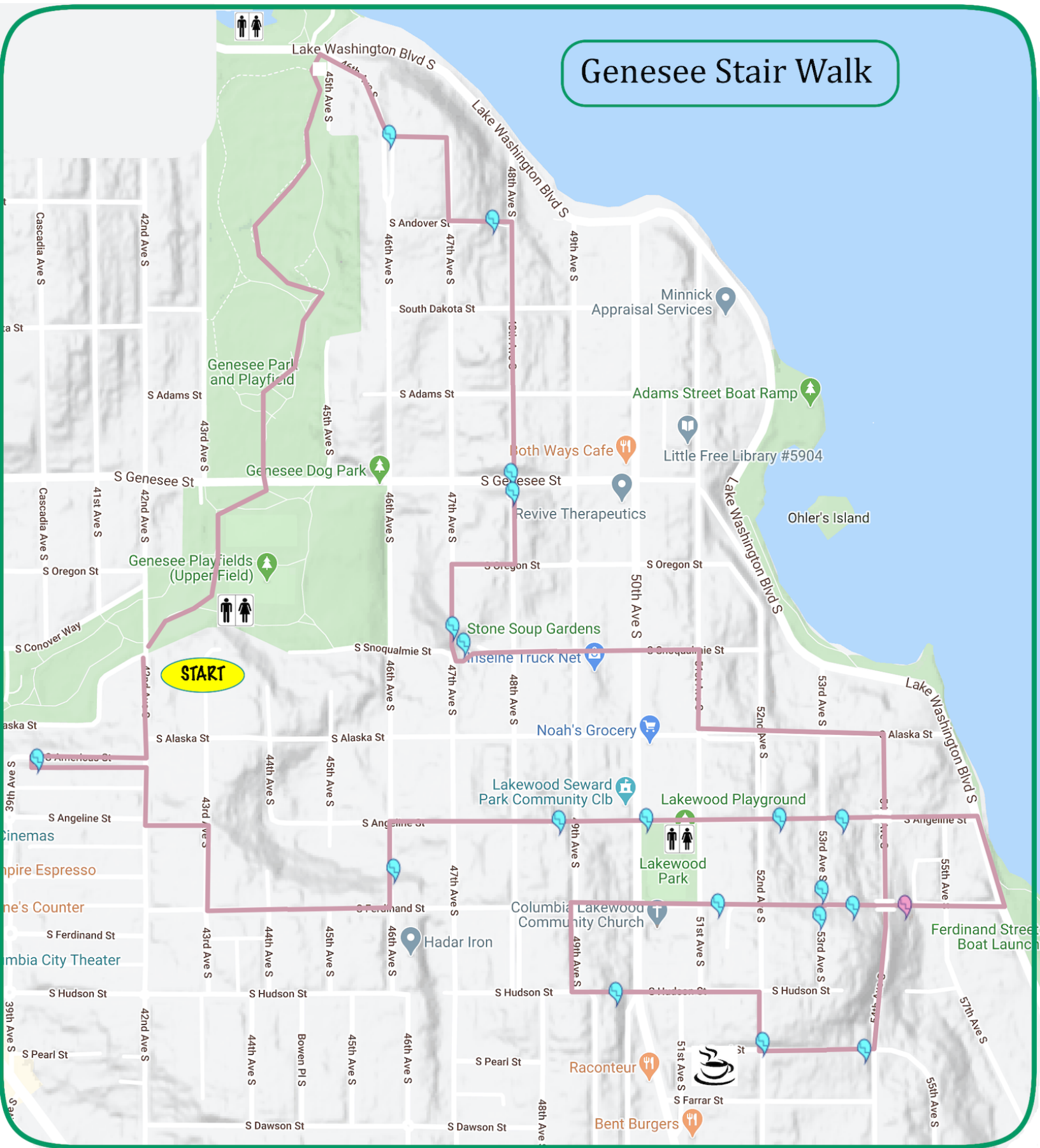


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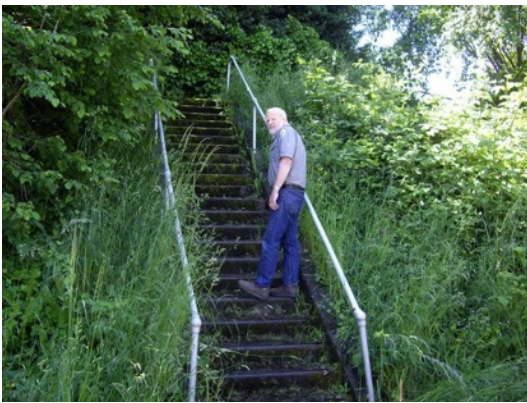


## Genesee Stair Walk

This 4.4 mile loop goes up 391 steps and down 539 steps. The walk looks over Lake Washington and goes along nice residential areas with a flat stretch through the Genesee Meadow. Coffee at Cafe Vita. There are lots of ups and downs, but the walk can be shortened by skipping any of the loops (of course, then you'll miss some of the stairs).

Begin at the Genesee Playfields, particularly if it is a bicycle Sunday. Or, if you want the easy part at the beginning, begin at the Sayres Memorial Park on Lake Washington Blvd. This used to be the pit stop for Slo-Mo-Shun, Seattle's hydroplane boat that won 5 Gold Cup races..

Go up the hill behind the restrooms to 42ns Ave S and climb up the hill one block, then turn right onto S Americus Street. The first stair is at the end of the block.



Up 23 steps

Turn left and take the high sidewalk back to 42<sup>nd</sup>. Enjoy views of the downtown and lake.



At the end (42<sup>nd</sup> street) turn right. In one block turn left onto S Angeline Street. In one block is a T-intersection. Turn right onto 43<sup>rd</sup> and in one block turn left on S Ferdinand and walk 3 blocks to 46<sup>th</sup>. Turn left.



**Down 80 steps**

Now turn right and follow Angeline. You will go up and down to the lake, via 3 stairways.

The first is **Down 24 steps**

You will go past Lakewood park. The next stair has a hidden entrance between some hedges.



**Down 38 steps.**

After a block go **down 25 more steps**



There is a nice bench at the lakefront, take a break and get ready for the long climb up. Walk south along the waterfront path for a block to Ferdinand street, then turn left and go





Up 90 steps

Cross the street.

Up 43 steps

You will reach a block-long path; in the middle are 2 stairs that intersect the path. If you are feeling energetic, climb up and down each one. (24 steps and 46 steps)

Follow the sidewalk path over the hip and to of Lakewood Park.



Down 68 steps to Lakewood Park.

Walk along the park and cross 50<sup>th</sup> Ave, then go up the hill one block.

Turn left onto 49th Ave and climb one block to Hudson St. Turn left.



Re-cross 50th Ave and go up Hudson street. (take a detour one block south to Cafe Vita, for a coffee break).

At the top of the hill, turn R onto on 52nd Ave S.



**Down 36 steps**

Turn left. Go one block to Pearl Street.



**Down 40 steps.**

Turn left and follow 55<sup>th</sup> Ave A for 3 blocks to Alaska Street, passing stairs you have already climbed. Turn left and climb 3 blocks, past a unique wall, then turn right on 51<sup>st</sup> Ave for a block and left onto S Snoqualmie St. Follow this to the end, where the road seems to split. Stay to the left of the sign that says "private driveway" and go straight down the hill in the street right-of-way. It looks like an alley and curves around some buildings to the hidden public stair.

**Down 28 steps**



At the bottom is the intersection of 2 stairs. You'll now go up 47<sup>th</sup> Ave S.



**Up 50 steps**

then follow the path. At the next corner, turn right onto Oregon. Go one block and turn left onto 48<sup>th</sup> Ave a.



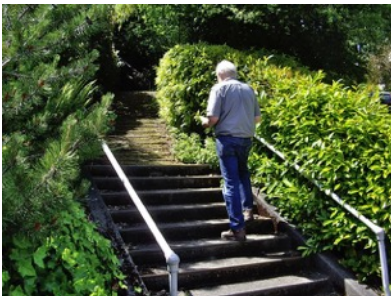
**Down 60 steps**

Carefully cross Genesee St.



**Up 43 steps**

Go 3 blocks to Andover Street and turn left



**Up 58 steps**

Turn right at the corner. Follow the street as it curves - past a gorgeous view! Go down the ramp to Genesee Park