

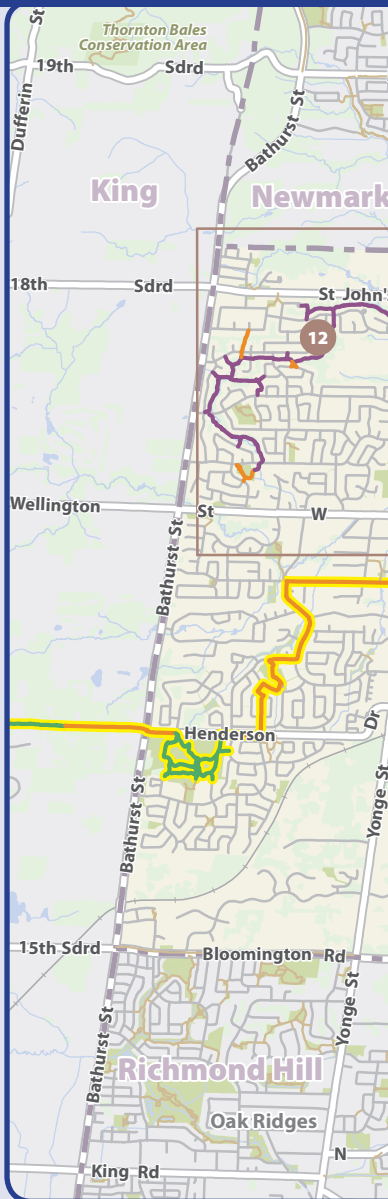
# Town of Aurora Trails Overview



Public open spaces within Aurora range from landscaped public parks to environmentally sensitive river valleys meandering throughout the municipality and the Oak Ridges Moraine.

The Town of Aurora Parks Division manages more than 46 parks encompassing more than 700 acres. Connecting many of the parks is a trail system of approximately 57 kilometres designed to accommodate joggers, hikers and skiers.

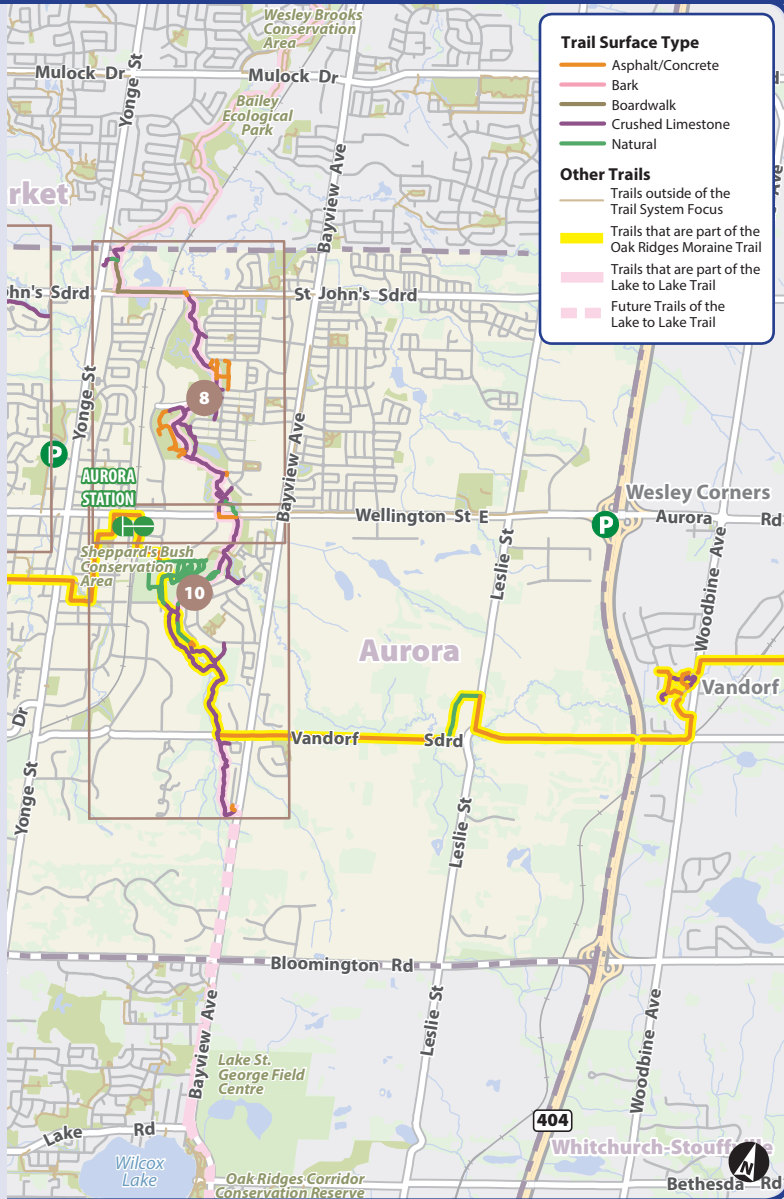
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# Town of Aurora Trails Overview



0 2 km - Average walking time 32 minutes



The **Nokiidaa Trail** connects the Towns of Aurora, Newmarket and East Gwillimbury. In Aurora, land of the Holland River Valley was once cultivated by generations of farmers. As the Town of Aurora grew, surrounding lands were developed and the valley corridor was conveyed to the Town as open space. The corridor now provides a natural setting of mixed lowland forests, expansive meadows and wetland habitats.

The trail passes through the Aurora Community Arboretum and Lambert Willson Park and links with the Oak Ridges Trail and Sheppard's Bush Conservation Area. In 2015, the Town of Aurora recognized former

Mayor Tim Jones by renaming Aurora's portion of the Nokiidaa Trail to the **Tim Jones Trail**.

### Move more and sit less

Aim for 60 minutes of physical activity per day for kids and 150 minutes per week for adults. Do more if you can!



**Trail difficulty:** Easy

**Distance:** 4.5 km (15 km total trail system)

**Access points:** Lower parking lot Aurora Leisure Complex, 135 Industrial Parkway North, lower parking lot Aurora Town Hall, 100 John West Way or Sheppard's Bush Conservation Area

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# Town of Aurora Nokiidaa Trail - Aurora North





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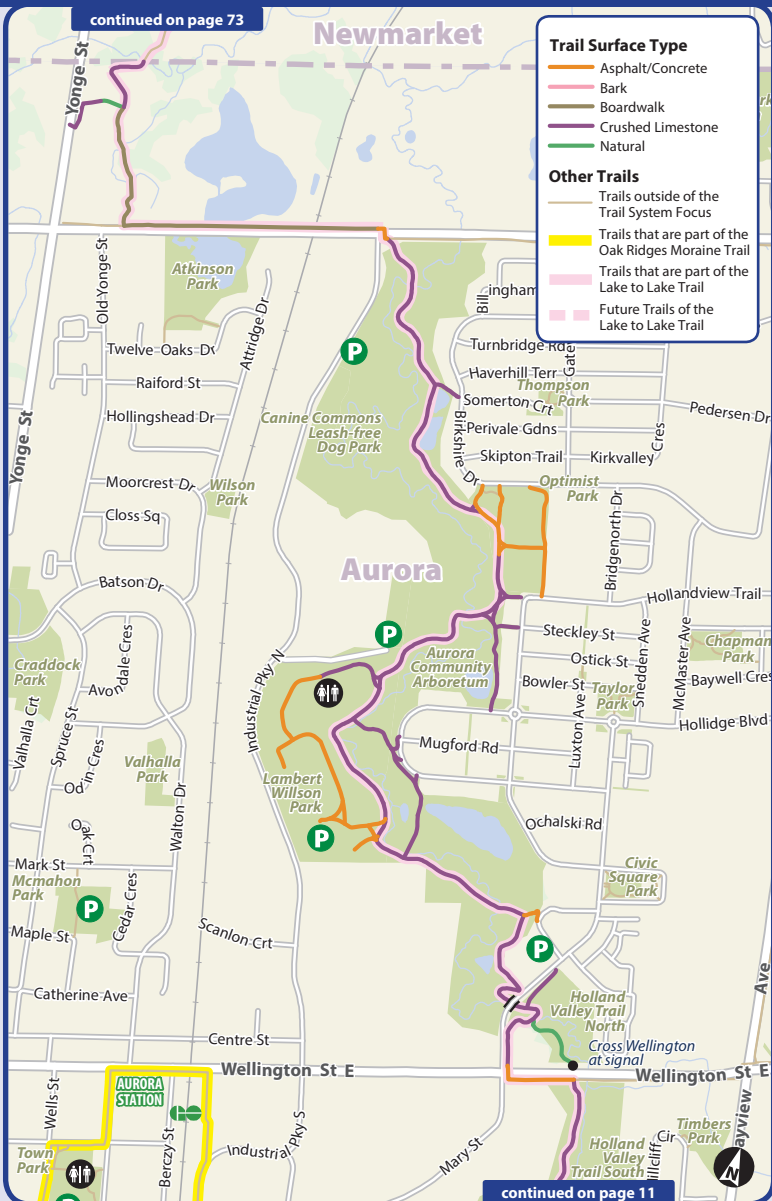
## Newmarket

### Trail Surface Type

-  Asphalt/Concrete
-  Bark
-  Boardwalk
-  Crushed Limestone
-  Natural

### Other Trails

-  Trails outside of the Trail System Focus
-  Trails that are part of the Oak Ridges Moraine Trail
-  Trails that are part of the Lake to Lake Trail
-  Future Trails of the Lake to Lake Trail



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0 500 m - Average walking time 8 minutes

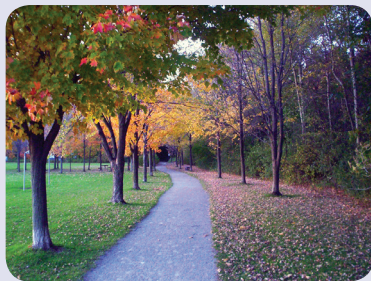


### Sheppard's Bush Conservation

**Area** is a 26.2 hectare green space in an urban setting in Aurora, owned by the Ontario Heritage Trust and managed by the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority. This property was donated to the Province in 1971 by Reginald Sheppard, who wanted to ensure the property and its natural environment were preserved for future generations of Canadians.

Sheppard's Bush has five kilometres of hiking trails, 13 soccer fields, two picnic pavilions and several historic buildings including the original Sheppard family home built in the early 1920s. The majority of the property is forested and includes mature pine plantations, mixed forest, an old sugar bush and a ravine along the East Holland River.

**Vandorf Woodlot** is located in the valley of the Holland River, between Sheppard's Bush and Vandorf Sideroad. The main trail is known as the Klaus Wehrenberg Trail, named after a local resident for his dedication to trail development and promotion in the Town. Discover the Woodlot's beautiful old growth characteristics, such as a multi-layered canopy, rich variety of species, and fallen trees, as well as the pileated woodpeckers creating their elongated holes in the large standing snags. Stream springs, upwelling areas and trout spawns in the gravel bed can be seen in the Holland River. Follow the unmarked side trail in the southern half of the Woodlot, west of the stream, to see what you can find!



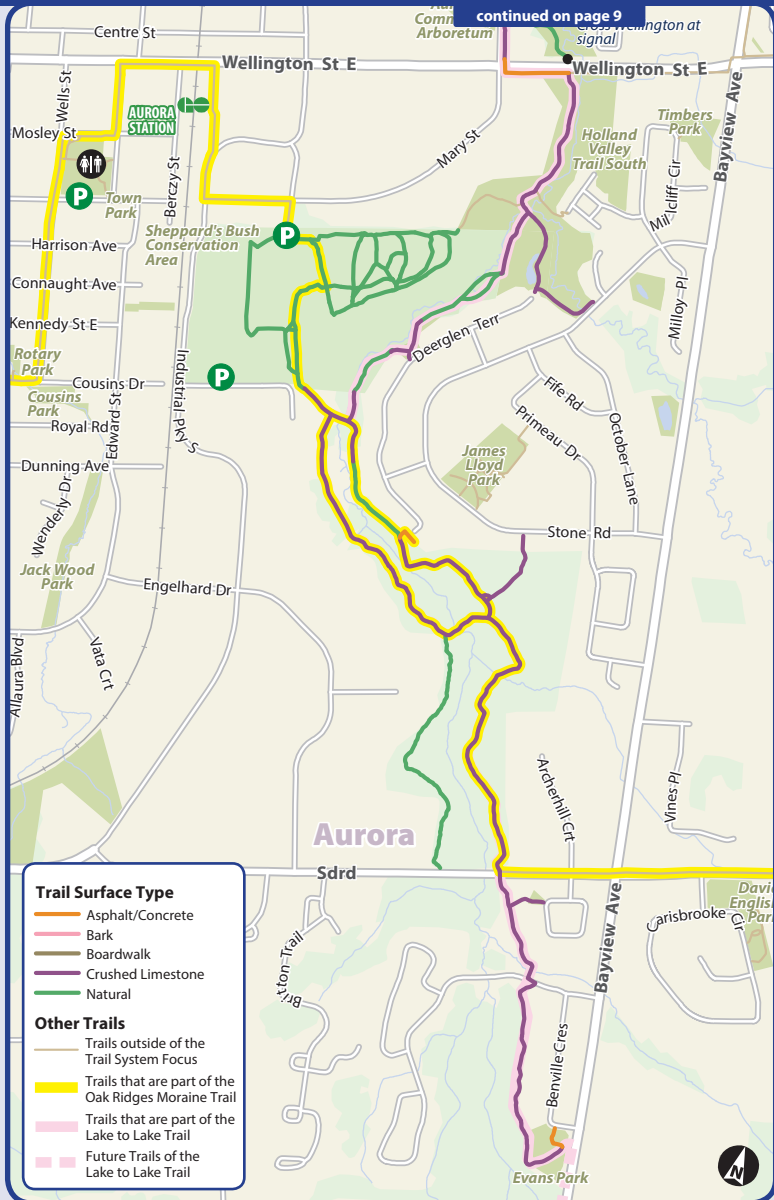
**Trail difficulty:** Easy-Moderate

**Distance:** 4.5 km (15 km total trail system)

**Access points:** Via Industry Street, which extends south from Wellington Street E. in Aurora and off Industrial Parkway South just north of Cousins Drive

**For more information:** Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Area  
905-895-1281 [lsrca.on.ca](http://lsrca.on.ca)

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## Willow Farm, Lakeview and Wimpey Trail System



The Willow Farm, Lakeview and Wimpey Trail System is an urban trail linking neighbourhoods, parks and linear open space corridors within the forested hills of St. Andrews in north-west Aurora.

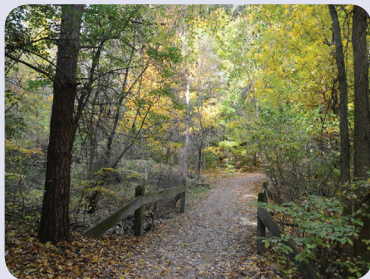
Vegetation consists of small evergreen forest patches within a predominantly deciduous forest area. There are a few valleys of more open meadow habitat, however some have been naturalized over the years and are developing into pioneer forests.

The landscape is hilly as the trail rises up to one of the highest points of elevation in Aurora.

Wildlife is consistent with forested areas in urban settings, mostly small mammals and birds.

### Get outside and get active

Physical activity can improve health, fitness and strength and can improve mental health and self-esteem too.



**Trail difficulty:** Easy-Moderate

**Distance:** 3.5 km

**Access points:** Many street crossings, Tom's Park, Copland Park or the Trailhead, located at the north-east end of the trail at the pond and stone bridge on Willow Farm Lane and St. John's Sideroad

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