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Guides



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benches next to the William M. Black, a historic steamboat docked permanently in the little harbor, which offers informational tours for those interested in exploring what it was like to travel the river via steamboat. For a landlocked experience, however, the Mississippi Riverwalk Trail is hard to beat, providing great views of the river and the eastern bank in Illinois while connecting various sites that offer chances to explore the past, present, and future importance of the Mississippi River.

A spacious path easily identifiable by it's red-patterned concrete, the Mississippi Riverwalk Trail runs just under a mile along the river, connecting some of Dubuque's major tourist attractions and destinations. The trail begins in the north right next to the historic Dubuque Railroad Bridge, a nifty bridge that carries trains over the river and features a swing span in the middle that rotates to allow boats to pass. Following the riverbank, the trail passes by a series of massive complexes along the water's edge, including a conference center and resort, and then curves around to lead up to the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium. A popular destination for families and tourists, the museum offers a series of interactive exhibits and activities that provide insight into the natural environment created by the river. The trail continues south for a spell, coming to an end at a small area with



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**States:** Iowa

**Counties:** Dubuque

Length: 0.95miles

**Trail end points:** Star Brewery Drive (off of Bell St.) to Ice Harbor Drive

**Trail surfaces:** Concrete

**Trail category:** Greenway/Non-RT

**Trail activities:** Bike, Inline

Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

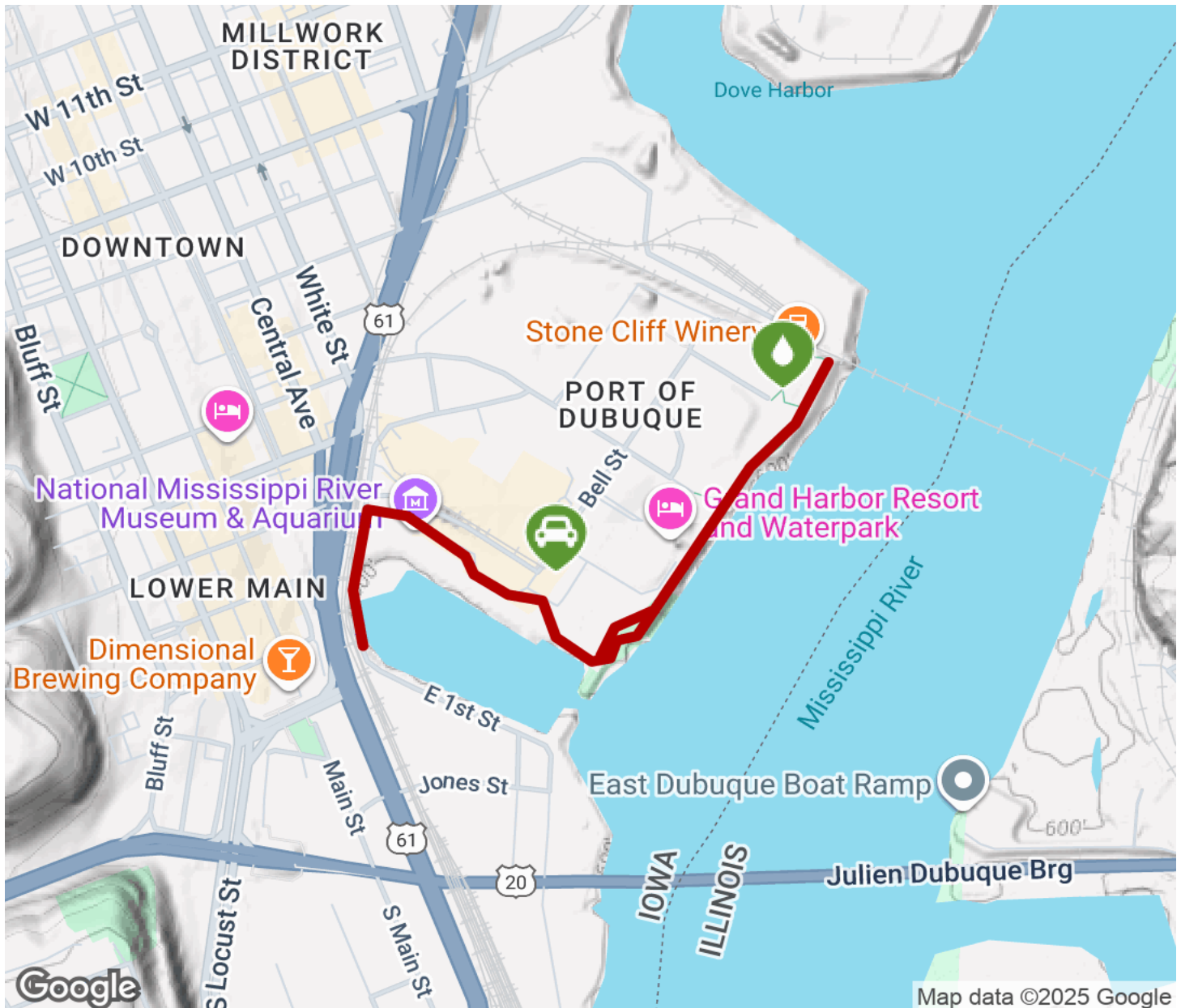
## Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available at numerous lots adjacent to the trail, accessible off of Bell Street via E 3rd Street or E 5th Street; follow signs for the Port of Dubuque from north or southbound US 61/US 52.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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