

Burlington, Iowa, USA

Perched on the bluffs above the Mississippi, Burlington is best known for Snake Alley — one of the crookedest streets in the world — and a compact historic downtown steps from the dock.

Docked — downtown riverfront

Typical call: 6-8 hrs

US Dollar (USD)

English

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Alongside at Port of Burlington, 400 N Front St — right on the downtown riverfront

Best For: American history, quirky landmarks, scenic riverfront walks

Walk to center: 5 min walk to Heritage Hill and Snake Alley; flat along the river, then a steep climb

Don't Miss: Snake Alley — five half-curves over 275 ft; voted crookedest street in the world by Ripley's

Getting around: **Taxi** \$8–15 · **Rideshare** Uber, Lyft

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Snake Alley & Heritage Hill Walk** — Stroll up from the riverfront to Burlington's most photographed attraction — a cobblestone street with five half-curves...
- Garrett-Phelps House Museum** — An elegant 1851 Victorian mansion with nine furnished rooms showcasing antiques dating back to 1774 — one of Iowa's...
- Des Moines County Heritage Center** — Burlington's main history museum, covering the county's settlement, industrial, and cultural heritage through engaging...
- Starr's Cave Park & Preserve** — A 184-acre preserve just minutes from downtown with hiking trails, Flint Creek views, and caves including Devil's...
- Geode State Park** — Named for Iowa's state rock, this park 20 minutes from town offers a lake for kayaking and fishing, plus hiking trails...

BEST WALKS

- Riverfront to Snake Alley Loop** 1.5 miles | 45-60 min | Moderate — Walk north along the riverfront from the dock, turn inland up the bluff stairway on Columbia Street, continue to Snake Alley on North...
- Mosquito Park Overlook** 0.5 miles | 20 min | Easy — A short walk or quick drive to Mosquito Park on the bluffs above the river for sweeping panoramic views of the Mississippi and the...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		52°	35°	12d
Jun		75°	58°	10d
Aug		79°	63°	10d
Sep		72°	57°	10d
Oct		59°	46°	12d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:36AM–8:02PM · Jun 5:38AM–9:01PM · Aug 6:25AM–8:21PM · Sep 6:59AM–7:28PM · Oct 7:33AM–6:35PM

US Dollar (USD)

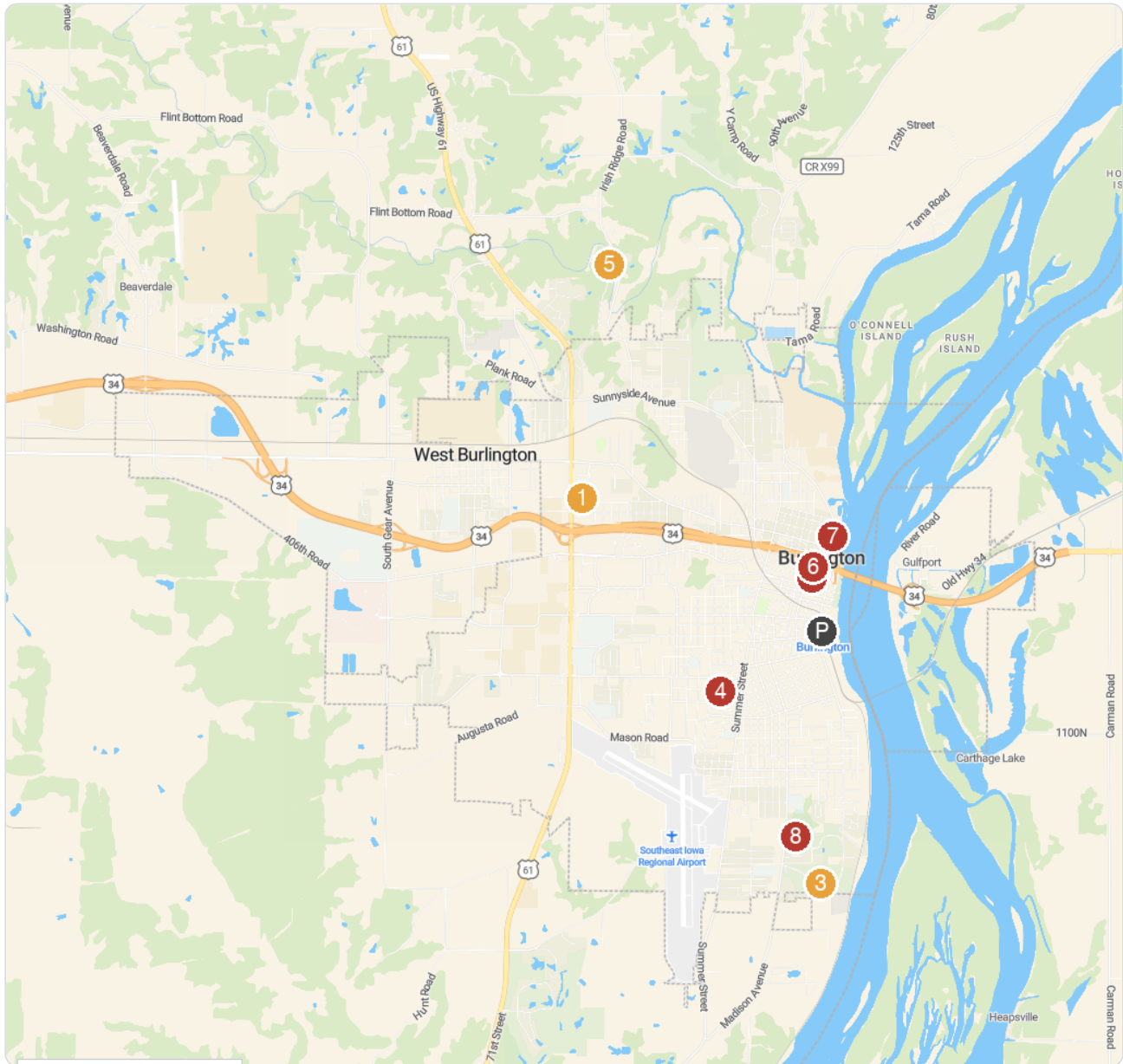
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Dock is central — the Port of Burlington is right on the riverfront, so no tender or bus needed to reach downtown.
- Wear walking shoes — the climb from river level up to Snake Alley and Heritage Hill is steep. Worth it, but not sandals.

Burlington, Iowa, USA — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| <p>1 Fun City Indoor water park, casino, arcade, and bowling entertainment complex.</p> <p>3 Crapo Park Historic park with river views, arboreta, and Native American mounds.</p> <p>5 Starr's Cave Nature Center Nature center with caves, hiking trails, and exhibits.</p> <p>7 Mosquito Park Small, historic park with unique name and river views.</p> <p>P Cruise port / terminal</p> | <p>2 Des Moines County Heritage Center Museum Local history museum in a former federal building.</p> <p>4 Perkins Park Park featuring a disc golf course and playground.</p> <p>6 North Hill Park Quiet neighborhood park offering scenic views of the city.</p> <p>8 Dankwardt Memorial Park Large park with a pool, golf course, and walking trails.</p> |
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