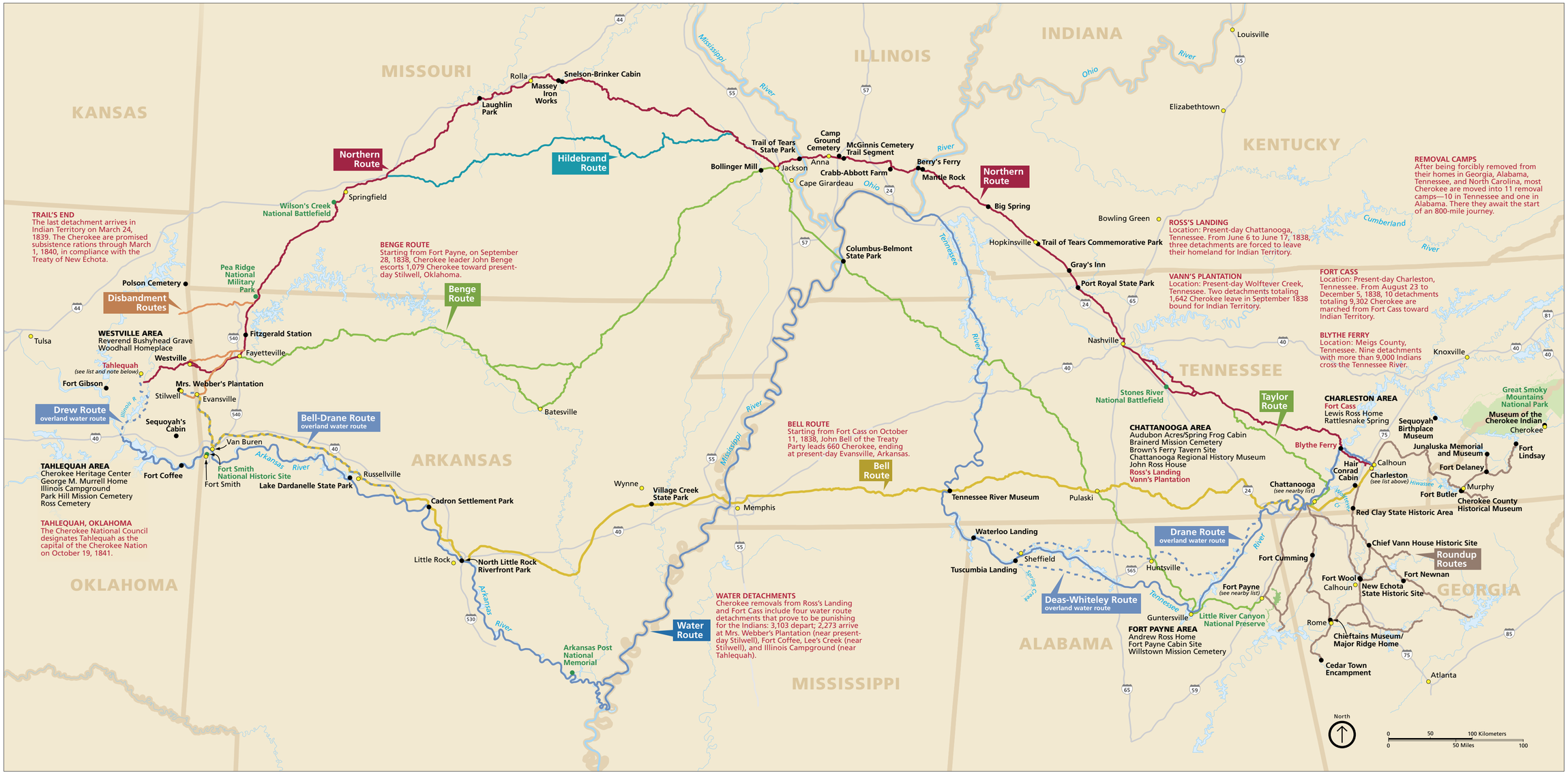

KANSAS
MISSOURI
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INDIANA
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TENNESSEE
ARKANSAS
OKLAHOMA
MISSISSIPPI
ALABAMA
GEORGIA
Mississippi River
Ohio River
Cumberland River
Tennessee River
Arkansas River
Illinois R.
Tuckabachee Creek
Hiwassee R.
Wolf Cr.
Rolla
Snelson-Brinker Cabin
Massey Iron Works
Laughlin Park
Louisville
Elizabethtown
Northern Route
Hildebrand Route
Trail of Tears State Park
Camp Ground Cemetery
McGinnis Cemetery Trail Segment
Anna
Berry's Ferry
Crabb-Abbott Farm
Mantle Rock
Bollinger Mill
Jackson
Cape Girardeau
Springfield
Wilson's Creek National Battlefield
Big Spring
Bowling Green
Hopkinsville
Trail of Tears Commemorative Park
Gray's Inn
Port Royal State Park
Columbus-Belmont State Park
Nashville
Knoxville
Pea Ridge National Military Park
Polson Cemetery
Disbandment Routes
Benge Route
Tulsa
WESTVILLE AREA
Reverend Bushyhead Grave
Woodhall Homeplace
Westville
Fitzgerald Station
Fayetteville
Tahlequah
(see list and note below)
Fort Gibson
Mrs. Webber's Plantation
Stilwell
Evansville
Batesville
Drew Route
overland water route
Sequoyah's Cabin
Fort Coffee
Van Buren
Fort Smith
Fort Smith National Historic Site
Bell-Drane Route
overland water route
Russellville
Lake Dardanelle State Park
Cadron Settlement Park
Little Rock
North Little Rock Riverfront Park
Arkansas Post National Memorial
Wynne
Village Creek State Park
Memphis
Water Route
Bell Route
Tennessee River Museum
Pulaski
Waterloo Landing
Tuscumbia Landing
Sheffield
Huntsville
Drane Route
overland water route
Deas-Whiteley Route
overland water route
Guntersville
Little River Canyon National Preserve
Fort Payne
(see nearby list)
Stones River National Battlefield
Taylor Route
Blythe Ferry
Great Smoky Mountains National Park
Museum of the Cherokee Indian
Cherokee
Sequoyah Birthplace Museum
Junaluska Memorial and Museum
Fort Lindsay
Fort Delaney
Murphy
Fort Butler
Cherokee County Historical Museum
Calhoun
Hair Conrad Cabin
Charleston
(see list above)
Chattanooga
(see nearby list)
Red Clay State Historic Area
Chief Vann House Historic Site
Roundup Routes
Fort Newnan
Fort Wool
New Echota State Historic Site
Fort Cumming
Rome
Chieftains Museum/ Major Ridge Home
Cedar Town Encampment
Atlanta
TRAIL'S END
The last detachment arrives in Indian Territory on March 24, 1839. The Cherokee are promised subsistence rations through March 1, 1840, in compliance with the Treaty of New Echota.
BENGE ROUTE
Starting from Fort Payne, on September 28, 1838, Cherokee leader John Benge escorts 1,079 Cherokee toward present-day Stilwell, Oklahoma.
TAHLEQUAH AREA
Cherokee Heritage Center
George M. Murrell Home
Illinois Campground
Park Hill Mission Cemetery
Ross Cemetery
TAHLEQUAH, OKLAHOMA
The Cherokee National Council designates Tahlequah as the capital of the Cherokee Nation on October 19, 1841.
BELL ROUTE
Starting from Fort Cass on October 11, 1838, John Bell of the Treaty Party leads 660 Cherokee, ending at present-day Evansville, Arkansas.
WATER DETACHMENTS
Cherokee removals from Ross's Landing and Fort Cass include four water route detachments that prove to be punishing for the Indians: 3,103 depart; 2,273 arrive at Mrs. Webber's Plantation (near present-day Stilwell), Fort Coffee, Lee's Creek (near Tahlequah), and Illinois Campground (near Tahlequah).
CHATTANOOGA AREA
Audubon Acres/Spring Frog Cabin
Brainerd Mission Cemetery
Brown's Ferry Tavern Site
Chattanooga Regional History Museum
John Ross House
Ross's Landing
Vann's Plantation
FORT PAYNE AREA
Andrew Ross Home
Fort Payne Cabin Site
Willstown Mission Cemetery
CHARLESTON AREA
Fort Cass
Lewis Ross Home
Rattlesnake Spring
REMOVAL CAMPS
After being forcibly removed from their homes in Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, and North Carolina, most Cherokee are moved into 11 removal camps—10 in Tennessee and one in Alabama. There they await the start of an 800-mile journey.
ROSS'S LANDING
Location: Present-day Chattanooga, Tennessee. From June 6 to June 17, 1838, three detachments are forced to leave their homeland for Indian Territory.
VANN'S PLANTATION
Location: Present-day Wolftever Creek, Tennessee. Two detachments totaling 1,642 Cherokee leave in September 1838 bound for Indian Territory.
FORT CASS
Location: Present-day Charleston, Tennessee. From August 23 to December 5, 1838, 10 detachments totaling 9,302 Cherokee are marched from Fort Cass toward Indian Territory.
BLYTHE FERRY
Location: Meigs County, Tennessee. Nine detachments with more than 9,000 Indians cross the Tennessee River.
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