

Rosie the Riveter National Park and Richmond Marina Bay Trail, October 12, 2021 Easy Hike

A 4.5 mile very flat hike (no elevation gain) from the Rosie the Riveter Visitor Center, Richmond along the water front of the Richmond Marina to the Rosie the Riveter Memorial in Marina Bay Park and onto the Shimada Friendship Park via peninsular drive before looping back around to the Memorial Park and re-tracing our steps to the Visitor Center. Hiking poles will not be needed. The whole walk is along the side of the bay with great views over to San Francisco and Oakland and is on pavement. There are frequent restrooms along the route and people can visit the national park visitor center if they wish (entrance was free when we pre-hiked), as well as read the eight historical interpretative markers / posters along the route to learn about the World War 2 Home front together with the Rosie the Riveter Memorial with its historic photos, drawings and memories of shipyard workers. The Meeker slough and tidal creek offer a glimpse of the wetlands habitat that stretches out to Point Isabel.

Carpooling: This is an individual's decision and should be agreed before hike day amongst the different parties. SIRs recommend avoiding carpooling unless all parties are vaccinated, are from the same family or are members of no more than three families if they have been vaccinated. Wearing masks is encouraged.

Directions: We will meet in the parking lot of the Visitors Center of Rosie the Riveter, National Park, tucked away behind an old Ford assembly plant at [1414 Harbour Way S Ste 3000, Richmond, CA 94804](#). There is ample parking at the end of the lot. Note: the guard on the gate to the old Ford building will let you through when hearing your visiting Rosie the Riveter Visitor Center, proceed to the end of the Ford building, past Columbia sportswear outlet and turn right towards the bay and park as close to the bay as possible.

From Walnut Creek take Hwy 24 West thru the Caldecott Tunnel, onto the 580 west to junction 9A Harbor Way. Rosie the Riveter National Park is sign-posted. Total distance from WC is approx. 25 miles and takes about 40 minutes.

Alternate

CA-24 west to Orinda, take Camino Pablo / San Pablo dam road north right on El Portal Drive then left onto I-80 west. Take exit 15 Cutting Boulevard. West on Cutting Boulevard to Harbor Way where turn left and follow directions above.

Optional Lunch: in Lara's, a stunning waterfront restaurant in the heart of Marina Bay, Richmond. See website for the menu and more information: [Lara's Fine Dining Richmond California \(larasfinedining.com\)](#).

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