

# Mystic Seafarer's Trail



Mystic, Connecticut, named top "100 Adventure Towns" by *National Geographic*, is a seacoast village where you can embark on your own adventure along the Mystic Seafarer's Trail. Find the "7 Wonders," *Titanic* discoverer's home office, Amelia Earhart's Noank wedding, Stonington home of Antarctica's discoverer, and film locations of *Mystic Pizza*, *Hope Springs*, and other movies. Along the way, grab a bite, bike, boat ride or kayak. Learn the secrets behind these sites in the humorous and historical new book, *Mystic Seafarer's Trail*, by Mystic resident Lisa Saunders.

## "7 WONDERS" OF MYSTIC

& other great sites (map not to scale)

1. **MYSTIC AQUARIUM'S "CROWNS"** (home office/exhibit of *Titanic's* discoverer)\*
2. Olde Mistick Village duck pond
3. Mystic & Shoreline Visitor Info. Center (B)
4. **ELM GROVE CEMETERY ARCH \***
5. **MYSTIC SEAPORT'S WHALESHIP, CHARLES W. MORGAN\***
6. **MYSTIC RIVER DRAWBRIDGE\*** (seen in *Mystic Pizza* film starring Julia Roberts)
7. Captain's Row of homes includes views of tall ships. Continues to scenic River Rd.
8. **MYSTIC PIZZA RESTAURANT\***(inspired film)
9. Captain Daniel Packer Inne (*Moby Dick* feel)
10. Mystic Railroad Swing Bridge
11. Portersville Academy, 1839 schoolhouse (C)
12. Record-breaking Cape Horn rounder (84x), Captain Joseph Holmes (#77 private home)
13. Union Baptist Church (chime tunes 12&6pm)
14. Mystic & Noank Library -Voted 8<sup>th</sup> Wonder (B)+
15. Octagon house (#8 private home)
16. Captain of *David Crockett* (#10 private home)
17. Gold Rush Captain Sisson (#12 private home)
18. **MYSTIC DEPOT\*** Welcome Center & Greater Mystic Chamber of Commerce(B)
19. **HANGING GARDENS OF ENDERS ISLAND\*** (& St. Edmund's withered 13<sup>th</sup> century arm)
20. Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center
21. Denison Homestead Museum (built 1717)
22. Captain Palmer House (discovered Antarctica on Mystic-built sloop, *Hero*, in 1820)
23. Stonington Lighthouse Museum
24. Amelia Earhart Married Here (Church St.)
25. Latham/Chester Store (Earhart plaque)
26. Sylvan Street Museum (Noank history)

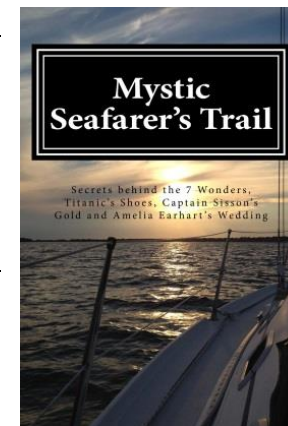
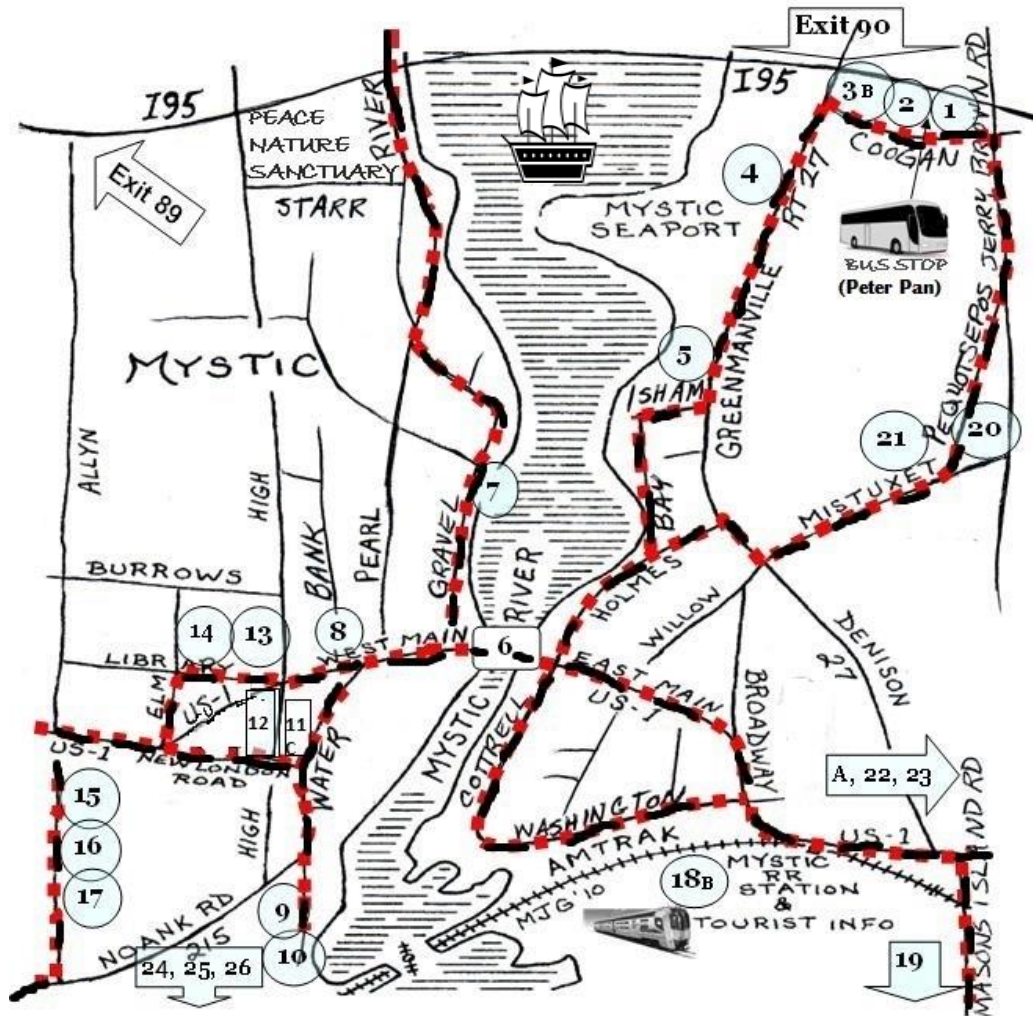
A. Mystic Cycle Centre

B. Mystic Community Bikes (free bike borrowing: [mysticcommunitybikes.org](http://mysticcommunitybikes.org))

C. Mystic River Hist. Soc.: [mystichistory.org](http://mystichistory.org)

+ Book, *Mystic Seafarer's Trail*, available there, online, other spots. More info & maps:

[www.mysticseafarerstrail.com](http://www.mysticseafarerstrail.com)



## Learn Secrets Behind:

- Amelia Earhart's Wedding
- Shoes at *Titanic's* Grave
- Captain Sisson's Gold
- "The 7 Wonders of Mystic"

"You will laugh out loud in this part travel guide, part historical reference and completely hilarious tale." Bree Shirvell, Editor, Stonington-Mystic Patch

## Buy *Mystic Seafarer's Trail*

- Bank Square Books, Mystic Seaport, Franklin's General, Monte Cristo, Noank Market, Cycle Centre, variety shops, etc.
- [Amazon - E-book available](#)

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## *Mystic Seafarer's Trail* excerpt:

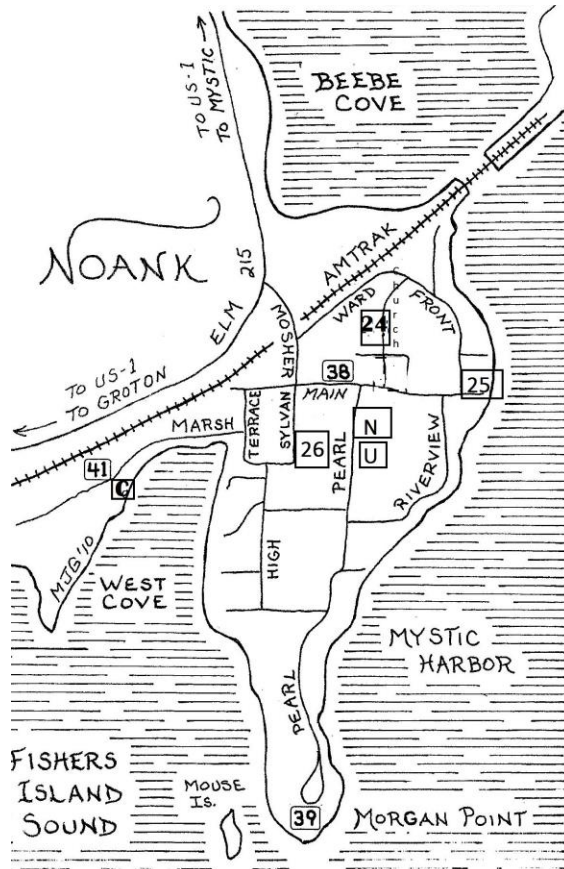
Shortly after stepping out of my new home with my hound for our first stroll through Mystic, a woman pulled over in her van and yelled, "Excuse me." Assuming she was a tourist wanting directions to Mystic Pizza or some other attraction, I wasn't prepared for what she really wanted to know. "Do you realize the back of your skirt is tucked into your underwear?"

Trail based on book, *Mystic Seafarer's Trail*, by Lisa Saunders: [www.authorlisasaunders.com](http://www.authorlisasaunders.com)

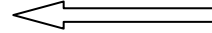
Map adapted by Suzanne Doukas Niermeyer from Landmarks You Must Visit in Southeast Connecticut by Constant Waterman: [www.constantwaterman.com](http://www.constantwaterman.com)

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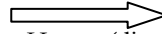


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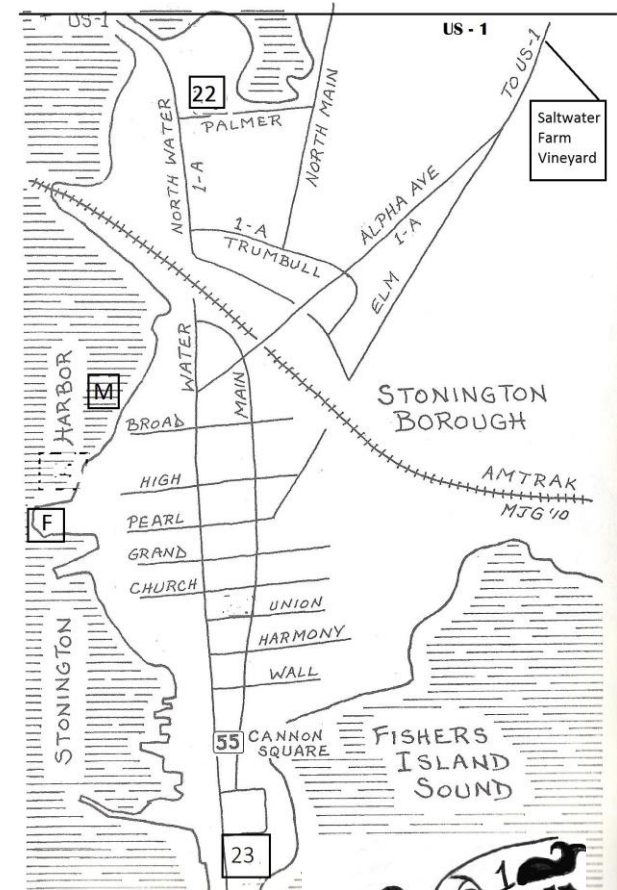
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- 25. Latham/Chester Store (Earhart plaque)
- 26. Sylvan Street Museum (Noank history)
- 38. Carson's Variety Story (locals have eaten there for a century)
- 39. Morgan Point Lighthouse
- 41. Noank Foundry
- C. Custom Marine Canvas
- N. Noank Market
- U. Universal Package Store

## Stonington



- 22. Captain Palmer House (discovered Antarctica on Mystic-built sloop, *Hero*, in 1820)
- 23. Stonington Lighthouse Museum
- 55. Cannon Square (War of 1812). In movie, *Hope Springs*, with Meryl Streep
- M. Sunken *Marmion*, mast still seen
- F. Stonington Fishermen's Memorial plus Connecticut's only remaining commercial fishing fleet

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**The book, Mystic Seafarer's Trail, features the adventures and haunts and homes of the area's famous sea voyagers—living and dead—plus Amelia Earhart.**

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