

RICHMOND MARINA BAY TRAIL

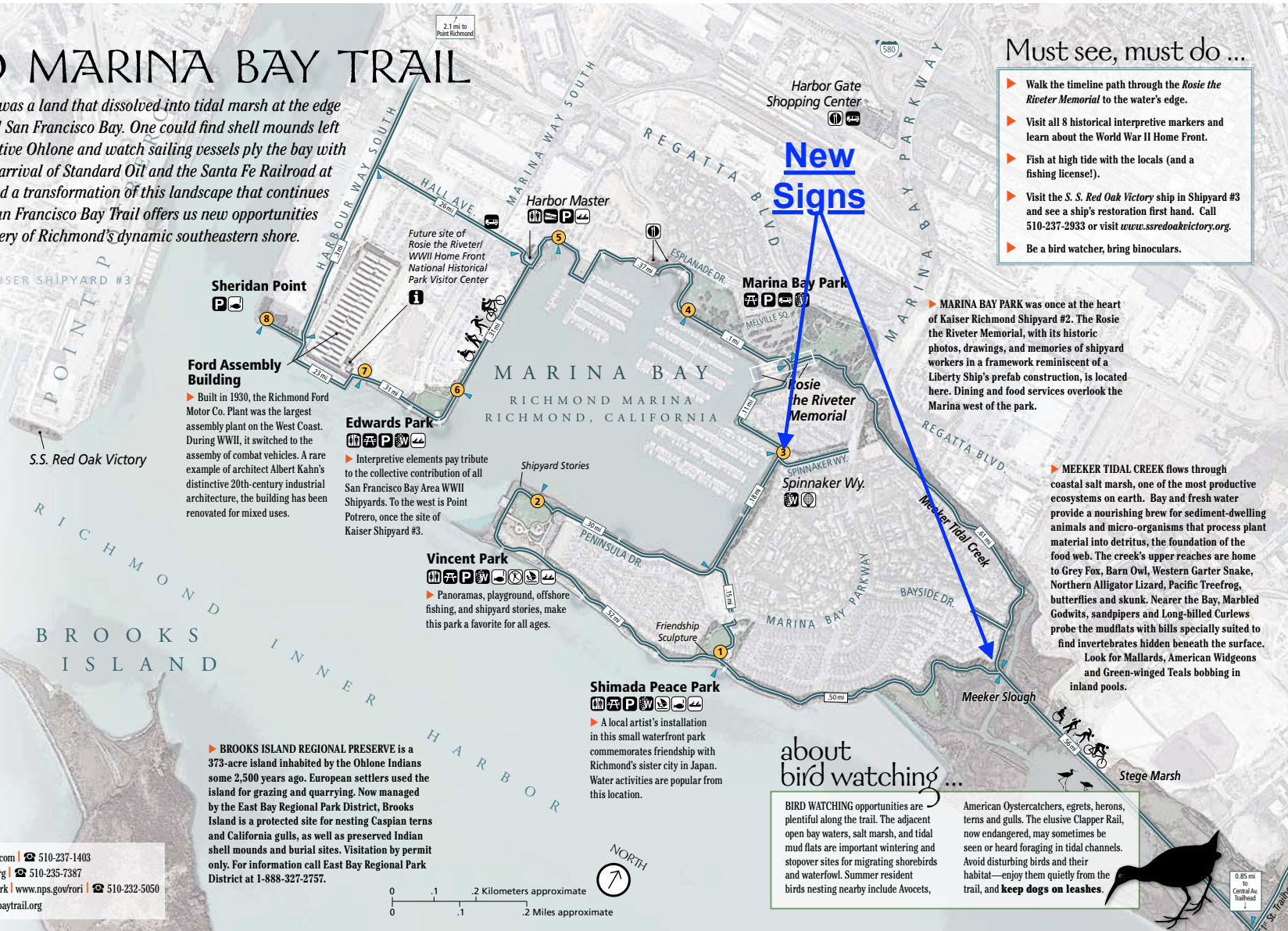


A century ago Marina Bay was a land that dissolved into tidal marsh at the edge of the great estuary we call San Francisco Bay. One could find shell mounds left by the Huchiun tribe of native Ohlone and watch sailing vessels ply the bay with passengers and cargo. The arrival of Standard Oil and the Santa Fe Railroad at the beginning of the 20th century sparked a transformation of this landscape that continues today. The Marina Bay segment of the San Francisco Bay Trail offers us new opportunities to explore the history, wildlife, and scenery of Richmond's dynamic southeastern shore.

Map Legend

	Bay Trail suitable for walking, biking, roller skating & wheelchair access
	Distance markers and mileage between two markers
	Stair access to San Francisco Bay
i	Visitor Information
	Restrooms
	Drinking Water
	Picnic area
P	Parking
	Bus Stop / AC Transit #74
	Boat Launch (fee)
	Small Watercraft*
	Boardsailing
	Fishing
	Tennis Court (2)
	Children's Playground
	Dining / Food
1	No Home on the Home Front
2	Transforming the Waterfront
3	Divided We Live
4	Americans All
5	Shift Change
6	A Deluge of Humanity
7	The Home Front Legacy
8	Recognizing the Past

*Launch and landing sites for the San Francisco Bay Area Water Trail



Must see, must do ...

- ▶ Walk the timeline path through the *Rosie the Riveter Memorial* to the water's edge.
- ▶ Visit all 8 historical interpretive markers and learn about the World War II Home Front.
- ▶ Fish at high tide with the locals (and a fishing license!).
- ▶ Visit the S.S. *Red Oak Victory* ship in Shipyard #3 and see a ship's restoration first hand. Call 510-237-2933 or visit www.ssredoakvictory.org.
- ▶ Be a bird watcher, bring binoculars.

▶ **MARINA BAY PARK** was once at the heart of Kaiser Richmond Shipyard #2. The Rosie the Riveter Memorial, with its historic photos, drawings, and memories of shipyard workers in a framework reminiscent of a Liberty Ship's prefabricated construction, is located here. Dining and food services overlook the Marina west of the park.

▶ **MEEKER TIDAL CREEK** flows through coastal salt marsh, one of the most productive ecosystems on earth. Bay and fresh water provide a nourishing brew for sediment-dwelling animals and micro-organisms that process plant material into detritus, the foundation of the food web. The creek's upper reaches are home to Grey Fox, Barn Owl, Western Garter Snake, Northern Alligator Lizard, Pacific Treefrog, butterflies and skunk. Nearer the Bay, Marbled Godwits, sandpipers and Long-billed Curlews probe the mudflats with bills specially suited to find invertebrates hidden beneath the surface. Look for Mallards, American Wigeons and Green-winged Teals bobbing in inland pools.

about bird watching ...

BIRD WATCHING opportunities are plentiful along the trail. The adjacent open bay waters, salt marsh, and tidal mud flats are important wintering and stopover sites for migrating shorebirds and waterfowl. Summer resident birds nesting nearby include Avocets, American Oystercatchers, egrets, herons, terns and gulls. The elusive Clapper Rail, now endangered, may sometimes be seen or heard foraging in tidal channels. Avoid disturbing birds and their habitat—enjoy them quietly from the trail, and **keep dogs on leashes**.



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 Richmond Museum of History | www.richmondmuseumofhistory.org | 510-235-7387
 Rosie the Riveter / World War II Home Front, National Historical Park | www.nps.gov/rori | 510-232-5050
 San Francisco Bay Trail | www.pointtrichmond.com/baytrail | www.baytrail.org

