About the bicycling:
Distance: 12.8 mi. Recommended for beginner cyclists. Slight uphill grade both leaving and entering Ripley. U.S. Highway 62/68 is a four-lane highway with shoulders that carry heavy traffic. Use caution.
To do & see:
▲ Red Oak Presbyterian Church, 757 Cemetery Rd., Red Oak (from U.S. Highway 62/68, located 0.2 mi. east on Cemetery Rd.).
See Ripley Loop for additional listings.
Where to eat:
See Ripley Loop for listings.
Where to stay:
Call the Brown County Tourism Office for lodging options in the area, 937-378-1970.
Discover America’s Legendary Route to Freedom

Welcome to the start of a story of many atoms around the world, for people to actively experience history. This is a hands-on product of a collaboration effort between the National Bicycle Route Network, the Brown County Tourism, and the Adventure Cycling Association. The Underground Railroad was a critical part of the story of the Civil War, and the Underground Railroad and bicycle touring are both activities that can be enjoyed by individuals of all ages to learn more about one of the most challenging cultural heritage routes in the United States.

The Underground Railroad, a critical part of history during the Civil War, was a network of people who helped thousands of enslaved African Americans escape to freedom. The routes followed by these freedom seekers were often marked by secret signs and signals, and these routes are now celebrated as part of a larger network of historical sites.

As an activity, bicycle touring is a way to explore these sites and learn about the history of the Underground Railroad. The route is designed to be a way for people to learn more about the story of the Underground Railroad and to enjoy the cultural and natural beauty of the area.

To learn more about the Underground Railroad, visit our website: www.adventurecycling.org. For more information, please contact us at info@adventurecycling.org or write to us at Adventure Cycling Association, 2525 West Sixth Street, Missoula, MT, 59802.