

Trail Number
20-08
Location
Midland
Trail Locator
Pete Pettersen Park or Ste. Marie Park
Nearest Town
Midland
TRAIL DETAILS
Length
8.0 Km.
Difficulty
Easy
Surface
Paved
Terrain
Mainly level with some hills
Suitability
Walking, Wheel Chair, Stroller, Snowshoeing, Skiing, Roller Blading, Biking
Parking
Pete Pettersen Park, Town Dock, Ste. Marie Park
Washrooms
Pete Pettersen Park, Town Dock (summer)
Refreshments
Centre of Midland
Map
NTS 31 D/13
Trails in Area
Tay Shore Trail and Mid Pen Link

Historic Waterfront takes on New Face



Midland Trail - Gazebo

The Midland Rotary Waterfront Trail connects the Tay Shore Trail from Ste. Marie Among the Hurons in the south through Ste. Marie Park and along the residential waterfront to the Midland Town Dock and Downtown Core and on through recreational lands and private marinas to the Mid Pen Link in the north. In this corridor there are seven public parks featuring waterfront lookouts, resting amenities, photo opportunities, flower gardens, and a man made waterfall.

POINTS OF INTEREST

- 1. Wye River:** flows past Ste. Marie Among the Hurons where you can explore this recreated, 17th century French Jesuit mission headquarters and experience the interaction of the French and native Wendat Huron nation.
- 2. Ste. Marie Park:** with view of the Martyrs' Shrine which honours the eight Jesuit saints, who lived, worked and died here over 350 years ago.
- 3. Gazebo:** overlooking Marina and Georgian Bay provides a viewpoint where you can watch boats sail by, or enjoy a gentle stroll along the promenade, or view glorious private gardens.
- 4. Veterans Park:** with a boy scout arboretum hosting a tree species from all of Canada's provinces and territories.
- 5. Huronia Park:** 7 acres, overlooking the waters of Georgian Bay. See boats on their way to Midland Town Dock.
- 6. Garden of Natural Species:** built by the Rotary Club and has plants that are native in this area.
- 7. Midland Town Dock:** with view of Mural painted on silos of a Huron native and Jesuit priest looking towards the village of Sainte-Marie as it would have looked in the 1640s.
- 8. Old Rail Museum Relics:** from the Midland Railway which was constructed from the community of Port Hope on the shores of Lake Ontario north to Beaverton on Lake Simcoe and, ultimately to the southern reaches of Georgian Bay at Midland.
- 9. Beach:** and view of big ship dock at grain elevators. Grain is shipped here from Thunder Bay.
- 10. Pete Pettersen Park:** named after a local downhill ski athlete. Twenty-four acres with baseball diamond, outstanding view of Georgian Bay, access to Rotary Waterfront Trail, swimming area and play area.
- 11. Trail terminus** at marina where it meets up with the Mid Pen Link that continues to Penetanguishene.

