



PORT GAMBLE WALK YRE# 1685

Distance: 6K, 10K
Difficulty Rating: 2B

Historic Port Gamble offers a view of an authentic Pacific Northwest lumber mill company town and port. The walk takes you through this small village, where you may enjoy many shops, a fine museum, picturesque turn-of-the-century buildings, New England style houses on maple and elm tree-lined streets, and breathtaking views of the Hood Canal. A large segment of the walk includes a portion of the former tree farm. There are restrooms in the village and a portable toilet on the 10K route, but none at the start point.

Walk Registration

Registration takes place online using the AVA Online Start Box at my.ava.org. Follow the instructions provided to create a user account and sign the AVA waiver (one time). Instructions for payment are also included. Download the directions and print as needed.

Walk Completion and Walk Credit

Once you have physically completed the walk, please login to your Online Start Box account; click on the “My Start Box” tab; then the “Finish Table” tab; then click on “Go to Finish Table” button for the event you have completed. Use the displayed entry form to submit the date and distance of your walk as well as select applicable AVA Special Programs to generate a stamped “virtual” insert card that you may print.

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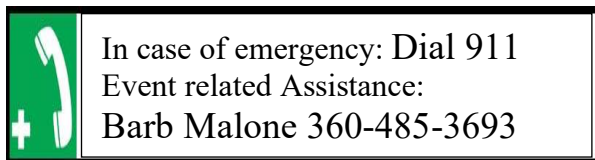
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ESVA Challenges: 39 Counties

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Start Point: Port Gamble RC Field Trailhead, Teekalet Ave, Port Gamble, WA 98364

Lat: 47.8485N Long: 122.5874W

Driving Directions: From Olympia and South Sound area go north on US-101 toward Shelton, then follow SR-3 north to Port Gamble. Pass Kitsap Memorial State Park and Hood Canal Bridge. Beyond the bridge the road becomes SR-104 which makes a 90 degree right turn to pass the village of Port Gamble. In 0.5 miles (around a 2nd 90 degree right) look for a small brown hiking sign on the right. Turn **RIGHT**. Continue to kiosk at the far right to park. From Seattle take I5 north. Take the SR-104 exit to Edmonds. Take the Edmonds-Kingston Ferry and follow SR-104 to

Port Gamble. Before reaching the village, you will pass parking lots across the highway from each other. Slow down to make a **LEFT** turn at a small brown hiking sign at the next road. Continue to kiosk at the far right to park.

1. From the kiosk, walk to the other end of the parking lot to “Kitsap County Parks, Port Gamble Heritage Trails”.
2. **FOLLOW** the gravel path to the Beaver Trail. Go through the turnstile with “Wildlife Viewing” sign.
3. Turn **RIGHT** at T. Go past the 1st viewpoint on right to the 2nd viewpoint of the active beaver pond.
4. **REVERSE** back to the T intersection.
5. Continue **STRAIGHT**, go through a 2nd turnstile and stay to the right.
6. **CROSS** bridge over Beaver Creek. Intersect with road (G1100) by a green post for the Beaver Trail.
7. Turn **LEFT** on road (G1100).
8. Turn **LEFT** on road (G1000). Go around gate to G1 parking lot on SR-104. Portable toilet is available.
9. Carefully **CROSS** SR-104, angle right to parking lot. Continue through break in the fence.
10. Turn **RIGHT** immediately to trailhead.
11. Turn **LEFT** on signed Bluff Trail.
12. Turn **RIGHT** uphill at 1st opportunity to a T intersection.
13. Turn **RIGHT**, return to start of trail.
14. Turn **RIGHT**, go downhill on gravel to water. At the far left was the site of the Port Gamble Mill built in 1853 (the oldest sawmill west of the Mississippi).
15. **REVERSE** back to parking lot.
16. Carefully **CROSS** SR-104. Go around gate back to road (G1000).
17. Turn **LEFT** on Stumps Trail.
18. Turn **LEFT** on road becoming Secret Squirrel Trail.
19. Stay **STRAIGHT** passing 2nd Secret Squirrel sign.
20. Turn **RIGHT** on road (G1210).
21. Turn **RIGHT** on road (G1200) passing both Secret Squirrel signs.
22. Turn **RIGHT** at Y (G1000).
23. Bear **LEFT** (G1100). Passing the green post for the Beaver Trail on right, you are entering eagle habitat. Look for them during spring nesting.

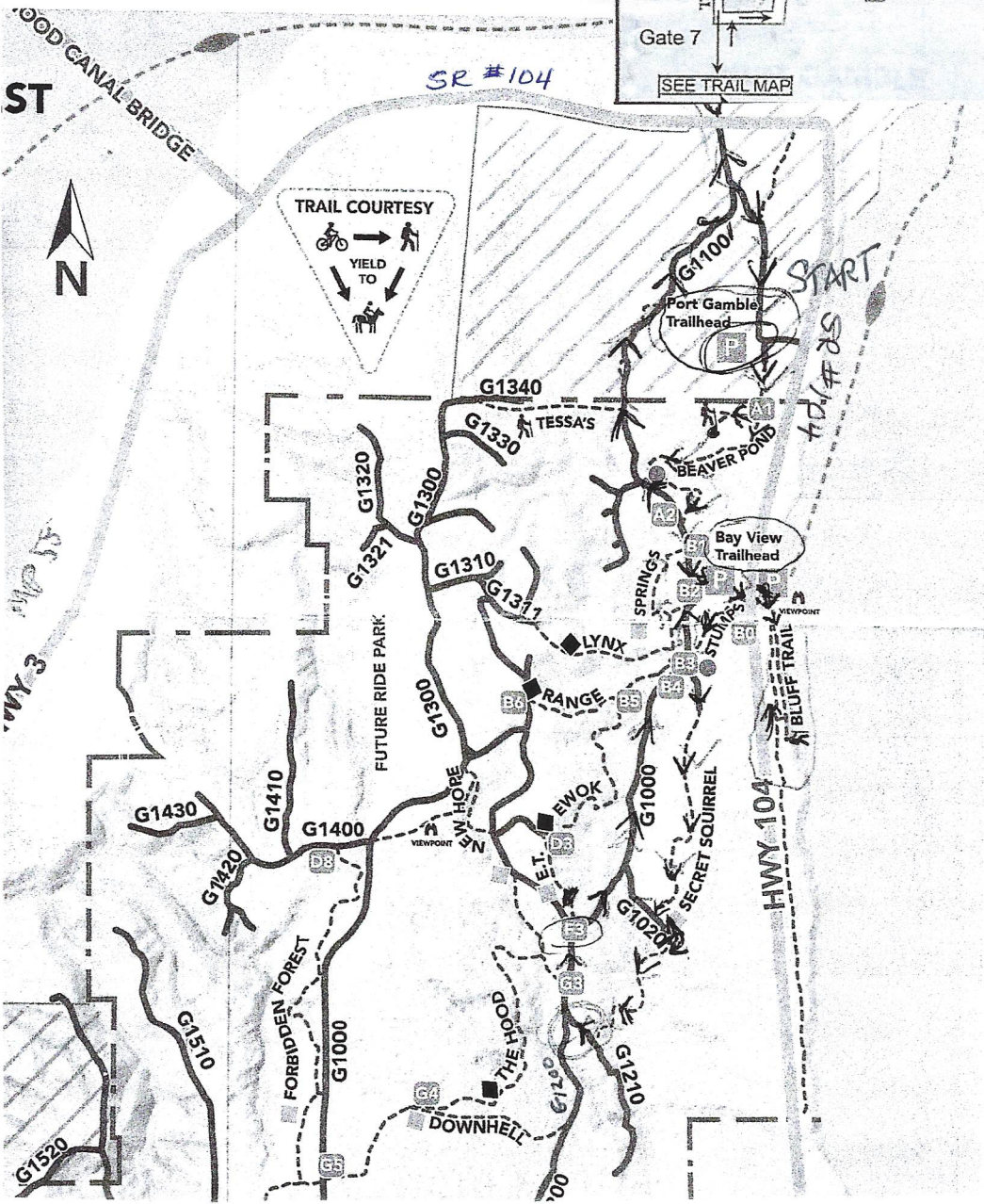
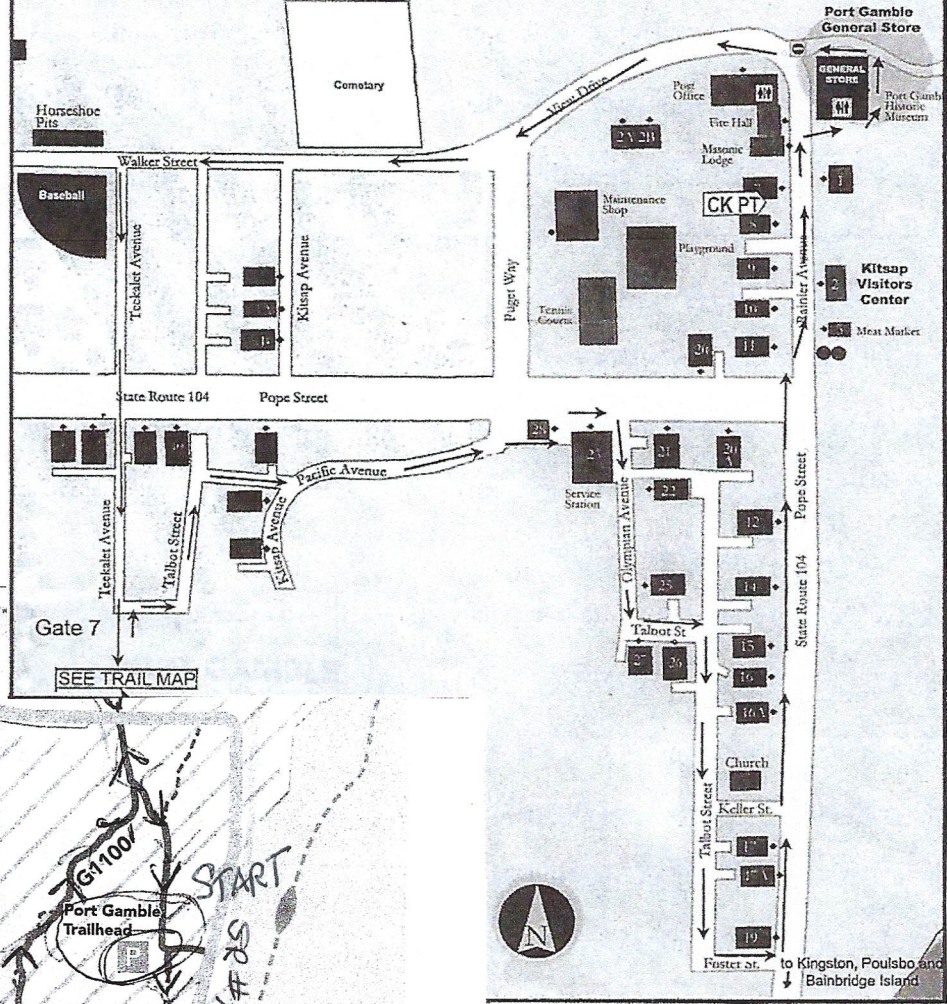
Also be aware of possible bear warning signs in spring.

24. **PASS** around gate. Stay on road passing a Bear Den sign, a Springboard Cuts sign and a Well House Building all on the right.
25. **PASS** around a 2nd gate leading into the village.
26. Turn **RIGHT** immediately on Talbot St which goes uphill and left. Refer to village map on the back of directions as not all streets are signposted.
27. Turn **RIGHT** on Pacific Ave. Proceed downhill to an old service station (now Butcher Baker Provisions).
28. Turn **RIGHT** on Olympian Ave. Follow it left, then right at the 1860 Hirschi House as it becomes Talbot St.
29. **PASS** Keller St (unmarked) on the far side of the church.
30. Turn **LEFT** on Foster.
31. Turn **LEFT** at Pope St/SR-104 passing historical homes and the 1879 St Paul's Episcopal Church.
32. Carefully **CROSS** Pope St/SR-104 before it turns left as drivers don't obey the 25 MPH sign. The entire village is on the Nat'l Register of Historic Places. Note the water tower, fire station, Masonic Lodge and theater.
33. Turn **RIGHT** on the stairs under the museum sign. Circle the large anchor. Note the Camperdown Elm imported in 1850. The museum at the rear of the building is a must see if open.
34. Turn **LEFT** at the end of the building on View Dr NE.
35. **CROSS** Rainier Ave. Pass the 1906 Post Office and Community Building. Public **Restrooms** in the post office building. Continue uphill to the 1856 Buena Vista Cemetery.
36. **CONTINUE** past the next 2 roads on the left.
37. Turn **LEFT** at baseball field on Teekalet Ave (the original Native American name for the area).
38. Carefully **CROSS** SR-104 continuing uphill.
39. **PASS** around gate (G1100). Power lines will be on your left.
40. Veer **LEFT** on road going uphill. Follow it until you reach the kiosk and parking lot. Drive back to the village for food and shopping.

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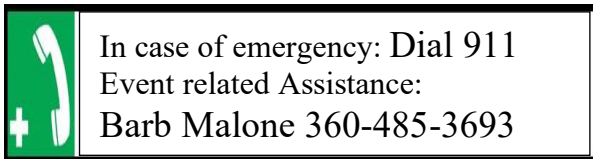
VILLAGE MAP





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7. Turn **RIGHT** on road (G1100). You are in eagle habitat and may see them during nesting season in the spring. You may see bear warning signs posted as well. Go around gate. Pass a Bear Den sign, a Springboard Cuts sign, and a Well House Building in the woods (all on right).
8. Pass around a second gate and head into the village.
9. Turn **RIGHT** immediately on Talbot Street which turns and curves up hill. Refer to the village map as not all streets are signposted.
10. Turn **RIGHT** on Pacific Avenue. Proceed downhill toward old service station (now a restaurant).
11. Turn **RIGHT** on Olympian Avenue. Follow it left and right (unmarked) becoming Talbot Street. **Continue** past Keller Street (unmarked on the far side of the church building).
12. Turn **LEFT** at Foster Street.
13. Turn **LEFT** onto SR 104/Pope Street passing historical homes and St. Paul’s Episcopal Church (1879).
14. Carefully Cross SR 104/Pope Street, before it turns left. Drivers don’t obey the 25 mph limit. SR104 becomes Rainier Avenue. Note historic buildings on both sides of the street including a water tower, fire station, Masonic Lodge and theater. The entire village of Port Gamble is on the National Register of Historic Places.
15. Turn **RIGHT** down stairs alongside the Port Gamble General Store. Circle the large anchor. Note Camperdown Elm imported in 1850. Rear of

the building is the Port Gamble Historic Museum, a must see if open.

16. Turn **LEFT** at end of building on View Drive NE.

17. **Cross** Rainier Avenue passing the Community Hall (1906) and the post office. Public **Restrooms** in the post office building. Go uphill to the Buena Vista Cemetery (1856).

18. **Continue** past two roads on the left.

19. Turn **LEFT** at the baseball field on Teekalet Avenue (original Native American name of the area).

20. **Carefully Cross** SR104/Pope Street.

Continue straight (note the G1100 sign) passing around gate. Pass the power lines on the left.

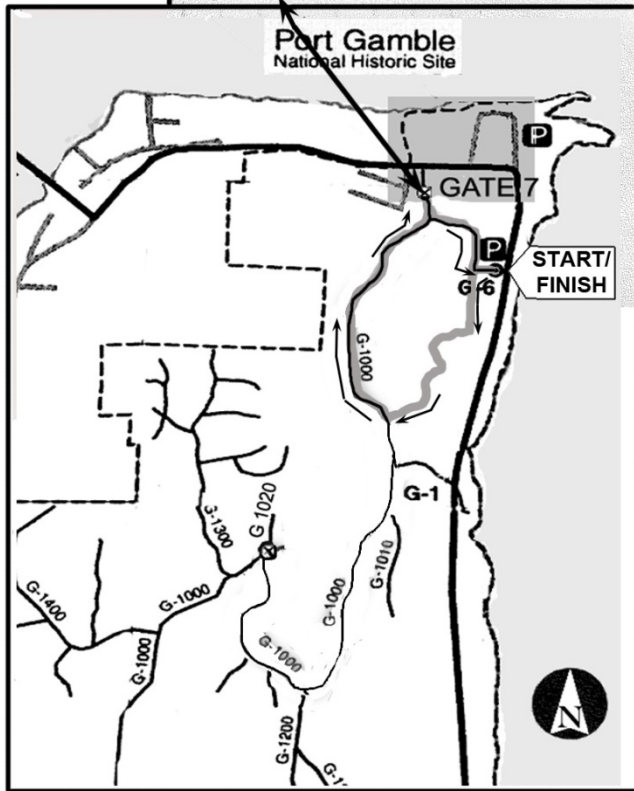
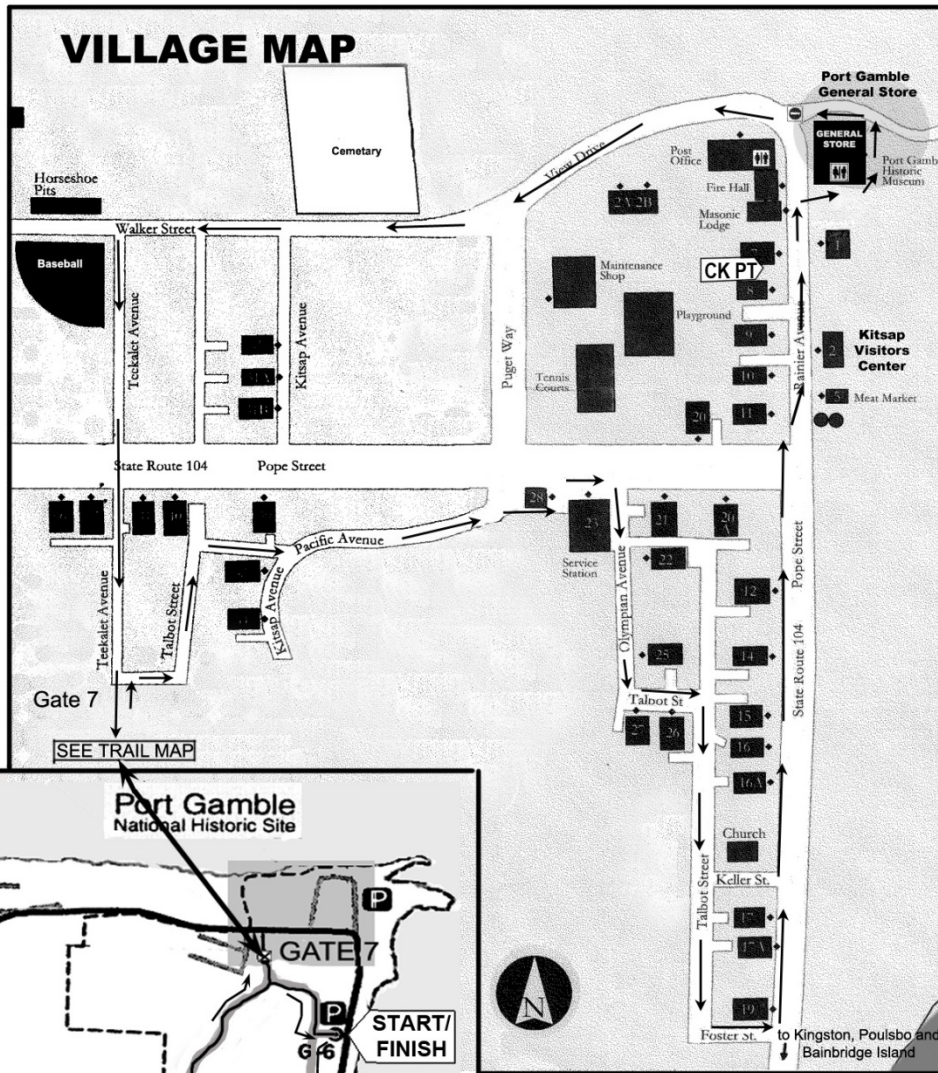
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