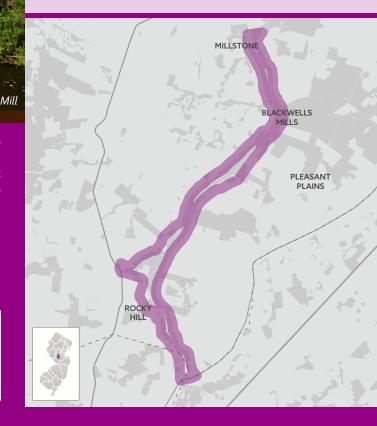




Discover exciting outdoor recreation, experience memorable open space landscapes, delight in historic riches and absorb the area's historic village charm. Right here in New Jersey.



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Just imagine the discoveries you can make along the byway

Naturally fun outdoor recreation

Scenic views, trails and opportunities for recreation on land and water – there's something for every outdoor enthusiast. The Delaware & Raritan (D&R) Canal attracts hikers, birders, anglers, photographers, kayakers, canoers, sightseers, horseback riders, and cyclists alike.

Enjoy activities along the water

Bike, jog, walk, snowshoe, cross-country ski, paint, photograph, horseback ride, fish and look for the over 160 bird species that can be spotted along the towpath of the D&R Canal or the banks of the Millstone River. You'll find yourself enveloped in spectacular nature views, no matter the recreation you choose or time of year.

Serenity on the Delaware & Raritan Canal

Take in the peaceful, natural beauty of the D&R Canal as you explore the byway. Open for kayaking, canoeing and sightseeing, the D&R Canal is equal parts fun, historic and picturesque.



View from Blackwell Mills Canal House

Discover the rich history of the Valley

Explore the history of the Valley's geology, soil, streams and rivers and the interaction of its inhabitants to them; starting with the Lenni Lenape, who inhabited the Valley for thousands of years. The Revolutionary War, the D&R Canal, railroads, the Civil War, depressions and World Wars all left their impact on the Valley and its people.

Visit historic sites and villages

Kingston, Rocky Hill, Griggstown, Millstone and East Millstone – each has its own unique character. They are also all part of a corridor of natural areas and historic farmland with the D&R Canal and the Millstone River at its heart. The Millstone Valley Scenic Byway links them all.

Discover the D&R Canal and its history

The canal ceased operation in 1932, but today many of the canal's historic structures remain intact. Visit locks, locktender and bridgetender houses, a toll house/telegraph station and bridgetender stations. There are interpretive signs along the canal that share why, how and by whom the canal was built and operated. Don't forget to stop by the bridgetender's house in Griggstown that serves as the Byway Visitor Center (open seasonally on weekends).

Explore Revolutionary War history

Visit Rockingham, the site of George Washington's final Revolutionary War headquarters. It was here that the general awaited the news that the Treaty of Paris had been signed. The Byway lies within the Crossroads of the American Revolution National Heritage Area and part of the Byway is on the Washington-Rochambeau National Heritage Trail.

Immerse yourself in historic village and local culture

Historic sites, local eateries and an array of not-yourtypical brick-and-mortar stores will make you say, "are we still in New Jersey?"

Walk through an architectural time capsule

Find a wide range of architectural design styles, including Dutch and English Colonial, Federal, Greek Revival, Carpenter Gothic, Italianate, Second Empire, Queen Anne and Craftsman. See houses, barns, outbuildings and churches in these iconic styles.

Fresh fare on the byway

Whether you're looking for a quick snack or a spot for a sit-down meal, there are great local neighborhood eateries close to the byway that can satisfy your cravings.

For information on local restaurants, go to visitnj.org.

Find farms and farm markets

Farms remain an important part of the landscape and economy of the Valley. Grab some delicious produce to snack on as you explore the byway.

For more information about the byway, visit www.NJScenicByways.com.