 1 mile on the left. Restaurants in town.

Grand Gulf Inn
US Hwy 61 North
Port Gibson, MS 39150
601-437-8811

Directions: At parkway milepost 37.7, take US Hwy 61 north into Port Gibson. Motel is approximately 3 miles on the left; or, from parkway milepost 41.1, take MS Hwy 18 west 1.3 miles into Port Gibson, then north (right) on US Hwy 61. Motel is approximately 1/4 mile on the left. Restaurants in town.

Clinton, MS (mp 87) _____

Clinton Inn
400 Hwy 80 East
Clinton, MS 39056
601-924-5313

Directions: Motel is in Clinton one block from I-20 West, and is available from either Interstate 20 Exits 34 or 35. Motel is approximately 2 miles southeast (right) from the parkway at milepost 87.2 (the exit at I-20 West). Bicyclists can exit the parkway at milepost 84.7 onto Norrel Road and go south approximately 700 feet to Raymond-Clinton Road, east (left) 2.9 miles to I-20, the south (right) 1 mile on US Hwy 80 East to the motel. Restaurant at motel. **NOTE: AS THERE IS NO DIRECT ACCESS OFF THE PARKWAY TO NORREL ROAD, BICYCLISTS ONLY ARE PERMITTED, TAKING UTMOST CARE, TO WALK THEIR BICYCLE DOWN THE EMBANKMENT.**

Jackson MS

Red Roof Inn
828 Hwy 51 North (I-55 and County Line Road)
Ridgeland, MS 39157
601-956-7707

Motel 6
6145 I-55 North (on I-55 west frontage road)
Jackson, MS 39213
601-956-8848

Best Western Jackson
5035 I 55 North
Jackson, MS 39206
601-982-1011

Hampton Inns
465 Briarwood Dr (Briarwood Dr at I-55 North)
Jackson, MS 39206
601-956-3611

Directions: At parkway milepost 102.4, adjacent to the Mississippi Crafts Center, take access road to US Hwy 51, then south (left) on Hwy 51. All motels listed are approximately 3 to 3.5 miles south through Ridgeland and are adjacent to I-55 North. Many more motels are located in Jackson, but the ones listed here are most convenient to the parkway. Numerous restaurants are also nearby.

Kosciusko, MS (mp 160)

Red Bud Inn
121 North Wells Street
Kosciusko, MS 39090
601-289-5086

Directions: Exit parkway at milepost 160 at Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center. Cross Hwy 35 onto Huntington Street. Go north on Huntington and turn left onto Washington Street. The Inn is at the dead end of Washington Street.

Parkway Inn - Best Western
Hwy 35 South Bypass
Kosciusko, MS 39090
601-289-6252

Days Inn
Hwy 35 South Bypass
Kosciusko, MS 39090
601-289-2271

Directions: At parkway milepost 160, take access road to MS Hwy 31. Motels and restaurants are to the right.

French Camp, MS (mp 181)

French Camp Academy (bed and breakfast)
French Camp, MS 39745
601-547-6835 or 6657

Directions: At parkway milepost 180.8, go to the log cabin adjacent to the parkway and ask directions or stay on the main street leading into French Camp, turning left onto the road just past the post office and crafts store. Restaurant in town.

Mathiston, MS (mp 204)

Mathiston Motel
US Hwy 82
Mathiston, MS 39752
601-263-8219

Directions: At parkway milepost 204.3, take US Hwy 82 cast (right) into Mathiston. Motel is approximately 1.3 miles from the parkway. Restaurant in town.

Houston, MS (mp 229)

Holiday Terrace Motel
Hwy 8 East
Houston, MS 38851
601-456-2522

Southwind Guest House
335 South Jackson
Houston, MS 38851
601-456-4376, after 2:00pm 601-456-2349

Directions: At parkway milepost 229.7, take MS Hwy 8 west 4 miles into Houston. Restaurant at motel and others in town.

Tupelo, MS (mp 260)

Trace Inn
3400 West Main
Tupelo MS 38801
601-842-3555

Directions Motel located on MS Hwy 6 adjacent to the Parkway at milepost 260.1. Restaurant at motel and others east on West Main Street.

Comfort Inn
1190 North Cilostr
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-842-5100 or 1-800-228-5150

Days Inn
1015 North Gloster
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-842-0088 or 1-800-325-2525

Econo Lodge of Tupelo
Hwy 78 East (McCullough Blvd.)
(located behind the Executive Inn)
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-844-1904 or 1-800-424-4777

Economy inn
708 North Gloster
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-842-1213

Executive Inn
1011 North Gloster
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-841-2222 or 1-800-533-3220

Hampton Inn
1516 McCullough Blvd.
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-840-8300

Holiday Inn Express
923 North Gloster
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-842-8811 or 1-800-465-4329

Mockingbird Inn Bed & Breakfast
305 North Gloster
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-841-0286

Passport Inn
401 North Gloster
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-812-1961

Ramada Inn
854 North Gloster
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-844-4111 or 1-800-228-2828

Travelers Motel
915 North Gloster
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-844-2221

Village Inn Motel
1013 North Gloster
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-842-4903

Directions: At parkway milepost 262.3 take McCullough Boulevard (old US Hwy 78) south mile to the junction of US Hwy 45 Business. An alternate route is at parkway milepost 266", take US Hwy 45 Business south 4.2 miles toward Tupelo. Restaurants at motels or nearby.

'4-lane divided highway

"2-lane highway with heavy traffic 'and narrow shoulders

Tombigbee State Park
Route 2. Box 336 E
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-842-7669

Directions: At parkway milepost 263.6, take US Hwy 78 east 3 miles toward Tupelo and Birmingham. Exit onto North Canal Street and follow park signs. Park will be 2.5 miles east of MS Hwy 6, a total of 10.8 miles from the parkway exit; or at parkway milepost 266.1, take US Hwy 45 Business south 0.8 mile to Barnes Crossing Road (first stoplight), left 0.3 mile on Barnes Crossing Road to the US Hwy 45 Bypass, right on the bypass 1.6 miles to US Hwy 78, east on Hwy 78 for 1.5 miles toward Birmingham. Exit onto North Canal Street and follow park signs. Park will be 2.5 miles east of MS Hwy 6 south, a total of 12 miles from the parkway exit. Furnished cabins are available, but reservations are recommended, especially from Memorial Day to Labor Day. A full hookup campground is also located here. A restaurant is located at the entrance road to the park on MS Hwy 6 south. **NOTE: THE ELVIS PRESLEY BIRTHPLACE HOME AND MEMORIAL CHAPEL ARE LOCATED ONE BLOCK EAST FROM NORTH CANAL STREET. SIGNING IS PROMINENT.**

Campground at Barnes Crossing
Route 1, Box 28A
Tupelo, MS 38801
601-844-6063

Directions: At parkway milepost 266, take access leg adjacent to the Tupelo Visitor Center to US Hwy 45 Business. Campground entrance is 0.3 mile toward Tupelo.

Belmont, MS (mp 297)_____

Belmont Motel
P.O. Box 140
Belmont, MS 38827
601-454-7948

Directions: At parkway milepost 297, exit and travel east on Hwy 4 to Hwy 25. Then travel south on Hwy 25 to downtown Belmont.

Tishomingo, MS (mp 304)_____

Tishomingo State Park
P.O. Box 880
Tishomingo, MS 38873
601-438-6914

Directions: At parkway milepost 303.9, take entrance road into park. At main park road, go right 3.5 miles to the headquarters area. Furnished cabins are available, but reservations are recommended, especially from Memorial Day to Labor Day. A full hookup campground is also here. Restaurants are located near the park entrance on MS Hwy 25, or at Dennis or Tishomingo, 4 miles either direction from the park entrance on MS Hwy 25.

Iuka, MS (mp 320)_____

Key West INN
199 County Road 180
Iuka, MS 38852
601-423-9221

Directions: At parkway exit 320, travel 15 miles west on Hwy 72, to Iuka.

Waynesboro, TN (mp 370)_____

Natchez Trace Motel
Route 6, Box 414
Lawrenceburg, TN 38464
615-722-3010

Directions: At parkway milepost 369.9 or 370.1, take US Hwy 64 west toward Waynesboro. Motel is located 1/2 mile on the right from the parkway. Restaurant is adjacent.

Napier Road Exit (TN) (mp 380.8)_____

Natchez Trace Wilderness Preserve
(privately-owned recreational time-share facility)
1363 Napier Road
Hohenwald, TN 38462
615-796-3211

Directions: At parkway milepost 380.8, exit onto Napier Road, following it around and under the parkway overpass to the "Trading Post," a gas/grocery store with the preserve office just beyond. Overnight camping for bicyclists is sometimes allowed (inquire at preserve office).

Hohenwald, TN (mp 386)_____

Shadow Acres Motel
699 Centerville Hwy
Hohenwald, TN 38462
615-796-2201

Directions: At parkway milepost 385.9, take TN Hwy 20 north toward Hohenwald for 7 miles; or at parkway milepost 391.4, take US Hwy 412 (formerly TN Hwy 99) west toward Hohenwald for 8 miles. Motel is located approximately 1 mile north of the downtown area on TN Hwy 48 North. Restaurants located in town.

Swan View Motel
1240 Columbia Hwy
Hohenwald, TN 38462
615-796-4745

Directions: At parkway milepost 391.1, take US Hwy 412 (formerly TN Hwy 99) west toward Hohenwald. Motel is 1 mile on the left. Restaurant is adjacent.

Hampshire, TN (mp 391)_____

Ridgetop (bed and breakfast)
P.O. Box 193
Hampshire, TN 38461
615-285-2777

(The owners of Ridgetop also offer a free reservation service for bed and breakfast accommodations along the parkway.
Call 1-800-377-2770.)

Directions: At parkway milepost 391.1, take US Hwy 412 east toward Columbia for approximately 4.4 miles. Ridgetop is 0.3 miles to the left on a private road.

Duck River, TN (mp 408)_____

McEwen Farm Log Cabin (bed and breakfast)
P.O. Box 97
Duck River, TN 38454
615-583-2378

Directions: At parkway milepost 407.8, take TN Hwy 50 west toward Centerville for 2.1 miles, then turn right onto Bratton Lane. McEwen Farm is 0.5 miles on the right on Bratton Lane.

Columbia, TN_____

Columbia is located approximately 27 miles east of the parkway, and at the present time provides an avenue of travel between the parkway and I-65. Three motels, one bed and breakfast and numerous restaurants are located in Columbia. For a listing, write:

Columbia Chamber of Commerce
9 Hunter-Matthews Building, Public Square
Columbia, TN 38401
615-388-2155

Leipers Fork, TN (mp 428)_____

Namaste Acres-Natchez Trace (bed and breakfast)
5436 Leipers Creek Road
Franklin, TN 37064
615-791-0333

Directions: Exit parkway at milepost 429 and take TN Hwy 46 for 0.7 mile toward Leipers Fork. At Leipers Creek Road (stop sign), go right 1.7 miles to Namaste Acres.

Franklin, TN (mp 436)_____

Franklin is located on TN Hwy 96, approximately 6 miles east of the Leipers Creek Road/Hillsboro Road. This scenic two-lane road presently is one connection between the northernmost completed portion of the parkway and US Hwy 31, US Hwy 431, and I-65 into Nashville.

Holiday Inn
I-65 and TN Hwy 96
Franklin, TN 37064
615-794-7591

Best Western Inn
I-65 and TN Hwy 96
Franklin, TN 37064
615-790-0570 or 1-800-25 1-3200

Directions: Both motels are located 3 miles east of Franklin on TN Hwy 96 adjacent to I-65. Restaurants at motels and nearby.

Nashville, TN_____

Numerous motel accommodations are available in the Nashville area. For a listing write:

Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce
161 Fourth Avenue North
Nashville, TN 37219
615-259-4700

Note: This is an informational listing of current lodging accommodations adjacent or reasonably handy to the Natchez Trace Parkway, but is available to other interested parkway travelers upon request. No claims are made as to the completeness of the listing or the quality of services provided by the establishments.

