

## Wilsonville Memorial Park and Murase Plaza

126-acre Memorial Park encompasses the best of Oregon, with its people-centered Murase Plaza, community garden on Kolbe Lane, forested natural areas adjacent to Boeckman Creek and 0.5 mile of Willamette River frontage.

Begin at Murase Plaza, Wilsonville Road and Memorial Drive. This upper portion of Memorial Park transitions between developed, more urban areas near Wilsonville Road and the wooded, natural character of the lower park. From the plaza, head south on the trail past the child's play area and historic barn. As you descend the trail, Boeckman Creek is to the east. Fish barriers have been removed from the creek and its banks restored with native vegetation. After passing the lower barn, join the Central Loop Trail by turning left toward the off-leash dog area. Here, access undeveloped park areas: open meadows and primitive trails along the Willamette River and Boeckman Creek. Continue on the Central Loop Trail past two picnic shelters and around the athletic fields or walk through the wooded area along the Willamette to the public boat dock.

Other park facilities include a skatepark, basketball courts, tennis courts, playgrounds and a sand volleyball court. Memorial Park is also home to a community garden, east of Murase Plaza along Kolbe Lane. For a longer walk, take any of the trails off the Central Loop Trail into less developed natural areas. Many trails have level grades and are ADA accessible.

3.4 miles   7172 steps   difficulty   45.301, -122.758

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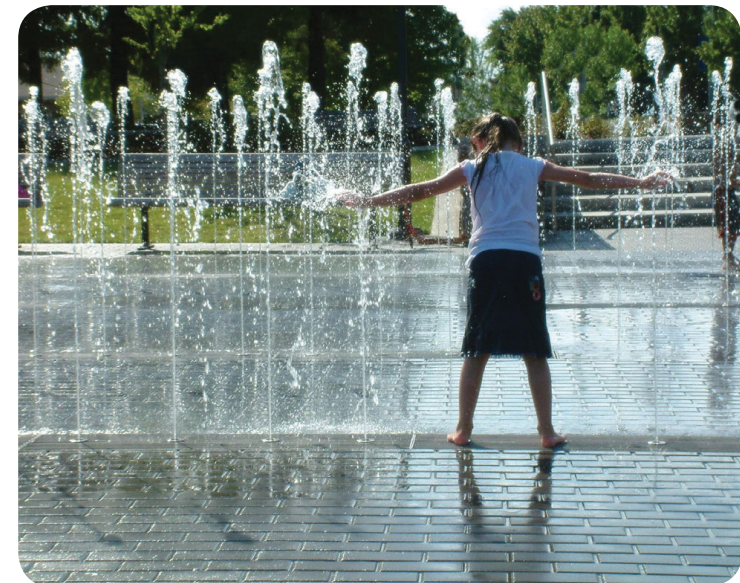
### Murase Plaza

In 2006, Wilsonville unveiled the 22-acre Murase Plaza, named to honor Robert Murase (muir-ah-zee), a landscape architect whose vision was to create connections among citizens through natural and architectural beauty. Murase Plaza mixes water play, play structures and formal plantings with apple and walnut orchards from the land's days as a farm. Murase also designed Beaverton's Nike World Headquarters and the Japanese American Historical Plaza at Portland's Waterfront Park.

Along the Central Loop Trail, goats have been working since 2002 to eradicate non-native English ivy. Each summer, the public can participate in a goat day event, to learn about the role goats play in controlling invasive plant species.



Fountain at Murase Plaza





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330 660 feet