
Things to do:

Archery – Obtain one day permit at the ranger station. Open air range with various targets, at different ranges. Practice tips only! Crossbows are prohibited!

Biking – Rentals available at Aviator Sports – Bike along historic runways of Floyd Bennett Field, or along trails at Fort Tilden. The Rockaway Gateway Greenway offers a unique way to see the park. Stop at Park Visitor Contact Station to pick up map.

Birding and Nature Study – Birding is great at the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge, Fort Tilden, and the North Forty area of Floyd Bennett Field.

Camping – 41 campsites at Floyd Bennett Field, with a fire rings and grills, picnic tables. Vault toilets, sink, and potable water are nearby.

Ferry To Manhattan – Weekends and Holidays, Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day at Riis Landing. See schedule at: www.newyorkbeachferry.com.

Fishing – Various locations

HARP – Historic Aircraft Restoration Program, located in Hangar B adjacent to campsites. Open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Hiking – Various sites throughout Jamaica Bay Unit

Kayaking, Canoeing, Rowing – Launch sites within Jamaica Bay offer opportunities for every level paddler. See schedule for trips; reservations required. Walk-up kayaking available weekends, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Riis Landing and Canarsie Pier.

Sailing – See schedule; reservations required

Swimming available at Jacob Riis Park – Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day

Things to do (Continued)

Park Concessions:

Aviator Sports – Gateway’s newest and largest concessioner offers indoor ice skating, hockey, a climbing wall, gymnastics, basketball and outdoor sports fields. Food service is also available. See their website at www.aviatorsports.com.

The Brooklyn Golf Center – located on Flatbush Avenue adjacent to Floyd Bennett Field, offers miniature golf, driving range, pro shop and golf instruction. Call (718) 253 – 6816.

The Riis Park Golf Course offers an 18 – hole par 3 executive course. Call (718) 474 – 1623

Jamaica Bay Riding Academy – Horseback riding

Dover Gourmet – provides food, drinks and beach supplies at Jacob Riis, concession open daily Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day

Park Partner Groups:

Rockaway Artist Alliance - The Rockaway Artist Alliance galleries at Fort Tilden in Studios 6 and 7 are open to the public on Saturdays from noon to 5 p.m., and on Sundays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. All exhibits are free of charge. For more information, call RAA at (718) 474 – 0861 or visit their website at: www.rockawayartistalliance.com

Rockaway Theater Company - presents a selection of musicals, comedies and dramas at Fort Tilden’s historic Post Theater. For additional information including audition dates and ticket information, please call (718) 850 – 2450. www.rockawaytheatrecompany.org

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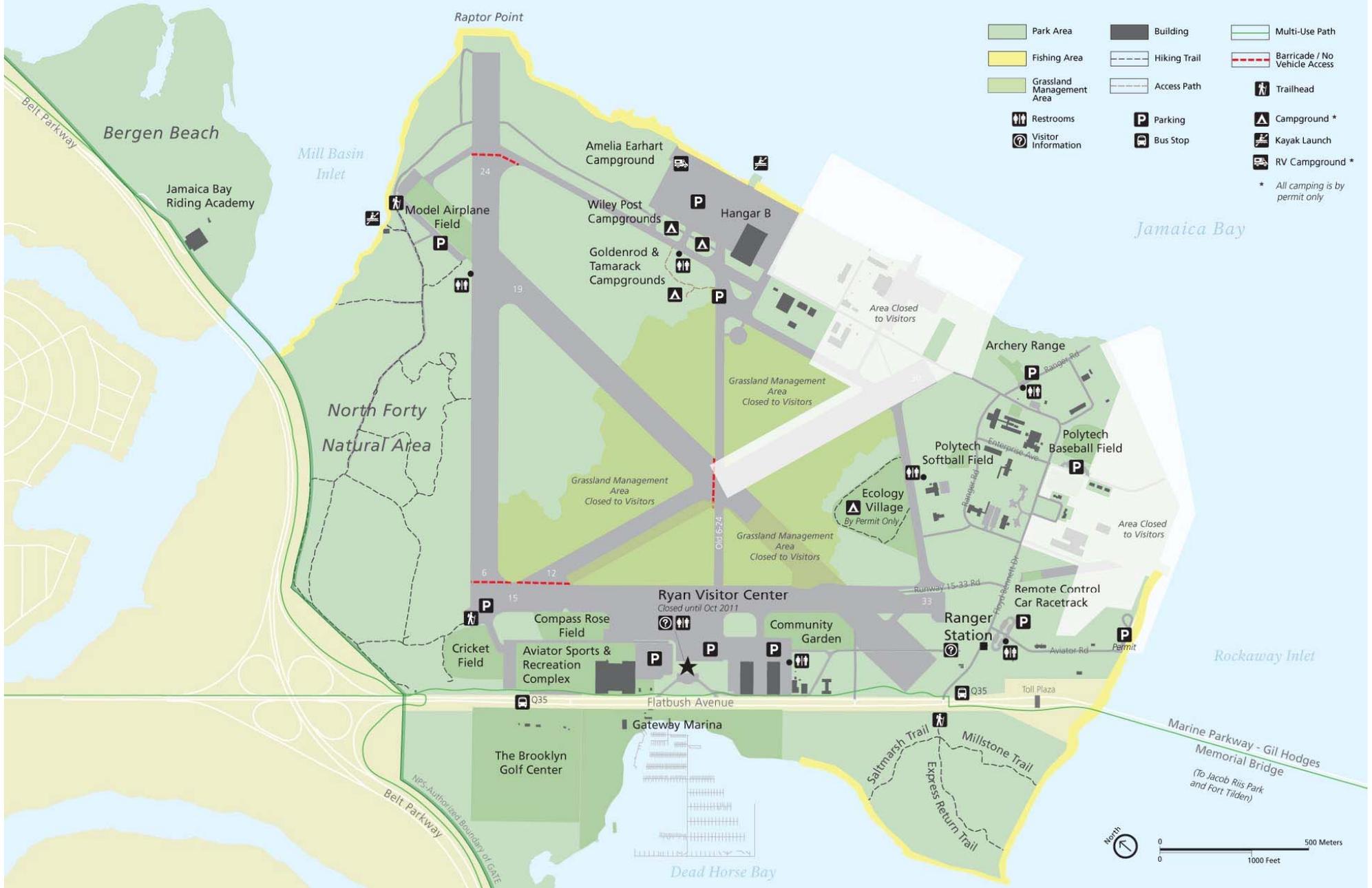
Explore the Urban Outback!

The great outdoors and camping may not be the first thing that you think of, when you think of Brooklyn, but Gateway National Recreation Area’s Floyd Bennett Field offers you just such an experience! The park’s campgrounds are located just steps away from the shores of Jamaica Bay, and all of its varied recreational opportunities. Kayaking, canoeing, and fishing are available to those wishing to get out on the water, miles of hiking trails, multiuse paths for biking and skating and swimming at Jacob Riis Park’s beaches are just minutes away. The park’s concessioners offer a wide variety of sports activities, from ice skating, to golf, to horseback riding along the shores of Jamaica Bay! Plus, the many sights and sounds that make New York one of the world’s most visited cities, are all within easy reach!



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