

Virginia Scenic Rivers Program

Segments are listed separately if they have a different name, are not connected or are more than five miles.
 * River is protected with a separate act of the Virginia General Assembly and included with the Scenic Rivers Program.
 Updated July 2021

River	Designated Reach		Total Miles	Date Approved	Extensions Added
	From	Downriver To			
Appomattox River	100 feet from Lake Chesdin Dam	James River	19.2	1977	1998, 2011
Banister River	Route 29 Bridge	Dan River	63.3	2013	2014
Big Cedar Creek	Near Lebanon	Clinch River	5.8	1992	
Blackwater River	Proctor's Bridge at Route 621	Nottoway River	56	2010	
Catoctin Creek	Waterford	Potomac River	16	1977	
Chickahominy River	Route 360	Hanover-Henrico-New Kent county line	10.2	1990	
Clinch River	Confluence with Indian Creek	Russell-Scott county line	66.8	1992	1994, 2020
Cranesnest River	Route 637	Flanagan Reservoir Cranesnest Launch Ramp	10.7	2014	
Dan River	Route 880 at Berry Hill Road	Danville's Abreu-Grogan Park	15	2013	
Dan River-Halifax	N.C. line in Halifax County	Aaron's Creek	38.6	2015	
Goose Creek	North and south prongs of Goose Creek, near Linden	Potomac River	48	1976	2007
Grays Creek	Route 618 (Southwark Road)	James River	6	2020	
Guest River	100 feet downstream of Route 72	Clinch River	6.5	1990	
Hughes River	Shenandoah National Park line	Hazel River	10	2010	
Historic Falls of the James*	West Richmond 1970 city limits	Orleans Street (extended)	8.6	1972	1984
Middle James River	1 mile upstream of Warren	New Canton	20	2020	
Upper James River	Confluence of Jackson and Cowpasture	Rockbridge-Amherst-Bedford county line	59	1985	2017
Lower James Historic River*	1.2 miles east of Trees Point	Lawnes Creek (James City-Surry county line)	25	1988	
Jordan River	Route 522 Bridge at Flint Hill	Rappahannock River	7	2010	
Maury River	Confluence of Calfpasture and Little Calfpasture rivers	Route 631 (Furrs Mill Road)	19.25	2020	
North Mayo River	Route 695	North Carolina line	7.1	2008	
South Mayo River	Patrick County line	North Carolina line	6.9	2008	
Meherrin River	Confluence with North Meherrin River	Brunswick-Greensville county line	54.8	2006	2013
North Meherrin River	Route 712 Bridge	Junction of South Meherrin River	7.5	1997	
Moormans River	Charlottesville Reservoir	Mechums River	14	1988	
North Landing River (Pocaty, West Neck & Blackwater)	North Landing Road (Route 165)	North Carolina line	26.7	1988	
Nottoway River	Route 40 Bridge at Stony Creek	Blackwater River	72.5	1979	1992, 2011
Pound River	Town of Pound near Old Mill Village Road	Pound River Campground at Little Laurel Branch	17	2020	
Rappahannock River	Headwaters near Chester Gap	Essex-Middlesex and Richmond-Lancaster county lines	165	1985	1990, 2021
Rivanna River	South Fork Rivanna River Reservoir	James River	46	1975	1988, 2009
Rockfish River	Route 693 in Schuyler	James River	9.75	1990	
Russell Fork River	Splashdam railroad crossing	Virginia-Kentucky line	9	2010	
Shenandoah River	Warren-Clarke county line	West Virginia-Virginia line	21.6	1979	1992
South River	South Oak Lane	Hopeman Parkway	6.5	2021	
St. Mary's River	Headwaters in Augusta County	George Washington and Jefferson National Forest boundary	6	1979	
Staunton River	Route 761 (Long Island)	Staunton River State Park Landing	62.8	1975	2001, 2003, 2020
Tye River	Route 738 (Tye Depot Road)	James River	12.7	2014	



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