



**Beacon Hill
Stair Walk**

Beacon Hill Stair Walk

This 3.4 mile loop has great views of the Seattle skyline, also overlooks both the Olympic and Cascade mountains. You are high above the major freeways coming into town from the south and the west. Climb up 353 steps and down 298 steps.

Start at the Dr. Jose Rizal Park and walk down the stairs.

Down 88 steps

At the bottom go through several gates to the bike path. Turn right.



This curves down the hill through Sturgis park, past "Equality" by Rolon Garner & Ken Leback. Soon you reach a Korean Pagoda. In about 2 blocks there is a paved path to the right. Take this to 17th Ave. Walk one block and turn right onto Massachusetts Street.



Up 91 steps

At the top, turn right. At Atlantic St turn left and walk up a steep hill.



Up 121 steps



At the top turn left on 15th Ave and in one block turn right and climb the Massachusetts Street ramp, past gardens.

Turn left and follow 14th Ave S for 3 blocks, passing the corner of the Beacon Hill Playground. Turn left on Holgate street and walk down to the stairway.



Down 82 steps

Walk down to 17th Ave and turn right, walk 4 blocks to the aptly named Hill Street and climb the stairs.



Up 56 steps

Turn left at the alley and in one block turn left again onto Walker Street and go down 2 stairways to 18th Ave.

Down 48 steps





Down 81 steps

At the bottom turn right and in one block turn right again on College Street. Follow this for 3 blocks to 16th Ave S. Turn left and walk one block. There is a cute little coffee shop in one more block (The Station), across from the school. At Bayview Street, turn west, and cross the complicated intersection, crossing both Beacon Ave and 15th Street. Keep going down Bayview.



Down 65 steps.

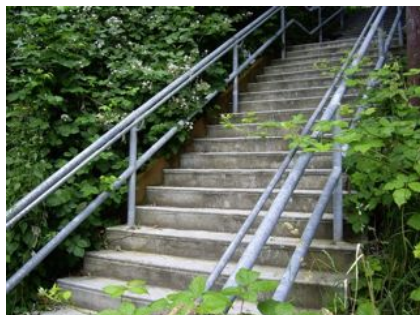


You will be on 13th Ave S. *If you are really determined to climb the rest of Bayview, keep going down for 50 extra-credit steps, then return. Unfortunately, this stair is in poor shape and has lots of litter. The path goes on down and under the freeway.*

Turn north onto 13th Ave S and climb a block. Turn left on Beacon Ave for one block along a narrow sidewalk that curves down the hill to a sign for College Street.

Carefully cross the street and climb

up 62 steps.



Turn left onto 13th Ave and walk a long way to Atlantic street, going past the Becon Hill Playground. Turn left and walk down the hill a couple of blocks to the Katie Black Garden. This lovely small park is a great place for a rest.

"It is said that in 1913 Frank D. Black offered his wife, Kate Gilmore Black, a "Grand Tour" of Europe. But Kate replied that she would much prefer a grand Japanese garden instead. Thus work was begun on Katie Black's Garden in 1914."

Walk through the garden and go down the small flight and back up to the street.

Down 8 steps
Up 23 steps



Continue north along 13th Ave one block to Judkins St, then turn right and walk 3 blocks, cross 15th Ave and go down the little path to the stair.



Down 14 steps

Turn left onto Golf Drive and walk to the entrance to the old Marine Hospital.

Walk past the front of this landmark to the starting point, with the view of the downtown skyline.

