

SPIRIT OF

KENTUCKY

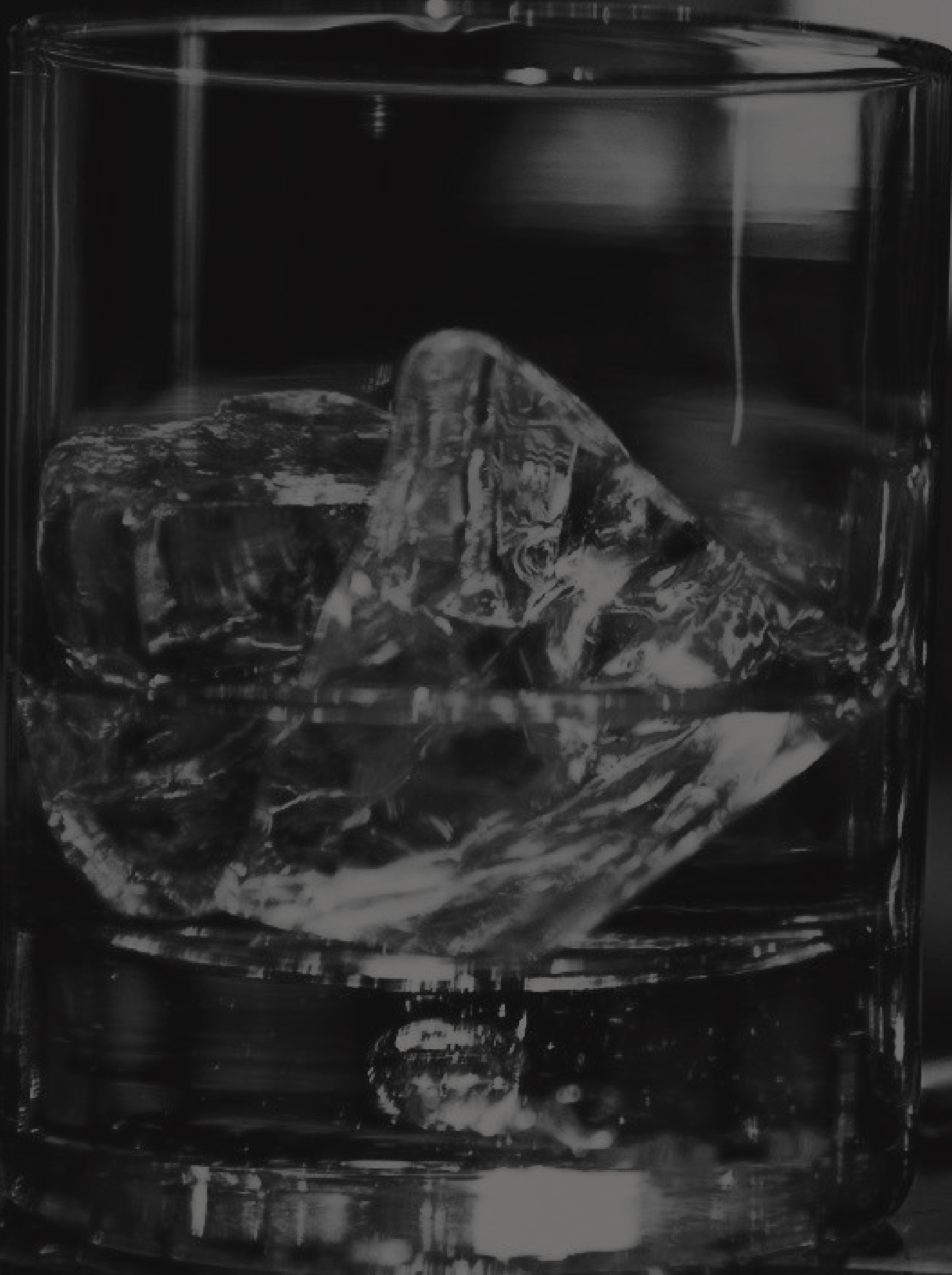


PRECISION
FLYING

ENDURING
SPIRIT

FLOWN & CELEBRATED
ACROSS THE BLUEGRASS

OCTOBER 3, 2026 | CAPITAL CITY AIRPORT | FRANKFORT, KY

A black and white photograph of a glass filled with whiskey and several ice cubes. The glass is on a dark, reflective surface. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a bottle of whiskey.

The Spirit of Kentucky Air Race celebrates the longstanding heritage of aviation across the Commonwealth in addition to the craftsmanship of its world-renowned distilleries.

This unique aerial event will challenge pilots as they navigate a scenic course across the Bluegrass, flying over iconic bourbon landmarks - all in support of accessible aviation education through our 501(c)(3) charitable organization.



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CHARITIES



The Race

DreamFlight Charities is proud to partner with the Sport Air Racing League (SARL), who provides a unique cross country race format that reduces passing and prevents head-to-head racing, creating an exciting racing league that is both safe and accessible to all pilots.

Aircraft categories accommodate both experimental planes looking to push the limits of homebound engineering, as well as factory aircraft from popular and familiar manufacturers.

Pilot Registration

SOKY Race Registration | \$50

Registration Includes:

- Single Pilot/Aircraft Entry
- Commemorative Race Decal
- Participant Gift(s)
- Single SOKY Afterparty Ticket
- * Must Be an Active SARL Member (See Below)

SARL Membership Options

Provisional SARL Membership | \$40

The Provisional SARL Membership is a low-cost option designed for new pilots to participate in a single race to experience the sport. Provisional members do not accumulate points and can choose to upgrade to full membership.

Full SARL Membership | \$150

A Full SARL Membership provides full participation in all SARL races, allows registration of a personal race number, and qualifies pilots to accumulate points for national titles.

SOKY AIR RACE REGISTRATION



SARL MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION



SAVE \$25.00

On an additional “plus one” afterparty ticket by using the code “SOKYPILOT” at registration!

Additional Requirements

Certificate of Insurance (COI)

SARL shall require participants taking part in any race event to effect an approved policy of insurance against claims for damages arising out of the race, specifically, Aircraft Liability Insurance in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000.00 single limit bodily injury and property damage liability with a \$100,000.00 each passenger sub-limit. Every participant, without exception, before participating in a SARL-sanctioned race, must provide the SARL Chairman, or Safety Committee, a Certificate of Insurance (COI) naming “SARL LLC, 318 Inverness Drive, Trophy Club, TX 76262,” as additional insured. This COI will be valid for the entirety of each racing season.

Waiver of Liability (WOL)

Participants in The Spirit of Kentucky Air Race and other SARL events must also complete a Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement.

SARL RULES
& REGULATIONS



SARL WAIVER
OF LIABILITY



Race Weekend Schedule of Events

Friday | October 2

3:00 PM Racer Check-In

Courtesy Shuttle to Hotels Available

6:00 PM Racer Reception

Saturday | October 3

8:00 AM Complimentary Breakfast
Race Registration Opens

10:00 AM Mandatory Pilot Briefing

11:00 AM Line-Up & Taxi/Race Start

12:00 PM First Racers Return

1:00 PM Complimentary Lunch
Scoring & Results Verification

2:30 PM Spirit of Kentucky Afterparty

*Includes Premium Hors d'oeuvres/Desserts, Bourbon Tasting, Guest Speakers,
and SOKY Air Race Awards Ceremony*

Visit the Race Info portion of our event website at
www.flythespiritky.com for recommendations on
hotels, rental cars, and more!



115 NM Course

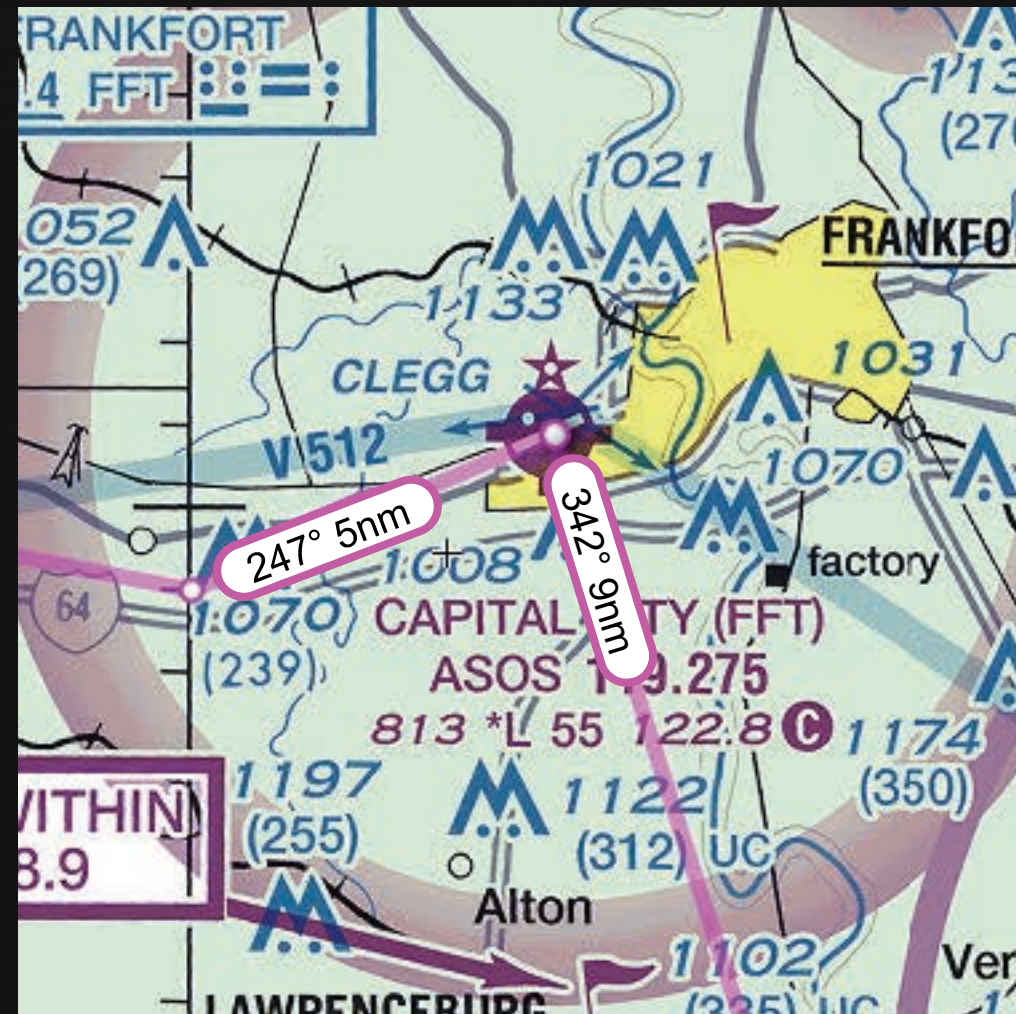
The shorter of our two courses, the 115 NM course spreads across the North Central portion of the Kentucky Bourbon Trail, allowing pilots to enjoy scenic countrysides while looking out for world-renown distilleries.

Waypoint Coordinates

Capital City Airport (KFFT)	38.18°N, 84.90°W
Whiskey Thief Distillery	38.15°N, 85.00°W
Jeptha Creed Distillery	38.19°N, 85.26°W
Heaven Hill Distillery	37.79°N, 85.46°W
Maker's Mark Distillery	37.65°N, 85.35°W
Limestone Branch Distillery	37.58°N, 85.27°W
Wilderness Trail Distillery	37.62°N, 84.83°W
Four Roses Distillery	37.97°N, 84.90°W
Wild Turkey Distillery	38.04°N, 84.85°W
Capital City Airport (KFFT)	38.18°N, 84.90°W



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Race Start

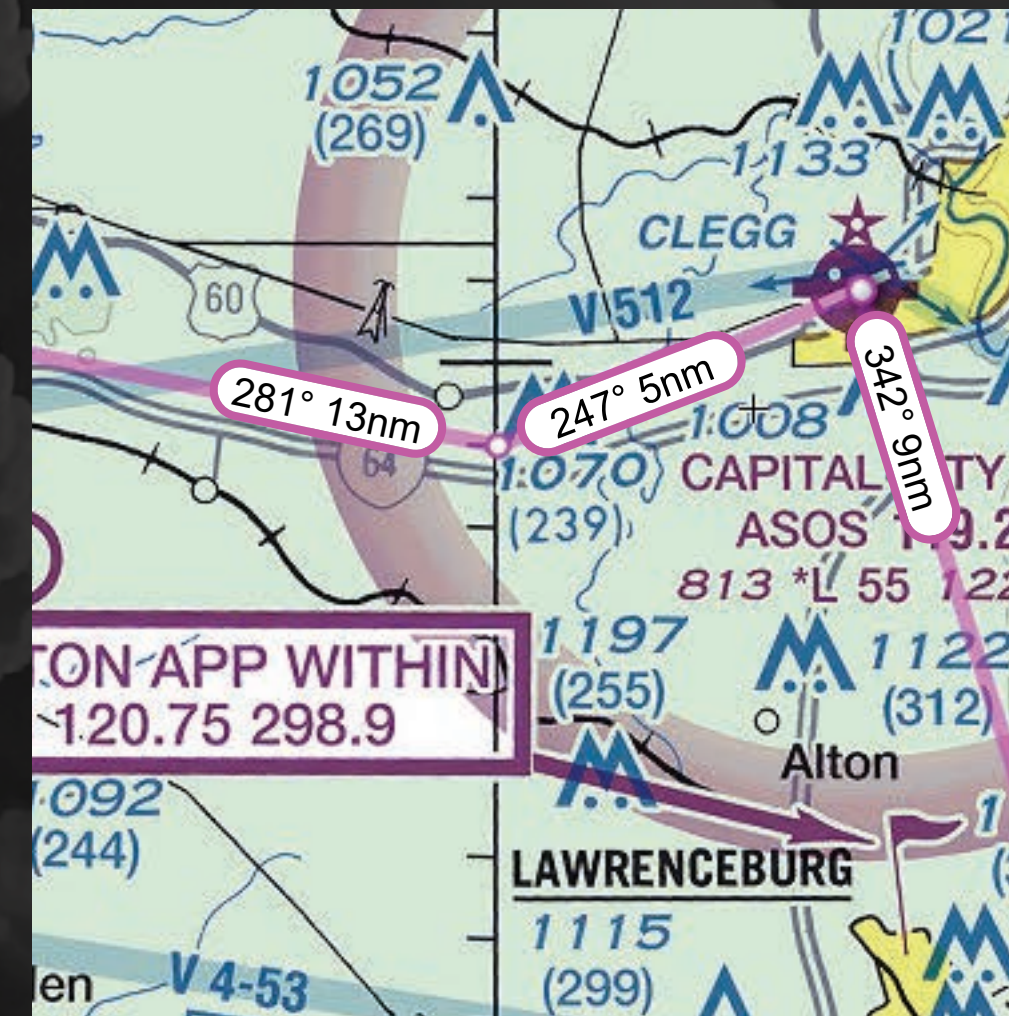
Capital City Airport

Wind typically favors RWY 25 at Capital City Airport. Call your start on 122.8 (ex. “Race 5, rolling”).

Departure will be to the southwest on a rough heading of 247°.



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Turn #1

Whiskey Thief Distillery

Nearing I-64, you’ll pass over Whiskey Thief, a premier farm-to-bottle distillery known for its immersive “theiving” experience, where guests taste and bottle uncut, unfiltered, single-barrel bourbon directly from the barrel.

Zoom right between their red-roofed still and rickhouse, making your way along I-64 on a rough heading of 281°.



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Turn #2

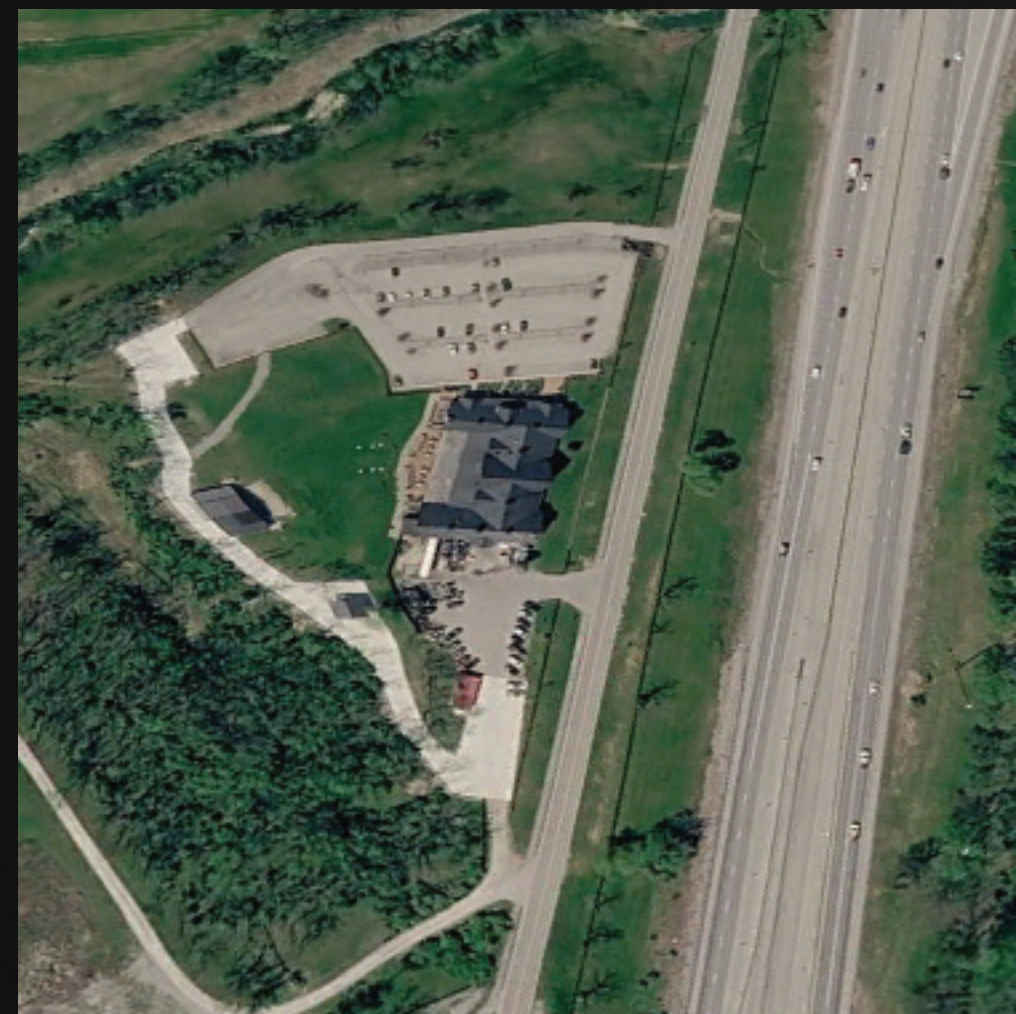
Jeptha Creed Distillery

After a 13 NM leg, your second turn takes place over Jeptha Creed Distillery in Shelbyville. Situated on the family farm, they're known for their heavy emphasis on utilizing their own farm-raised heirloom Bloody Butcher corn.

Approaching their primary visitor center and gift shop from the east, the building stands out with its unique roof design in comparison to the flat profiles of the surrounding commercial buildings, resting on the southern side of I-64.

From here, set on a rough heading of 202° for the third leg of the course.

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Turn #3

Heaven Hill Distillery

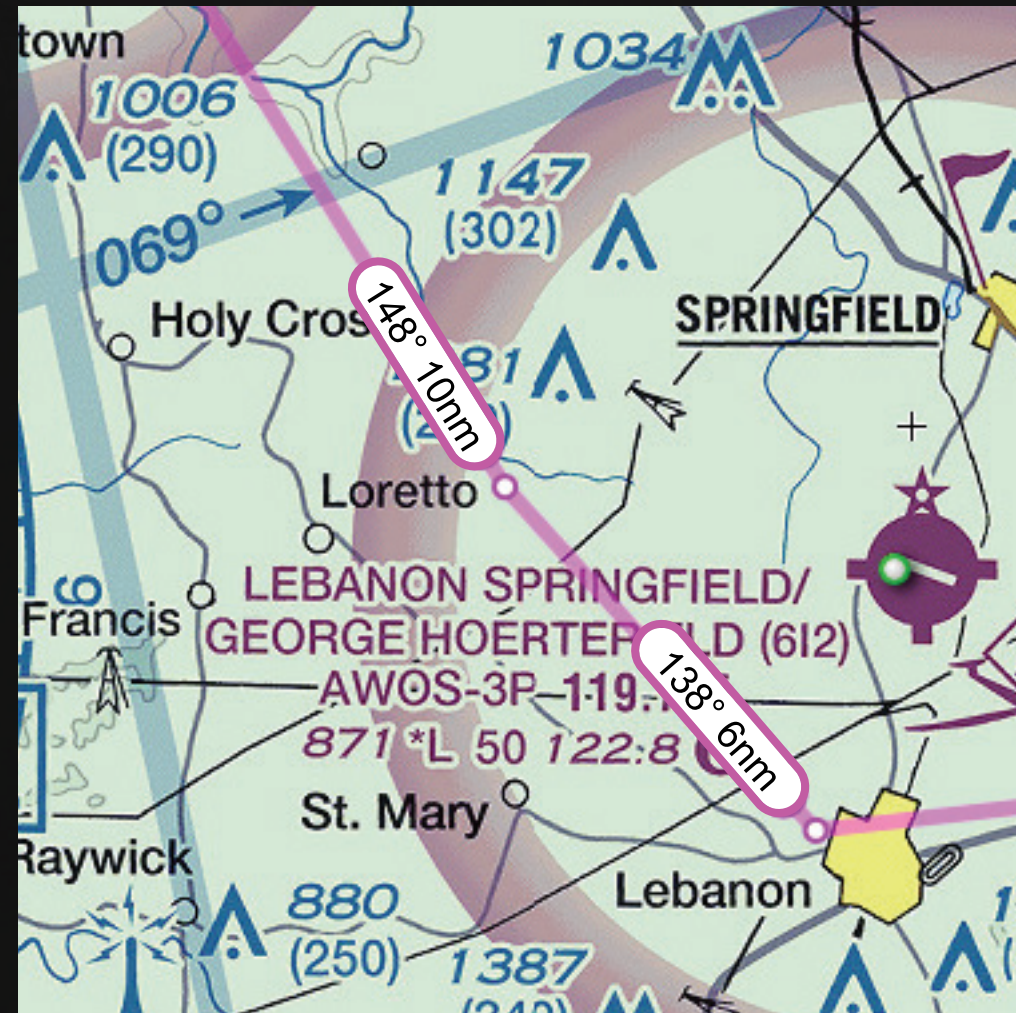
We're headed south on a 26 NM stretch to Bardstown, where you'll find the only remaining family-owned and operating distillery headquartered in Kentucky, Heaven Hill.

The copper roof of the Heaven Hill Bourbon Experience will serve as your turning point, from which you'll continue onward on a rough heading of 148°.

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Turn #4

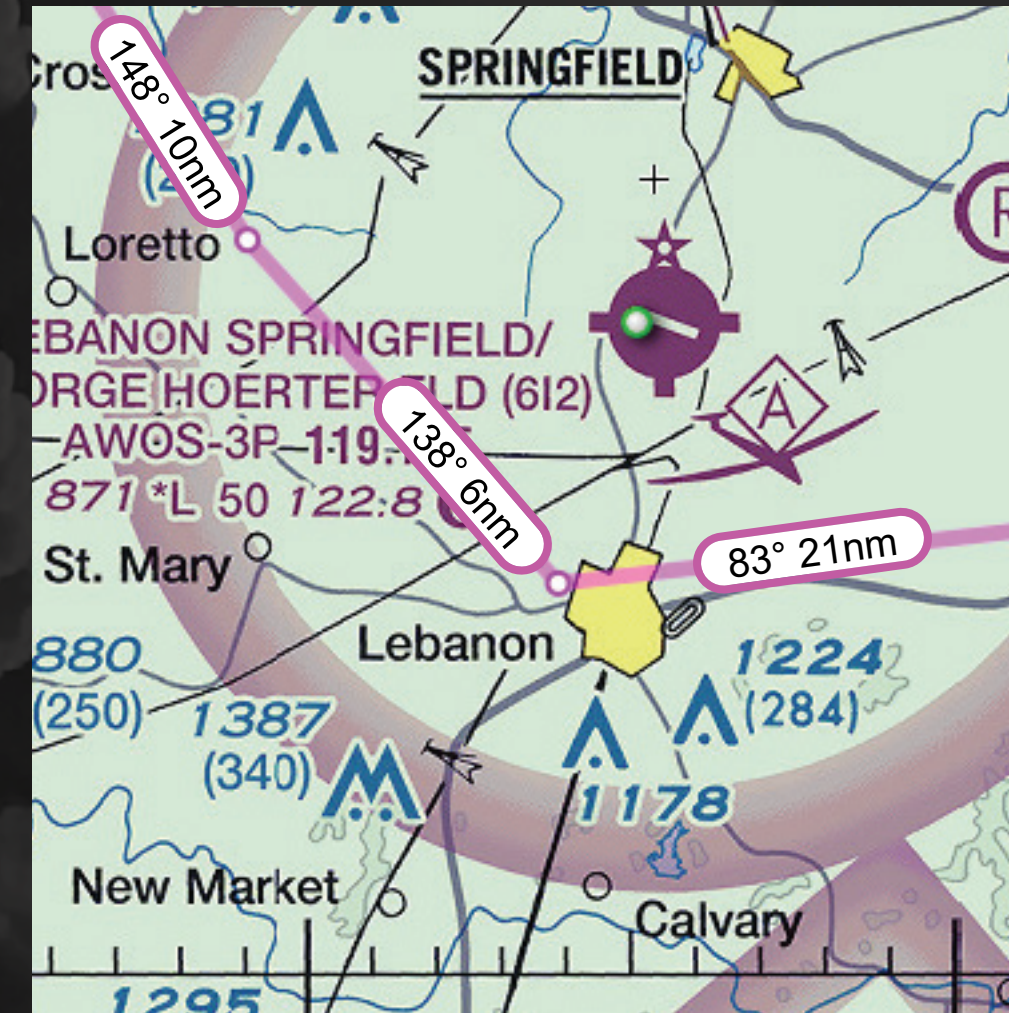
Maker's Mark Distillery

A 10 NM leg to the southeast will bring you to Loretto, where one of the most iconic distilleries of Kentucky rests, Maker's Mark. Known for its signature wax seal, wheated recipe, and smooth, non-bitter taste, it's facilities have also been recognized as a U.S. National Historic Landmark.

You'll approach their visitor center from the northwest, with your turning point being the small roundabout section at its front.

Turn here and set out on a rough heading of 138° for the fifth leg of the course.

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Turn #5

Limestone Branch Distillery

A bit further south (6 NM), you'll come to Marion County. Resting on the Veteran's Memorial Highway, you'll find the Limestone Branch Distillery, founded in 2010 by descendants of the Beam family.

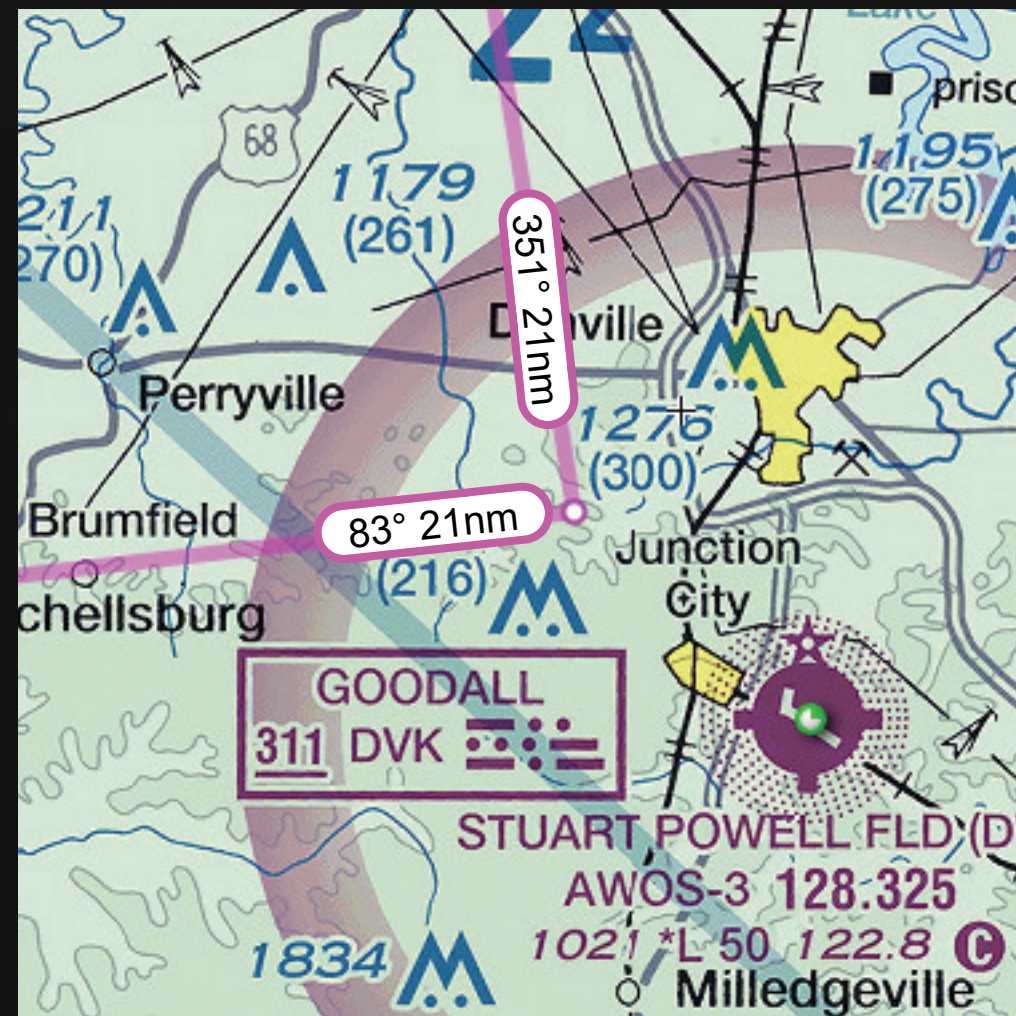
Be on the lookout for their stillhouse and visitors center, which will serve as your next turning point. It is also located just to the right (from your approach perspective) of a larger distillery facility that is still under construction.

From here, set out on a rough heading of 83°, and work your way east!

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Turn #6

Wilderness Trail Distillery

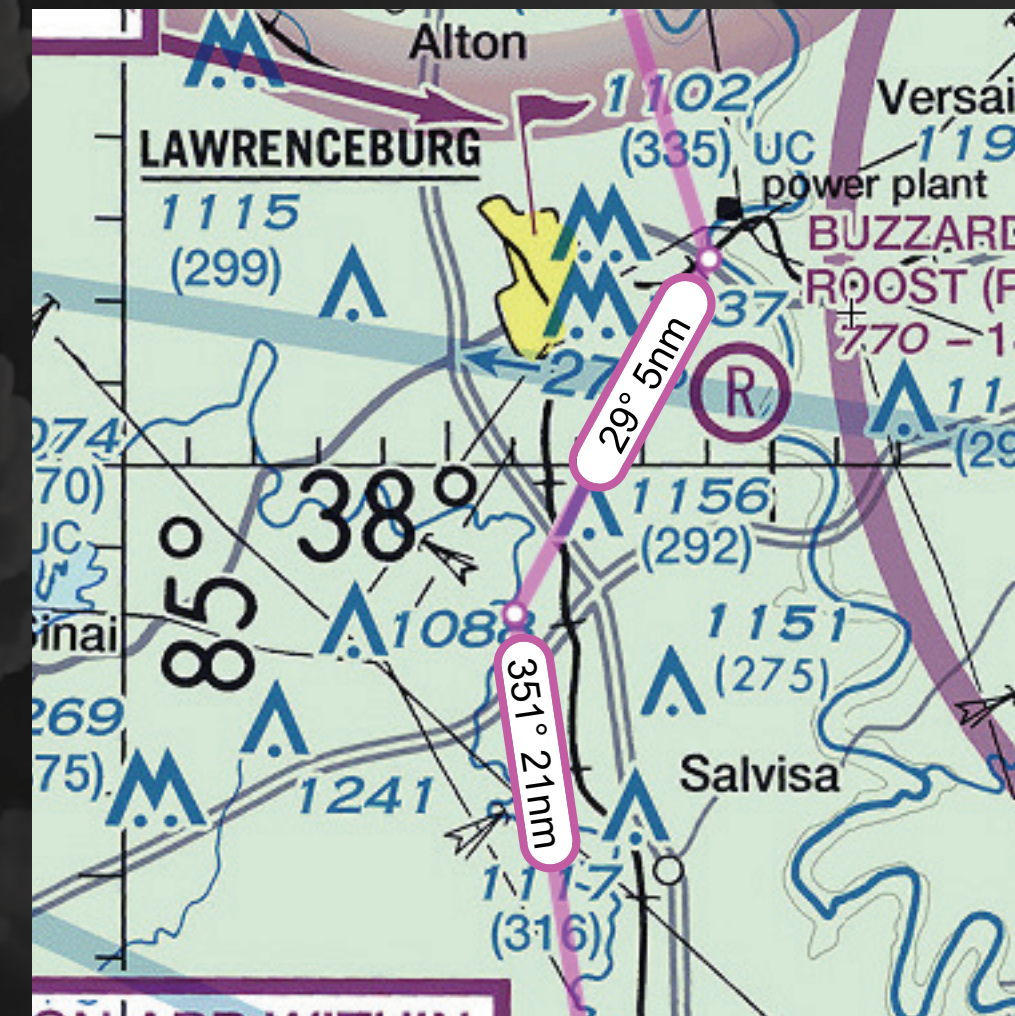
This 21 NM leg will bring you to Danville, home of the Wilderness Trail Distillery. Unlike most American whiskeys, they implement a sweet mash fermentation process using all fresh ingredients for each batch as opposed to spent grain from a previous batch.

You'll approach their visitor center from the west, with a noticeable decorative pond immediately to its right, serving as your turning point.

We'll be working a rough heading of 351° now, heading back north toward Frankfort.



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Turn #7

Four Roses Distillery

Another 21 NM leg will bring you to Lawrenceburg, this time passing over the Four Roses Distillery. Their product is famous for utilizing a combination of two mash bills and five proprietary yeast strains to create 10 distinct bourbon recipes.

You'll approach the front of their visitor center (white building), with the taller still house to its left serving as your turn point.

From there, set out on a heading of 29° for one final stop before making your way to the finish line at Capital City!



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Turn #8

Wild Turkey Distillery

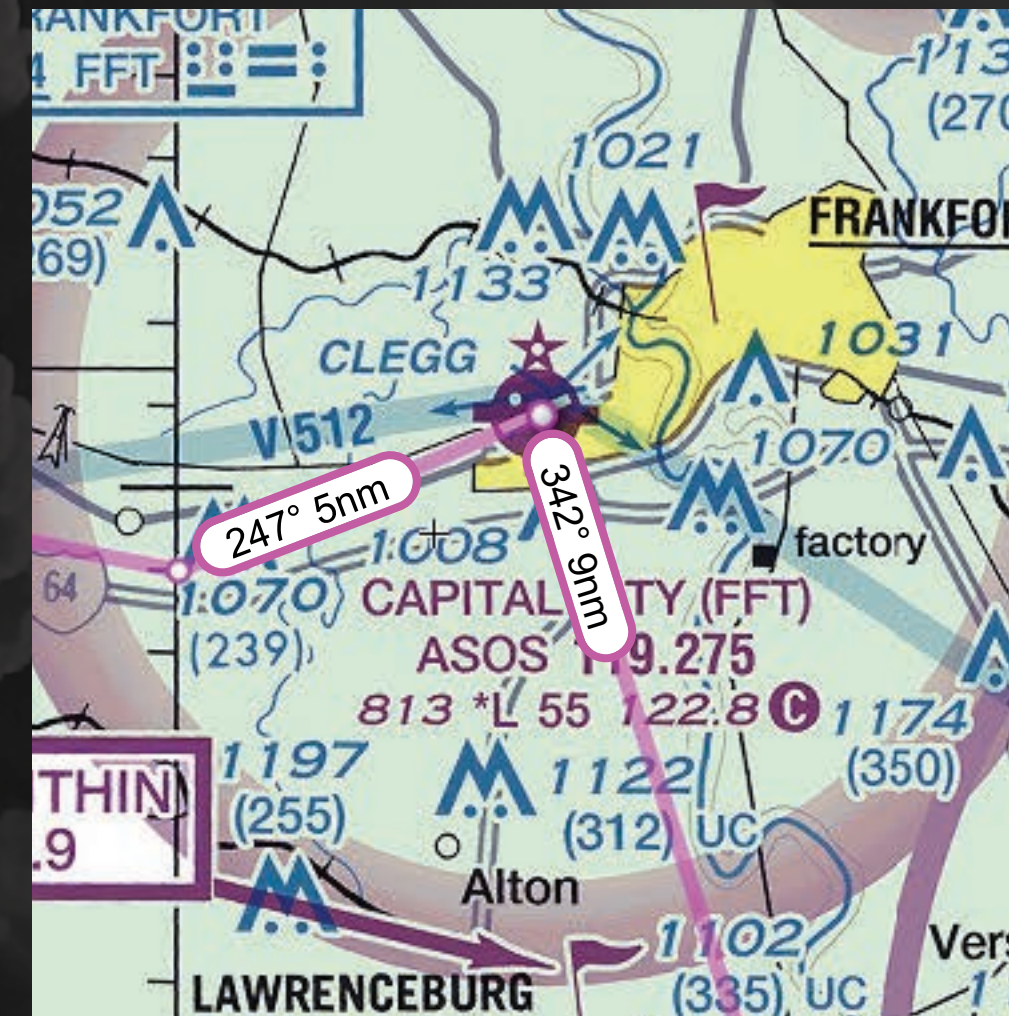
Crossing HWY 127 from the west will bring you to the scenic countryside of Lawrenceburg, where you'll come across the Wild Turkey Distillery, a site that dates back to 1869.

Be on the lookout for their large visitor center resting on the banks of the Kentucky River - one that features the Wild Turkey logo and brand on its western front. This building will serve as your final turning point.

From here, set out on a rough heading of 342° and race for the finish line!



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Race Finish

Capital City Airport

Welcome home! Be sure to call on 122.8 at 5 miles out, which won't be too long after making your turn at Wild Turkey.

The finish point will be the connector extending out from the FBO building just beyond the center of the runway to the east, with finish altitude being a minimum of 2,000'.

From there, take it easy, grab a drink, and be sure to join us at the evening Spirit of Kentucky Air Race Afterparty event!



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Have Questions? Contact us anytime!

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