





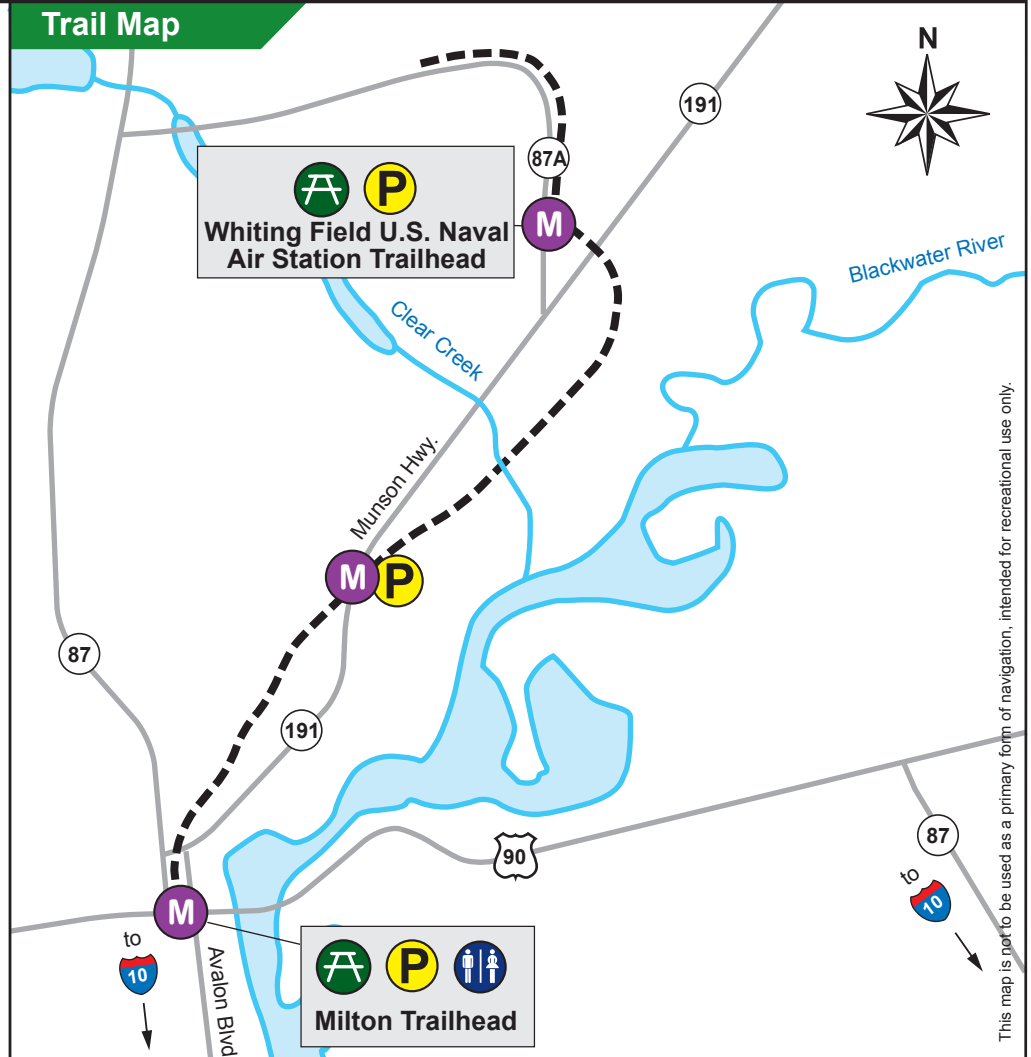
11. Blackwater Heritage State Trail

Legend

-  Trailhead (Multi-Use)
-  Parking
-  Rest Rooms
-  Picnic Area



Trail Map



This map is not to be used as a primary form of navigation, intended for recreational use only.

Description

Biking, Walking, Jogging, Inline Skating, Horseback Riding • 11 miles, paved*

This is the westernmost rail trail in the state, extending from the small community of Milton in the south to Whiting Field Naval Air Station (NAS) in the north. The first seven miles of the trails are on the original bed of the historic Florida and Alabama Railroad, built in the early 1900s. Enjoy the forests and creeks while biking, walking, jogging, and roller blading. Managed by the Florida Park Service, it also connects to the Military Trail, which is managed by the US Navy. It is mostly a rural trail with only a few dwellings at some of the cross roads once you leave Milton and before you get on the military base. There are some nice creek crossings on wooden bridges with few hills or grades. This is a pleasant trip for the whole family with lots of access and safe riding. The Milton Trailhead contains a covered picnic shelter, restrooms, a water fountain, and a bicycle rack. There is a visitor center approximately one mile from the trailhead that offers two picnic tables and parking. The Blackwater Heritage State Trail Citizen Support Organization operates a concession at the visitor center where snacks and souvenirs can be purchased. Benches have been located at various points along the trail for visitor convenience.

Landscape & Wildlife: Wildlife species that may be seen include the American alligator, Florida pine snake, osprey, southeastern kestrel, northern harrier, river otter and bobcat. White-topped pitcher plants and other wetland plants also are visible along the trail.

Access/Directions:

Milton Trailhead: From I-10 West (coming from Crestview), take Exit 31 (old Exit 10) to SR 87. Follow SR 87 to the intersection with US 90. Take a left (heading west) on US 90. Follow US 90 into Milton to the intersection where SR 87 heads north (to the right). Trailhead is located at this intersection. From I-10 East (coming from Pensacola), take Exit 26 (old Exit 8) to SR 191. Follow SR 191 through Bagdad into Milton and turn left on US 90. Trailhead is located at the intersection of US 90 and SR 87.

Munson Highway Parking Area: Follow directions above to Milton. In Milton, proceed to intersection of US 98 and SR 191. Proceed north on SR 191 (Munson Highway) to intersection with trail and parking area.

**Horseback Riding: The equestrian portion of the trail travels adjacent to a segment of the paved trail with shared bridges. The equestrian trail itself begins about one mile north of the Milton Trailhead, but equestrian access is available at the parking area located at Munson Highway. There is ample oversized parking available, as well as a newly constructed picnic shelter.*