

BIKE ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS

Independence Route


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Connects:

Wrightsboro (NC Route 5) to Forest Hills to Echo Farms to River Rd. (NC Routes 3 & 5) and uses part of the River to the Sea Route (City Route 1)

Length: 9.1 Miles

Passes By:

Airport (Mile 0.3), Old Snipes Elementary School (Mile 2.1), Forest Hills Elementary School and Lilley Park (Mile 2.9), Empie Park (Mile 4.0), Independence Mall (Mile 4.2) Alderman Elementary School (Mile 5.1)

Distance Traveled	Section Length	Turns	Streets	Conditions
Starts at Blue Clay Rd. and 23rd Street (NC Route 3)				
0.0	2.1	South	23rd Street	2 lanes, fast, busy, smooth payment
(One-Way Southbound)				
2.1	0.2	Straight	23rd Street	2 lanes, busy
2.3	0.3	Straight	Brookwood Ave.	2 lanes, residential
2.6	0.1	Left	Metts Ave. (Forest Hills Rd at Metts Ave.)	2 lanes, residential
(One-Way Northbound)				
0.0	0.2	North	Forest Hills Dr.	2 lanes, residential
0.2	0.3	Straight	Kenwood Ave.	2 lanes, residential
0.5	0.1	Left	Chestnut St. (23rd & Chestnut)	2 lanes, residential
(Two-Way)				
2.7	0.2	Right	Forest Hills Dr.	
2.9	0.8	Straight	Forest Hills Dr./ Country Club Rd.	2 lanes, narrow, traffic
3.7	0.5	Left	Park Ave.	2 lanes, broken concrete payment
4.2	1.0	Right	Hawthorne Rd.	2 lanes, payment varies
5.2	0.1	Left	Canterbury Rd.	2 lanes, smooth

5.3	3.8	Right	Independence Blvd.	4 lanes, fast, heavy traffic, no bike lane
Ends at Independence Blvd. and River Rd. (NC Routes 3 & 5)				
Notes:				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lights on 23rd St at Blue Clay Rd., Airport Rd., Martin Luther King Parkway, Princess Place Dr., Chestnut St., & Market St. • Light on Forest Hills at Market St. • Light on Country Club and Wrightsville Ave • Light on Hawthorne Rd. at Oleander Dr. • Light on Canterbury at Independence Blvd. • Light on Independence Blvd. at Shipyard Blvd. • Light on 17th Street Extension and Carolina Beach Rd. 			
Needs:				
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Smith Creek Bridge widening 2. Smith Creek Bridge cleaning 3. Better crossing of Market St. 4. Paving of Independence Blvd (also known Titanium Rd.) 5. Signs 6. Bike facilities at parks and schools 			