

PARTNERS IN RESTORATION

The restoration of Crissy Field, a project of the Golden Gate National Parks Association and the National Park Service, changed this former military industrial yard into an inviting site for park lovers of all ages. Crissy Field's transformation was accomplished through the generous support of the Golden Gate National Parks Association's dedicated members, volunteers and donors, who shared a vision of a shoreline urban park.

Join the Parks Association today to become a partner in our work to preserve and revitalize Crissy Field, and all of the Golden Gate National Parks. Since 1981, the nonprofit Golden Gate National Parks Association has worked hand in hand with the National Park Service to enhance park sites, restore habitats, protect endangered species, preserve landmarks, improve trails, develop education programs and much more. Join us to help Crissy Field and all our parks thrive, and to discover the parks' best adventures.

Visit www.ggnpa.org or call (415) 561-3030 ext. 2255 to join today.

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OFFICIAL MAP AND GUIDE TO CRISSY FIELD



CELEBRATE YOUR NEW PARK

With the Golden Gate Bridge as its backdrop, Crissy Field lies at the gateway to San Francisco. This stunning site was long neglected as the Presidio's industrial backyard, and was covered in crumbling asphalt, run-down structures, chainlink fence and shoreline rubble as recently as 1997.

Today, thanks to intensive renewal and restoration by the Golden Gate National Parks Association, the National Park Service, generous donors and thousands of volunteers, Crissy Field is a world-class shoreline park for visitors from the Bay Area, and around the world.

LAYERS OF HISTORY

- 3000 B.C. Native people live near this shoreline
- 1776 A.D. Spanish arrive, establish Presidio of San Francisco
- 1821 The Presidio comes under the Mexican flag
- 1846 Bear Flag Revolt; Americans seize the Presidio
- 1848 Gold discovered at Sutter's Mill; gold rush begins
- 1906 Great San Francisco earthquake and fire
- 1912 Marsh filled to prepare for the 1915 Panama-Pacific Exposition
- 1921 U.S. Army airfield officially opens; named to honor Major Dana Crissy
- 1936 Crissy Field no longer used as a first-line airfield
- 1941 Former air mail hangar houses the first Military Intelligence Service language school
- 1972 Congress establishes Golden Gate National Recreation Area
- 1994 Presidio of San Francisco and Crissy Field transfer to the National Park Service
- 1998 Restoration of Crissy Field begins
- 1999 Tidal marsh channel opened; Ohlone people "welcome back the waters"
- 2001 Official public opening of restored Crissy Field

PLEASE REMEMBER

For your safety and enjoyment, and for Crissy Field's protection, obey all posted regulations.

Bikes need to follow the same laws as cars.

Though they're tempting to take home, plants, other natural objects and historic artifacts are protected, and collecting is prohibited.

Emergency phone: 911 or 415-561-5656

GETTING THERE



Crissy Field is located on the shoreline of the Presidio of San Francisco, southeast of the Golden Gate Bridge.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO take Marina Boulevard to Crissy Field's Marina Gate, near the Doyle Drive approach to the Golden Gate Bridge. Or take the Presidio's Lombard Gate, turn right at Lincoln Boulevard, right again on Halleck and continue to Mason Street.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION: San Francisco MUNI lines 28, 29 Sunset/Letterman, and 43 serve the Presidio; lines 30 and 45 serve nearby neighborhoods. Many Golden Gate Transit lines serve bus stops at the Golden Gate Bridge toll plaza and at Richardson and Lyon near Crissy Field. Call 817-1717 from any area code for public transit info.

BIKES: Crissy Field features a new dedicated bike path along Mason Street, with connecting links to the Golden Gate Bridge and the Presidio. See map for bike rack locations.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

National Park Service Info: 415-556-0560
or visit www.nps.gov/goga/

Golden Gate National Parks Association: 415-561-3000
or visit www.ggnpa.org

Crissy Field Info: 415-4-CRISSY
or visit www.crissyfield.org

Crissy Field Center: 415-561-7690

Center Café and Warming Hut Info: 415-561-3030 ext. 2600

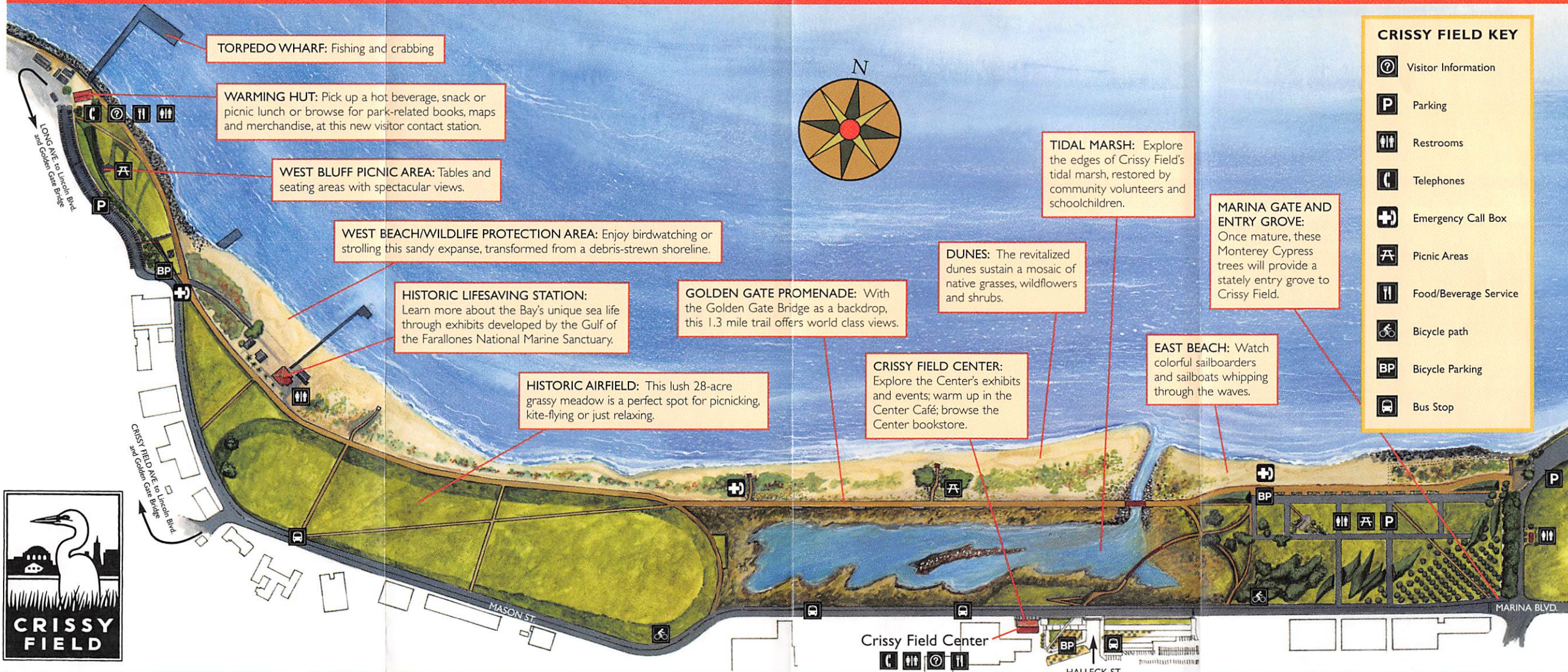
Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary: 415-561-6625

Presidio Visitor Center: 415-561-4323

Fort Point Visitor Center: 415-556-1693

Public Transit Info: 817-1717 (from any area code)

CRISSY FIELD



CRISSY FIELD KEY

-  Visitor Information
-  Parking
-  Restrooms
-  Telephones
-  Emergency Call Box
-  Picnic Areas
-  Food/Beverage Service
-  Bicycle path
-  Bicycle Parking
-  Bus Stop

RESTORED TIDAL MARSH:

Until a century ago, Crissy Field was part of a 130-acre marsh and dune ecosystem. The restored marsh again provides shelter and food for waterbirds, fish and other animals.



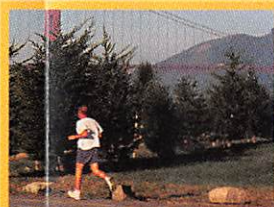
CRISSY FIELD CENTER:

Situated near the marsh, the Center offers exhibits, festivals and programs on nature in the city. Visit the Center Café for coffee or a snack and enjoy unparalleled views.



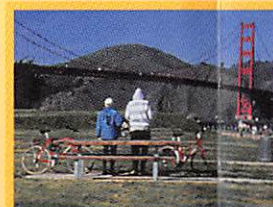
GOLDEN GATE PROMENADE:

Walk or jog the promenade's full length to view Crissy Field's enhanced beaches, restored tidal marsh and historic airfield, and discover new scenic overlooks and seating areas.



WEST BLUFF PICNIC AREA:

This brand-new picnic area offers tables and seating areas with spectacular views of the Golden Gate Bridge and San Francisco Bay.



BIRDWATCH AT THE MARSH:

Over 100 species have returned to this rich tidal marsh ecosystem — watch for wading great blue herons, brown pelicans with long bills and throat pouches, duck-like grebes, and noisy killdeer.

