



## Putnam Putnam River Trail

### Trail Highlights

This multi-purpose trail begins at Arch Street and winds its way north along the eastern shore of the Quinebaug River. The trail runs adjacent to Kennedy Drive for about 2 miles before terminating at Providence Street. The path of the trail runs through woodlands, 2 parks, an antique shopping district, and near revitalized mills. Five historic exhibits are located along the trail commemorating Putnam's railroad history, textile mills, and founding citizens. The river's natural resources and The Great Flood of 1955 are highlighted as well. There are 3 bridges adjacent to the trail including a 200-foot pedestrian bridge built on the stone foundation of an old railroad trestle. Each bridge offers scenic views of the river and access to a parallel pedestrian trail that runs along the river's western shore from Providence Street to Pomfret Street (US Route 44).

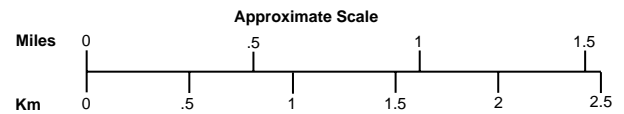
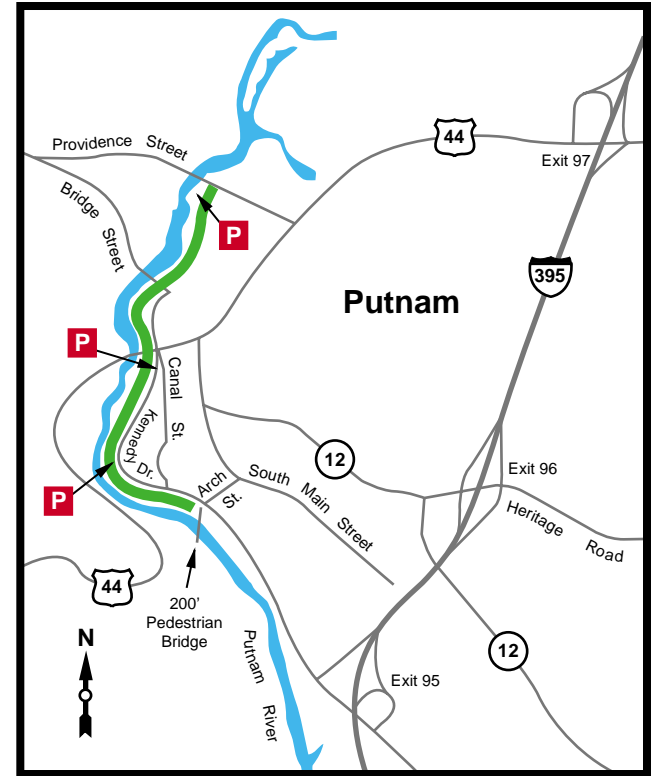
### Parking and Accessibility

The trail may be accessed from any of 4 parking areas along Kennedy Drive.

**From I-395 South:** Take exit 97 and follow Route 44 West to Kennedy Drive. Take a left. The first parking area is off to the right just after Bridge Street.

**From I-395 North:** Take exit 95 and turn right at the end of the ramp onto Kennedy Drive. The first of the 4 parking lots is about a half mile up the road on the left.

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### Recommended Activities



### Prohibited Activities



**LOCATION:** Putnam  
**ENDPOINTS:** Arch Street and Providence Street

**HOURS:** Dawn to dusk  
**LENGTH:** Approximately 2 miles

**SURFACE:** Bituminous concrete and concrete

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