

HOP-ON HOP-OFF Included Attractions

- 1 ★ DES MOINES COUNTY HERITAGE CENTER &
 - **Q** BART HOWARD ROOM
- 2 R MOSQUITO PARK &
 - S NORTH HILL PARK
- 3 ★ GARRETT-PHELPS HOUSE MUSEUM 🗟
 - I SNAKE ALLEY
 - HERITAGE HILL NATIONAL HISTORIC DISTRICT
- 4 ★ CAPITOL THEATER &
 - P JEFFERSON STREET SHOPPING
 - ☑ ART CENTER OF BURLINGTON
- 5 ★ PORT OF BURLINGTON WELCOME CENTER &

Recommended Eateries

Uptown Ivy

514 Jefferson St. | (319) 754-5924 | Closest Stop: #4 | 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM Located two blocks west on Jefferson St. from stop 4

BURLINTON BENT RIVER 500 Jefferson St. | (319) 209-2773 | Closest Stop: #4 | 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM Located two blocks west on Jefferson St. from stop 4

106 Washington St. | (319) 754-1036 | Closest Stop: #5 | 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM Located across the street from Port of Burlington Welcome Center

Explore the Town at your leisure

RESTAURANTS & BARS

- A THE BEAN COUNTER
- B La Tavola
- C Napoli Pizza and Restaurant
- D DIGGER'S REST COFFEEHOUSE

LOCAL RELIGIOUS BUILDINGS

- E St. Paul's Catholic Church
- F CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
- G FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
- H FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
- FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
- J FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SHOPPING OPPORTUNITIES

- K THE FUNKY COWGIRL BURLINGTON
- I NATURE'S CORNER
- M COUNTRY FRIENDS
- N BURLINGTON BY THE BOOK
- 0 GYPSI
- P JEFFERSON STREET SHOPPING

LOCAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- BART HOWARD ROOM
- R Mosquito Park
- S NORTH HILL PARK
- T SNAKE ALLEY
- U HERITAGE HILL NATIONAL HISTORIC DISTRICT
- V ART CENTER OF BURLINGTON

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WELCOME TO BURLINGTON

Explored in 1673 by Pere Jaques Marquette and Louis Joliet, the land that is now Des Moines County changed hands from France to Spain, back to France and finally to the United States as part of the Louisiana Purchase. After Lt. Zebulon Pike's expedition landed at what is now Crapo Park in 1805, it was part of several territories – Louisiana, Indiana, Missouri, and Michigan. In 1834, residents named the land "Burlington" after trader John Gray's Vermont hometown. When Iowa was named a territory in 1838, Burlington remained the capital. Today, visitors enjoy the sights and attractions of the town as the bluffs and valleys, prairies, and the Mississippi River create the perfect scenic backdrop.

Important	Notes 4	E Comments

Hop-on Hop-off Highlights

DES MOINES COUNTY HERITAGE CENTER

The Museum opened in 2009 in the former Burlington Public Library, which was built in 1898. There are nine galleries on three levels in the Museum, each one addressing a different aspect of county history. The 19th Century Gallery illustrates the growth of the small frontier territory into a lively and bustling city of the gaslight era. The 20th Century Gallery on the upper level displays changing exhibits that address the events and social changes of the 1900s. Military, agriculture, and music are all also showcased throughout the museum, as they are all very influential and important aspects of the county's history.

GARRETT-PHELPS HOUSE MUSEUM

William Garrett, an early Burlington merchant, built a home at the top of the hill overlooking downtown Burlington and the river in 1851. As his family grew and his business became successful, Mr. Garrett enlarged and remodeled the house in 1870. Three generations of his family lived in this home through many tragedies and triumphs. The interior showcases the furnishings and belongings of the Garrett and Phelps families who lived here for more than 100 years. The ballroom on the third floor features Medical Memories, which highlights the years this home served as the first Protestant Hospital. Walk around this exclusive gallery to view the unique medical instruments, uniforms, and photos of that time.

BURLINGTON CAPITOL THEATER

A grand and beautiful asset to the city. Burlington, Iowa's 1937 movie theater was once the center of activity in a bustling downtown. The Capitol Theater shut its doors in 1977 and faced the wrecking ball within the next decade. Luckily, it was spared and fully restored to its opulent form. Today, films and live performances are still being offered here, and visitors can admire the beauty of this historical piece of Burlington.

PORT OF BURLINGTON WELCOME CENTER

The Port of Burlington Welcome Center has vast amounts of information on this area as well as the rest of the state. A scenic plaza area on the east side of the Port showcases the Mississippi riverfront. An outdoor stage located at the south end of the building is the site of Burlington Steamboat Days American Music Festival, which attracts crowds in excess of thousands of visitors every third week in June. Explore the unique gift shop, The Iowa Store, to pick out the perfect souvenir of Burlington. The store offers a wide selection of one-of-a-kind trinkets, jewelry, and art pieces handcrafted by local artists!

SNAKE ALLEY

This famous winding street is believed to be recognized by Ripley's Believe It or Not as "the crookedest street in the world." The Alley, constructed in 1894 with intention to link the downtown district to the residential area on North Sixth Street, consists of five half curves and two-quarter curves with a 58 foot drop over a distance of 275 feet. If you are feeling brave, take a walk down the road and our motorcoaches will pick you up at the bottom of the Alley to continue your tour.



Live Cabaret Show in the Bart Howard Room

Songwriter Bart Howard, a Burlington native, has been described as "elegant, urbane and smart in business matters." Lena Horne included Howard's "Let Me Love You" in her repertoire. When Frank Sinatra turned 50, he asked Howard to write a song for him, and Howard composed "The Man in the Looking Glass," which Sinatra included in his "September of My Years" album. "Fly Me to the Moon" became widely known to all generations when Neil Armstrong walked on the moon and NASA essentially adopted the song. Nearly all of the greats from Tony Bennett to Johnny Mathis have recorded his songs.

Bart Howard began his career at the age of 16 as a pianist for a dance band that toured with the specialty act, Daisy and Violet Hilton – conjoined twins. Shortly after this, Howard entered the army for four years. He returned to his passion in 1951, when he began playing regular gigs at Tony's West Side Club in New York City, eventually becoming the M.C. and accompanist at the Blue Angel in Manhattan. His career took off, but

Howard always managed to stay true to the music. Howard was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame in 1999, and at the end of his life he saw his music regaining popularity. Today we can enjoy a live cabaret show of his music and other cabaret standards in the room named in his honor. is hour long show will take you back in time when Sinatra, Martin, Horne and others ruled the airwaves. Because of the intimacy of this room, space is limited to 40 persons.

Price: \$39.00 additional Activity Level: 1



