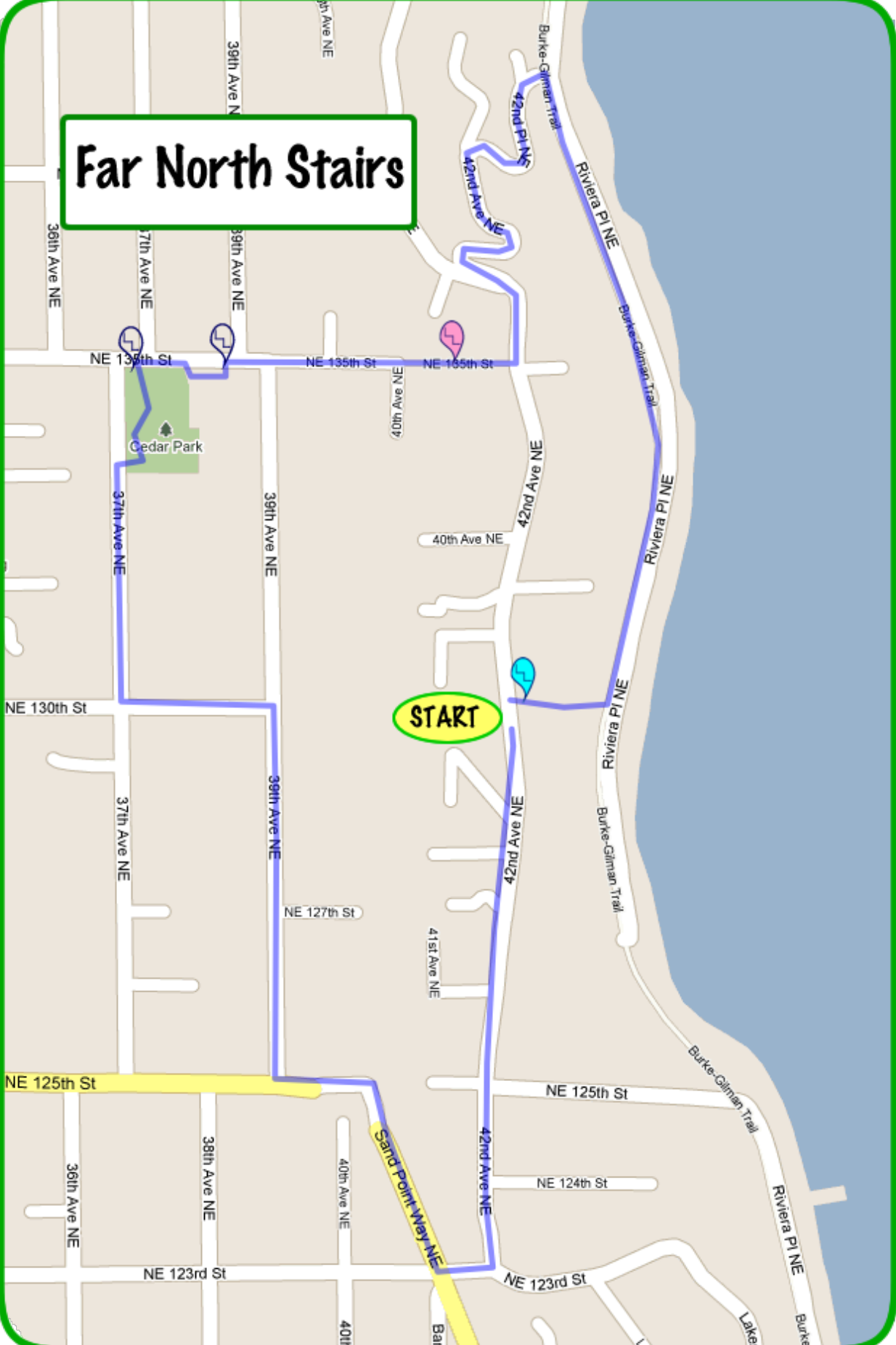


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This is a 2.3 mile loop that has two major stairs and 3 short flights, in the northeast corner of Seattle. Part of the route follows the Burke Gilman Trail, and the rest wanders through this neighborhood on a bluff above Lake Washington.

Start on 42nd Ave NE and the NE 130th Street right-of-way. There is no sign except a “bump” warning, just before the road starts up the hill.



Down 92 steps

After the first flight there is a nice pathway to the second flight which ends at the Burke Gilman Trail, and a street-end access to Lake Washington.



Go north along the trail until the next intersection with a road (42nd Place NE). Turn left and hike up the hill. At the intersection with 41st Ave NE turn left and in a block you will see the NE 135th Street staircase.



Up
196
steps

At the top, keep going straight on NE 135th St until you get to a small staircase going down to the building that used to be Cedar Park Elementary School. It is now an art studio.



Down 22 steps

Turn right, go through an open doorway through a small parking lot, and back up to the street. You will be at the Cedar Park playground. Go down the stairs which are part of a round sculpture.



Down 6 steps

Walk through the playground and go down the small set of stairs on the end to your right.

Down 12 steps



To return, go left on 37th Ave NE for one block, turn left on NE 130th St for one block, turn right and along 39th Ave NE until it gets to Sand Point Way NE. Walk one more block to NE 123rd Street and take the first left back to 42nd Ave NE, which you follow down until the starting point.