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Guides



**Staunton  
River  
Battlefield  
Rail-Trail**

*Virginia*



## Staunton River Battlefield Rail-Trail

Virginia

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museum, a Civil War fort, and a nice nature trail (walking only). You can begin the rail-trail, walking and biking, at the Clover visitor center near the park entrance off Fort Hill Trail (SR 855). Along the way, you'll cross the impressive trestle over the Staunton River then continue through a meadow. Two more trestles span wetlands before you reach the Roanoke Station visitor center in Randolph. Although both visitor centers have restroom facilities, water, and parking, the operating hours vary.

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The battlefield itself has a significant place in Civil War history. In 1864, Union troops had hoped to destroy the main trestle to cut off a crucial Confederate supply line leading all the way to Richmond. But a small band of Confederates were able to hold off the Union soldiers and save the trestle. You can learn more about it at the visitor center.

The state park actually has two visitors centers, a



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**States:** Virginia

**Counties:** Charlotte

Length: 1.25miles

**Trail end points:** Fort Hill Trail (Clover Visitor Center) to Staunton River Battlefield (Randolph)

**Trail surfaces:** Crushed Stone

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike, Wheelchair Accessible, Horseback Riding, Mountain Biking, Walking

## Parking & Trail Access

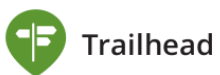
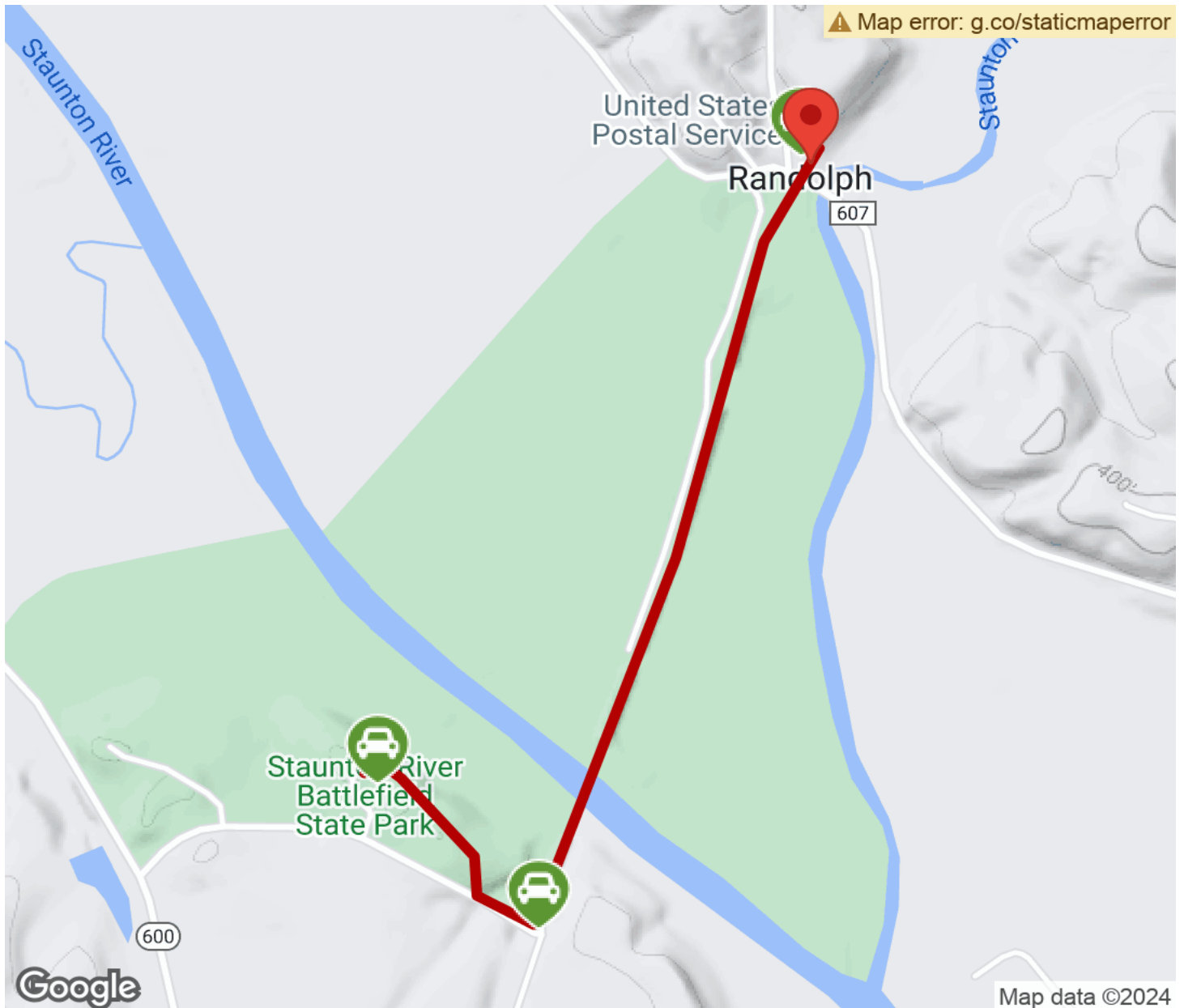
To reach the Clover visitor center from South Boston, take US 360 and turn north (left) on State Route 92 to Clover. Go about 5 miles and turn left on SR 600. In about 3 miles, look for the sign to the park, and turn right on SR 855 into the entrance.

To reach the Roanoke visitor center in Randolph from South Boston, take US 360 to Branch Road/SR 608 and turn left. Follow it to the junction with Roanoke Station Road (SR 607) and turn left. Continue all the way to the trailhead on your left in Randolph.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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