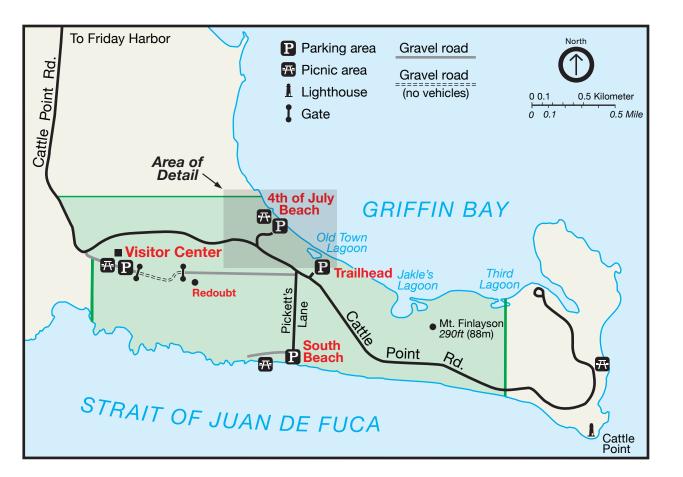
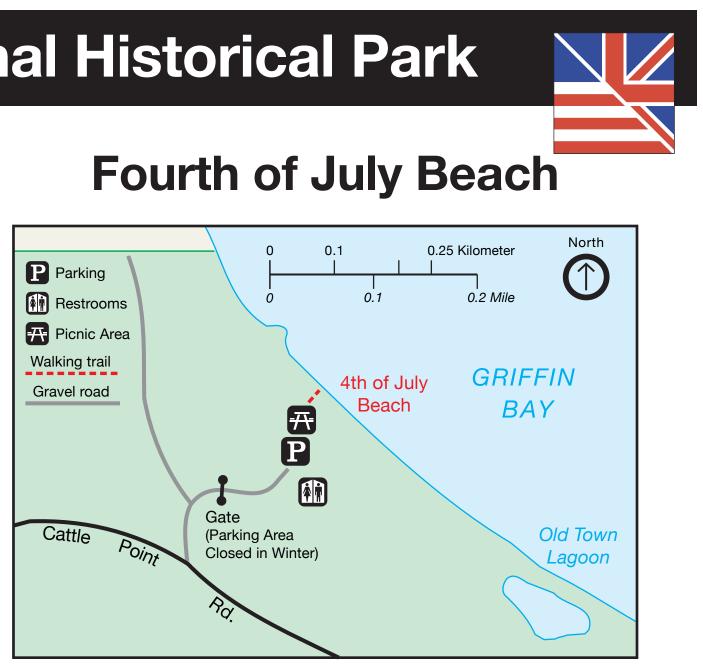
## San Juan Island National Historical Park

## **American Camp**



Welcome to American Camp, the southern unit of San Juan Island National Historical Park. This site includes nearly 1,225 acres of saltwater shoreline, prairie and forest, plus historic structures. The visitor center is open daily. Grounds are open year round from dawn to 11:00 p.m. Pets must be kept on leash within park boundaries. Natural features and ruins must be left undisturbed.

Use common sense and play safely. Look out for insecure footing on primitive trails, steep cliffs, and rock outcrops. Watch for downed limbs and overhanging tree branches. Swimming is not advised due to strong currents and cold water. Wasps can be a summer hazard.



*Fourth of July Beach* – One of the most popular group picnic areas on San Juan Island, this site features several hundred feet of beach access on Griffin Bay, as well as a mowed field suitable for softball and other games. Fires are permitted on the beach below the tide line. A secluded picnic area is accessible from the field.

Old Town Lagoon Beach Walk – Head east from the beach access trail and trace the shoreline, past the shallow saltwater lagoon to the site of San Juan Village, the island's first civilian community. No traces remain of the village, which burned down in the early 1890s after it was abandoned for the new town of Friday Harbor. Remember that it is unlawful to disturb or remove archaeological resources.