Restroom

You may capsize, so dress for the weather. When the water and/or weather get cold, warm-when-wet clothing and a wetsuit are needed.

- Plan to get wet!
- Watch for hazards
- Don’t boat under the influence
- Be safe out there!
- Stay legal!

Major fish species present: Channel catfish, smallmouth bass
Minor fish species present: Flathead catfish, sauger, walleye

Whitewater Creek offers a short run through the remarkable "Whitewater Canyon" below Whitewater Road. It is often too shallow to paddle, and becomes hazardous at flood times due to the constricted nature of the gorge. It can be linked with a longer trip on the North Fork of the Maquoketa.

Stay legal!
Camping on sandbars is allowed only downstream of the City of Maquoketa on the rivers in this guide. Most areas along the rivers upstream of Maquoketa are privately owned – these waters are navigable, but you must respect private property.

Littering is a crime – pack out everything you bring in. Report littering or dumping by calling 888-NODLITTR.

Resources
Water trails and recent listing of canoe/kayak rivers
www.iowadnr.gov/watertrails/
River gages
waterdata.usgs.gov or www.rivergages.com

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Legend

- Hard-surface boat ramp
- Carry down access
- Unmaintained access
- Fishing access
- Campground
- Watercraft campsites
- Restroom
- Drinking water near river
- Dam (danger!)
- Rapids or rock dam
- 5-mile markers, from mouth
- Federal or state highway
- Paved & unpaved roads
- City or town
- Public lands