



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.

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 ROUTES
The water routes were punishing—3,103 departed, 2,273 arrived at Mrs. Webber's Plantation, Lee's Creek (near Stilwell), Fort Coffee, and Illinois Campground (near Tahlequah).

REMOVAL CAMPS
Most Cherokee are forcibly removed from their homes in Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, and North Carolina to US Army camps and forts. They are then moved to more centrally located removal camps in Tennessee and Alabama. Weakened by disease, they wait for months to start the 800-mile journey to Indian Territory.

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.

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.

VANN'S PLANTATION
Location: Present-day Wolfvever Creek, Tennessee. Two detachments totaling 1,642 Cherokee leave in September 1838 bound for Indian Territory.

CHATTANOOGA AREA
Audubon Acres/Spring Frog Cabin
Brainerd Mission Cemetery
Brown's Ferry Tavern Site
John Ross House
Ross's Landing
Vann's Plantation

FORT PAYNE AREA
Andrew Ross Home
Fort Payne Cabin Site
Willstown Mission Cemetery

CHARLESTON AREA
Hiwassee River Heritage Center
Fort Cass

Roundup Routes
Chief Vann House Historic Site
Fort Wool
Fort Newnan
Fort Payne (see nearby list)

