



Welcome to the 2016 Missoula Marathon Beer Run! Join us for a FREE 3.1 mile social run around Missoula, followed by a party in Caras Park with live entertainment and a free beer for all runners over 21, provided by Big Sky Brewing Company. We will also have wine and extra beer on sale following the run. Please feel free to converse with any of our specially clad Beer Run Guides along the way regarding questions about Missoula or the Missoula Marathon weekend. And most importantly, have fun!

- A. Caras Park:** Home of the Missoula Marathon Expo, packet pick-up, Beer Run start/finish, and the post marathon party on Sunday. Caras Park also hosts many of Missoula's best festivals, concerts and social gatherings, and is home to *A Carousel for Missoula*, which was hand built by local volunteers and craftsmen with over 100,000 hours of labor.
- B. Bess Reed Park:** Located on the river side of the Holiday Inn, you may recognize this location as the start/finish of last year's Missoula Marathon Beer Run. And it's just 1/2 mile down this route to the marathon/half marathon bus loading area on Sunday. Continue on the trail out to the street and turn right. Follow the course markings until you're back on the pedestrian-only trail.
- C. Kiwanis Park:** Features picnicking, tennis and volleyball courts. Continue along the park's edge until you get to the foot bridge. Turn right on the foot bridge to cross the Clark Fork river, then left at the end of the bridge.



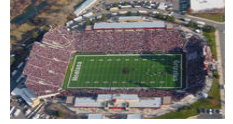
D. Jacobs Island Bark Park: A 6 acre island in the middle of the Clark Fork river dedicated to Missoula's free roaming dogs and their owners. You'll turn right near the entrance of the dog park and head toward the University of Montana.



E. Adam's Center: As you turn left on Campus Drive, look to the right where you will see the parking area for the Missoula Marathon/Half Marathon bus loading area on Sunday morning. This is just a 1/2 mile walk from downtown area hotels. If driving, remember that parking is limited so be sure to arrive early.



F. Washington Grizzly Stadium: Home of the University of Montana Grizzly football games, and past host to several large concerts, including the Rolling Stones and Paul McCartney. Continue around the outside of the stadium and the university campus.



G. Hellgate Canyon: Named for the many ambushes that occurred between the Salish and Blackfoot Native American tribes, and a familiar namesake for many local businesses, schools, and attractions. Today, the canyon is lined on the south side with a pedestrian trail along it's entire length.



H. Missoula's "M" Trail Trailhead: Missoula's most popular day hike, and host to several local running events, this 1.5 mile round trip will take you 620 feet above the valley floor and is also a gateway to miles of other alpine trails above the city.



I. University of Montana: Founded in 1893, it is the flagship campus of the University of Montana System and its largest institution, and was designated the official state arboretum of Montana in 1991. Outside magazine once called it "among the top 10 colleges nationally for combining academic quality and outdoor recreation" and Rolling Stone magazine labeled the university the "most scenic campus in America."



J. University Bear Sculpture: Look to the right as you pass through the west end of the University oval. The bear was sculpted by internationally renowned ceramicist and University professor Rudy Autio in 1969, which was then cast in bronze. The sculpture weighs 5,000 pounds. Continue straight through the campus and as you reach the north parking lots look to your right to once again to see the Marathon/Half Marathon bus loading area in the Adams Center parking lot.



K. Old Milwaukee Depot: Visible across the river from Caras Park, and on the National Register of Historic Places, the depot was built in 1910 and was part of the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad (often referred to as the Milwaukee Road). It is now home to the Boone and Crockett Club, a hunter-conservationist organization founded in 1887 by Theodore Roosevelt.

