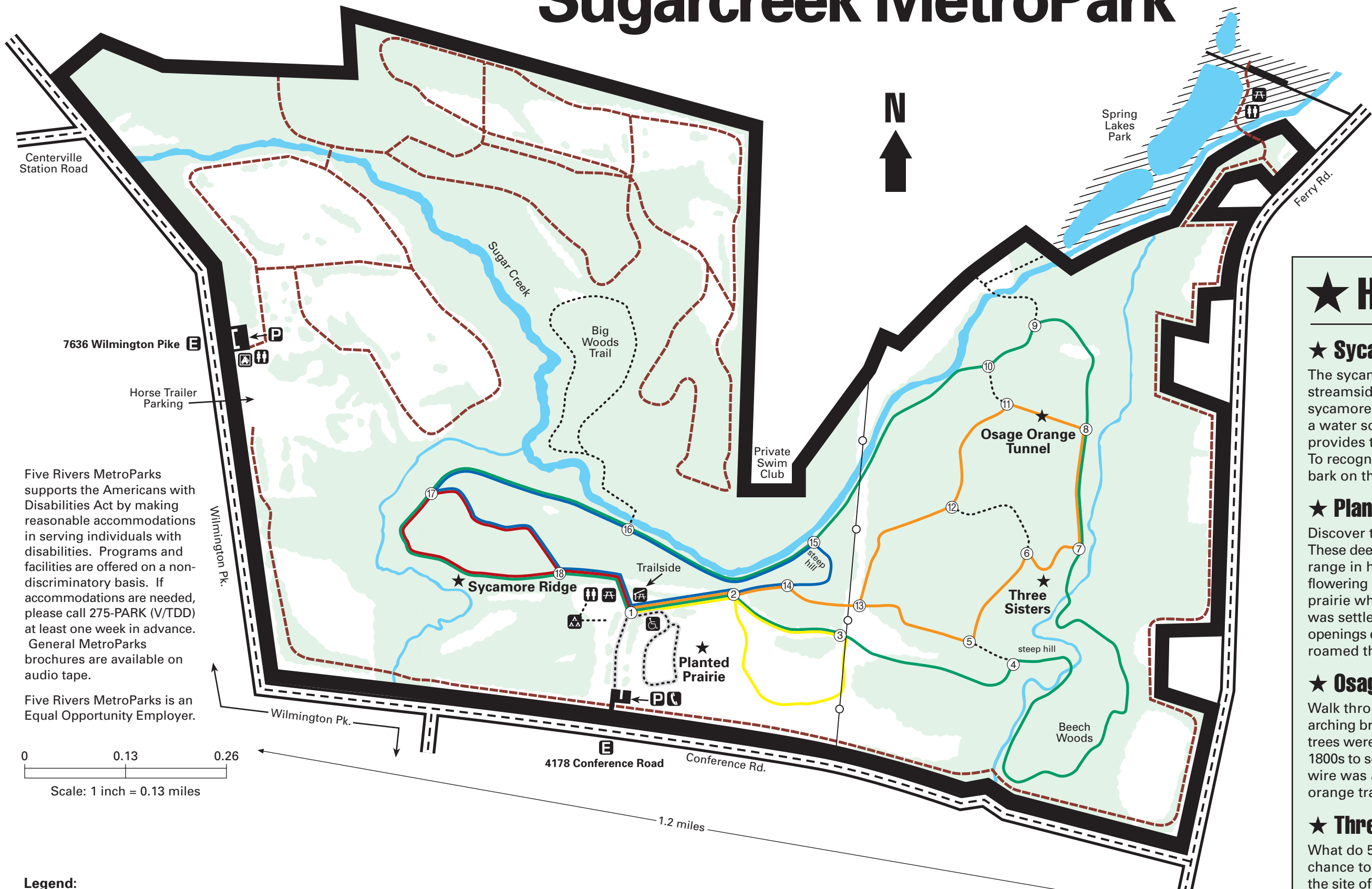


Sugarcreek MetroPark



Color-Coded Hiking Trails

- green trail = 3.1 miles
- yellow trail = 0.7 miles
- red trail = 0.8 miles
- orange trail = 1.3 miles
- blue trail = 1.2 miles

★ Highlights

★ Sycamore Ridge
 The sycamore is usually a tree of floodplains, streambanks and moist banks. Here, however, sycamores are growing on a ridge. This suggests a water source seeps beneath this ridge and provides the sycamore with adequate moisture. To recognize a sycamore, look for trees with white bark on the upper portions.

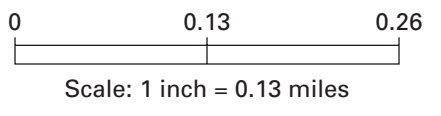
★ Planted Prairie
 Discover the special plants of a tallgrass prairie. These deep-rooted, sun-loving flowers and grasses range in height up to 10 feet and reach their flowering peak in mid-to-late summer. This planted prairie whispers of an earlier time, before Ohio was settled, when more than 300 natural prairie openings existed and Native Americans and buffalo roamed the land.

★ Osage Orange Tunnel
 Walk through a living tunnel created by the large arching branches of old osage orange trees. These trees were originally planted in this row in the late 1800s to serve as a fence in the days before barbed wire was available. (about 0.7 mile to tunnel on orange trail)

★ Three Sisters
 What do 550-year old trees look like? Here's your chance to find out when you venture 0.7 mile to the site of the "Three Sisters," three ancient white oak trees. (follow orange trail, take loop to the right) Borings from the trunk, done in the late 1960's on the largest of the three, indicate they began growing around 1440.

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Legend:

riding center	parking	non-color-coded hiking trail	stream	park road	Greene County Recreation & Park Department	trail intersection
entrance	restrooms	horse trail	highlights	park boundary	public road	public phone
group campsite	picnic area	asphalt-surfaced hiking trail	woods	powerline	wheelchair accessible	public shelter