

## Day 5 Alternate – Weedsport to Syracuse

Aug 28 - Saturday (mapped miles = 26.3)

This route avoids the State Fairgrounds and some confusing (lack of) signage for trails there.

Two ways to exit town:

1. Across the street from the hotel, take the **bike trail behind Arby's**. It will connect to the route. Follow it until it connects with **TOWPATH RD**. Turn **left** on to Towpath Rd.
2. From the convenience store across the street from the hotel, take **Hwy 31 east**. In about .25 mile (just after the bridge) turn **left** onto **TOWPATH RD**.

Continue on Towpath Rd, and after about .75 mi, keep **right** to join **ERIE CANALWAY TRAIL**. Continue on the ECT to the outskirts of Syracuse (19 miles). Turn **right** onto **BRIDGE STR**. At the next intersection, turn **left** onto **MILTON AVE**. Stay on Milton for 1.2 miles and continue (keep left) onto **CHEMUNG STR**. At the next intersection, make a **slight right** onto **EMERSON AVE**. Follow Emerson for 0.3 mi. At a stop sign, follow a **curve to the left** onto **WILLIAMS STR**. At the T-intersection, turn **right** onto **WEST FAYETTE STR**. Continue on W. Fayette for 1.7 miles into the downtown. Go under an underpass, slight curve to the right (stay on W. Fayette), go through the intersection with West Str. Just after crossing Walton Street, we will encounter an off-street bike trail (look for a piece of blue art on the right).

>>>To go to the Erie Canal Museum:

After crossing Walton Street and immediately after the bridge, turn **left** onto the **ONONDAGA CREEK WALK**. Follow it up a ramp. Cross at **W. WASHINGTON STR** and continue on the sidewalk/bike lane on the other side. In mid-block turn **left** to continue on the **CREEK WALK**. At the next street, turn **right** onto the sidewalk/bike lane along **WEST WATER STREET**. Continue eastward on Water Str. for 5 blocks and turn **left** at **MONTGOMERY STR**. The museum is located at the corner of Montgomery & Water Strs.

>>>To go to the hotel (can't check in till 3 pm):

After crossing Walton Street and immediately after the bridge, turn **right** (sign says "Zoo") onto the **ONONDAGA CREEK WALK**. Follow the trail across Walton Street. It will emerge at the west end of the **JEFFERSON STR** oval. The hotel (Jefferson Clinton Hotel) is at the opposite end of the oval.)

To get to the hotel from the museum, return to

**WATER STR** and ride west to S. Franklin Str. After crossing S. Franklin, turn **left** onto the

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Water Street is one-way for car traffic on a portion of the route, but bicycles are allowed both directions.