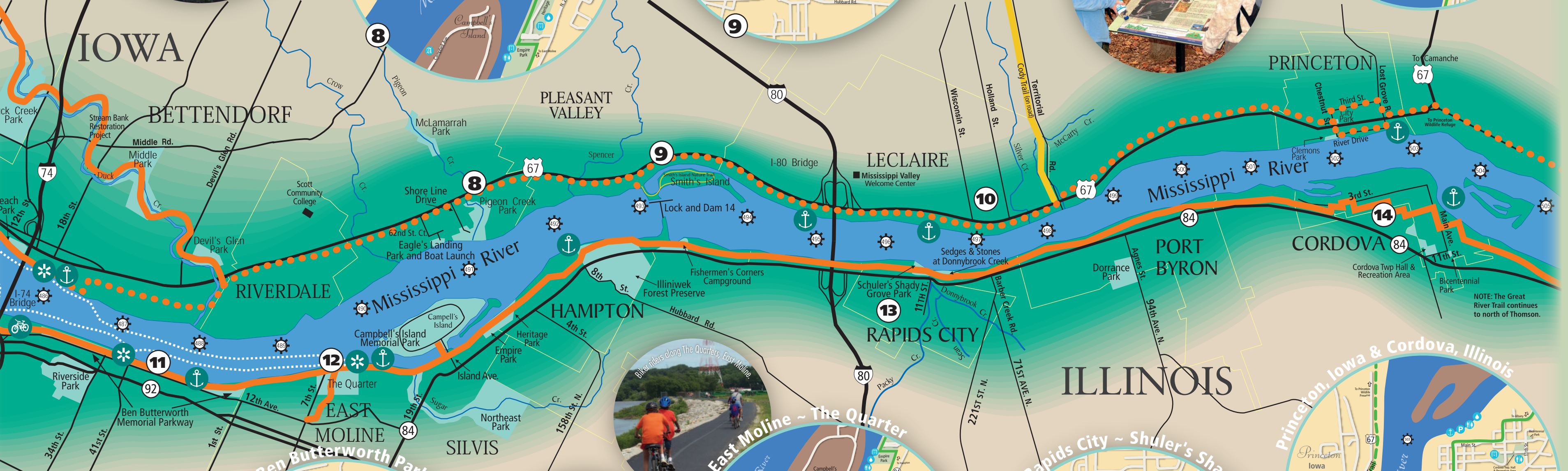
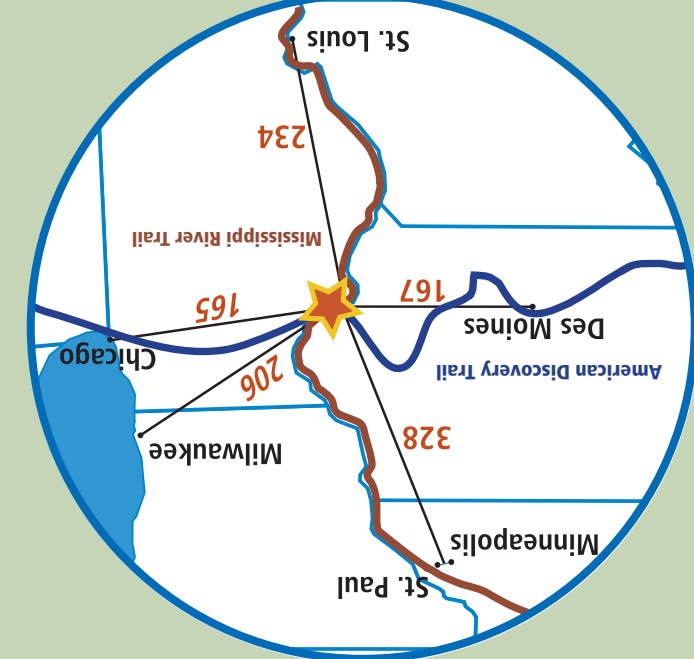




Port Byron is a popular destination for boaters with...

Trail brochure produced by River Action - INC. Source: Street maps courtesy of Esri. © River Action, Inc. 2007. All rights reserved. WWW.RIVERACTION.ORG



**Ben Butterworth P** riverfront is among the most popular in the region. There's plenty of parking at the Celebration Belle parking lot to start or end your riverfront adventure. The riverfront border is slightly more than two miles and includes an abundance of benches and picnic shelters, playgrounds and restrooms.

**The QC Convention** is held at 20th St., Moline, and rents...

new riverfront development includes single- and multi-family housing built among a variety of open space and recreational opportunities. The bike-friendly paths between the river and downtown East Moline via a natural border is slightly more than two miles and includes an abundance of benches and picnic shelters, playgrounds and restrooms. The Quarter includes ate docks with future plans for restaurants and a sports center. The River Connection will include a Mississippi...

**Hampton** was an early wood supply stop for passing steamboats. Black's Store, now a historical museum, was built in 1849, and still stands at 601 First Avenue – reached easily by foot from the river trail. Heritage Park includes a heritage center, picnic pavilions and family entertainment. Also on-site is a bioswale funded in part by River Action. This native planting technique is used to capture storm water and prevent flooding of adjacent areas. Illiniwek Forest Preserve is about a mile upriver, and offers panoramic views of the Mississippi River.

**Rapids City** is at the upper end of what were known as the Rock Island Rapids – rocky shoals which posed a great danger to riverboats before installation of locks and dams to control river levels. The town was settled around a grist mill and a saw mill. Neighboring coal mines employed many residents and helped the community to thrive in the 1870's and 1880's. Shuler's Shady Grove, a riverfront park with a boat ramp, trail and restrooms, is named after the owner of one of the area's first coal mines. Here you can enjoy a short network of trails around a restored stream and woodland.

**Port Byron** – named for the English poet Lord Byron – has a history of quarrying, coopers (barrel-makers), merchants, blacksmiths, grain dealers and manufacturing of construction lime. Established in 1881, the Port Byron Academy was affiliated with the Congregational Church, becoming a college prep school for Beloit (Wisconsin) College. Enjoy a pleasant walk to the riverfront park, boat ramp, restaurants, shops and a bed-and-breakfast.

**Cordova** was first settled in 1837 by farmers and is located on a wide floodplain. In 1871, the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad was built through the area and bypassed most of the town, giving Cordova a riverfront quieter than most river towns. Cordova's downtown includes a marina and a bed-and-breakfast with a guest dock.

PARKS & TRAILS



QUAD CITIES, ILLINOIS AND IOWA

Welcome to RiverWay – the Quad Cities’ scenic stretch of the Mississippi River with 65 miles of riverside parks, trails and overlooks between the river bluffs. Enjoy America’s most famous river by walking or biking along its paved riverfront trails.

The **CHANNEL CAT WATER TAXI** provides a scenic and convenient way to cross the river during summer months with docks at Davenport’s Lower Lindsay Park, Moline’s Ben Butterworth Parkway, The Quarter in East Moline and the Isle of Capri Marina in Bettendorf. Bicycles are welcome aboard the water taxi.

Or, use the new bike/pedestrian crossing on the Government Bridge and Rock Island Viaduct (highlighted as 1 on the main map). This crossing – separated from motorized traffic – will serve two cross-nation trails – the American Discovery Trail and the Mississippi River Trail ([www.mississippirivertrail.org](http://www.mississippirivertrail.org)).

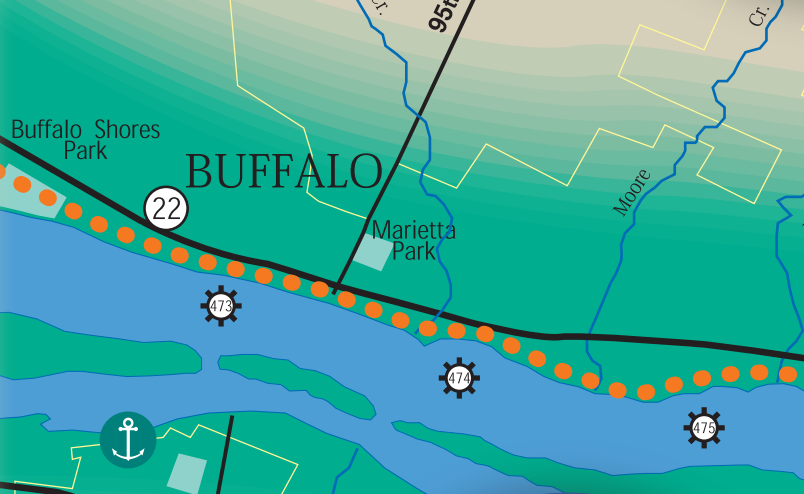
For information on events, local accommodations and services, contact the Quad Cities Convention and Visitors Bureau at 1-800-747-7800 or online at: [www.visitquadcities.com](http://www.visitquadcities.com). RiverWay maps are available online at [www.riveraction.org](http://www.riveraction.org).



in background; the kayak/canoe portion of the “Taming of the Slough Adventure Race” in Sylvan Slough, Moline.

**Buffalo**, less than 10 miles downstream from Davenport, was home to the pearl button industry in the late 1800’s. Mussels were harvested locally and elsewhere, then shipped to Buffalo, where buttons and button blanks were punched out. The town boasted eight button factories, the largest of which was the Hawkeye Button Factory, located on Second Street.

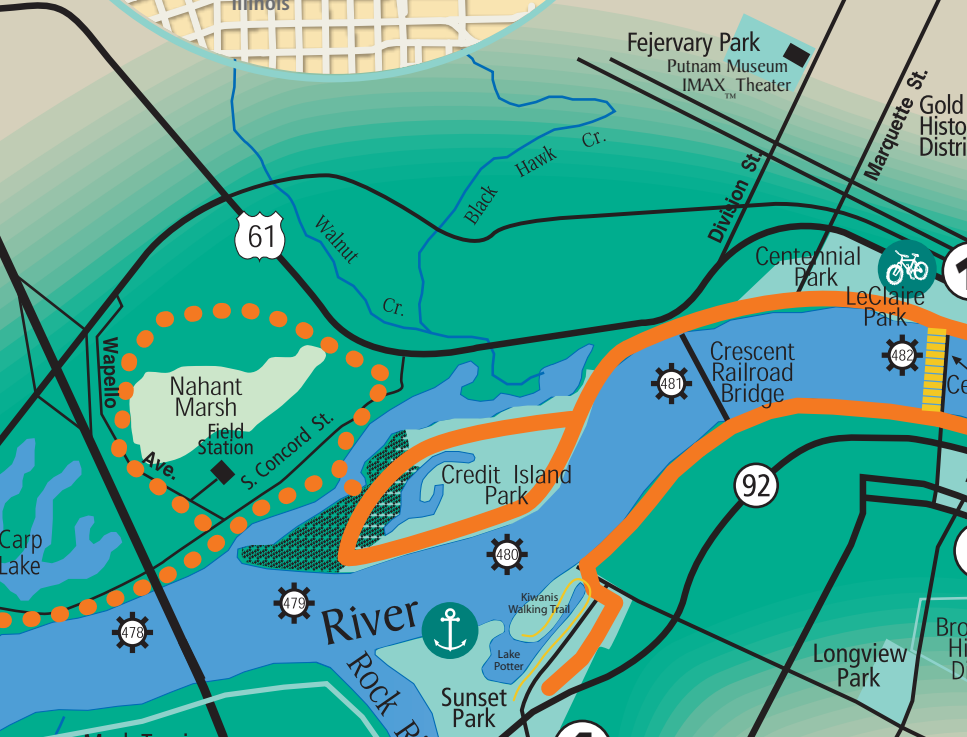
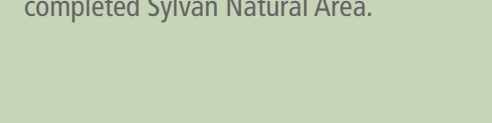
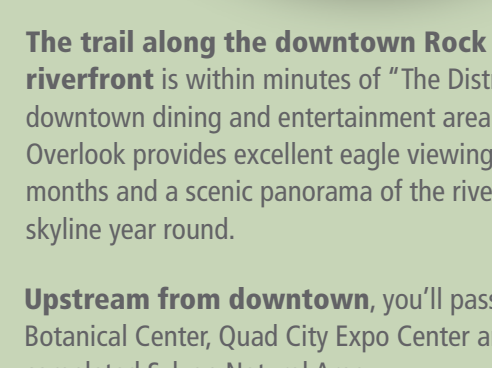
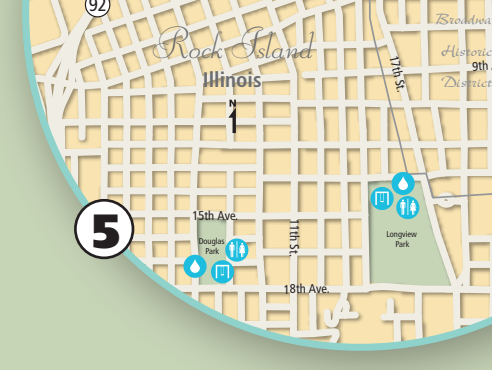
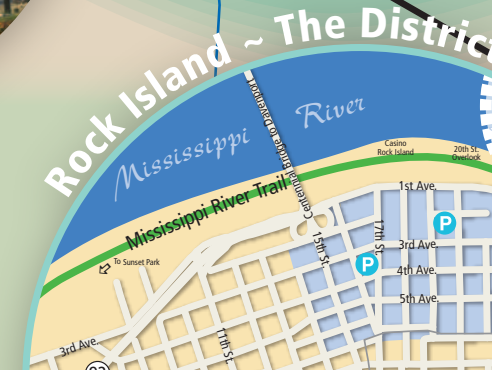
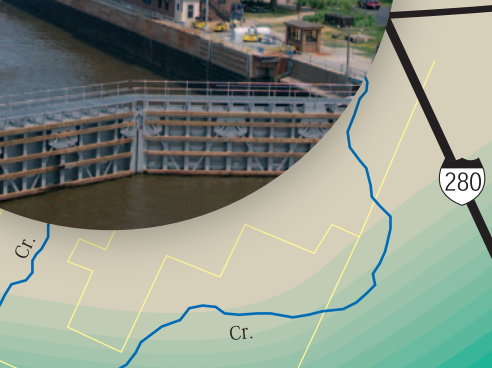
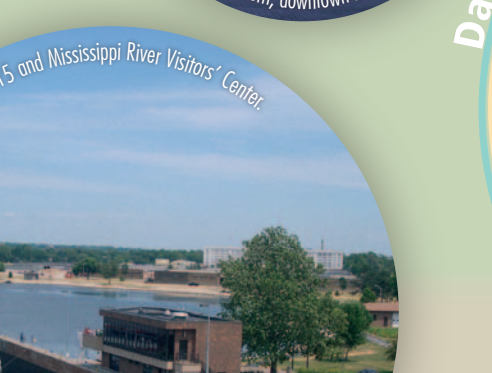
**Davenport’s Riverfront Trail along Mississippi River begins at Credit Island.** Enjoy a 3-mile round trip of the island, home to a city-owned golf course and the life-like sculptures which recreate Georges Seurat’s “Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte” painting. The art, and dozens of other art installations and conservation projects, were funded by River Action.



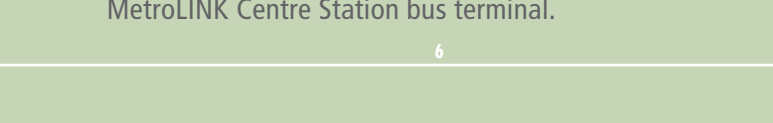
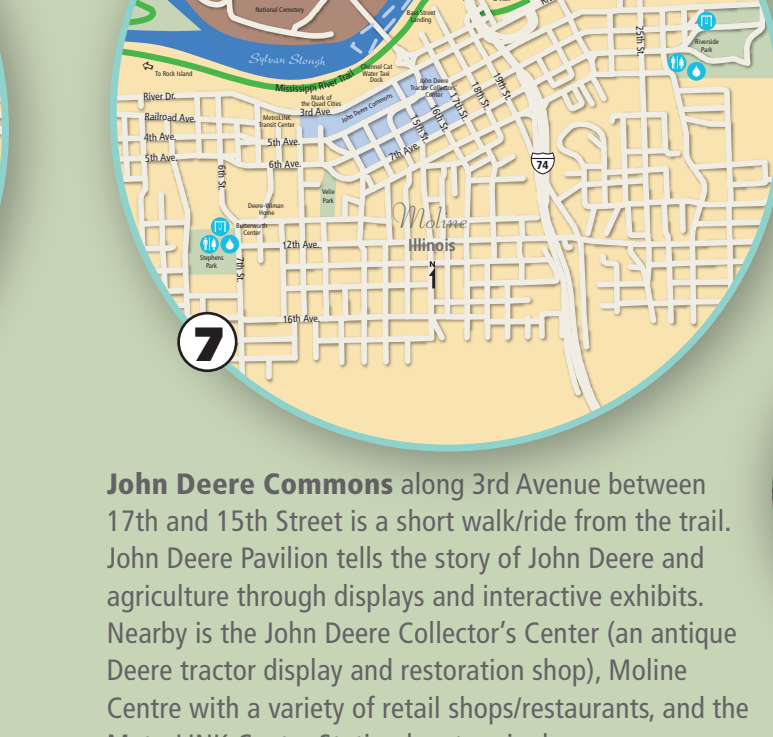
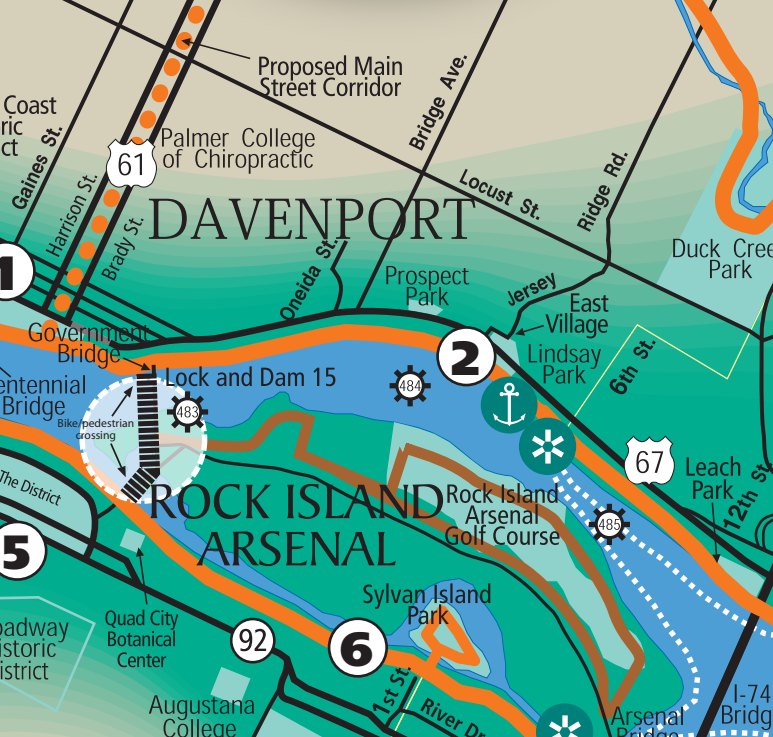
**Sunset Park and Marina** is located on the banks of the Mississippi River at its confluence with the Rock River. This park, between 18th and 31st Avenue, is the southwest terminus of the Mississippi River Trail, which is part of the larger Great River Trail.

**Mississippi River Trail**, adjacent to the riverfront, showcases a wide variety of culture, wildlife and local history. The trail, part of Illinois’ Great River Trail, covers 60 miles along the Mississippi River between Rock Island (Sunset Park) and Savanna.

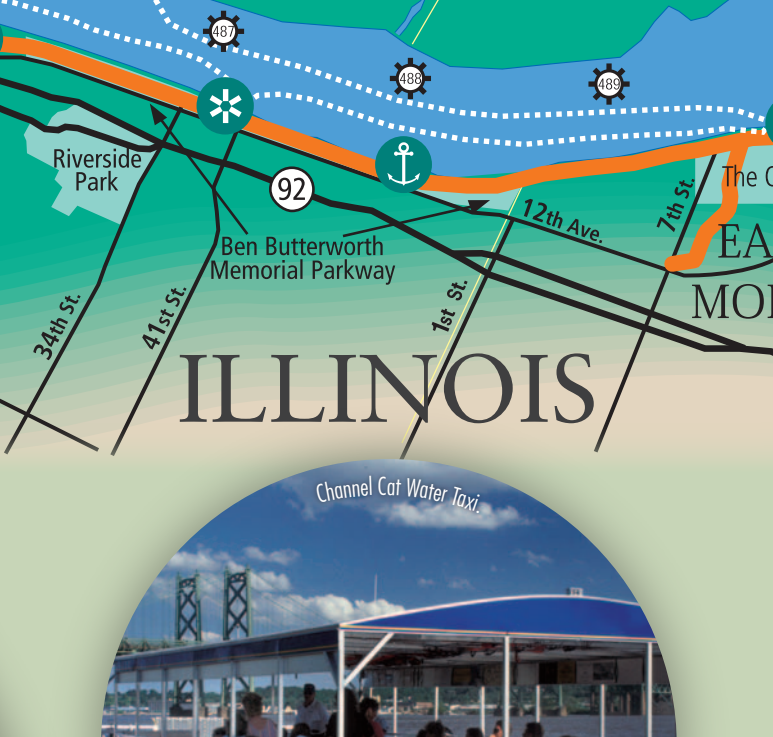
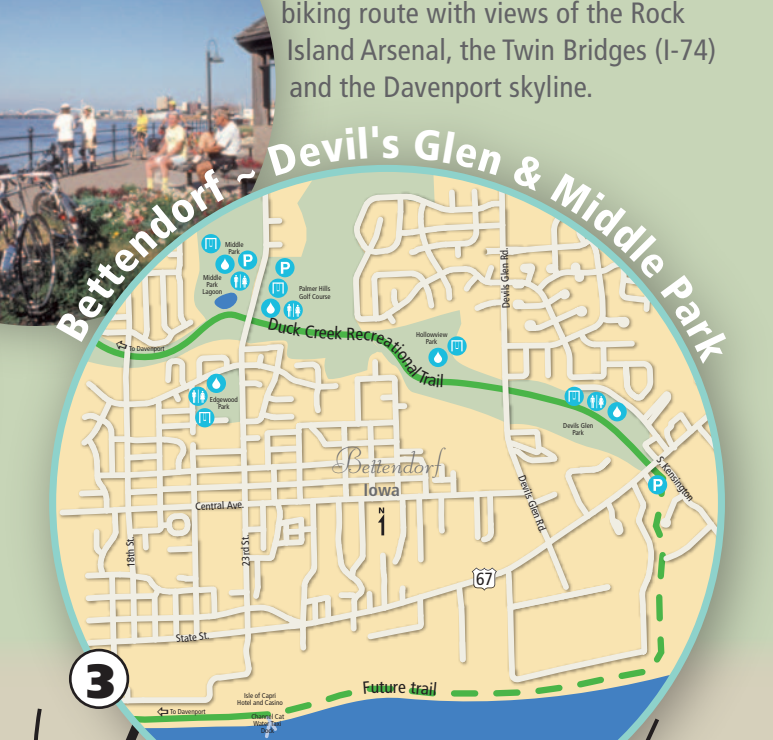
**Bicycles are available to rent at the QC Convention and Visitors’ Center in Union Station, downtown Davenport**, during the summer months. Nearby is the newly renovated John O’Donnell Stadium (home of the professional baseball team, The Swing of the Quad Cities), the new Figge Art Museum (designed by London architect David Chipperfield), the ‘Skybridge’ with its great riverfront overlook, and the River Music



Experience, a tribute to music with Mississippi River roots. And, just downstream of Centennial Bridge is Centennial Park with its river-themed, interactive children’s playground.



**The Village of East Davenport** is an historic area established in 1851 as a hub for sawmills fed by logging of northern forests. The first bridge span across the Mississippi River was built a short distance downstream in 1856 with assistance from railroad lawyer Abraham Lincoln. A log trestle from the original bridge, dating back to the 1800’s, still stands in the village. At the start of the Civil War, a Union training camp – Camp McClellan – was built in the village. The area contains architectural styles from “frontier” to “Colonial Revival.” The site of Camp McClellan is now Lindsay Park



**Legend**

**Main Map**

- Recreation trail
- Future trail
- Walking trail
- Bridge crossing
- Bike/pedestrian crossing (separated from motorized traffic)

**Inset Maps**

- Recreation trail
- Future trail
- Walking trail
- Water Taxi Route
- Bike/pedestrian crossing (separated from motorized traffic)
- Shopping area
- Park area
- Water Taxi Docks
- Bicycle rental
- Marina
- Restrooms
- Water

- Bicycle rental
- Marina
- Water Taxi Docks
- Water Taxi Route
- River mile marker (Distance from Cairo, Illinois. Used for navigation along the Upper Mississippi River.)
- River mile marker
- Playground
- RiverWay Art
- Boat launch
- Public phone
- ATM
- Picnic area
- Camping
- Fishing
- Info kiosk
- Food/concessions
- Parking
- River mile marker (Distance from Cairo, Illinois. Used for navigation along the Upper Mississippi River.)