

# COLUMBIA, SC

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**You'll Never Walk Alone**

5/10 Km HISTORIC DOWNTOWN WALK YR598

Asheville Amblers

**START POINT:** Columbia Convention Center

1101 Lincoln St.

Columbia, SC 29223      Tourist info 800-264-4884

**NOTE:** The Visitor Center start point expects to move in 2017 to a new location to be determined. We will update AVA.org as soon as new date and locations are known.

**Alt Start Point:** Hampton Inn

822 Gervais Street

Columbia, SC 29223      803-231-2000

**HOURS:** M-F 8:30am-5pm, SA 10am-2pm, Sun. Closed.

Alt Start Point: Dawn to dusk

**CLOSED:** VC is closed major holidays. Sometimes VC closes the day before and day after a holiday so call for info.

**POC:** Pat Mahaney, 803-783-3781, wandererpa@aol.com

**TRAIL:** Rated 2A, Suitable for strollers and wheelchairs. The trail takes you through the USC campus, the historical section of Columbia and around the State House grounds. See the Governor's Mansion, stroll along manmade waterfalls in a scenic park and through a memorial park honoring SC servicemen. A nice urban walk; walking the streets of Columbia is like following the footsteps of history. "A" and "B" awards available.

**HOW TO GET THERE:** From I-26, take I-126 (downtown Columbia) to exit for Huger. Take Huger to Gervais. Left on Gervais to Lincoln. Right one block

on Lincoln to Visitor Center. **From: I-20 or I-77** take SC 277 (becomes Bull Street) to Elmwood Ave. Right on Elmwood to Assembly (3<sup>rd</sup> light). Left on Assembly to Senate (9 blocks). Right on Senate to Lincoln (2 blocks) and turn Left. The Columbia Convention Center is on the right as you turn down Lincoln.

**Parking:** Turn Right at end of building and right again into the parking lot. Go thru side door and up the escalator and go straight to the end of the hall. VC is on the left.

**For Alternate SP,** from Huger and Gervais, turn right onto Lincoln. Hampton Inn parking lot is almost immediately on your right. From Senate, turn right onto Lincoln and Hampton Inn parking lot is first left.