WHALAN Located just four and a half miles east of Lanesboro on the Root River Bicycle Trail. Whalan offers a wealth of cultural, year-round recreational and sporting opportunities. Enjoy the scenic beauty of the 300-foot bluffs while you take a break in our gazebo next to the trail. Discover the past with a visit to Whalan’s Museum and Ernie’s restored 1917 filling station.

PETERSON This charming community awaits your visit! Choose from an inn, suites, or campground before venturing on the trail. Our paddle/tube outfitter will get you on the adjacent Root River. Dine at Burdey’s Café, enjoy bandstand concerts, shop local art, enjoy the Legion, or tour the museum and visitor center. Take Root!

HOUSTON In the beautiful Root River Valley, the City of Houston lies In The Best of Bluff Country. Houston’s Nature Center and Natural Playground at Trailhead Park and International Owl Center offer visitors a one-of-a-kind small town experience. Find places to eat and stay at inns or campgrounds in Houston!

RUSHFORD VILLAGE This city, nestled between bluffs and forest, covers 33 square miles and surrounds Peterson and Rushford. Travel Highway 16 – a National Scenic Byway following the Root River. Fish many trout streams. Paddle or tube the Root. Snowmobile for miles. Stay at a campground or bluff-top B&B. Take Root!

RUSHFORD Visit our scenic community for outdoor fun. Bike the state trail, hike Magelssen Bluff trails, enjoy Root River activities, shop our diverse stores, dine at various restaurants, and stay awhile – with camping or motels. Stop by the Rushford Depot Museum & Visitors Center. Take Root!

FOUNTAIN sits atop a gentle rise with plenty to offer trail users. Enjoy picnic areas, restrooms, play equipment and more at the City Park. Walk a short distance into town for one of Minnesota’s finest furniture stores, the local bank, a brewery, places to eat and shop, and the county’s museum and genealogy library.

PRESTON Also knowns as “Minnesota’s Trout Capital,” Preston is a welcoming, family-friendly destination with entertaining, educational and recreational activities. Bike 60+ miles of paved trails, hike, fish, dine and stay with us! We’re home to a beautiful State Veterans Cemetery and we pride ourselves in being Veteran Friendly. We’re lucky to have beautiful Historic Forestville and a State Park right in our backyard. Get Hooked TODAY!

HARMONY So much awaits you in friendly Harmony! Visit fascinating Niagara Cave, enjoy an Amish tour and explore unique antique and gift shops. Delight in excellent restaurants and lodging options. Stop in the Harmony Trailhead Visitor Center before you bike through beautiful, pastoral settings. Find Harmony in your life!

LANESBORO tucked along the banks of the Root River you’ll find a hidden gem - Historic Lanesboro. Discover a slower pace of life with no chain stores, fast food franchises or stoplights. This quaint town offers outdoor adventures, breathtaking views, rich artistic and cultural experiences, unique shopping and fine dining.

Plan your visit to beautiful Bluff Country today!