

Bridgeport, CT  
GO Play!  
Parks Passport



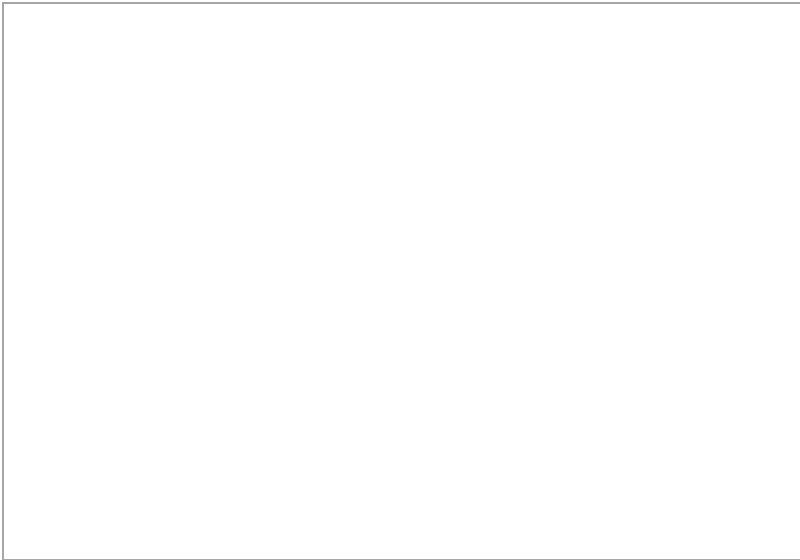
**EXPLORE, LEARN, PLAY**

# Beardsley Park & Zoo

## Go Play! Passport Post Clue

The creation of Beardsley Park Zoo was inspired by the Barnum and Bailey circus animals which trained in Bridgeport. Take an etching of the post, located at the lookout across from the zoo, to identify the answer to the following question: What animal's hair is considered by Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey performers to be very lucky?

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## Fun Go Play! Activity Tip

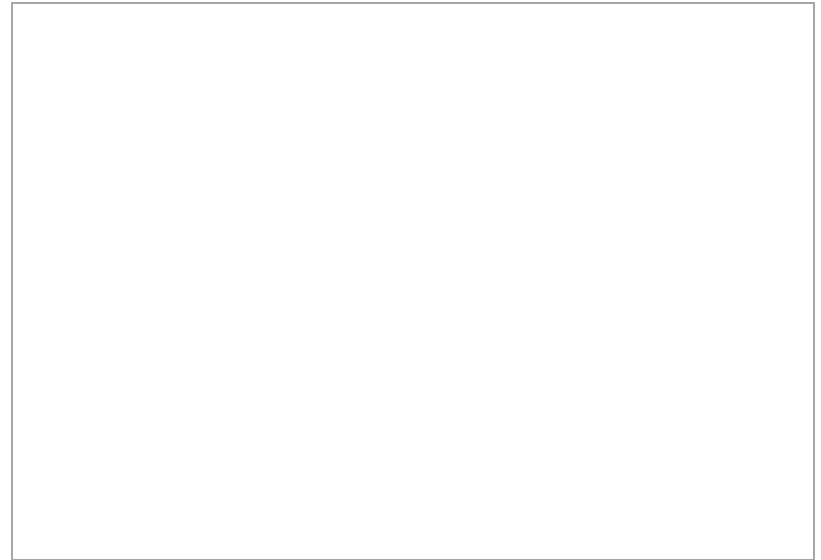
If you have the time, take a long walk around the park; it is one of Connecticut's largest!

# Veterans Memorial

## Go Play! Passport Post Clue

This 90 acre park now named to honor Veterans was originally built to be a picnic grove for Bridgeport families. Get this park's "stamp" to identify a healthy snack idea for your next picnic. The post is located along the edge of the large field next to Discovery Magnet School.

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## Fun Go Play! Activity Tip

This is the only Bridgeport park that has disc golf! Bring a frisbee with you to play!

# Knowlton Park

## Go Play! Passport Post Clue

Several Civil War era mill buildings exist near this park. The civil war achieved \_\_\_\_\_ for slaves in the United States. Find this post near the entrance to this park in one of the garden beds.

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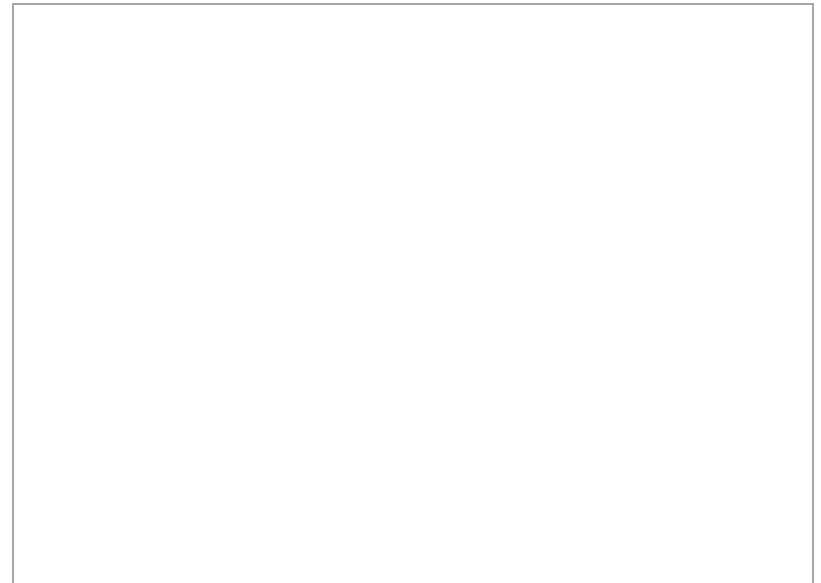
This park was built to reclaim the Eastside's waterfront. Take some time to explore the plants and wildlife along the Knowlton Park shore.

# Seaside Park

## Go Play! Passport Post Clue

Enter the park by Park Avenue and head towards the park information sign to find the post. Turn around when you are at the post, and you can see this structure, a memorial to a previous Bridgeport Park Commissioner who also owned a Bridgeport sewing machine company.

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## Fun Go Play! Activity Tip

Now that you have added to your passport, walk the remainder of the trail along the water towards the lighthouse.

# St. Mary's by the Sea

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This post is located along the walking trail at St. Mary's by the Sea near the beach area. This location once had a view of the spot where this structure previously stood on the existing beach.

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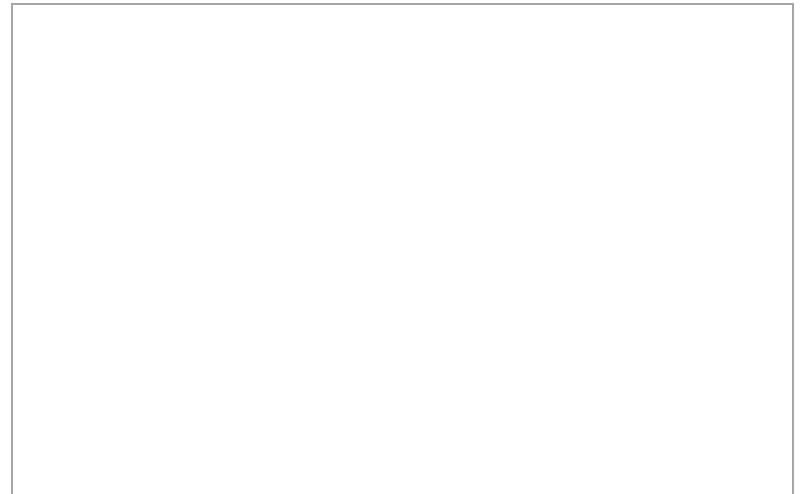
Walk the full paved trail along the water and read the informational signs to learn about wildlife in Long Island Sound.

# Newfield Park

## Go Play! Passport Post Clue

We chose to place this post by the baseball field to celebrate professional baseball beginning here in 1898. The stadium was frequented by some of the game's greatest, and most famous, ball players. Bridgeport's pro teams or local amateur All-Stars played against the Brooklyn Dodgers, Philadelphia Athletics, Pittsburgh Pirates, Boston Braves, and the New York Yankees! There are several baseball fields here, so you will have to do a little exploring to find this post.

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## Fun Go Play! Activity Tip

Bring a ball and honor previous ball players by playing a game of catch with your family. You can also walk the newly built walking path.

# Washington Park

## Go Play! Passport Post Clue

A tornado whipped through this park in 2010. This was actually the \_\_\_ tornado to tear through Washington Park in the past 150 years. Find this post near one of the newly renovated playgrounds.

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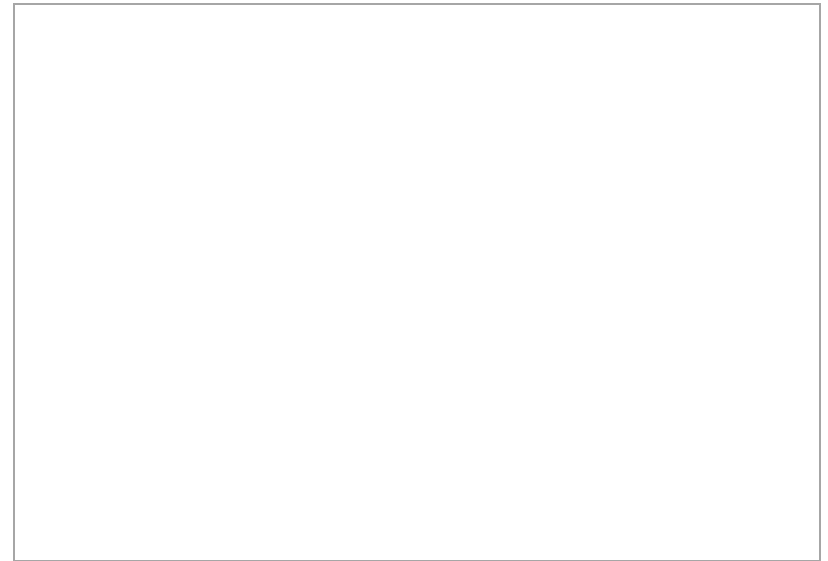
This is a great park to visit in the summer months as you can cool down on the new Splash Pad! Are you visiting in the winter? Check out the newly renovated playground area.

# Went Field

## Go Play! Passport Post Clue

The park was the P.T. Barnum Circus' winter headquarters for over 50 years. Horses, tigers, and elephants were housed on the property in large stables. Performers and trainers resided in the surrounding homes. You will find this post at the Wordin Ave. park entrance. Look for an area of grass with three trees.

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## Fun Go Play! Activity Tip

Went Field has a covered picnic shelter. Pack a picnic lunch to share with your family at the park.

# Clinton Park

## Go Play! Passport Post Clue

This was the \_\_\_ park in Bridgeport! It is also adjacent to a burial site for persons who fought in the Revolutionary War. Walk along the diagonal path down the middle of the park to find this post.

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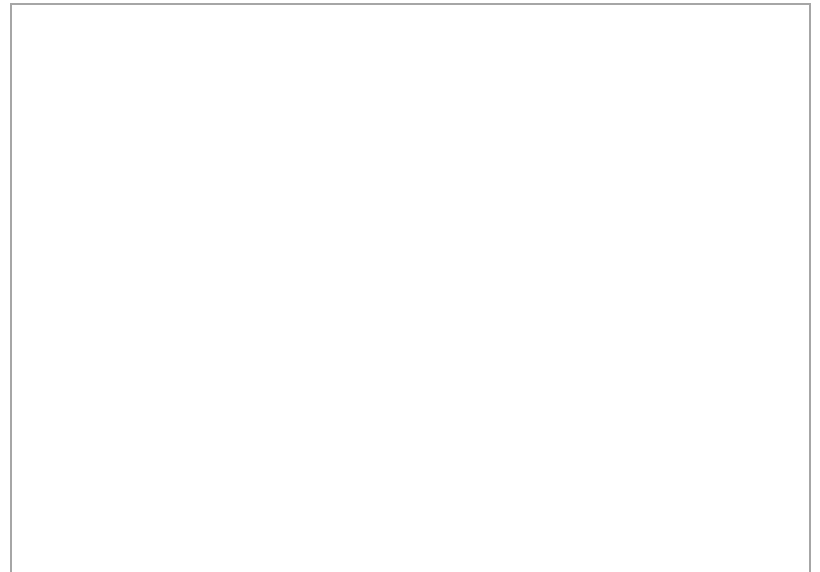
Walk to the back corner of the park to see the historic gate to the Revolutionary War burial site.

# McLevy Green

## Go Play! Passport Post Clue

President Lincoln spoke during his campaign in 1860 at McLevy Hall. His speech was so packed that crowds spilled out into the Green. What accessory is Lincoln most known for? Find the post to get the answer.

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## Fun Go Play! Activity Tip

Explore the Green to find the World War I and Vietnam Memorials. The World War I monument has three faces carved on the side: a sailor, a marine, and a soldier. The middle face, the marine, appears to be crying.