







CHIEF SHABBONA TRAIL

Legend

-  Shabbona Trail
-  Restrooms & Water
-  Trail Access Point
-  Mile Markers
-  Trail Starting Point
-  Trails End



Welcome to the Chief Shabbona Trail! Come hike, ride, or cross-country ski from 1 to 20 miles. You can also canoe or kayak from 1 to 15 miles without portage!

The Shabbona Trail is at the heart of the 61-mile Illinois & Michigan Canal National Heritage Corridor. This compacted gravel trail is maintained by the State of Illinois.

Established in the 1950's by Troop 25, the Shabbona Trail features a variety of woodland habitats. Natural sheltering makes the wide trail ideal all four seasons.

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Sample Treks

Miles	Roundtrip Treks
3	Stratton Park to gravesite & back
6	Gebhard Woods to gravesite & back
10	Gebhard Woods to Milepost 54 & back
20	Gebhard Woods to Milepost 50 & back
50	Gebhard Woods to Milepost 85 & back

Miles	One-Way Treks
6	Aux Sable Access to Gebhard Woods
15	Channahon to Gebhard Woods
20	Frontage Rd to Gebhard Woods

Adventure awaits you whether you camp, fish, hike, backpack, cycle, or paddle. More information and links are at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ShabbonaTrail/>

Nationally Approved by the Boy Scouts of America, the Shabbona Trail is one of only 300 trails to earn this designation in the U.S.

I & M Canal Heritage Corridor features 160-year-old locks, buildings, and aqueducts along with the wide variety of trees and plants. This canal was the vital link between the Great Lakes and the Mississippi.

Chief Shabbona walked through these same woods. As an option, you can see his famous gravesite. Shabbona was a true friend to the settlers, constantly helping and protecting them.

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Camping in tents or cabins is available for Scouts at the Rainbow Council Scout Camp. Camping is also offered at four trailside parks.

Rainbow Council 815-942-4450

Gebhard Woods State Park 815-942-0796

McKinley Woods 815-727-8700

Channahon State Park 815-467-4271

Facilities include drinking water, restrooms, picnic tables, and parking lots at: Gebhard Woods, Stratton State Park, Aux Sable Access, McKinley Woods, and Channahon State Park.

Safety has to always be the bottom line in any adventure. Only the optional 0.4-mile walk to Evergreen Cemetery is along a road. Vehicles are restricted in all other areas. This is one of the longest trails in Midwest to be so safe from vehicle traffic. Please bring your cell phones.

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