



Seven Hills Scenic Loop Tour Brownville

(Total loop is less than five miles)

1. Begin at Brownville Mills on Main Street and proceed one block west to 2nd Street (tourism info sign on the corner).
2. Turn north onto 2nd Street toward the Concert Hall. Follow 2nd Street north on into the country (the paving turns to gravel) for about 1 1/2 miles until you reach the first stop sign at a Y intersection.
3. Turn left at the Y and follow the curves along the crest of the hill (less than a mile).
4. Stay to the left at the next Y intersection (no stop sign), which will take you back south toward Brownville. About a quarter mile south of the second Y, just past a blue silo on your left, there is a driveway (also on the left) going up to Walnut Grove Cemetery. It's worth stopping to read the many early tombstones, including Governor Robert W. Furnas, Nebraska's 2nd Governor and a Brownville founder. You can enter the cemetery through the pedestrian gate if the vehicle gate is locked.
5. Continuing south from the cemetery driveway, you will arrive shortly in Brownville. Proceed south to the T intersection with Main Street.
6. Turn left (east) onto Main Street and go one block to 6th Street.
7. Turn right (south) onto 6th Street and continue to Highway 136.
8. Go left (east) on Highway 136 about 1/4 mile and turn right (south) onto gravel just before the green "Brownville Historic District" sign.
9. Follow the curving gravel road to the right and then to the left at the bottom of the hill to a T intersection with a paved road. To your right (south) you can see Cooper Nuclear Station about 1 1/2 miles away.
10. Turn left onto the paved road leading back into Brownville. On your right, along the Missouri River, you will pass the Brownville State Recreation area with primitive camping, the Meriwether Lewis Museum of Missouri River History, and the Spirit of Brownville riverboat dock, and the Steamboat Trace trailhead.
11. Continue around the curves on the paved road back to the intersection with Highway 136 and Main Street.

Now that you're back in Brownville, be sure to visit one of the many attractions: historic homes/museums, School House Art Gallery and Governor Furnas Arboretum, Palmerton Foundry and Gallery, Steamboat Trace Hiking/Biking Trail, antique/gift shops and restaurant. You'll want to make plans to come back another time to attend the Brownville Village Theatre and Concert Hall or take a cruise on the Spirit of Brownville. Brochures are available at Brownville Mills.