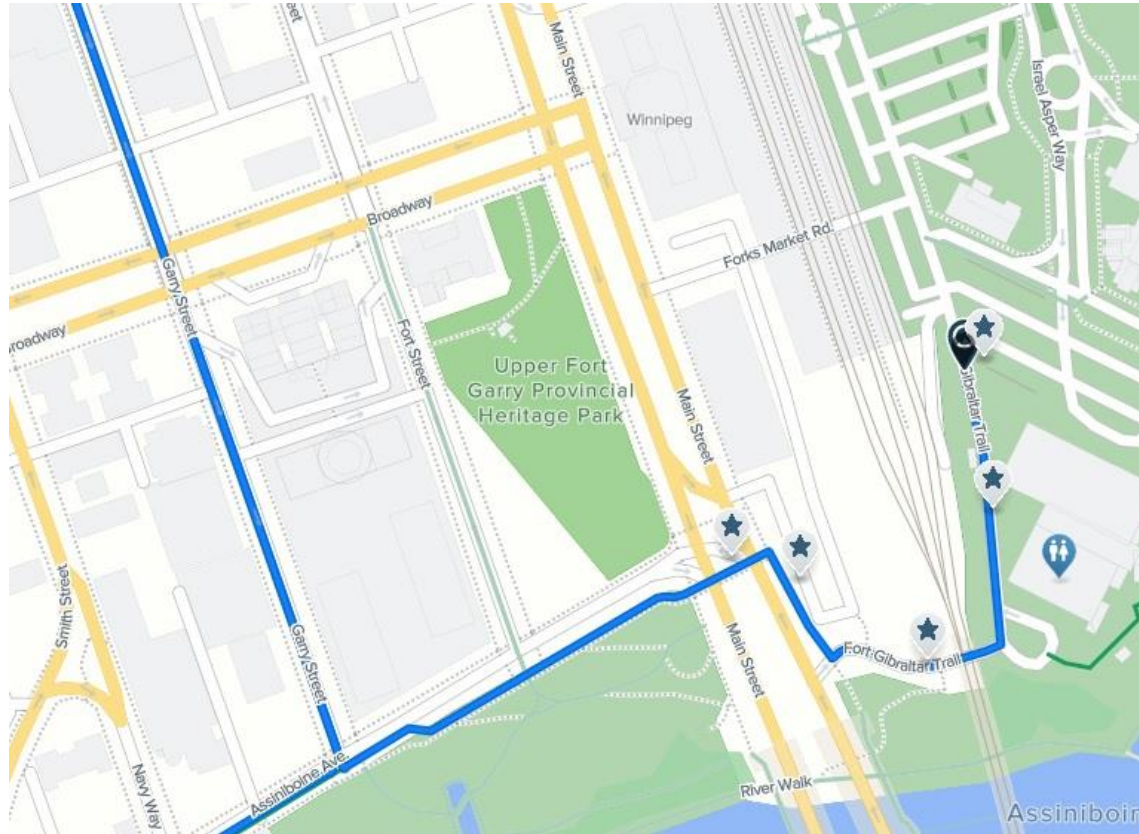


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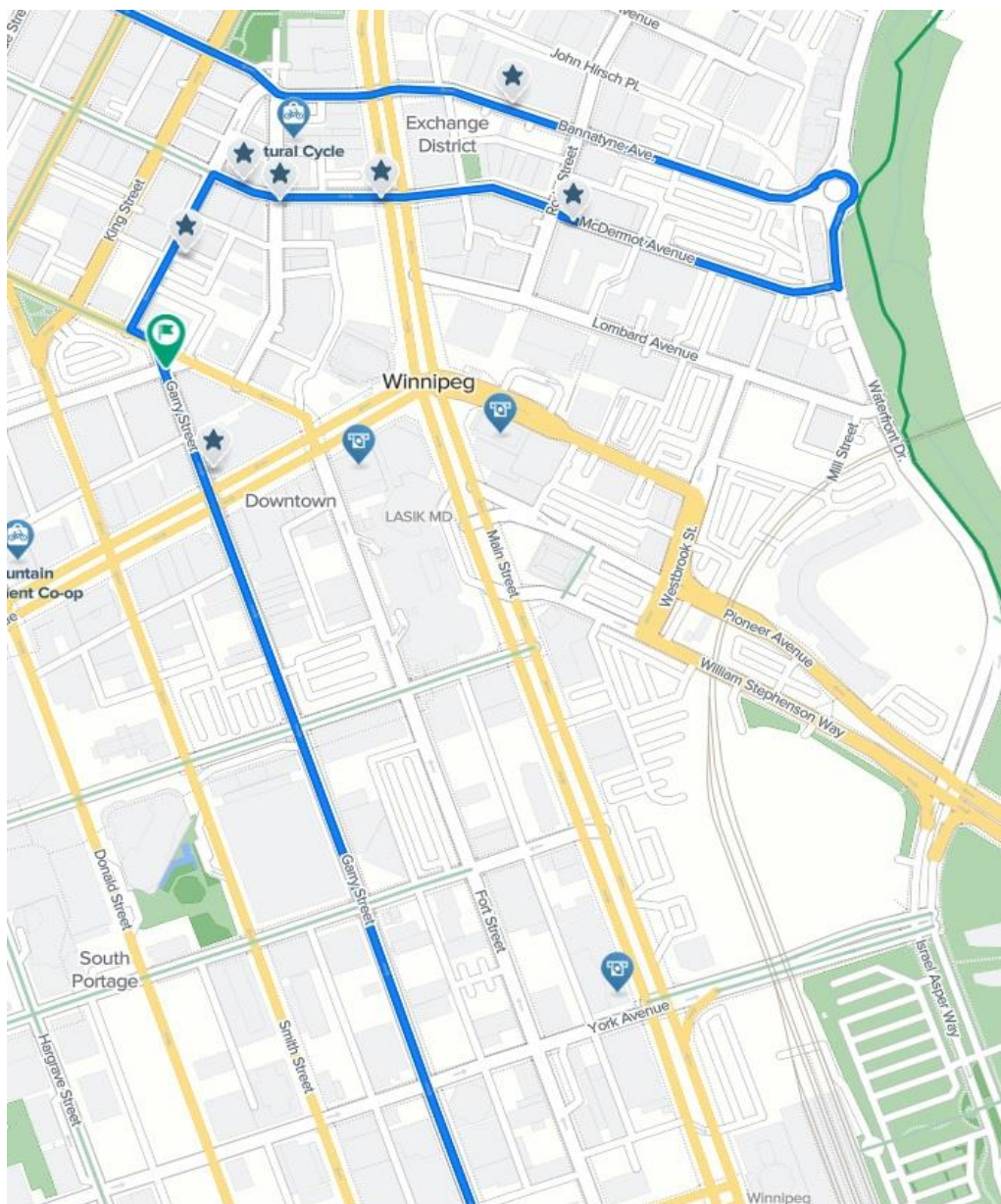
Note: The stars on the maps are point of interest or more information on that specific location.



Route Details

- Starting at the WRENCH satellite location at the train cars.
 - o Point of Interest: Open for sales and parts Wed, 4 - 8 pm and Sat. 1 - 7 pm. Open for sales Sun. 12 - 6 pm.
- Take Fort Gibraltar Trail south to the underpass and turn right
 - o Point of Interest: Fort Gibraltar Trail - The Forks used paint and speed humps along this stretch to try and slow traffic.
- Take the by directional raised bike lane to Main Street
 - o Point of Interest: Fort Gibraltar Trail - This is the first raised bike lane in Winnipeg and also the first use of green thermoplast on the surface. The Forks provided some of the left over to the city to use in highlight conflict zones. Another first is the electronic counter whose results are updated on the city's open data site. For more information on bike counts check <https://bit.ly/3z5C8AK>
- Turn right onto the sidewalk and follow to the bike x-ing

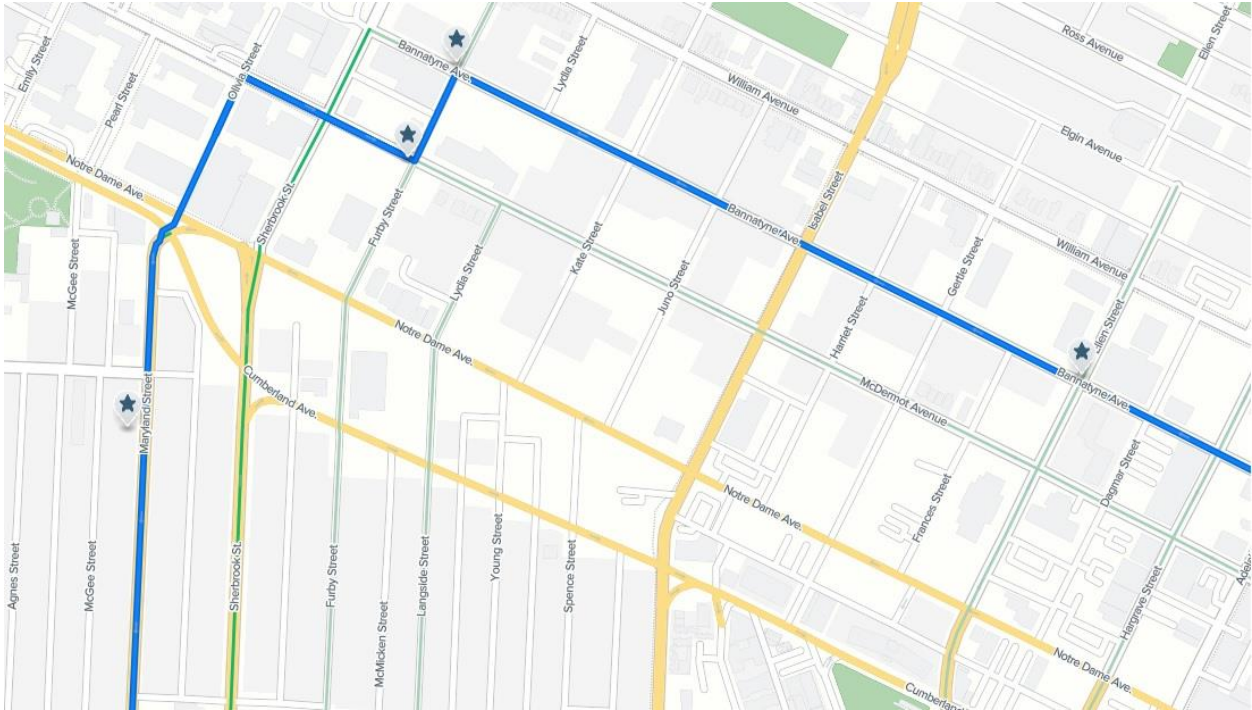
- Point of Interest: Sidewalk Connection - Currently bikes need to use the sidewalk to access the bike x-ing at Main & Assiniboine. A new connection is to be completed in 2021.
- Take the bike x-ing across to the Assiniboine Protected Bike Lane
 - Point of Interest: Bike X-ing - Main Street - This crossing is a critical link in the network due to the connection to Assiniboine and because Main is so busy. There have been some conflicts with turning vehicles in particular those turning from Assiniboine onto Main Street south. Cyclists need to remain alert to turning vehicles.
- Follow the Assiniboine path/bike lane to Garry Street and turn right onto the Garry Street bi-directional bike lane heading north..



Route Details (Cont'd)

- Follow the Garry Street bike lane north to Notre Dame
 - o Point of Interest: Garry Street bi-directional bike lane - This 2 way bike lane is an important north/south link in the downtown. Advocates would have preferred one way protected bike lanes on Fort & Garry however most people are still very happy to have the Garry Street facility. The large number of driveways/parking lots along the route have created some conflicts with crossing vehicles and because the lights are timed for southbound traffic it can create some issues with flow heading north.
- Cross Notre Dame at the lights and turn left toward Arthur, turn right at Arthur and proceed north along the contra-flow bike lane located between the sidewalk and parking.
 - o Point of Interest: Arthur Street Contra-flow Bike Lane - One of only a few bike lanes that flow against the direction of vehicle traffic. This is an important link to the McDermot protected bike lane. Intended to be one way however there has been some confusion due to the "except cyclists" signage at McDermot that is intended to warn drivers of bikes coming against the flow of traffic. Adding a directional arrow in these one-way bike lanes would help.
 - o Tip: there is a painted bike lane on this section of Arthur for those riding south toward Notre Dame
- Take the Arthur bike lane to McDermot and turn right onto the McDermot Protected Bike Lane. Ride east to Main Street
 - o Point of Interest: Two stage turn lane - For those wishing to get to Bannatyne or Old Market Square there is a two-stage turn lane painted to the right of the protected bike lane at Albert Street. You can pull out of the McDermot bike lane and wait in the turn lane for the light to change and proceed north on Albert.
- Cross Main Street in the painted bike lane
 - o Point of Interest: Leading green interval for bikes - These lights give bikes and pedestrians a head start entering the intersection before vehicles are permitted to proceed, in particular allowing people on foot or bike to get ahead of right turning vehicles.
 - o You should however remain vigilant and watch for right turning vehicles, especially if you enter the intersection after the leading green interval is completed.
- Continue east on McDermot to Waterfront
 - o Point of Interest: Protected bike lane transitions to a centerline sharrow beyond Rorie- These sharrows are intended to indicate to vehicle drivers that people on bikes will be taking the lane here as passing is not safe. Take the lane, you're entitled to take the space, and safest when you do.
- Turn left onto Waterfront taking the roundabout to Bannatyne bike lane.
 - o Note: Cyclists should take the full lane through the roundabout.
- Take the Bannatyne bike lane west

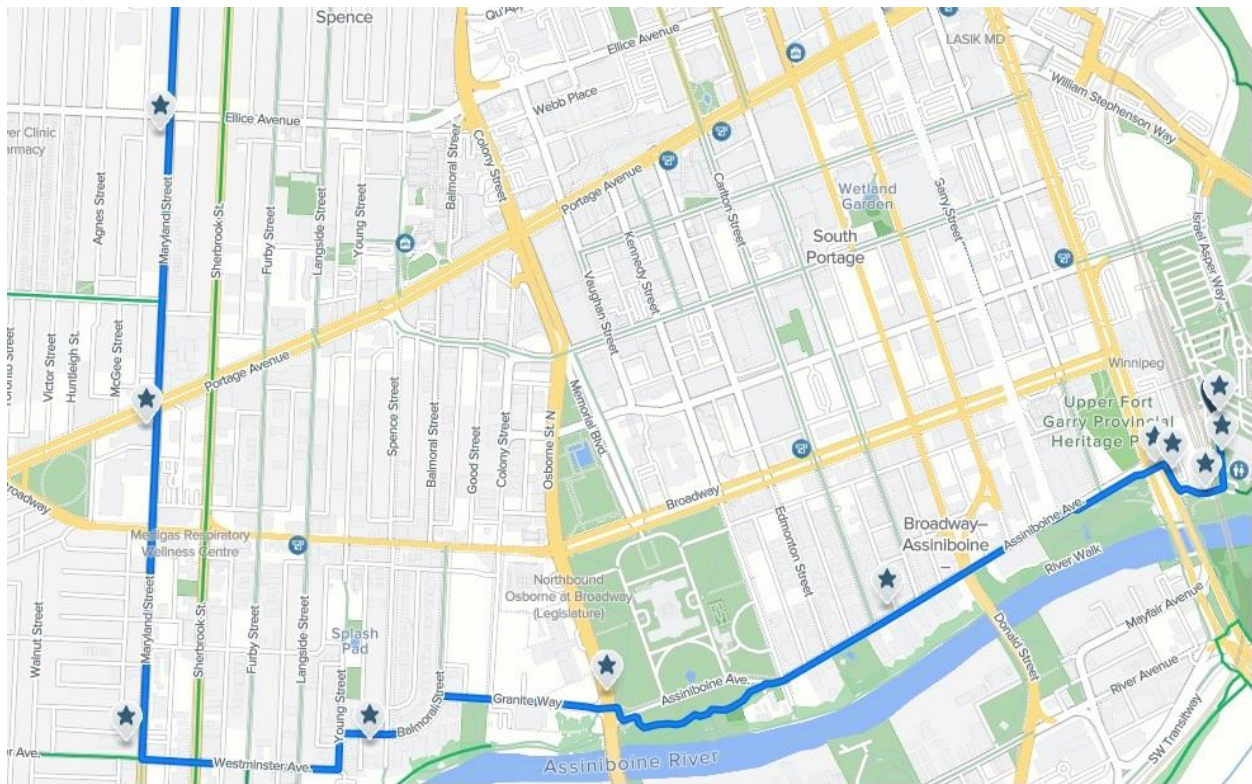
- Point of Interest: Bannatyne has a planter protected bike lane.



Route Details (Cont'd)

- Follow the Bannatyne Protected Bike Lane east
 - Point of Interest: Ellen Contra-flow bike lane - If you want to head to Red River College etc, turn right here and follow the contra-flow bike lane north along Ellen. Cross William and continue on Ellen until you reach Alexander, which provides connections west of Arlington all the way to Red River College. (with a bit of weaving)
- At Furby turn left and head to McDermot
 - Point of Interest: The Bannatyne protected bike lane ends at Furby. To continue west, must head south on Furby to reach the McDermot bike lane, which allows for two-way bike traffic west of Furby. There is a green two-stage turn queue on Furby to help make the turn off of Bannatyne onto southbound Furby. The two-stage turn queue on Furby is aligned a bit oddly, so you are best to line up in the Furby through lane rather than the two-stage turn queue.
- Turn right onto the McDermot bi-directional protected bike lane, follow the bike lane west across Sherbrook, turn left onto Olivia Street and ride south towards Notre Dame

- As you approach the end of Olivia, take the path to your left and follow it through to Notre Dame
- Use the bicycle crossing to get yourself across Notre Dame. The bicycle crossing will lead you directly into the Maryland painted bike lane heading south.
 - o Point of Interest: Maryland painted bike lane against the curb on the right side.
- Follow the Maryland bike lane south



Route Details (Cont'd)

- Follow Maryland south all the way to Westminster.
 - o Point of Interest: At Ellice the painted bike lane swings right around the bus stop and shelter.
 - o Point of Interest: Just south of Portage the bike lane swings right around bus stop and continues past high school building before returning to a painted bike lane on the right side.
 - Note: South of Broadway, the city has upgraded the painted bike lane on Maryland to a raised, curb level bike lane.
 - o Point of Interest: There is an option at this point to take a longer ride on 2 of the city's Enhanced Summer Bike Routes.

- Continue along the Maryland bike lane until you reach Wolseley; turn right and enjoy the Enhanced Summer Bike Route along Wolseley west all the way to Raglan Road
- Turn left onto the path leading down to the bridge across Omands Creek and follow the multiuse path back up and west to the pedestrian bridge over the Assiniboine River.
- Take the bridge over to Wellington Crescent and turn left taking this Enhanced Summer Bike Route back east to Academy Road.
- Turn left onto the Maryland bridge and take it back north east and onto the Sherbrook bike lane.
 - Note: On the bridge there is a “shy lane” on the right side. This should not be confused with a bike lane although many people make this assumption.
 - Follow the Sherbrook bike lane north to Westminster and rejoin the route below.
- Turn left onto Westminster and follow Westminster/Young/Balmoral/Granite to Osborne
 - Point of Interest: This route between Maryland and Osborne will be upgraded to include protected bike lanes in 2021. For more information on the recommended design see <https://bit.ly/3wa96ye>
- Use the bike x-ing to get across Osborne and connect with the multi-use path to the right of Assiniboine to ride through the Legislature grounds and connect into the Assiniboine protected bike lane at just west of Kennedy.
 - Point of Interest: Osborne bike X-ing - This crossing is an important link to Assiniboine as at times the path under the bridge is flooded and at night it is unlit.
- Follow the Assiniboine bike lane east back to Main Street
 - Point of Interest: Assiniboine Protected Bike Lane - This is one of the most used and important downtown bike lanes. Bike traffic along Assiniboine skyrocketed after installation of the bike lane and have continued to climb ever since. For several years after the installation building construction on the river side of Assiniboine caused sometimes awkward detours.
- Cross Main at the bike x-ing, turn right onto the sidewalk and then left to get back onto the raised bike lane along Fort Gibraltar Trail and return to The Forks.

Link to the [Bikemaps.net route](#):