

SEATTLE – GEORGETOWN WALK

Year-Round Event Y2675

5K and 10K

Hosted by the Emerald City Wanderers

Both of these walks wander thru historic Georgetown, site of the first European settlers in the Seattle area. Art studios and galleries, restaurants and cafes, King County Airport, Terminal, Hat and Boots Park, and the beautiful old residential neighborhood are featured on this walk. In addition to the walk instructions and maps, an additional document highlights some of the historic and cultural sights.

This walk starts at the Starbucks at 601 S. Michigan St in Georgetown. At some point we expect to have a physical startbox in Starbucks, but not yet. Please park on the street and not in the lot. This walk can be enjoyed anytime, but is most pleasant on a Sunday when truck traffic is light. And, the Airport Terminal is an interesting work of architecture, outside and inside, and features some exhibits and good restrooms.

WALK COMPLETION AND CREDIT

Be sure to log back into the OSB system to finish/complete your online registration after doing the event. The OSB system does not deduct any event fee from a participant's Event Bank until they have submitted event completion info including the date of the event, the distance, and the selection of applicable special programs that person is participating in. (Nevertheless, a fee of \$2 for a downloaded PDF is deducted from the user's Event Bank when the PDF is downloaded. Later, any PDF fees are credited back to a user's Event Bank when he/she submits the event completion info as a paying for credit

participant. Note, however, the \$2 coupon for the downloaded PDF will expire in 60 days.).

DIRECTIONS TO THE START

From I-5 either direction take the Michigan St offramp and move to the far right lane. At the traffic light at the bottom of the long ramp, turn RIGHT on Michigan. Starbucks will be on the left side after one very long block. Please park in the street.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND CHALLENGES

AVA Special Programs: Airports, Rocking Around the Clock, 50 States; Walk the USA A-Z.,

ESVA Challenges: Counties: King.

Attached are directions and maps for the 5K and 10K routes, and a guide to interesting sites.

GEORGETOWN YRE #2675
5K Route – Rated 1A

CAUTION: Be aware of truck traffic. This is a busy neighborhood, especially on weekdays..

1. LEFT on S. Michigan St (the busy arterial). #1
2. Cross 6th Ave S and 5th Place S and go LEFT on 5th Ave S. #2
3. RIGHT on S. River St.
4. LEFT on E. Marginal Way S.
5. Cross S. Corson Ave and turn LEFT. Connections Museum on corner. #3
6. In a couple blocks, turn RIGHT into Oxbow Park. #4
7. Walk thru Park and then LEFT on Carleton Ave S (no sign). Gessner house across street. #5
8. RIGHT on S. Bailey St. #6
9. RIGHT on Flora Ave S.
10. LEFT on S. Willow St.
11. LEFT on Ellis Ave S.
12. At S. Warsaw St, turn RIGHT and CROSS Ellis Ave S.
13. LEFT on Ellis.
14. *[OPTION: Continue on S Warsaw St, staying to LEFT in parking lot and then RIGHT at the fence, to visit the Georgetown Steam Plant. #7 Return to Ellis Ave S and turn RIGHT.]*
15. Curve RIGHT onto S. Albro Place.
16. RIGHT on S. Hardy St. #8, #9
17. LEFT on 13th Ave S. #11
18. LEFT on S. Bailey St, and continue back to Starbuck's, crossing Corson Ave S on the way. When you cross Corson, Bailey becomes S. Michigan St.

The Emerald City Wanderers thank you for joining us today.

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GEORGETOWN YRE #2675
10K Route – Rated 1A

CAUTION: Be aware of truck traffic. This is a busy area, especially on weekdays

1. LEFT (west) on S Michigan St. (the busy arterial). #1
2. Cross 6th Ave S and 5th Place S and go LEFT on 5th Ave S. #2
3. RIGHT on S River St
4. LEFT on E Marginal Way S.
5. Cross S Corson Ave and turn LEFT. Connections Museum on corner. #3
6. In a couple blocks, turn RIGHT into Oxbow Park. #4
7. Walk thru Park and then LEFT on Carleton Ave S (no sign). Gessner house across street. #5
8. RIGHT on S Bailey St. #6
9. RIGHT on Flora Ave S.
10. LEFT on S Willow St.
11. LEFT on Ellis Ave S.
12. At S Warsaw St., turn RIGHT and CROSS Ellis Ave S.
13. Left on Ellis Ave S..
14. *[OPTION: Continue on S Warsaw, staying to LEFT in parking lot and then RIGHT at the fence, to visit the Georgetown Steam Plant. #7 Return to Ellis and turn RIGHT.]*
15. Curve RIGHT onto S Albro Place.
16. RIGHT on S Hardy St. #8, #9
17. *[For 7K, go to #22, but go LEFT across Hardy St and straight ahead on 13th S., passing Old Georgetown City Hall on right. #11]*
18. RIGHT on Airport Way S.
19. At first opportunity move onto Perimeter Road, parallel to Airport Way. Or you can stay on sidewalk. Continue SOUTH to Main Entrance and Terminal. (5K) (RR) #10
20. Turn around and return on Airport Way S to S Hardy St.
21. LEFT on S Hardy St.
22. RIGHT on 13th Ave S, passing Old Georgetown City Hall on right. #11
23. Turn LEFT across 13th Ave S and then RIGHT across S Bailey St. Continue on 13th Ave S.
24. LEFT on Airport Way S. Walk on left side. #12, #13, #14
25. At S Doris St, turn RIGHT and cross Airport Way S at traffic light. #15
26. Turn LEFT on Airport Way S. Continue to S Lucille St. You will return to Airport Way S in time for late breakfast or lunch!!!
27. At S. Lucille St (overpass) turn LEFT and cross Airport Way S. (Note: Lucille changes to Corson as you cross.)
28. Immediately turn RIGHT, crossing Corson Ave S.
29. Immediately turn LEFT on Corson Ave S. Corson Bldg at 5609. #16
30. Pass Georgetown playfield on your right. Turn RIGHT at first street (unsigned, but it's S. Homer),

continuing with playfield on your right. (RR)

31. RIGHT on 7th Ave S.
32. RIGHT on S Lucille St, and walk on right side.
33. RIGHT on Airport Way S. Lots of interesting shops and restaurants along here. Don't miss the Georgetown Trailer Park Mall!!
34. Cross S. Vale St and turn RIGHT on S Vale, which curves left to become

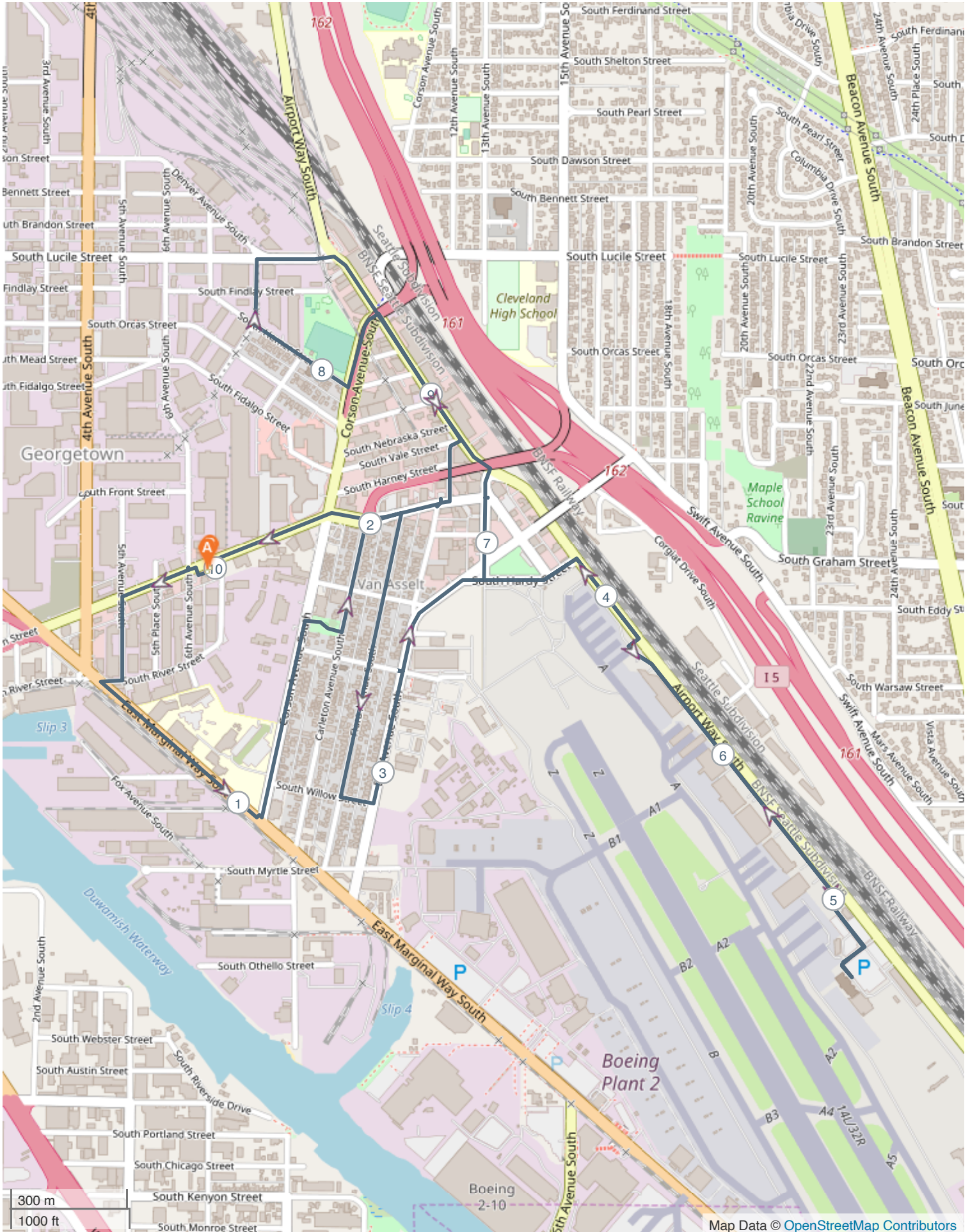
12th Ave S. (Cascade Cliffs Winery at 6006 12th S.)

35. RIGHT on S. Bailey.
36. In one short block, turn LEFT at Ellis Ave S, crossing S. Bailey.
37. RIGHT on S. Bailey, and continue back to Starbuck's, crossing Corson on the way. When you cross Corson, Bailey becomes S. Michigan.

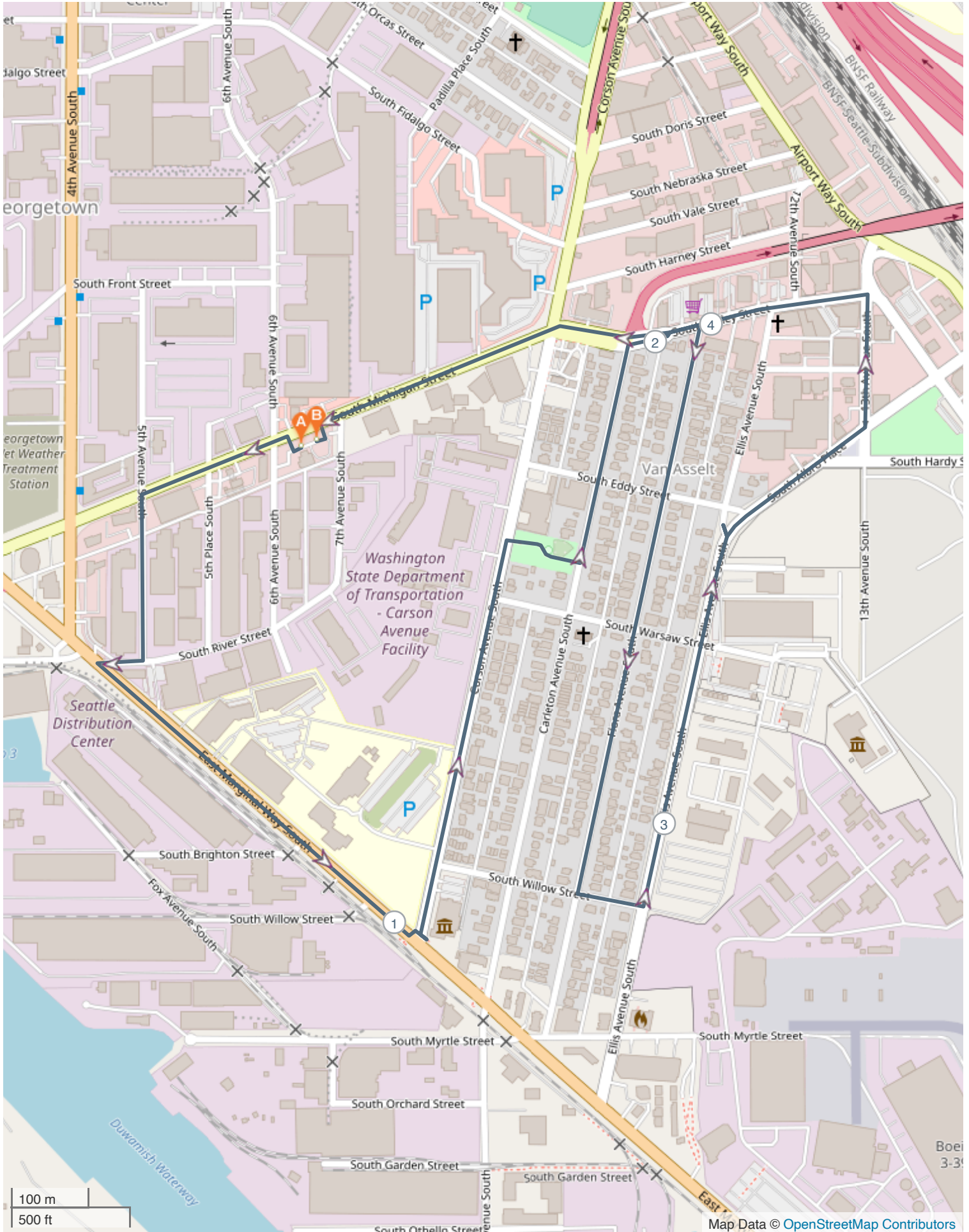
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Gtown 10K



Gtown 5K



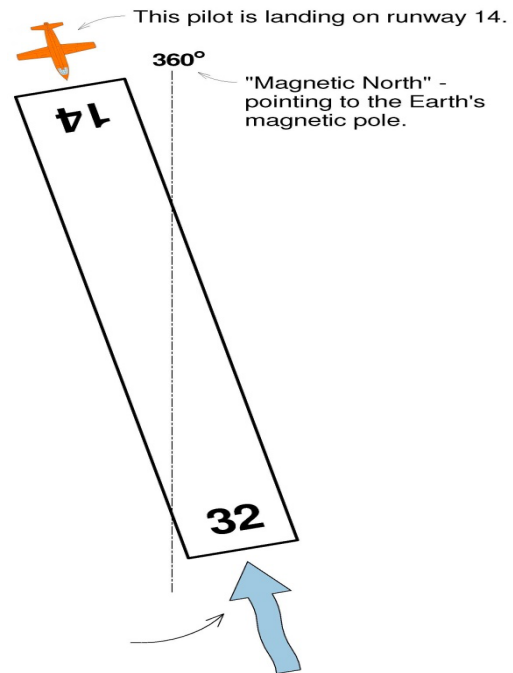
GEORGETOWN YRE PTS OF INTEREST

1. Not directly on route, but if you turn LEFT and go down 6th S. , the Kauai Family Restaurant serves takeout Hawaiian food Tuesday thru Saturday, 9:30 to 3:30.
2. On 5th you pass Counterbalance Brewing Company, Yaw Theater, Equinox Studios, and Base Experimental Arts. Note the Egg high on your left.
3. The Connections Museum is a telecommunications museum, full of all kinds of telecom gear from switches to phones. Only open on Sundays between 10 AM and 3 PM.
4. Hat 'n Boots – originally a gas station on Highway 99 , built in 1954, closed in the late 1980s, moved to Oxbow Park in 2003. The gas station office was under hat, the left boot was the men’s restroom, and the right the women’s.
5. “The Castle” -- Peter Gessner, a well-known gambler, built this magnificent home in 1902 for his wife. But she left him before it was finished, running off with one of his employees. Peter lived alone here for a short time before committing suicide. Later, his wife and her new husband occupied the home for a few years. Subsequently, the house went through many owners and users – baseball clubhouse, gambling, brothel, and apartments – until a recent renovation and restoration. It allegedly is haunted, either by the ghost of a prostitute murdered by her prestidigitator (magician) lover, or by the wife of one of Gessner’s sons who bore a child by another man. She or one of the men allegedly buried the baby under the porch.
6. Across S. Bailey is Maruta Shoten – Asian grocery store with an excellent deli for hot and cold Japanese food – great place to stop for a takeout lunch.
7. Georgetown Steam Plant – a National Historic Landmark built in 1906-1907 by the Seattle Electric Company, pioneering the use of steam turbines for electrical production. Power was used for the Seattle-Tacoma Interurban train. Eventually purchased by Seattle City Light in 1951, and used on a limited basis to meet peak power demand until sometime in the 1970s. Open on second Saturday of the month between 10 and 2– double-check for hours before you go. To get to entrance, continue straight on Warsaw St thru the parking lot to the “final” cyclone fence. Turn RIGHT and proceed along drive to gate into Plant site.
8. Ruby Chow Park – named after the former King County Councilmember and prominent Chinese-American leader. A great place to view plane takeoffs and landings at King County Airport. Bring your sushi from Maruta’s and have a picnic.
9. Looking across the street from Ruby Chow Park, you can see the airport runways, painted with numbers at the ends, legible to pilots who are “on final” for landing at Boeing Field. Runway numbers correspond to compass headings, and the direction an aircraft is pointing in relation to “magnetic north.” For example, a pilot taking off or landing on a runway

pointing north would be on Runway 36 (for 360 degrees). The numbers are based on the Earth's magnetic field, which is generated through electric currents within the planet's core, and which is in constant flux.

Because of a shift in the Earth's magnetic field, the FAA recently reassigned the numbers for Boeing Field's runways to 14/32. The runway numbers at Boeing Field have changed twice in the last 80 years. Photos taken in the 1940's shown the runways labeled 12/30, and until this recent change, the runways were labeled 13/31.

The number visible at this end of the runway here at Ruby Chow Park is 14, for a roughly southbound landing (the number at the other end of the runway is 32, for a roughly northbound landing).



In this instance, the wind is coming from the south. Pilots always land "in to the wind", so that means air traffic is landing at the other end, on runway 14. (If the wind were coming from the north instead, air traffic control would route traffic for runway 32, here at this end.)

10. King County Airport (aka Boeing Field) – a major airport for corporate, charter, private, and freight aircraft, and Kenmore Air. This is one of the busiest primary non-hub airports in the country, with about 200,000 takeoffs and landings per year. It is the airport typically used by visiting notables, e.g., presidents, foreign dignitaries. The terminal has restrooms, a café (closed on Sundays), and an interesting collection of art (check the floor of the main lobby).
11. Old Georgetown City Hall – on the national historic register, built in 1909. As the City Hall, its life was limited as Georgetown was annexed by Seattle in 1910. Since then it has been used for many purposes, including a stint as the South Police Precinct.
12. The stretch of buildings on the other side of Airport Way was once the Rainier Brewery, which itself grew out of several older brewery companies. It now houses a variety of businesses and services. The newer building in this stretch occupies the site of the former Rainier Cold Storage and Ice Building, which suffered a major fire in 1988, and was later demolished amid some controversy.
13. Fantagraphics – interested in comic books? Fantagraphics is a well-known comic book and graphic novel publisher – store and gallery at 1201 S. Vale, just off Airport Way.

14. Jules Mae Saloon, 5919 Airport Way S – the oldest brick structure in Georgetown, built in 1898 for a drug and grocery store, later a saloon and gambling room, and a hardware store. In 1936 Jules Mae bought it for his tavern.
15. Fran’s Chocolates is slightly to the right, and worth a stop. Opens at 11 on Sundays, 10 on others.
16. The Corson Building (originally the Germani Residence) – built in 1926 as the residence of an ornamental cast stone manufacturer, Bernardo Germani. It is now a high-end restaurant.
17. To your left, before you turn onto Airport Way, is the Union Pacific Intermodal Facility (Argo Yard) – this is a major intermodal yard for UP. (The BNSF intermodal yard is in SODO, next to Highway 99.) Containers trucked between here and the Port terminals are loaded on and off traincars. This yard is a major part of our shipping network.