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Guides



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city's charming local parks and arboretum.

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At 15th Street the trail crosses the road and heads south to E. 2nd Ave/Rout 92. From here it head east to Pickard Park. At the 5th Street end, you can cross the street to pick up the [Summerset Trail](#) and head north all the way up to Carlisle (and when future trails are finished, you can continue the rest of the way into Des Moines). Alternatively, the [Jerry Kelley Trail](#) provides a means of heading west through Indianola to check out some of the



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States: Iowa

Counties: Warren

Length: 1.6miles

Trail end points: N. 5th Street to Pickard Park

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Concrete

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Inline

Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

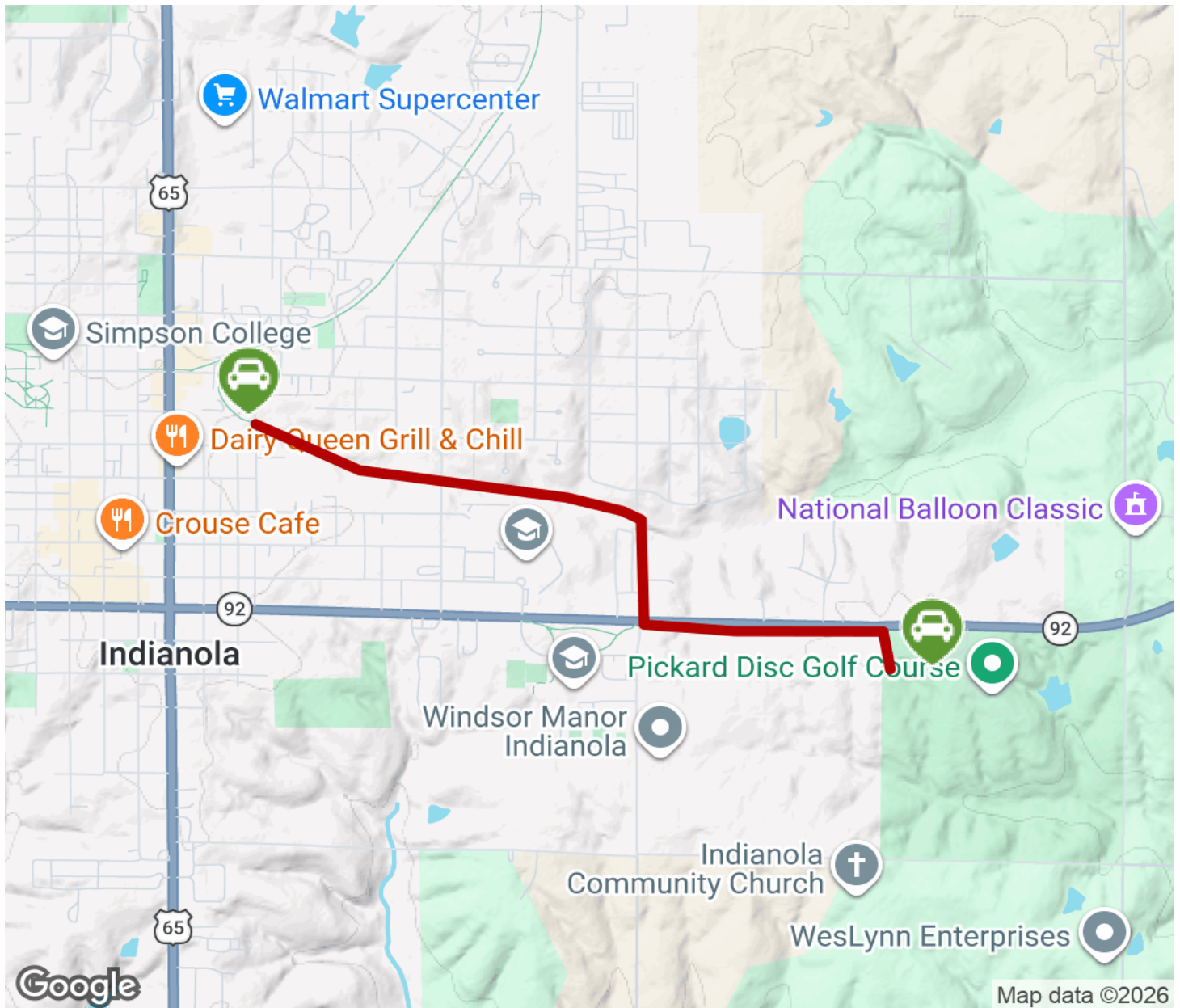
Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available at Pickard Park, 1468 Hwy 92 East and at the N. 5th Street terminus.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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