



A GLOUCESTER COUNTY COUNTRY TOUR

A Tour Guide for Cyclists



New Jersey
• Department of
Transportation

This easy 17 mile loop ride begins and ends on Broadway, the downtown area of Pitman. The route connects Rowan University, Glassboro Wildlife Management Area and Scotland Run Park, Gloucester County’s largest park. About six miles of this flat ride are on dedicated bike lanes and another three miles are off-road on the Williamstown–Glassboro Trail. Along the way you’ll pass woodlands and farmland, small towns and growing suburbs, and the development of the “quintessential college town.” Both downtown Glassboro and Pitman offer shops and places to rest and eat.

Glassboro’s early history was built on the manufacturing of glass. Established in 1779 by Solomon Stanger, the town was first known as “Glass Works in the Woods.” Over the years, the glass factory changed ownership many times. Eventually Stanger’s enterprise became The Whitney Glass Work. In 1847, the Whitney Brothers built the historic Hollybush Mansion, where in 1967 President Lyndon Johnson and Soviet Premier Aleksei Kosygin hosted the summit conference that led to a thaw in the Cold War and eased world tensions.

THINGS TO DO/ATTRACTIONS

PITMAN GROVE is on the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places. It was formed as a Methodist summer camp meeting town in the late 19th century. In the center of the Grove area is the Camp Meeting Auditorium which was built in 1882 and recently renovated by the Borough. Twelve pedestrian pathways, representing the Disciples of Christ, radiate from the auditorium. These pathways are lined with small wood frame cottages built between 1870-1900.



There is a lot to see and do on **ROWAN UNIVERSITY’S** 25 acre campus. There are public shows at the planetarium, concerts, art exhibitions, and athletic events. Rowan Boulevard, a \$300 million redevelopment project linking the University with Glassboro’s downtown retail district is quickly redefining both the campus and the borough. Upon completion, the corridor will be lined with shops and restaurants at street level with housing and offices above.

SCOTLAND RUN PARK is the largest of Gloucester County parks with over 1,000 acres. The 80-acre Wilson Lake offers passive recreation opportunities including fishing, boating and nature observation. The playground, pavilion and picnic areas are across the street from the nature center which offers a variety of environmental education programs for all ages.



GLASSBORO WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (WMA) is comprised of 2,393 acres of low deciduous swamp forest with streams, ponds, and some cleared fields. A network of sandy dirt roads, some closed to vehicle traffic, offers many viewing opportunities in different habitats. This is a good “birding by ear” destination most of the year because of the dense understory of mountain laurel, blueberry, wild azalea, sweet pepperbush and other shrubs.

The **HERITAGE GLASS MUSEUM**, located on High Street in Glassboro, is an historical museum whose purpose is to preserve and perpetuate the heritage of the glass industries of the region. The museum was founded in 1979 and has exhibits of historic glass, bottles and animal glass art figurines.

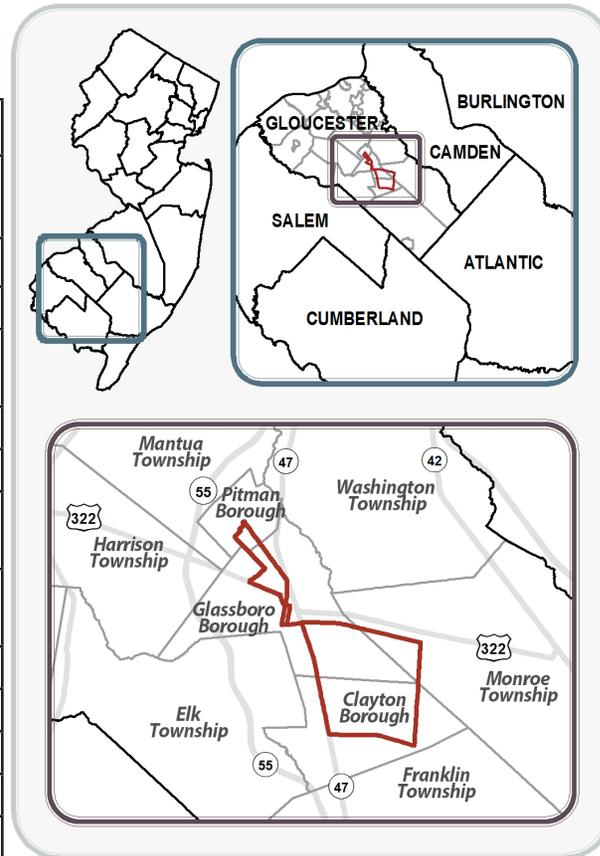
DIRECTIONS

The directions for this 17 mile loop begin and end at the intersection of West Jersey Avenue with South Broadway in the downtown area of Pitman. On-street parking is available.

MAP 1 - GLOUCESTER COUNTY COUNTRY TOUR

Cumulative Mileage	Point to Point	See Inset	Route Directions Start at West Jersey Avenue and South Broadway in Pitman Borough
0.0	0.0	A	Left onto CR 553A / South Broadway from West Jersey Avenue.
0.5	0.5		Enter Borough of Glassboro. Name changes to CR 553A / Main Street.
1.0	0.5		CR 553A becomes CR553 after crossing the intersection with Donald Barger Boulevard.
2.2	1.2	B	Cross CR 641 / High Street. Name changes to South Main Street.
2.6	0.4	B	Left onto Grove Street.
3.1	0.5	B	Cross Route 47 / Delsea Drive to access the Williamstown-Glassboro Trail. Busy street. Cross with caution.
5.9	2.8		Right at stop sign onto CR 655 / Fries Mill Road. The Williamstown-Glassboro Trail continues east for 3.4 miles.
8.3	2.4		Right at traffic light onto CR 610 / East Academy Street.
10.3	2.0		Right at traffic light onto Route 47 / Delsea Drive. Be aware of truck traffic.
13.0	2.7	B	Left onto Grove Street.
13.3	0.3	B	Right at stop sign onto CR 637 / Academy Street.
13.7	0.4	B	CR 637 ends. Cross CR 641 / High Street to continue on Academy Street.
13.7	400 ft.	B	First left onto College Avenue.
13.8	0.1	B	Cross CR 553 / Main Street. Name changes to Rowan Boulevard.
14.1	0.3	B	At the traffic circle, take the second exit onto US 322 / Mullica Hill Road.
14.9	0.8		Right at traffic light onto Joseph L. Bowe Boulevard.
15.4	0.5		Left at traffic light onto CR 682 / Carpenter Street.
15.9	0.4	A	Name changes to CR 682 / Cedar Avenue after crossing into the Borough of Pitman.
16.5	0.6	A	Right onto Laurel Avenue.
16.7	0.2	A	Left onto West Avenue.
16.7	300 ft.	A	First right onto South Avenue.
16.8	0.1	A	Slight left onto Southeast Avenue.
16.8	250 ft.	A	Left onto East Avenue.
16.8	250 ft.	A	First right onto First Avenue. First Avenue is closed to motor vehicle traffic.
16.9	200 ft.	A	Right onto South Broadway.
17.0	0.1	A	Arrive at West Jersey Avenue.

LOCATION MAP



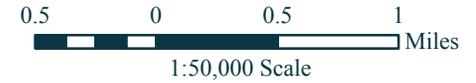
DATA SOURCES

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Parks & Open Space, New Jersey Dept. of
Environmental Protection; Preserved Farmland;
New Jersey Dept. of Agriculture

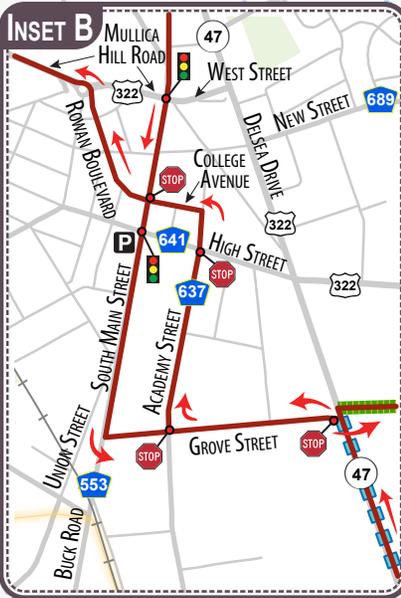
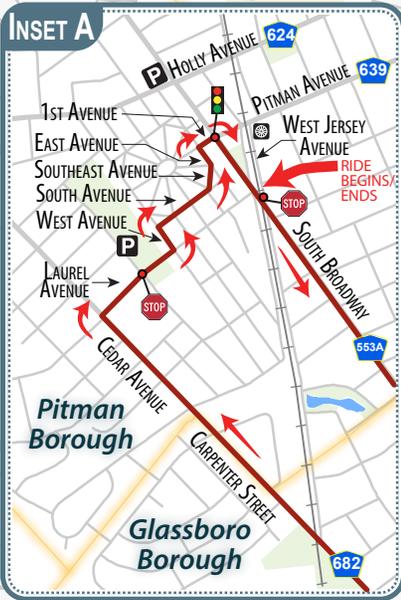


Gloucester County

Pitman, Glassboro & Clayton

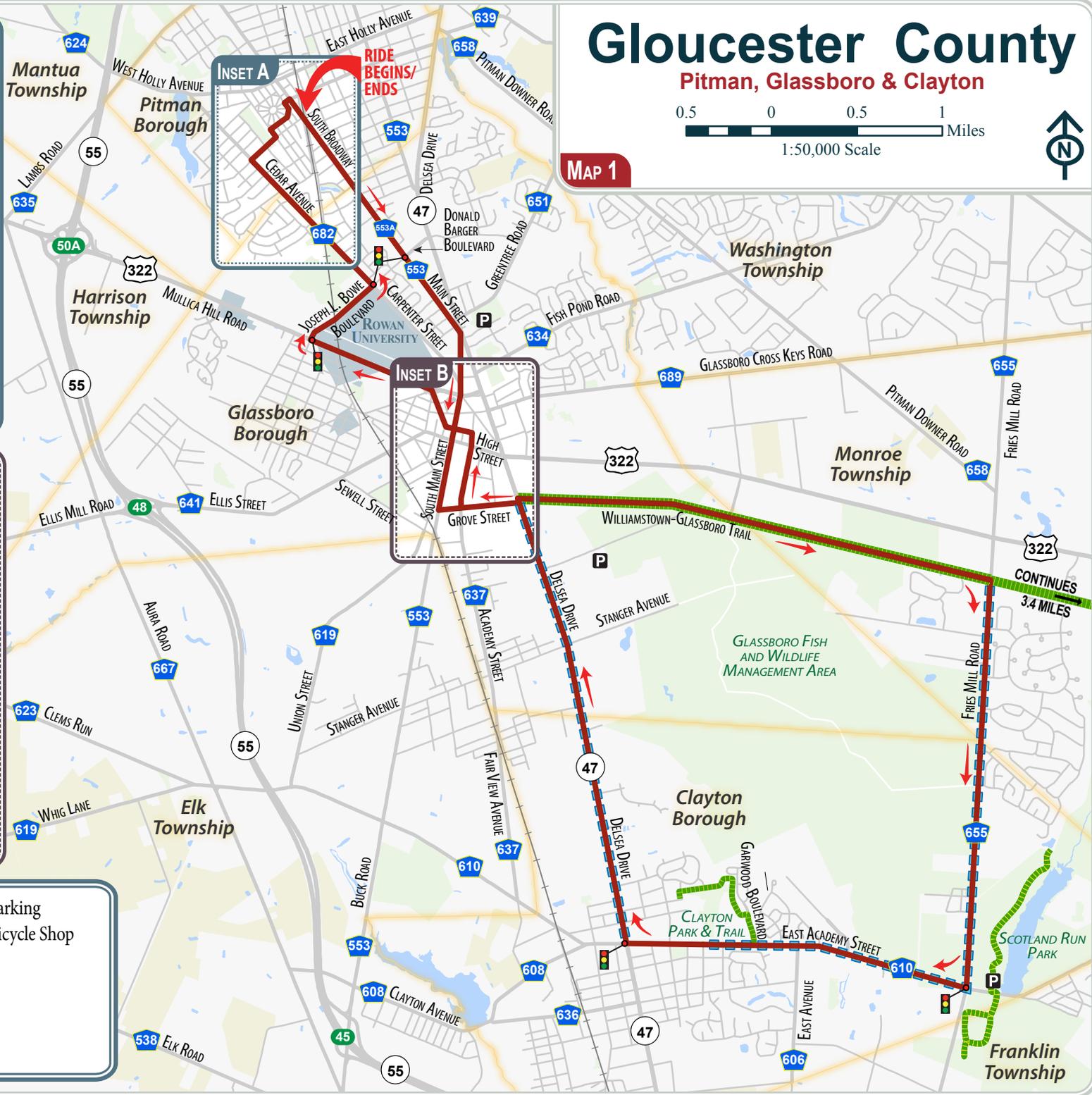


MAP 1



LEGEND

- Bike Route
- On-Road Bike Lane
- Off-Road Trail
- Municipal Border
- Parks & Open Space
- Preserved Farmland
- Parking
- Bicycle Shop



GENERAL TIPS

PLAN AHEAD.

Read the route directions before beginning the ride. Be aware of traffic patterns. Plan trips to avoid peak traffic times.

OBEY SAFETY LAWS.

In New Jersey, a bicyclist has the same rights and responsibilities as a motor vehicle driver. Obey all traffic signs and signals. Ride as near to the right of the road as practicable exercising due care when passing; ride in the same direction as vehicular traffic; show your intention clearly when turning and changing lanes.

WEAR A HELMET.

This will reduce the possibility of disabling head injuries in the event of a fall or collision. Anyone under 17 years of age that rides a bicycle or is a passenger on a bicycle, or is towed as a passenger by a bicycle must wear a safety helmet.

SHARE THE ROAD/TRAIL.

Be aware of and respect the rights and safety of other road and trail users, especially children, pedestrians, joggers and equestrians.

BE AWARE OF ROAD CONDITIONS.

The NJDOT does not guarantee that the route is completely free from conditions that may be a hazard to bicycle traffic and takes no responsibility for the safety and fitness of the user and suggested route. In preparing this route, every attempt has been made to select roads that can provide a quality bicycling experience. However, road conditions continually change: pavements deteriorate, roads are resurfaced, more development leads to increased traffic. Conditions listed in this route were effective at publishing. Construction notices and traffic advisories can be found on www.511nj.org

READ THE NEW JERSEY BICYCLING MANUAL.

Riding a bicycle requires you to be responsible for your actions, for your safety and for the safety of others. This manual covers: Quick Maintenance Checks, Traffic Basics, Sharing the Road, Parking your Bike, Riding at Night and in Rain and Snow, Riding with Others, and Traffic Signals, Signs and Road Markings. The manual is available online at www.state.nj.us/transportation/commuter/bike/

The State of New Jersey has published this map and brochure to aid the cyclist and takes no responsibility for user's safety or fitness of the suggested routes. Ride carefully. This map illustrates the route and should be used for general wayfinding purposes.

Map by The RBA Group

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

THINGS TO DO IN GLOUCESTER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

www.gloucestercountynj.gov/visitors/todo.asp

SCOTLAND RUN PARK

www.gloucestercountynj.gov/depts/p/parks/parkgolf/scotland/

GLASSBORO WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (WMA)

www.nj.gov/dep/fgw/wmaland.htm

VISIT SOUTH JERSEY

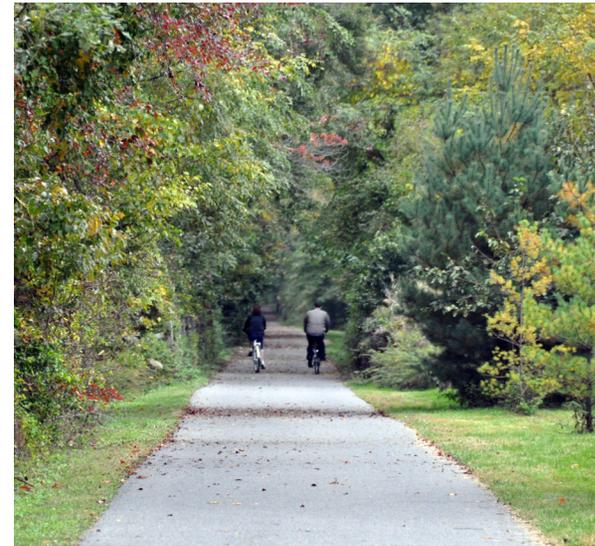
visitsouthjersey.com

HERITAGE GLASS MUSEUM

www.heritageglassmuseum.com

ROWAN UNIVERSITY

www.rowan.edu



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