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Group A, Primary Vistor Sites (Wilbear Passport sites)					
Wright-Dunbar Interpretive Center and ATI Visitor Center	16 South Williams	Active	yes	WA 1	001a
Aviation Trail Parachute Museum	16 South Williams	Active	yes		001b
The Wright Cycle Company (4th bike shop & printing 1895-97 - prior to 1127 W. 3rd)	22 South Williams	Active	yes	WA3	001c
Hoover Block (location of print shop 1890-1895))	1060 W. Third (same as ATI # 1, 2, &3)	Active	yes	WA2	001d
Paul Laurence Dunbar State Memorial	219 North Paul Laurence Dunbar	Active	yes		00 2
Wright Brothers Memorial	2380 Memorial Road, WPAFB	Active	yes	EA2	003a
Huffman Prairie Flying Field Interpretive Center	2380 Memorial Road, WPAFB	Active	yes		003b
Huffman Prairie Flying Field	Gate 16A off Route 444	Active	yes	EA3	003c
Carillon Historical Park (Dayton History)	1000 Carillon Blvd.	Active	yes	SL1	00 4
National Museum of the USAF	1100 Spatz St. WPAFB	Active	yes	EA1	00 5
National Aviation Hall of Fame	1100 Spaatz St. WPAFB	Active	yes		00 6
Hawthorne Hill (tours provided by Dayton History)	1776 Far Hills	Active	yes	SL11	00 7
Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum	118 Woodland Avenue	Active	yes	SL12	00 8
Wright "B" flyer	10550 Springboro Pike	Active	yes	SL8	00 9
Wright State University (Special Coll. & Archives)	3640 Col. Glenn Highway	Active	yes	EA5	0 10
WACO Field and WACO Airplane Museum	1865 S. County Rd. 25A	Active	yes	OR2 & NL5 & NL6 ^{Note 1}	0 11
Armstrong Air & Space Museum	500 Apollo Dr. Wapakoneta, Ohio	Active	yes	OR1	0 12
Champaign Aviation Museum	1636 N. Main St. Urbana, Ohio	Active	yes	OR3	0 13
Grimes Flying Lab	1632 N. Main St. Urbana, Ohio	Active	yes	OR4	0 14
Tri-State Warbird Museum	4021 Borman Dr. Batavia, Ohio	Active	yes	OR6	0 15
Butler County Warbirds	1707 Run Way Middletown, Ohio	Active	yes	OR7	0 16
Sinclair National UAS Training & Certification Center	444 W. Third St. Dayton, Ohio	Active	yes	OR5	0 17
Group B, Additional Primary Visitor Sites					
Brookville Community Museum	14 Market St. Brookville	Active	yes	NL12	101
Warren Count Hist. Soc. Harmon Musuem/Armstrong Gallery	Lebanon, Ohio	Active	yes		102
Second Wright Co. Factory 1917-1923 (PENDING - under reconstruction)	2701 Home Ave	still there	TBA	WA11	103
Orville Wright Lab site	15 N. Broadway	Facade	no	WA6	104
McCook Field ^{Note 2}	North Bend Blvd.	plaque	no	NL1	105
Wright Seaplane Base (plaque & signs plus replica of plane)	across from 3315 Main Street in Moraine	plaque & replica	no	SL6	106
Pioneers of Aviation Statue Pavilion	134 N. Market St. Troy, Ohio	Active			107
Wright Family Home site (and print shop)	7 Hawthorne St.	plaque only	no	WA4	108
Last Bike Shop active 1897-1908 (& print shop) original in Michigan	1127 W. Third (replica at Carillon Park)	plaque only	no	WA7	109
Pinnacle Hill ^{Note 3}	near Pinnacle Rd. & Main St., Moraine	see notes ***	no	SL7	110
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Comments & notes on Groups A & B:					
^{Note 1} NI5 & NL6 are the WACO factory and earlier WACO museum rather than the current WACO flying field (OR2)					
^{Note 2} McCook Field is now occupied by ball fields.					
^{Note 3} Pinnacle Hill is still there, but the pinnacles are gone. ^{Hiking trail maintained by City of Moraine, https://www.ci.moraine.oh.us/pdf/Parks%20&%20Rec/Wright%20Bros%20Hiking%20Trail%20Flyer.pdf}					

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Group C, Historical Location Sites					
First Emergency Freefall Parachute Jump Landing site	335 Troy St.	private house	no	NL2	201
Former McGuire Products Company Factory	206 Troy St.	bldg	no	NL3	202
Wright Patterson Air Force Base	WPAFB, OH	still there	yes	EA4	203
Dayton International Airport	Vandalia	still there	yes	NL11	204
The Old Courthouse	Third & Main	still there	yes	CL1	205
The Engineers Club of Dayton	110 E. Monument	still there		CL4	206
Hartzell Propeller Inc.	One Propeller Place, Piqua	still there		NL7	207
McCauley Accessory Cessna Aircraft Co.	3535 McCauley Dr., Vandalia	bldg	no	NL8	208
First Baptist Church of Dayton	111 W. Monument	still there	yes	CL3	209
Reibold Building	117 S. Main	still there	yes	CL7	210
Centre City Building	40 South Main	still there	yes	CL6	211
Hills & Dales Park	2655 S.Patterson Blvd.	still there	yes	SL2	212
Wright Memorial Library	1776 Far Hills	still there	yes	SL10	213
Former International Flare and Signal Company Office	N. Third & Park, Tipp City	bldg	private	NL4	214
International Women's Air and Space Museum/Asahel Wright House Note 4	26 N. Main St., Centerville	see notes	no	SL9	215
GROUP D Vacated Historical Location Sites					
First Wright dedicated printing site (1889-1890)	1210 W. Third	empty lot	no	WA5	301
First Bike Shop (1892 - 1893) (& print shop) Note 5	1015 W. Third	empty lot	no	WA8	302
Second Bike Shop (1893 - 1894) (& print shop) Note 6	1034 W. Third (now 1048 W. 3rd)	now Setzer Bldg.	no	WA9	303
First Wright Co. Factory 1910	1420 Wisconsin 45417	empty lot	no	WA10	304
Wright Brothers Bike Shop site, number 3 (branch office) 1895-18963	23 W. Second	now schuster	no	CL2	305
The Dayton Journal Newspaper site	15 E. Second	premier bldg	no	CL5	306
Moraine Farm	1233 West Stroop	private	?	SL3	307
Kettering Moraine Museum	35 Moraine Circle	empty lot	no	SL4	308
Former Dayton Wright Airplane Company Main Plant (3rd) 1917-1923	4100 Springboro, Moraine	gone	no	SL5	309
Former Aeroproducts Factory	480 N. Dixie, Vandalia	empty lot	no	NL9	310
Former Lear Avia, Inc. Factory	437 N. Dixie, Vandalia	empty lot	no	NL10	311
First heavier-than-air flight on the planet Mars Note 7	Jezero Crater, 4th planet from the Sun	empty crater	no		312
Comments & notes on Groups C & D:					
Note 4 The Int'l. Women's Air & Space Museum is now in Cleveland / the Asahel Wright House still stands					
Note 5 Some historical sources list address as 1005 W. 3rd, but later evidence indicates the correct address as 1015 W. 3rd (see https://wrightbrothershistory.blogspot.com/2021/03/the-wright-brothers-print-and-cycle.html)					
Note 6 Original address shown as 1034 but due to later changes in street numbers actual location is what is now 1048, part of what is now the East section of the Setzer Building.					
Note 7 On April 19, 2021 NASA's Ingenuity helicopter flew on Mars with a swatch of fabric from the Wright 1903 Flyer, courtesy of Dayton History					
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What is Aviation Trail and the “Field Guide to Flight”?
 Aviation Trail was formed as a not-for-profit corporation in 1981 to promote Dayton’s aviation heritage. A multitude of aviation related sites that highlighted this heritage were included in the 1986 book “*The Field Guide to Flight*” written by Mary Ann Johnson, one of Aviation Trail’s founders. A revised edition was published in 1996. The book is now out of print, but over the past three decades Aviation Trail has continued to promote the original list of sites, plus added several more. Aviation Trail is currently working on an update of the book to provide a comprehensive document of the “Trail” and its history. In the meantime current site information is covered on the Aviation Trail website and in the annual brochure which serves as a travel guide (mostly the sites listed on [page 1](#) of this list). The above list is meant to serve as a brief overview for the current and vacated sites on the historical trail.