

**GATEWAY NATIONAL RECREATION AREA
STATEN ISLAND UNIT
FACT SHEET**

LOCATION: Situated along the Raritan Bay on the south shore of Staten Island

POINTS OF INTEREST: Miller Field, the former Vanderbilt estate, was an Army Air Coast defense station during World War I, named for the last military pilot to lose his life in Europe

Great Kills Park, ocean beaches, nature trails, model airplane field, boat launch and fishing areas

Fort Wadsworth, former military post dating back to the 17th century. National Park Service expects to take over portions of the fort in 1995 for historical and educational programs.

Hoffman and Swinburne Islands, former immigrant quarantine stations,
not open to the public

ATTRACTIONS: The Staten Island Unit hosts thousands of visitors for various field sports such as baseball, softball, football, soccer and cricket. Ranger led nature walks and hikes at Miller Field and Great Kills Park are popular

Nature lovers can enjoy the numerous trails through a variety of habitats including woodlands, open beaches and the swamp white oak forest

There are picnic and limited swimming areas, model airplane field and food concession service, a marina, jogging and bicycling paths

**FOR FURTHER
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