Miami and Erie Canal Sites

North to South Locations and Mileage

1. Jennings Creek Aqueduct—Ven Velt/Portman County Line
   - Mileage: 0.4

2. Lock 24 North, Stone—Delphos/Reynolds Park
   - Mileage: 0.8

3. Lock 23 North, Wood/Concrete Spillway—3rd Street Delphos
   - Mileage: 4.4

4. Lock 19 North, Wood—Somers Road, Allen County
   - Mileage: 2.2

   - Mileage: 2.0

6. Well Site Village Park—Spencerville
   - Mileage: 4.1

7. Lock 16 North, Wood/Concrete Spillway—North Canal St, Spencerville
   - Mileage: 0.4

8. Lock 15 North, Wood/Concrete Spillway—South Canal St, Spencerville
   - Mileage: 0.5

9. Deep Cut Historical Park—Deep Cut Road/State Rd 66
   - Mileage: 1.7

10. Six Mile Creek Aqueduct—Salem-Mohawk Road/State Rd 66
    - Mileage: 1.5

11. Bloody Bridge—County Road 66A/State Rd 66, Northep Twp
    - Mileage: 0.0

12. Lock 14 North, Concrete—Lock 14 Road, West of State Rd 66
    - Mileage: 1.7

13. 40 Acre Pond—Glywood Road, West of State Rd 66
    - Mileage: 3.3

14. Tumbles, Stone—North of High Street, St. Marys
    - Mileage: 0.1

15. Upper/Lower Canal & Canal Boat—Memorial Park, St. Marys
    - Mileage: 0.6

16. St. Marys River Aqueduct—Greenville Road, K.C. Geiger Park
    - Mileage: 0.6

17. Grand Lake St. Marys Feeder Canal—Aqueduct Road
    - Mileage: 0.5

18. Feeder/Lake Bulkhead, State Rd 389/Grand Lake State Park
    - Mileage: 2.0

19. Lock 8 North, Stone—Pepo Road, East of State Rd 66
    - Mileage: 4.0

20. Lock 7 North, Wood—State Rd 219, East of State Rd 66
    - Mileage: 0.8

21. Lock 2 North, Wood—Lock 2 Road, East of State Rd 66
    - Mileage: 2.9

22. Bremenfest Park—Jefferson St, New Bremen
    - Mileage: 0.8

23. Lock 1 North, Concrete, Lock 1 Park, Historic Bridge
    - Mileage: 0.5

24. Jaycee's Park—Plum Street, New Bremen
    - Mileage: 0.2

25. Seventh St Park—Minister, Seventh Street
    - Mileage: 2.3

26. Lake Loramie Feeder Canal—Canal Road/Lake Loramie State Park
    - Mileage: 2.7

27. Loramie Creek Aqueduct—East of State Rd 66, North of Fort Loramie
    - Mileage: 0.1

28. Loramie Village Park—State Rd 66, Fort Loramie
    - Mileage: 0.6

29. Lehigh Lake/Shelby County Park Trail—State Rd 47, East of State Rd 66
    - Mileage: 4.6

30. Paulett Creek Stone Culvert—Cynthiana Twp, Shelby County
    - Mileage: 1.6

31. Stone Culvert—Washington Township, Shelby County
    - Mileage: 4.0

32. Mill Creek Stone Culvert—State Rd 66, Shelby County
    - Mileage: 1.8

33. Stone Box Culvert—Miami Converny Road, Shelby County
    - Mileage: 7.0

34. Lockington Dam & Reserv—Fessner-Buxton Rd, Shelby County
    - Mileage: 36.0

35. Indian Lake State Park—Lakeview, Logan County
    - Mileage: 35.5

36. Sidney Feeder Canal—Port Jefferson to Lockington
    - Mileage: 0.2

37. Lock 1-6 South & Loramie Aqueduct—Lockington, Shelby County
    - Mileage: 0.8

38. Lock 6-7 South, Stone & Landman Mill—Landman Mw Rd, Miami County
    - Mileage: 1.6

39. Lock 8 South, Stone, Canal Boat Ride, Piqua Historical Site, Johnston Farm—Hardin Road, Miami County
    - Mileage: 1.1

*Contact the local landowner to visit these sites.

ON THE TRAIL

The Miami and Erie Canal Towpath is part of three major trail systems:

- The 40-mile Miami and Erie Trail is the first state recreational trail designated under the Ohio Trails Act. It runs from Delphos to Lockington.
- The Buckeye Trail, signed by the blue blaze, is the longest loop hiking trail (1,200 miles) in the United States. The trail circles Ohio and is maintained by the Buckeye Trail Association.
- The towpath is also a certified section of the national North Country Scenic Trail, a 4,000-mile trail that stretches from New York to Minnesota.
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Once upon a time, hand-dug canals crossed the state of Ohio. This extended water transportation system helped develop the state as settlers found an easier way into the wilderness, and commerce found a cheaper way to expand.

The Miami and Erie Canal, traversing 249 miles from Cincinnati to Toledo, was begun on July 25, 1825 near Middletown. It was built in sections until completed in 1845. The total cost was more than $8 million, financed by bonds and the sale of federal lands.

Most of the work was done by Irish, French, and German immigrants, who labored for 31 cents a day and a jug of whiskey. They manually moved trees, rocks, and soil to create the “top ditch” through the wilderness. Structures on the canal included 19 aqueducts, three guard locks, 105 lift locks, three major reservoirs, and “Deep Cut” that was 6,000 feet long and 52-feet deep.

But for all this work, the canals faced fierce competition from another form of transportation—the railroads. The peak year for the Miami and Erie Canal was 1851, with revenues of $551,897 and approximately 400 boats in operation.

The history and romance of those good old days live on. See for yourself on this self-guided tour of canal heritage from Delphos to Piqua. Close your eyes, and just imagine…