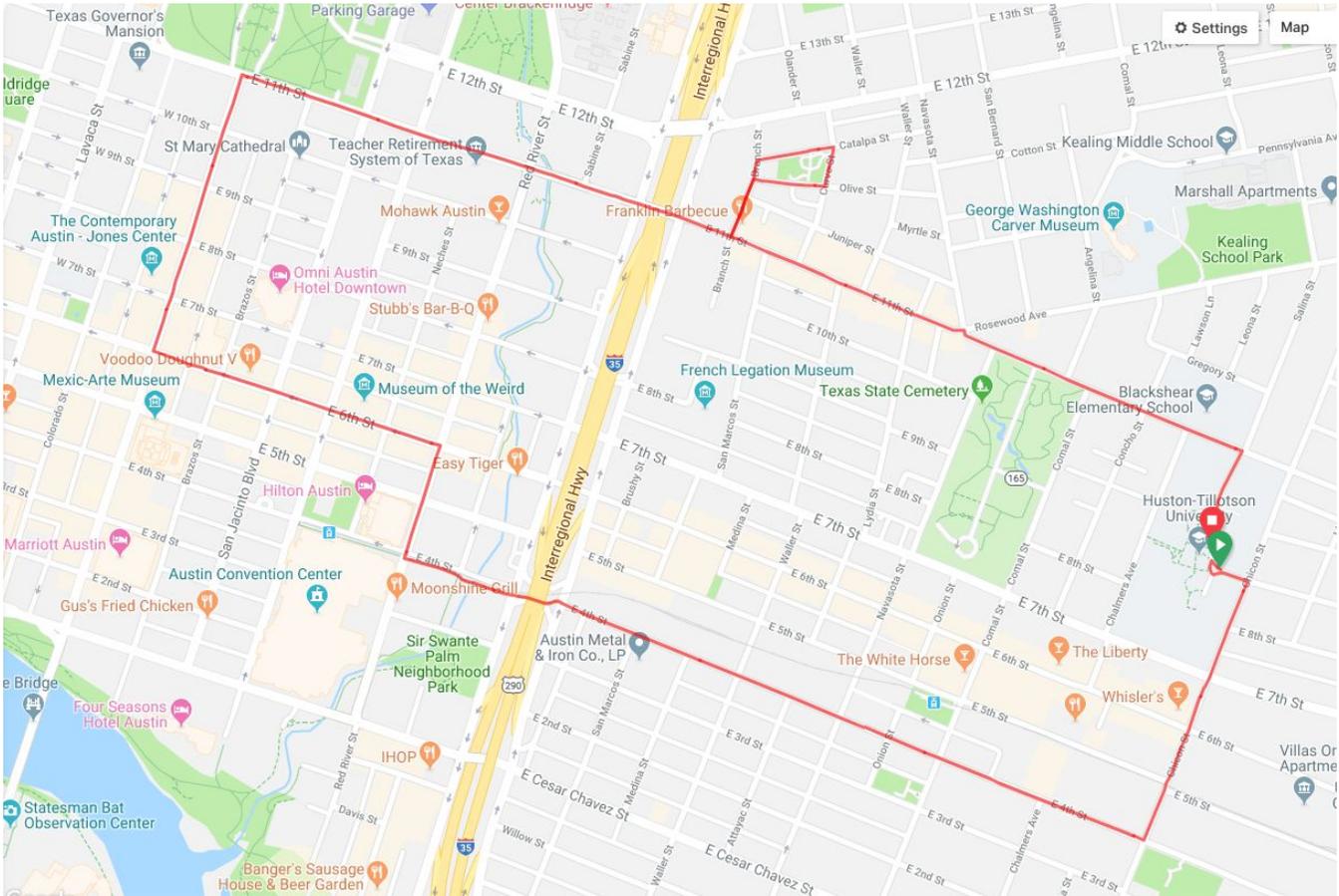


The Route



Turn-by-Turn Directions

From the main entrance of Huston-Tillotson University

1. Take the first left onto Chicon Street, following the bike lane markings toward E 4th Street.
2. Turn right onto E 4th Street toward downtown, OR take a friendly detour by turning left and visiting [Pan American Neighborhood Park and Recreation Center!](#)
3. Continue westbound on E 4th Street, passing both the [Historic Scoot Inn](#) and internationally recognized [Plaza Saltillo Station](#).
4. Cross under Interstate 35 and across both the NB and SB frontage roads using the shared use pathway, staying to the right of people who may be walking.
5. At the intersection with Red River Street, turn right, being careful to cross the railroad tracks at as close to at 90-degree angle as possible.
6. As you make a left turn onto E 6th St, you will be able to see a number of “Austin-famous” locations like [The Ritz theatre](#) (now housing Alamo Draffthouse’s downtown location), Voodoo Doughnuts (yum!), and the (possibly haunted?!) [Driskell Hotel](#).
7. Take a right onto Texas’ Main Street, Congress Avenue, heading north in the direction of the [Texas State Capitol](#). While you aren’t able to park and lock your bike on the Capitol grounds, you may choose to take a spin around the building or lock your bike to one of the racks just off Congress Avenue between 10th and 11th Streets. The Capitol is always free to visitors during its normal operating hours.
8. To continue along the route, turn east onto E 11th Street (this would be a right turn if you were heading north on Congress Avenue and facing the Capitol).

9. While you are pedaling uphill in the bike lane on E 11th Street, prepare to enjoy the downhill that comes after you cross San Jacinto Boulevard!
10. Continue on E 11th Street along the I-35 overpass and take the first left turn onto Branch Street, just before [Franklin Barbecue](#) (chances are good that you'll see a L O N G line of people waiting to get in).
11. Turn right onto Olive Street followed by a left onto Curve Street. Take a quick break at the [Lott Pocket Park](#) before hopping back on your bike and taking a left turn onto Catalpa Street. You'll see the "Together We Are" mural, which was handpainted by area teens to promote unity amongst community members.
12. As you take a left back onto Branch Street, followed by another left onto E 11th Street, keep an eye out for local historical markers and locations like the [Texas Music Museum](#), [Rhapsody](#), and the [Historic Victory Grill](#).
13. Veer slightly right to stay on E 11th Street until your final right turn back onto the Huston-Tillotson campus immediately after passing Chalmers Avenue.

This Austin Biking Adventure was originally developed for the [Smart Trips Austin](#) program, which served residents of the 78702 and 78722 neighborhoods in 2018.