



Hello Nippy Niners!

Thank you for participating in this unique trail run. Here is a bit of helpful information for you to know **before** the event.

PACKET PICK UP:

Saturday, January 27 - 1 pm - 5 pm at [Big Shark Bicycle Company 1155 South Big Bend Blvd, 63117](#)

Sunday, January 28 - RACE DAY - opens at 7:30 am @ [Columbia Bottom Conservation Area](#) gravel parking lot near the start.

Familiarize yourselves with your run course prior to Sunday. Both course maps are on the event page at www.bigshark.com.

9 MILE (15K) RUN COURSE DETAILS:

Mass start on Madison Ferry Road which is a gravel road, then transitions to Upper Columbia Bottom Road (mile 3), to the asphalt bike path before reaching the River's Edge single track trail (mile 4), at approximately mile 6.5 you'll exit the River's Edge Trail and make a left onto the bike path for a short distance before making a right onto Destrehan Road (mile 7 - which is basically a dirt farm road), you'll run through two brown metal gates crossing over Upper Columbia Bottom Road (the main road through the Conservation Area), remaining on Destrehan Road you'll be running through an open corn field making an S-turn at the yellow stakes at approximately mile 8, finally reaching the gravel road make a right and sprint to the finish!

Aid Stations will be located at Madison Ferry Road (9 miler/9k split), plus the entrance and exit to the River's Edge Trail. There will also be water, bananas and heaters at the finish line. The course will be clearly marked with an array of cones, construction horse arrows, and yellow stakes + caution tape. Course Marshals in orange safety vests will be posted at key intersections to help monitor traffic flow and to let you know you are on course.

9 KILOMETER (5.6 MILE) RUN COURSE DETAILS:

The first 3 miles are the same as the longer course- at the first aid station you will make a brief left turn onto Upper Columbia Bottom Road then onto a dirt road back towards the finish line. This 9K (5.6 Mile) loop is a flat and fast course on a mix of gravel and dirt road.

EVENT TIMING:

Provided by our friends at Big River Race Mgt. Please wear your bib visibly on the front of your body to ensure times/awards accuracy.

PARKING:

Please park in the gravel lot near the Visitor's Center per the MDC's request. "Parking" Signs and a Course Marshal will indicate this too. Parking along Upper Columbia Bottom Road is prohibited. The road is narrow and we need to allow easy access to the boat ramp for the general public. Thank You.

RESTROOMS:

Port-a-potties will be located in the gravel lot near the start. Permanent rustic bathrooms are at the entrance to the River's Edge Trail.

FRIENDLY REMINDER:

This is a conservation area and wild animals live here- please help us keep it clean by hanging onto your gel packets, water bottles, paper cups or other items until they can be thrown in a trash receptacle located at the finish line and/or at the Aid Stations.

Thank you for registering for the Nippy Niner! We appreciate your participation in a locally owned and operated event!

-YOUR BIG SHARK CREW

Post Event Heaters/Therapy/Treatment provided by [Precision Health Group](#).

