**TOURISM** 

Rhode Island Bicycle Coalition www.ribike.org Rolling Agenda Jamestown rollingagenda@gmail.com VISTOR INFORMATION CENTER

Discover Newport www.discovernewport.org (401) 845-9110 **Greater Newport Chamber of Commerce** www.newportchamber.com (401) 847-1600 Jamestown Chamber of Commerce www.iamestownchamber.com (401) 423-3650

**Newport Visitor Information Center** 

21 Long Wharf Mall Newport (401) 845-9130

State Tourism www.visitrhodeisland.com (800) 556-2484 Preservation Society www.newportmansions.org (401) 847-1000

**TRANSPORTATION** RI Public Transit Authority (Bus) www.ripta.com (401) 781-9400 Seastreak Ferry Newport-Providence www.seastreak.com (800) BOAT-RIDE

**Block Island Ferry** www.blockislandferry.com (401) 783-4613 Jamestown Newport Ferry www.jamestownnewportferry.com (401) 423-9900 x1

**Newport Harbor Shuttle** www.newportharborshuttle.com (401) 662-0082 Newport Pedicab www.newportpedicab.com (401) 432-5498 Pirate Pedicab www.piratepedicabri.com (401) 741-3549 Cap'n John Pedicabs (401)-688-0603

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Our headquarters is at 62 Broadway - here at our Bike Garage, you can fix your bike, take a class, or donate your used bikes and we'll restore and distribute them. Our Annex is next door at **56 Broadway** - here we'll tune and repair your bike for you; and you can rent bikes. Our Big Blue Bike Barn, at 20 Sunset Blvd, is an acre campus of gathering spaces, tracks and trails. Here we run our youth Bike Library, Summer Bike Camp, and many more community programs. Come ride the awesome dirt track and the trails of adjacent Miantonomi Park!

SHARE THE ROAD.

COMPARTE EL CAMINO.

Make eye contact with motorists.

Check the road behind you often.

repentinamente.

Stay in a straight line.

Haga contacto visual con los automovilistas.

Watch out for suddenly opening car doors. Cuídese de puertas de auto que se abran

Avoid dodging between parked cars.

Evite esquivar entre autos parqueados.

Always use lights at night and early morning.

Utilice siempre luces en la noche y al amanecer.

Manténgase en una línea recta.

Wear a helmet. REQUIRED up to

15 years old and smart for EVERYONE.\*

y la decisión inteligente para TODOS.\*

Use un casco. REQUERIDO hasta los 15 años

You can donate to support this FREE map and all Bike Newport programs here: www.bikenewrortri.org/donate or scan the QR code with your smartphone camera.

THANK YOU for your interest, support, and feedback - and for riding your bike!



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## **NEWPORT WAVES**

A simple gesture and common courtesy can help improve safety for all and make Newport a safe and enjoyable place for all road users.

"Newport Waves" is a community initiative for safer streets. Cyclists, motorists, and pedestrians communicate with each other using the most natural of gestures – a friendly wave. Wordlessly, one wave asks "Do you see me?" and the other wave answers "Yes, I see you." Do the wave and wait for a response before moving – always confirm you've been seen. So while you enjoy the sites of Newport, be safe: stop, look, and acknowledge others on the road with the "Newport Wave."

Newport Waves is supported and encouraged by the federal and state government, the City of Newport, the Newport Police, Newport Schools, Newport businesses, and Newport community organizations. Whether you're biking, walking, or driving - **Stop. Look. Wave.** www.newportwaves.org



FE TO CROSS

Ocean Loop (Bike Newport)

#### and some of the best sailing in the world – all served up with fine New England hospitality. Newport, Rhode Island is considered by many to be one of the finest destinations in the country. In Newport, you can learn about our nation's complex social history firsthand. Pre-colonial, colonial, slavery and its economy, diverse cultural contributions, the Gilded Age, and more - all have a place in the Newport narrative. You can hike the iconic Cliff Walk, explore historic neighborhoods like the Point and Historic Hill, mountain bike and bird watch in Miantonomi Park, pedal the seaside Ocean Loop, and sail the seas of the famed America's Cup races. The opportunities for interesting activities in Newport are

"The City by the Sea" is home to a spectacular coast, raw natural

beauty, awe-inspiring architecture, a thriving downtown harbor,

**ABOUT NEWPORT** 

There is no better way to explore Newport than on a bicycle! You'll be closer to the City's beauty and history, better able to appreciate the majestic trees, the 18th century homes, the hundreds of historic markers, the salty and fragrant air. On your bicycle, you won't have to search parking and you can easily stop to investigate all along the way. Along the Ocean Loop, you can stop to greet the animals of Ocean Hour Farm, detour to visit Fort Adams and loop back to pass through the Hazard Road wetlands. It's all waiting for you.

Take care while you ride. Pay attention to all users of the roads – cars, busses, cyclists, and pedestrians. Remember, the same rules apply to cars and bicycles. Obey all traffic signs and signals. Be sure to follow the direction of traffic on all streets, especially on our charming historic one-way roads. Be safe and enjoy the ride!

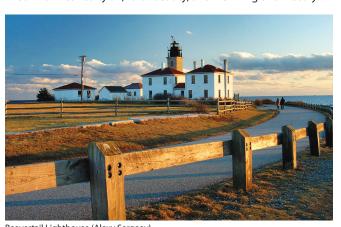


Jamestown (Conanicut Island) has become a popular cycling venue.

Jamestown is a lovely rural town, with rolling farmland, cattle, chickens, horses, and historic structures, all framed by beautiful vistas of Narragansett Bay. Numerous parks make Jamestown ideal for cycling and picnicking. For more serious riders, the quiet roads are

There are no one-way streets on Conanicut Island, so navigation is easy. Unfortunately, there are few formal bike lanes or paths on the island. On most roads there is shoulder area, and, when things get

First settled in the 1630s, Jamestown is rich with history, sites and destinations. Visit www.jamestown-ri.info to plan a wonderful visit







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**ABOUT THIS MAP** 









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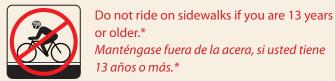
**NEWPORT COUNTY** 

## **BICYCLE SAFETY / SEGURIDAD DE BICICLETA**

Be predictable. Be visible. Follow the rules of the road. Esté previsible. Esté visible. Sigan las normas de circulación.







Manténgase fuera de la acera, si usted tiene



Give pedestrians the right of way.\* Dé a los peatones el derecho de paso.\*



Do not stay in a right-turning lane when going straight. Use el carril apropiado. No se quede en el carril de giro a la derecha si quiere seguir de frente.



Watch for turning vehicles. Tenga cuidado en la intersecciones. Vigile para vehículos que giran.

# Use RIPTA's Rack'n Ride

TAKE YOUR BIKE ON THE BUS

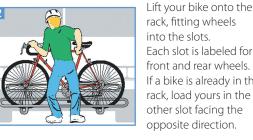


Bicycle racks are attached to the front of all full-sized RIPTA buses (not trolley buses) and are easy to use. There is no additional charge to use the racks. Please alert the driver before you attach your bicycle and then follow the instructions below.

For bus schedules and other information, please visit www.ripta.com/bike or call 401-781-9400.



Pull down to release the folded bike rack. You only need one hand to pull the rack



f a bike is already in the rack, load yours in the ther slot facing the opposite direction.



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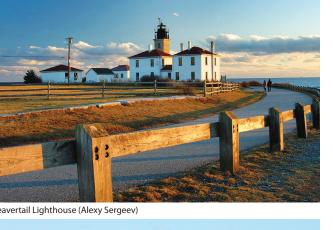
## **ABOUT JAMESTOWN**

Most roads have light traffic, good riding lanes and moderate hills. A full circuit of the Island is just shy of 20 miles.

perfect for training rides and friendly competition.

narrow, there are "share the road" reminders.

filled with fresh salty air, rural beauty, and New England history.







# **Shared Lane**



**Shared Use Path** 

There are three different indications for bicycles on Newport's roadways – on-road shared lanes, on-road bike lanes, and

separated shared-use paths (also known as bike paths). **SHARED LANE (or SHARROW)** – This travel lane is marked for shared use by cars and bicycles. A cyclist should ride in the right side of the lane when possible, but ride the center of the lane along parked cars to avoid car doors, when preparing to

turn left, or to prevent a car from passing too closely.

**BIKE LANE** – A narrow separate lane for bicycles only. Cyclists

**SHARED USE PATH (or Bike Path)** – This path is separate from the roadway and accommodates both bicyclists and pedestrians apart from motorized vehicles. On these paths,

**RI PASSING LAW** – Rhode Island state law mandates that a the cyclist to fall over sideways into the driving lane and not serious or fatal injury. Please be patient and courteous when sharing the road.

# ABOUT TIVERTON & LITTLE COMPTON

Just over the Sakonnet River Bridge – and the fantastic bridge bike lane - lie the coastal farming communities of Tiverton and

Miles of stone walls and winding, sometimes narrow, roads provide hours of riding with breathtaking views of Narragansett Bay, Martha's Vineyard, and historic farmland. Delightful diversions abound for the pedaling crowd – Evelyn's Drive In, Walkers Farmstand, Four Corners, Gray's Ice Cream, Fogland Beach, Weetamoo Woods, the Groundswell Cafe, and the Art Cafe to name a few.

In Little Compton, repaved roads make for smooth riding. Be mindful that there are no formal bike lanes - or street signs, for that matter - in town. Still, this area is a magnet for cyclists and with winding roads and gently sloping hills, it's easy to see why. Head east for more - the farm coast of Westport, Massachusetts lies just a stone's throw away. Head north, and you're on your way to Cape Cod!



# **BIKE AIR & REPAIR STATIONS**

Newport has five self-service stations with air and tools to keep your bicycle running smoothly. You can find what you need

Bike Newport (62 Broadway), BEHIND Thompson Middle School (55 Broadway), Florence Gray Center (1 York St), RIPTA BUS Terminal / Newport Gateway Center(23 America's Cup), and Harvest Market / The Kings Lens (7 Carroll Ave) Repair stations are sponsored by BnV and RIPTA.

## **ABOUT MIDDLETOWN & PORTSMOUTH** North of Newport on Aquidneck Island lie the towns of

Middletown and Portsmouth. Circling all of Aquidneck Island is a mere 48 miles.

The southeast corner of Middletown is home to the protected paths of Norman Bird Sanctuary, rolling waves of Sachuest Beach, and the snowy owls of Sachuest Point. Head north on Indian Avenue and Wapping Road and eventually you can hug the shore on Water Street and Park Avenue in Island Park - the northeast corner of Portsmouth. Middle Road is your safe haven from East and West Main Roads – and you'll love the farms along the way.

On the west side of the island, you can cruise Burma Road along the Narragansett Bay. Be sure to take this map along to guide you around the secure Naval War College.





# **LOOP RIDES**



Ocean Loop, approx. 13 miles This route is the quintessential Newport scenic tour that combines remarkable American history and the grandeur of yesteryear's Gilded Age summer resort with miles of beautiful shoreline – views of Newport Harbor, Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island Sound, ponds, coves, salt marsh and the Atlantic Ocean.



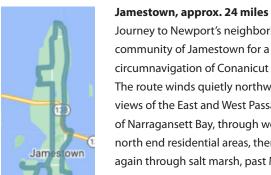
Aquidneck Island, approx. 48 miles For experienced riders only. Enjoy the views and the accomplishment as you circle Aquidneck Island! But BEWARE in addition to vehicular traffic, the loop includes several dangerous connections marked in yellow on the map. We recommend that you dismount and walk on the grass or sidewalks anywhere you experience dangerous situations such as high speed, low visibility and inadequate shoulders.



Middletown, approx. 12 miles for main loop; add 1.4 miles for a walk through Sachuest Point National

Wildlife Refuge. This route travels beyond Newport's bustle and historic Easton's Beach to take in neighboring Middletown's world class beaches and back roads. Attractions include Purgatory Chasm, ocean side Second Beach, quiet bay side Third Beach, the Sachuest Point National Wildlife Refuge and views of the Sakonnet River.

#### **Loop Details Are Online RIDE SPOT** information and links for these recommended recreational routes are available at: www.bikenewportri.org/maps



RIDE SPOT

Journey to Newport's neighboring community of Jamestown for a circumnavigation of Conanicut Island. The route winds quietly northward with views of the East and West Passages of Narragansett Bay, through wooded north end residential areas, then south again through salt marsh, past Mackerel Cove to Beavertail State Park and Lighthouse.



approx. 40 miles This route explores the rolling hills, beaches, and meadows that make up the beauty of Rhode Island's eastern mainland. The route passes through wildlife refuges, marshes, and conservation areas on its way to Breakwater Point and Sakonnet Harbor. Riding back north it meanders through Little Compton and past enchanting

Wilbur and Weetamoo Woods.

**Tiverton & Little Compton,** 





are protected in the bike lane, but continue to have a right to the main road and will move into the road whenever a hazard exists in the bike lane. Cars should never be in the bike lane and should cross the bike lane with extreme caution.

take extra care when the path crosses driveways and roadways. motorist may not pass a cyclist unless there is enough room for be hit by the vehicle. This law is written to protect cyclists from

# THE BRIDGES

At the north end of Aquidneck Island you might cross the Mount Hope Bridge to Bristol and the magnificent East Bay Bike Path all the way to Providence, or the Sakonnet Bridge to the lovely rural roads of Tiverton and Little Compton, and on to Buzzards Bay and Cape Cod. The Sakonnet Bridge has a beautiful separated bicycle and pedestrian path – a cyclist's dream! The Mount Hope Bridge, however, has rough surfaces, expansion seams, and no bike lane – not for the faint of heart! Another way to cross the Mount Hope Bridge is to pick up RIPTA #60 which carries bicycles on the front of the bus. Check ripta.com for details.



# **EAST BAY BIKE PATH**

Did you know that the smallest state in the union boasts 60 miles of bike paths to explore? Just north of Aquidneck Island, the glorious East Bay Bike Path was the first multitown path built in Rhode Island and stretches for 14.5 miles. Starting at Independence Park in Bristol, the path follows the eastern shore of the Providence River to India Point Park in Providence, where you can cross the George Redman Linear Park and explore Providence on the 50+ miles of the Urban Trail Network or follow connectors to the Blackstone River Bikeway, and keep heading north to Massachusetts. On the East Bay Bike Path, cyclists pass through coves and marshes, over bridges, and through State Parks.

