

# *Ozark Run*

## *Scenic Byway*

**Route Book**

**2024 - 2025**

*Scenic*  
**Missouri**



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## *Route Map*



**It's official!**

## **The *Ozark Run Scenic Byway* is Missouri's newest scenic byway**

The route starts at the Big River near Washington State Park, reaches westward to Courtois Creek in Berryman, and heads south through the St. Francois Mountains and the historic towns of Caledonia, Pilot Knob, Ironton, and Arcadia, and ends near the Black River.

This 78-mile journey through small towns and wilderness links together many scenic and historic highlights in Missouri, and provides access to numerous recreational opportunities.

A scenic byway of this magnitude helps to unite communities and organizations around a common mission: bringing the world's attention to the Missouri Ozarks – a supremely beautiful, yet largely overlooked territory in the heart of our nation.

**Meramec**  
*Sprint*

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Potosi

Caledonia

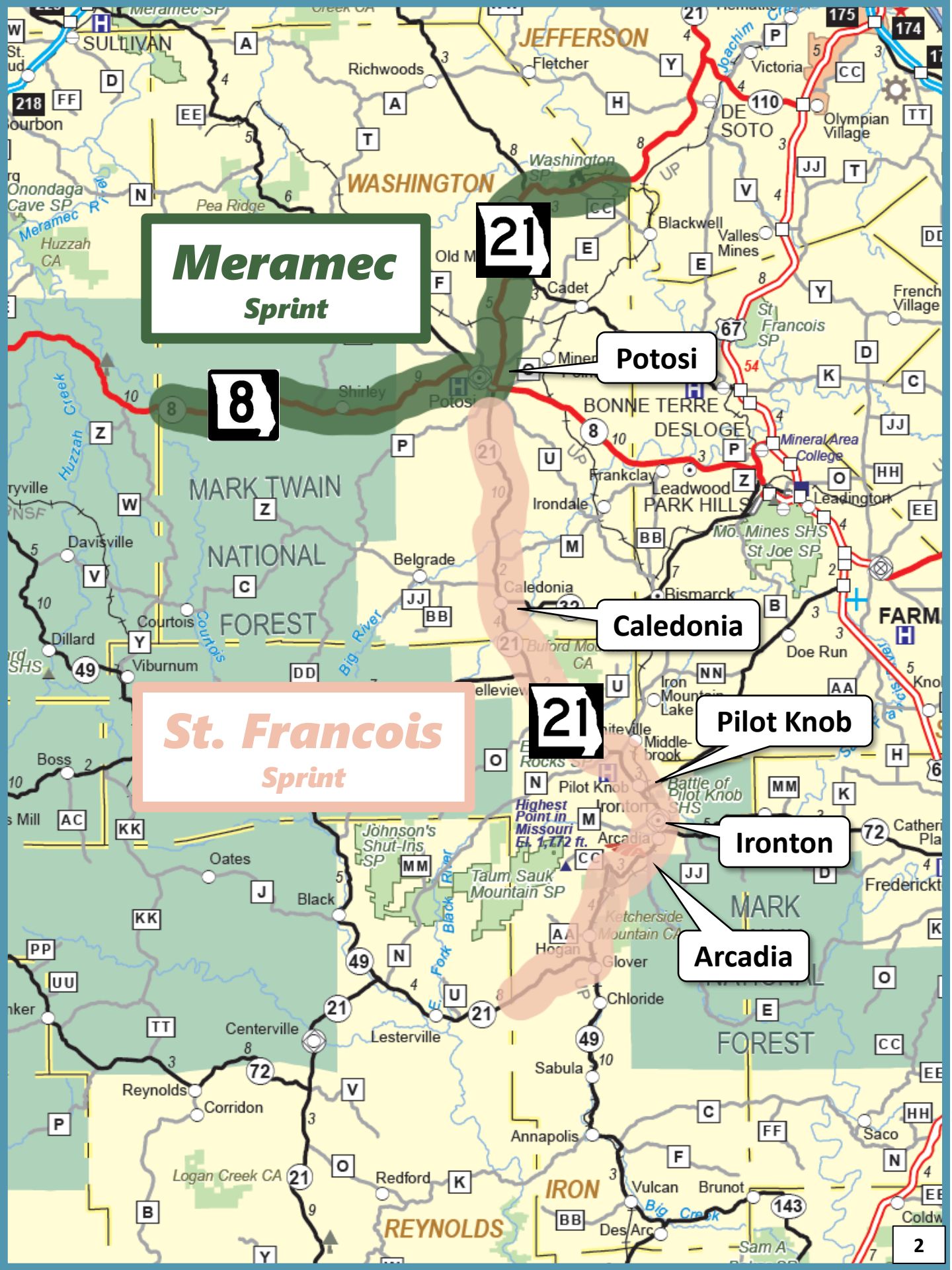
**St. Francois**  
*Sprint*

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Pilot Knob

Ironton

Arcadia





# ***Meramec Sprint***

## ***Route Details***



*Washington State Park*



*Huzzah River*

***Road: Route 21, Route 8***  
***Begin: Washington State Park***  
***End: Berryman MO***  
***Length: 35 miles***

***Counties: Washington***  
***Communities: Potosi***

The Meramec Sprint stretches between the Big River and Courtois Creek, two major tributaries of the Meramec River. The sprint starts in Washington State Park, where Route 21 crosses the Big River into Washington County, then proceeds south through the historic village of Old Mines to Potosi.

The drive from Potosi towards the west along Route 8 is a shining example of a pleasant country drive. The road gently meanders through wooded hills, quiet valleys, and fertile farms. This sprint crosses through Mark Twain National Forest, which contains creeks, campgrounds, fishing lakes, and the northern reaches of the Ozark Trail. The byway officially terminates at Berryman, but just a few miles further along Route 8 are three of the most popular Ozark floating streams: the Courtois, the Huzzah, and the Meramec. This area has several public river access points, canoe and kayak outfitters, and outdoor resorts.

# Meramec Sprint

Washington SP

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Pea Ridge CA

Brazil Creek

Berryman

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Courtois Creek

Potosi

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Hazel Creek



Onondaga Cave SP

Huzzah CA

Huzzah Creek

Steelville

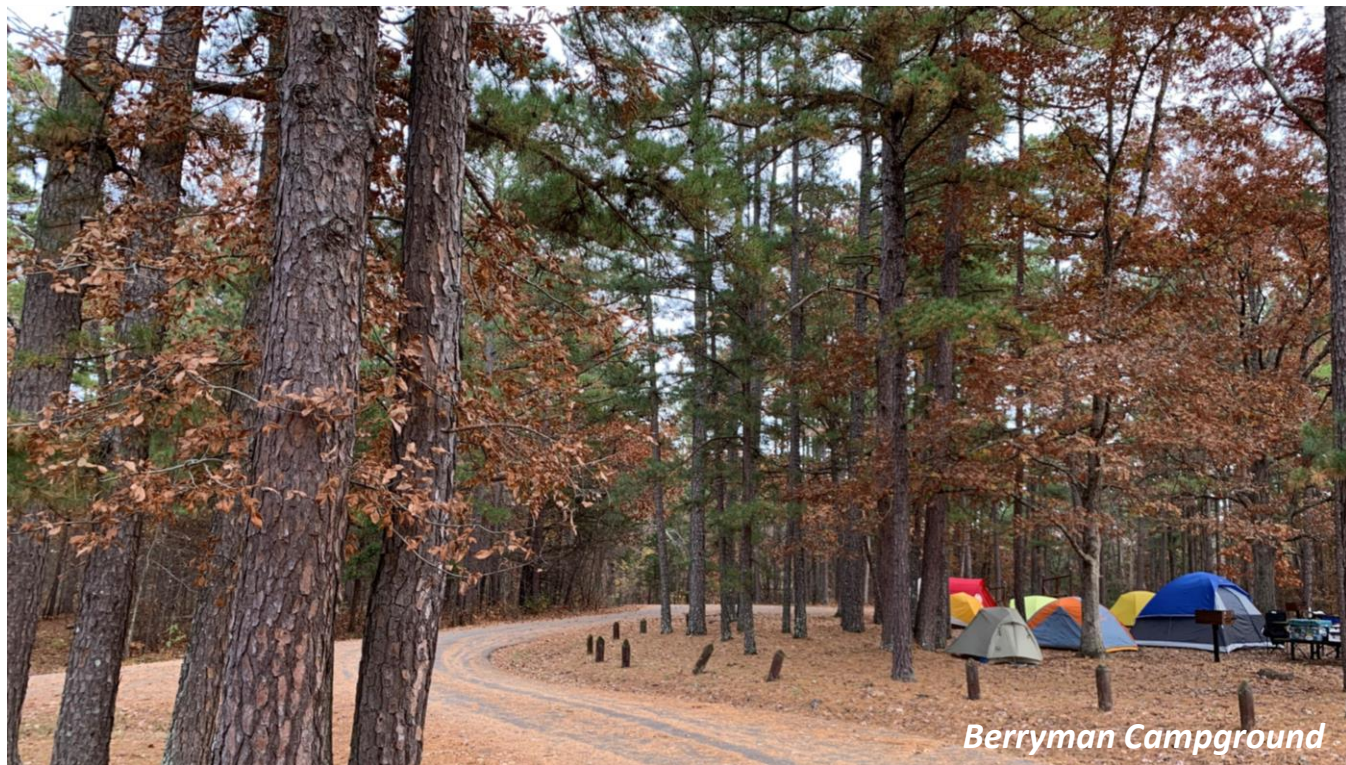


# Meramec Sprunt

## Points of Interest Inventory



Points of Interest	Miles from byway
Washington State Park	0
Ozark Trail	0
Berryman Campground	1
Courtois Creek Access	1
Brazil Creek Campground	7
Hazel Creek Campground	8
Huzzah Creek Access	8
Pea Ridge Conservation Area	15
Huzzah Conservation Area	18
Onondaga Cave State Park	20





# ***Traveler Services Inventory***

## ***Potosi Restaurants***

Bearfoot Café	Hub's Pub & Grill
Black Bird Café & Bakery	Little Caesars Pizza
Casey's	McDonald's
Dairy Queen	Sonic Drive-In
Domino's Pizza	Subway
Dos Primos	Sweet Memories
Family Steakhouse	Sandwich Shop
Hardee's	Taco Bell

## ***Old Mines Restaurants***

Steve's Place Bar & Grill

## ***Potosi Lodging***

Super 8 by Wyndham  
YMCA Trout Lodge

## ***Tourism Links***

Washington County  
<https://www.washingtoncomo.com/160/Attractions>

Steelville Tourism

<https://www.steelville.info/places-to-stay/>



***Meramec River***



***Potosi***



# St. Francois Sprint

## Route Details

**Road:** Route 21

**Begin:** Potosi

**End:** Iron/Reynolds County line

**Length:** 43 miles

**Counties:** Washington, Iron

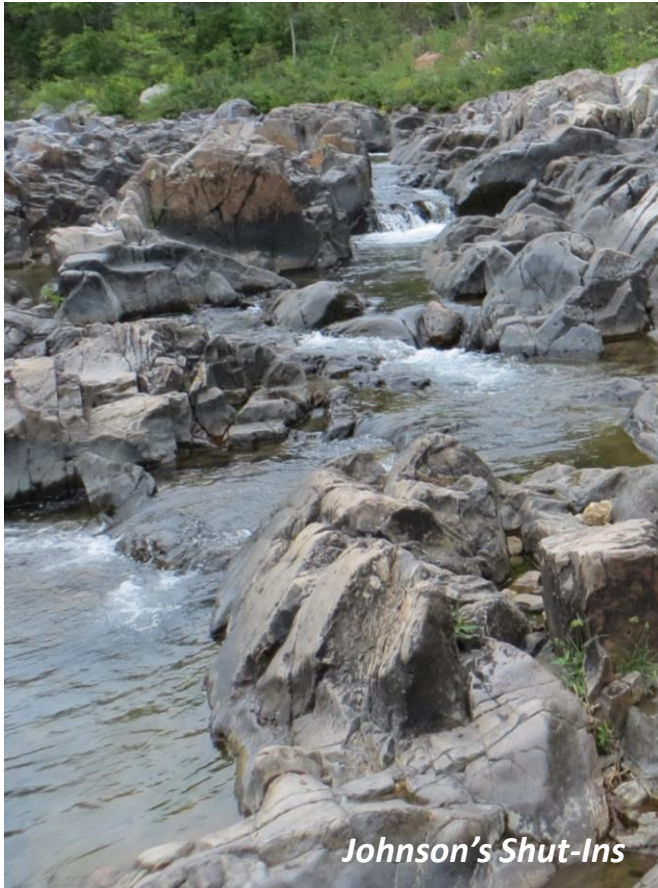
**Communities:** Potosi, Caledonia, Pilot Knob, Ironton, Arcadia

The St. Francois Sprint starts in Potosi, and passes through the historic town of Caledonia on its way to the scenic Arcadia Valley. The towns of Pilot Knob, Ironton, and Arcadia are nestled together among the ancient St. Francois Mountains, and is a popular destination for outdoor enthusiasts. South of Arcadia, the road passes through Royal Gorge. The St. Francois sprint ends at the Iron County line.

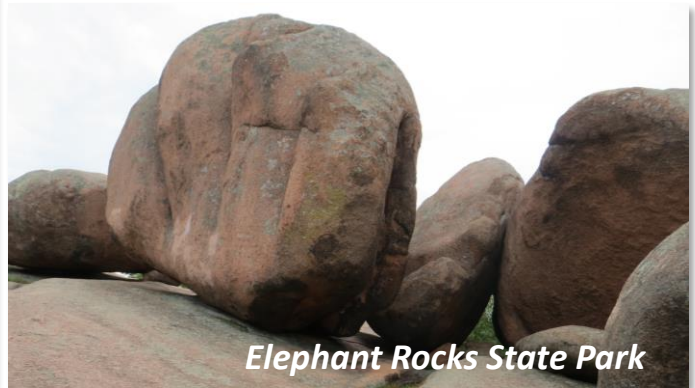
This area is home to dozens of parks, conservation areas, campgrounds, wilderness areas, and hiking trails, including three popular Missouri state parks – Elephant Rocks, Taum Sauk Mountain, and Johnson's Shut-Ins. Two divisions of the Mark Twain National Forest are also in the neighborhood. Just minutes beyond the byway, the three forks of the Black River join near Lesterville, a popular stop for camping and floating.



*Taum Sauk Mountain summit*



*Johnson's Shut-Ins*



*Elephant Rocks State Park*



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*St. Francois Sprint*

Potosi

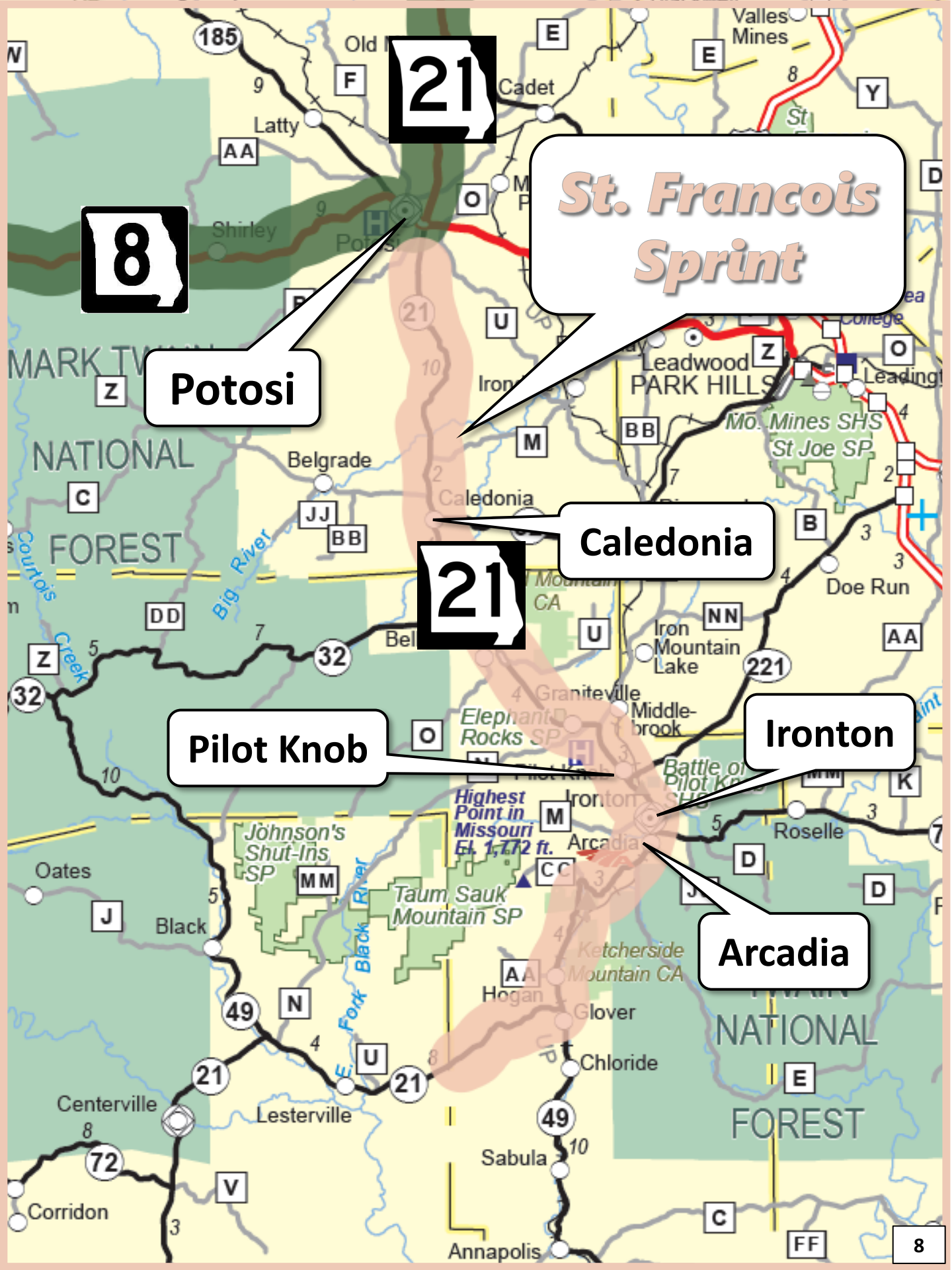
Caledonia

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Pilot Knob

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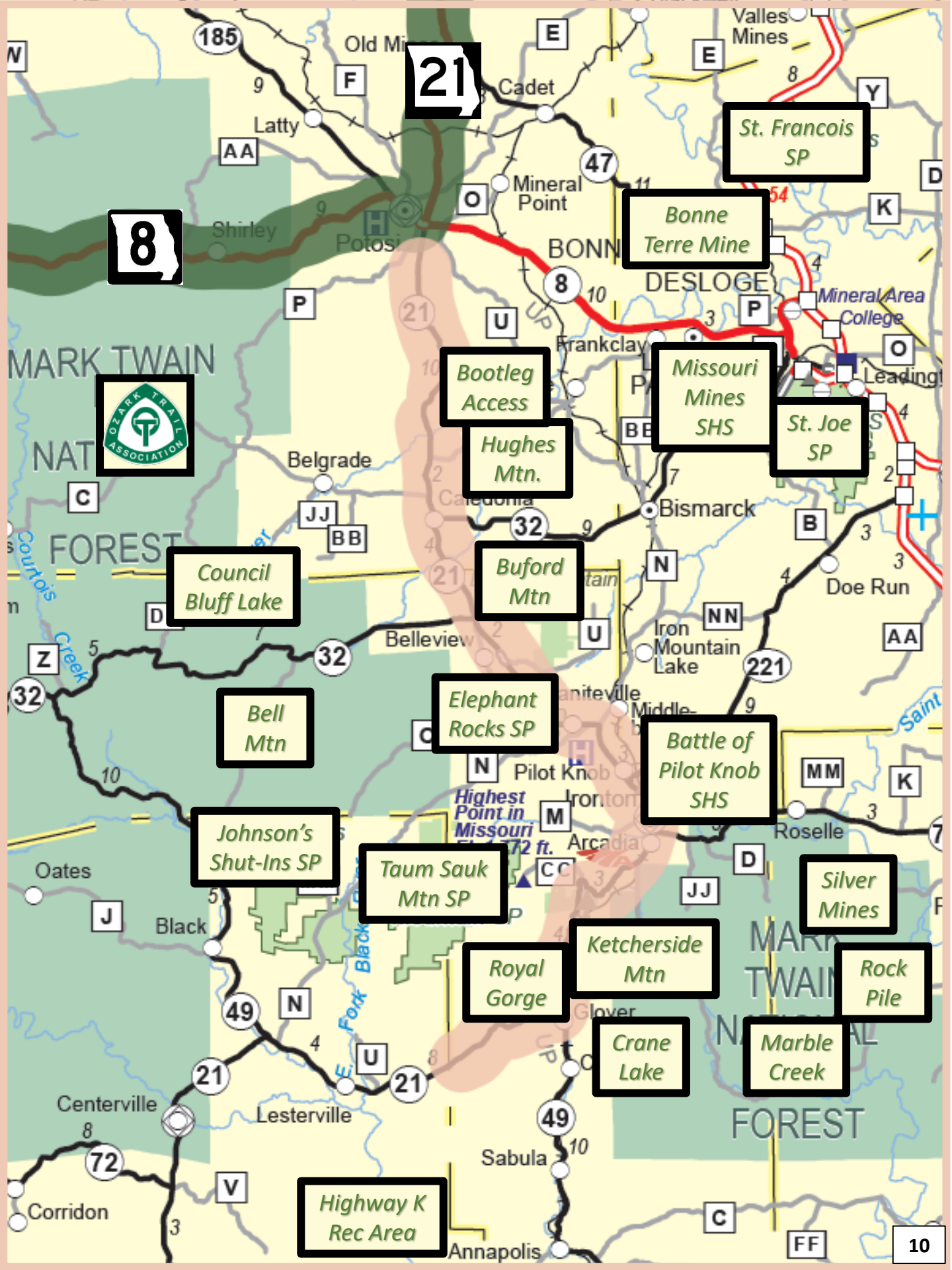


State Parks	Miles from byway
Elephant Rocks	0
Battle of Pilot Knob	0
Taum Sauk Mountain	4
Johnson's Shut-Ins	13
St. Francois	14
St. Joe	15
Missouri Mines	17

National Forest Sites	Miles from byway
Crane Lake Rec. Area	8
Bell Mountain Wilderness	13
Marble Creek Rec. Area	13
Highway K Rec Area	15
Council Bluff Lake	17
Silver Mines Rec. Area	17
Rock Pile Wilderness	25

Other Sites	Miles from byway
Ozark Trail	0
Royal Gorge	0
Bootleg Access CA	0
Buford Mountain CA	1
Ketcherside Mountain CA	1
Hughes Mtn Natural Area	4
Bonne Terre Mine	15





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St. Francois  
SP

Bonne  
Terre Mine

Bootleg  
Access

Missouri  
Mines  
SHS

St. Joe  
SP

Hughes  
Mtn.

Council  
Bluff Lake

Buford  
Mtn

Bell  
Mtn

Elephant  
Rocks SP

Battle of  
Pilot Knob  
SHS

Johnson's  
Shut-Ins SP

Taum Sauk  
Mtn SP

Silver  
Mines

Royal  
Gorge

Ketcherside  
Mtn

Rock  
Pile

Crane  
Lake

Marble  
Creek

Highway K  
Rec Area

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## **Restaurants**

### ***Caledonia***

Caledonia Café  
Russell's Triangle Café  
Old Village Mercantile  
Old Village Hot Dog Shoppe

### ***Pilot Knob***

McDonald's  
The Rustler Café  
Subway

### ***Ironton***

Arcadia Valley Roasting Company  
Baylee Jo's Barbecue  
Casey's  
Checo's Mexican Restaurant  
La Chatina Mexican Restaurant  
The Iron Mule  
Punkins Twisted B&B

### ***Arcadia***

Desi's Diner  
Thee Abbey Kitchen  
Hunt Brothers Pizza  
Porter's Candy World & Ice Cream Parlor

### ***Lesterville***

Black River Ice Cream Parlor  
Three Forks Café and Home Cookin'  
21 Yard Line Bar & Grill

## **Tourism Links**

Arcadia Valley - <https://www.visitarcadiavalley.info/>  
Caledonia - <https://caledoniamo.org>  
Lesterville - <https://www.lestervillemissouri.com/>  
Washington County - <https://www.washingtoncomo.com/160/Attractions>

## **Lodging**

### ***Caledonia***

Old Caledonian Bed & Breakfast

### ***Pilot Knob***

Fort Davidson Hotel  
Shepherd Mountain Inn & Suites

### ***Ironton***

Dragonfly-In Bed and Breakfast  
Parlor Bed & Breakfast  
Plain & Fancy Bed & Breakfast

### ***Arcadia***

Arcadia Academy  
Arcadia Valley Bungalows  
Nostalgic Place Laundry House Bed & Breakfast  
Wilderland Glamping Cabins

### ***Lesterville***

Black River Lodge  
Crocker's Country Charm B&B  
Twin Rivers Landing  
Wilderness Lodge Resort  
Log Cabin Inn



*Tip Top Roadside Park*



*Caledonia*



*Dogwood in bloom*