

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 (available in bookstores, variety shops, e-books or through author at saundersbooks@aol.com).

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 (chimes ring 12&6pm)
14. Mystic & Noank Library -Voted 8th 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 13th century arm)
20. 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)

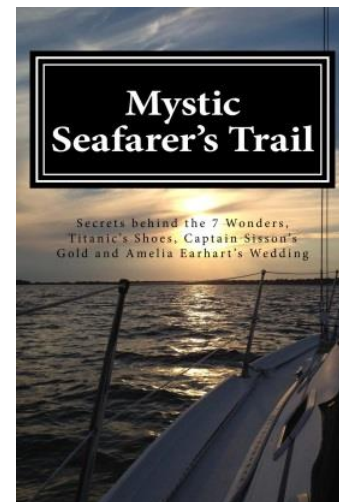
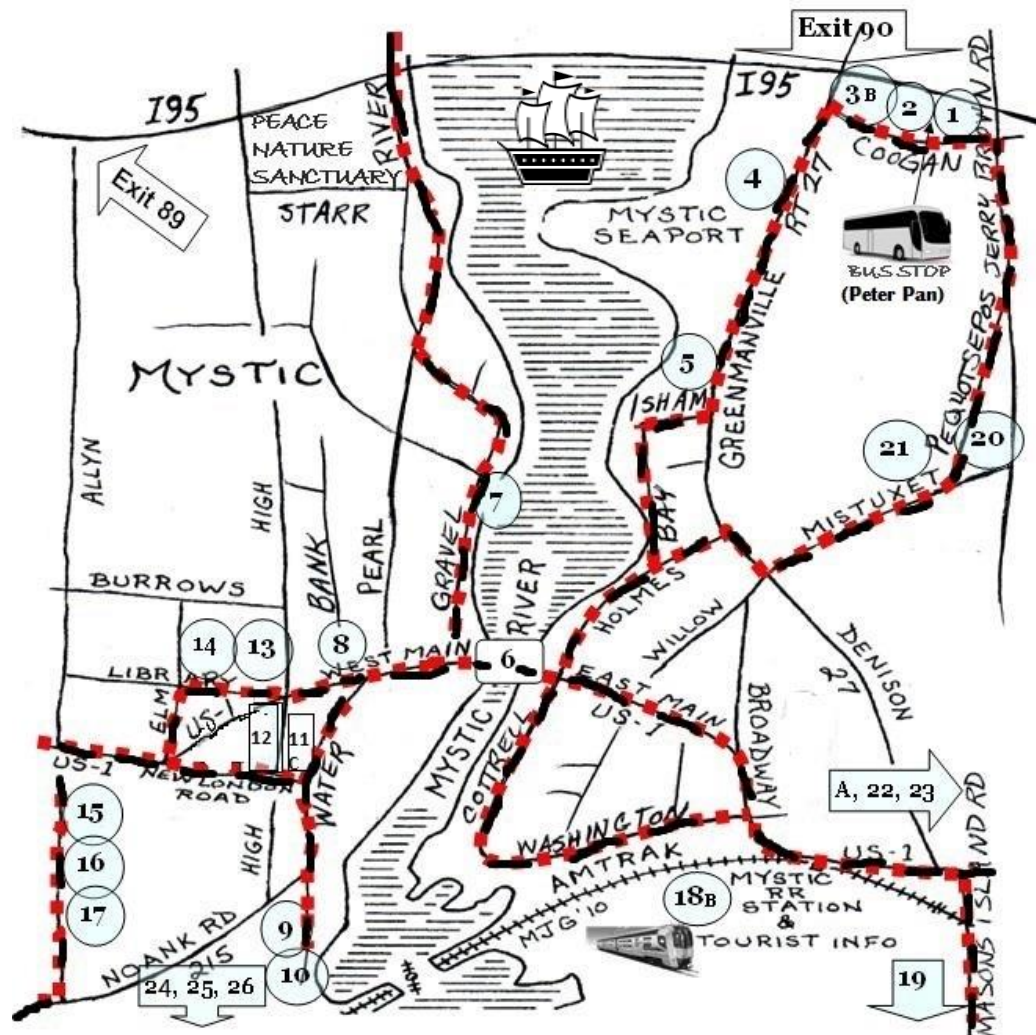
A. Mystic Cycle Centre

B. Mystic Community Bikes (free bike borrowing: mysticcommunitybikes.org)

C. Mystic River Hist. Soc.: mystichistory.org

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

www.mysticseafarerstrail.com



"You will laugh out loud in this part travel guide, part historical reference and completely hilarious tale."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

Wanted: Epic Adventure

Chapter 1: Shortly after stepping out of my new home with my beagle/basset 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, I wasn't prepared for what she really wanted to know. "Do you realize the back of your skirt is tucked into your underwear?"

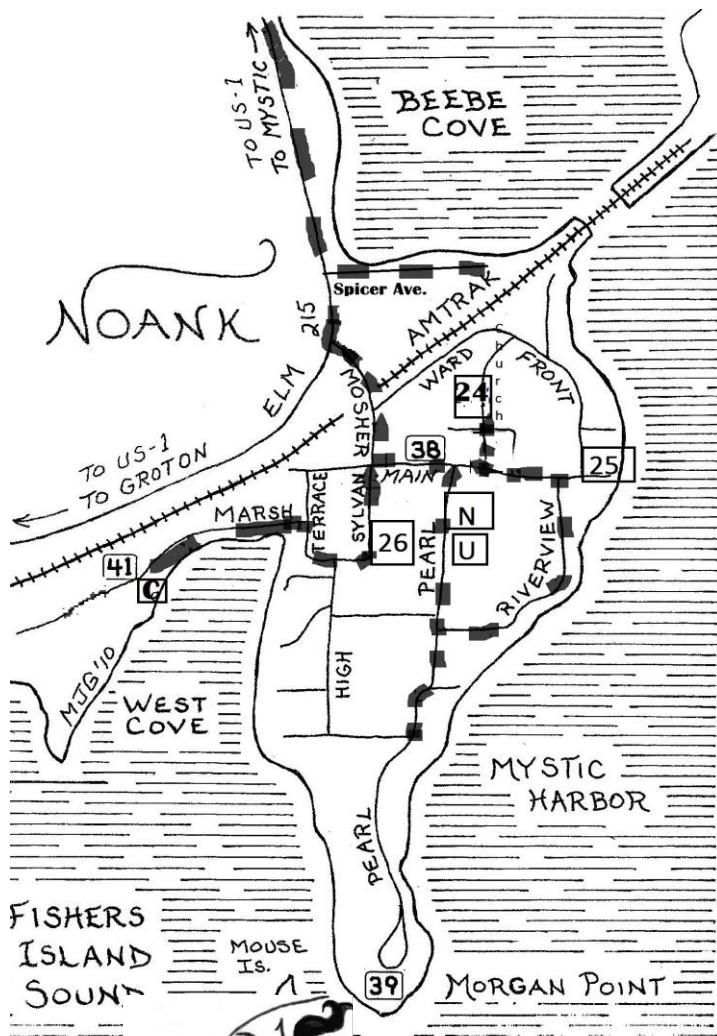
...Straddling both sides of the Mystic River in the towns of Groton and Stonington, the village of Mystic takes its name from an Indian word, "river running to the sea." With its scenic views of tall ships, islands, lighthouses, and secluded coves, it has attracted such legendary honeymooners as Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall. It is a place where those who cross the oceans gather to swap stories and repair their boats. It is where famous explorers are born, visit, get married, or come to live...

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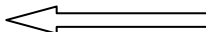
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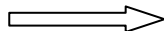


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- 24. Amelia Earhart Married Here (Church St.)
- 25. Latham/Chester Store (Earhart plaque)
- 26. Sylvan Street Museum (Noank history)
- 38. Carson's Variety Store (locals have eaten there for a century)
- 39. Morgan Point Lighthouse
- 41. Noank Foundry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

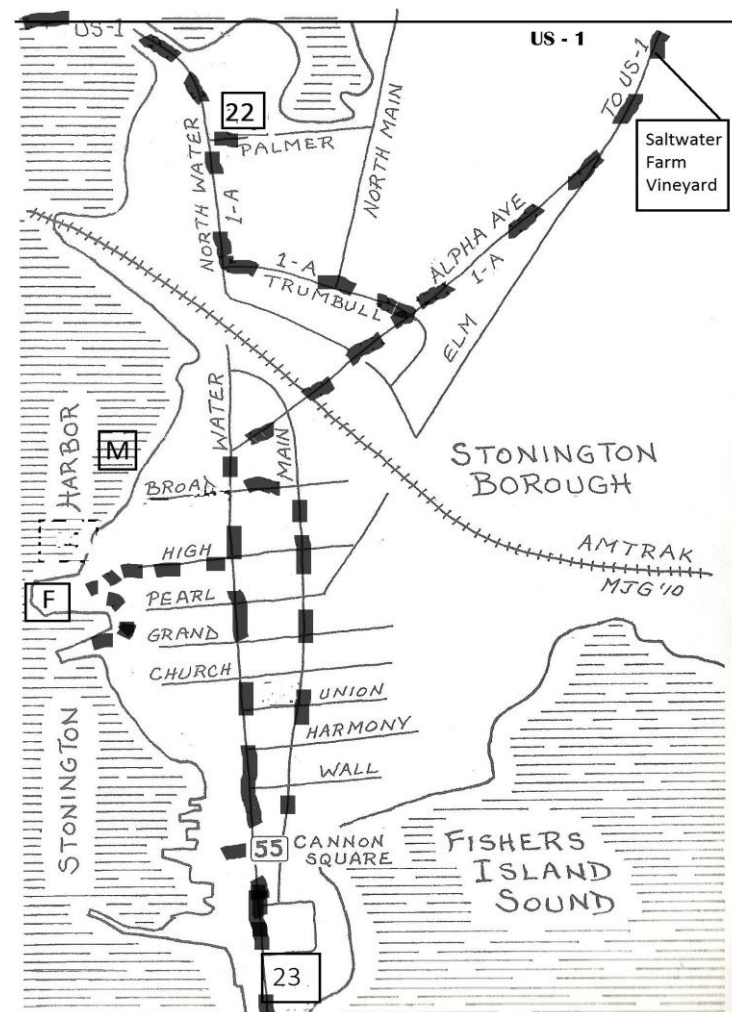
Stonington



- 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

The book, *Mystic Seafarer's Trail*, by Lisa Saunders, includes the adventures and haunts and homes of the area's famous sea voyagers—living and dead.

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Events, attractions, accommodations, restaurants:

- Welcome Center at Mystic Train Depot: 860-572-9578, mysticchamber.org
- Mystic & Shoreline Visitor Information Center at Olde Mistick Village: 860-536-1641, mysticinfo.com
- Other: mysticct.net... mystic.org... mysticshops.tv... mystv.com... mystichistory.org... noankhistoricalsociety.org... stoningtonhistory.org

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