



# Fort Thomas Landmark Tree Trail

**Location:** In Fort Thomas of northern Campbell County KY, only a few miles south of downtown Cincinnati, next to Carmel Manor Nursing Home at 100 Carmel Manor Dr

**Website:**

[www.ftthomas.org/Recreation/WalkProgram/Tree trail brochure.pdf](http://www.ftthomas.org/Recreation/WalkProgram/Tree%20trail%20brochure.pdf)

**Driving Directions:** From I-471 take Exit 3, Grand Ave. If traveling south on 471, turn left on Grand and go about 2.5 miles toward Fort Thomas. If traveling north on 471, veer right on Fort Thomas ramp and go about 2.1 miles. Either way, when at a 3 way stop where Grand Ave merges with South Fort Thomas Ave, continue straight on South Fort Thomas Ave about 0.5 miles then turn left at the stop light onto River Rd. Take an immediate left at the Tower Park sign. Drive through 2 stop signs, pass the Army Reserve Center, then pull into a gravel parking area on the right, sufficient for 3 cars with a large sign designating the trailhead. If you reach Carmel Manor you've gone too far.

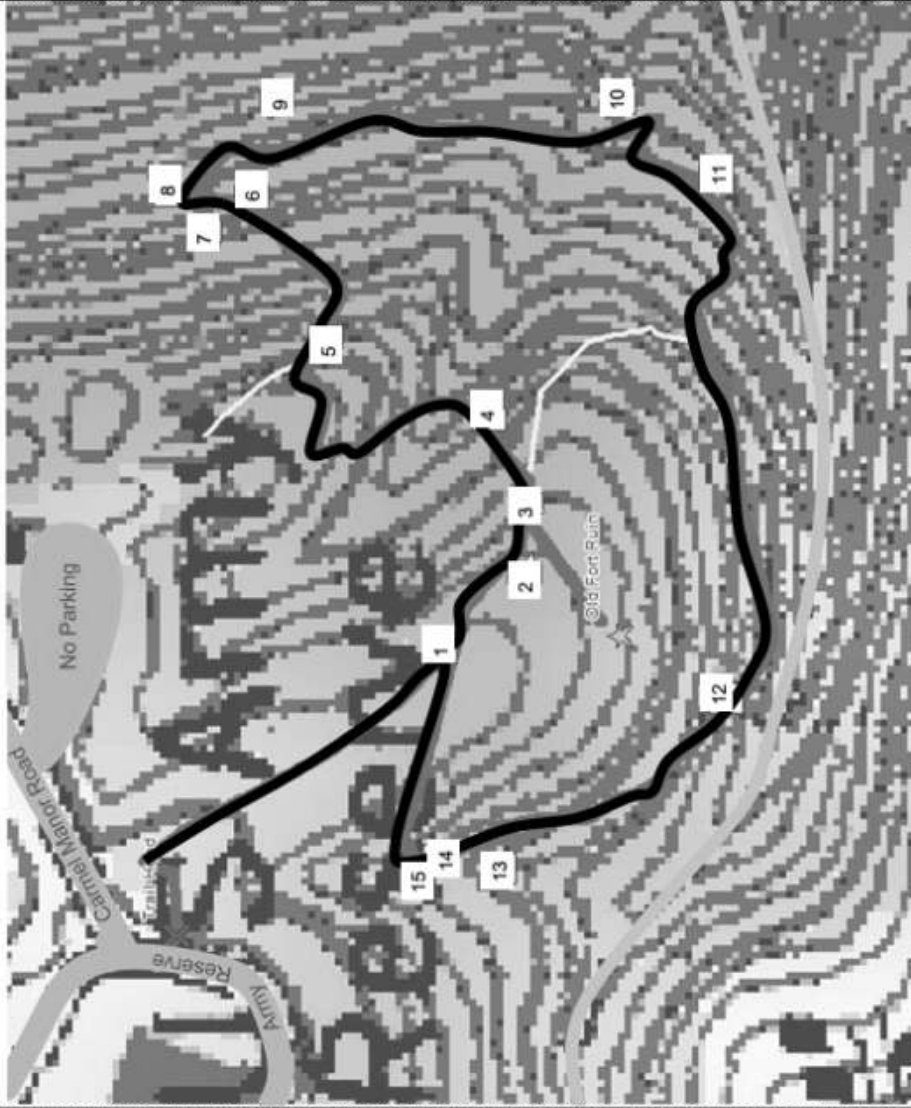
**Hiking Trail:** Approximately 1 mile, open dawn to dusk

**Trail Features:** This little known gem features enormous old-growth trees, some dating from the 1600's. Print the trail guide from the website above for detailed information on 15 of the trees which all have markers. This single-loop, shady, hilly trail consists of soil with exposed rocks and roots of moderate difficulty. There are beautiful views of the Ohio River before the trees leaf out. Several benches can be found along the trail, and there is a nice picnic table on the first part of the trail. Deer frequent the park. Watch for the bald eagle which was recently spotted in the area. The park is located on private land and is well maintained by volunteers, so you must stay on the trail. No bikes are permitted. This trail is immediately adjacent to Tower Park, which is also featured in this guide.

**Dogs:** Allowed but must be leashed

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No Parking in Carmel Manor. Please park near the entrance to the trail or at the Sports Complex (running track) parking lot.



	Height	Circumference Feet' inches"	Approximate Age in years
1. Kentucky Coffee tree	45	2'6"	40
2. Shumard Oak	60	10'1"	200
3. Shumard Oak	55	8'6"	175
4. Northern Red Oak	80	9'5"	175
5. Northern Red Oak	70	7'6"	125
6. American Sycamore	90	14'	225
7. Chinkapin Oak	90	13'8"	350
8. White Ash	80	8'6"	140
9. Northern Red Oak	85	9'8"	175
10. Northern Red Oak	85	11'2"	200
11. Shumard Oak	90	11'11"	250
12. Shumard Oak	80	9'3"	175
13. Shumard Oak	85	8'9"	175
14. Shumard Oak	80	10'10"	225
15. Chinkapin Oak	60	8'11"	175