

Route - Blue Water Bridge (Sarnia/Port Huron) to I-75 South

There are two routes to consider using when heading south to I-75 from the Sarnia/Port Huron Blue Water Bridge . . .

Route “A” keeps you away from downtown Detroit and the area of the Ambassador Bridge. It run around Detroit by the Airport and then links to I-75 (south) via I-275. The distance and driving time are 114.9 miles, 1hr 56 mins, respectively.

Route “B” takes you south to Detroit and connects with I-75 just before the Ambassador Bridge traffic joins the interstate. It’s a bit shorter. This route has been problematic over the past few years because a section of I-75 was closed for construction near the Ambassador Bridge. This section is now open and traffic moves well through this section.

For comparative purposes, Route “A” is 114.9 miles (184.9km) with a driving time of approximately 116 minutes. Driven to mile marker 20 on I-75 (the point where Route “A” joins I-75), Route “B” is 94.5 miles (152.1km) with a driving time of approximately 101 minutes.

Hint: check Detroit traffic and construction at <http://mdotwas1.mdot.state.mi.us/public/drive/rtt.cfm#1> before selecting your route.

Route “A”

1. From *Sarnia/Port Huron Blue Water Bridge*, take I-69 West/I-94 West (Lansing/Detroit).
2. I-69 and I-94 splits in 4.3 miles (6.9km). Follow I-94 southwards towards Detroit (to confirm you are on the correct road, after the split your next exit should be number 269 - Dove St/Range Road).
3. Drive south on I-94 towards Detroit for 41.3 miles (66.5km).
4. At I-94 exit 229, take the ramp to I-696 West (Lansing). This interstate is also known as the "*Walter Reuther Freeway*." Follow the freeway for 32.3 miles (52km).
5. At I-696 exit 1, take ramp to I-275 South, towards the *Detroit Metropolitan Airport*. You will pass the airport on your left (east). Continue on towards I-75S (37 miles (59.5km)).
6. At the south end of I-275 (no exit number), join I-75 South, just below I-75 mile marker 20.

You will be south of Detroit at this point, heading towards Toledo. You should now join the colored I-75 strip map in "*Along Interstate-75*," near the bottom of page 8.

Route "B"

1. From *Sarnia/Port Huron Blue Water Bridge*, take I-69 West/I-94 West (Lansing/Detroit).
2. I-69 and I-94 splits in 4.3 miles (6.9km). Follow I-94 southwards towards Detroit (to confirm you are on the correct road, after the split your next exit should be number 269 - Dove St/Range Road).
3. Drive south on I-94 towards Detroit for 57.2 miles (92.1km). In Detroit, I-94 is known as the *Edsel Ford Freeway*.
4. At I-94, exit 216A, join I-75 South. In this area, I-75 is known as the *Chrysler Freeway*.
5. In 2.3 miles (3.7km), I-75 South splits. The new branch, I-375, continues downtown as the *Chrysler Freeway*. Take I-75 South at the split - now known as the *Fisher Freeway*.
