



Unlock More Fun on Your Park Passport Challenge!



As you collect your stamps at each of the 12 participating parks, take your adventure to the next level! Dive deeper into nature, history, and more with these fun and easy activities. Whether you're a curious kid, an outdoorsy family, or a first-time explorer, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Print out and bring this document with you to each park and see how many activities you can complete. All activities are optional; to complete the Park Passport Challenge you only need to collect all 12 stamps.

Take a Hike!

Lace up your shoes, pack a backpack, and hit the trails! Choose a park trail that matches your pace. Along the way, try these fun mini challenges.

- Stop and sit quietly for one minute – what sounds did you hear?
- Pack a small snack or lunch and find the perfect trailside spot for a picnic.
- Compare the bark and leaves of two different trees. How are they similar? How are they different?
- At the end of your hike, circle one emoji that describes how you feel:



Noticing Nature!

1. Nature Scavenger Hunt! Can you spot all of these natural treasures as you explore the park.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A leaf with spiky edges | <input type="checkbox"/> A rock shaped like a heart |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A bird perched in a tree | <input type="checkbox"/> A stick shaped like the letter "Y" |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A smooth rock | <input type="checkbox"/> Moss growing on a log or rock |
| <input type="checkbox"/> An insect | <input type="checkbox"/> Something smooth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A pinecone or acorn | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A birds nest | |

2. Shhhh, listen closely...What noises can you hear? Birds chirping? Water flowing? Anything else?

3. So many amazing animals call this place home. Can you spot any animals roaming around? What animals do you see or hear?

Climate Crusaders!

1. It's important to Leave No Trace while visiting our sensitive natural parks. Can you find the trash cans around the park? How many do you see? Throw a piece of litter in the trash can!

2. Take a deep breath. The fresh air you're breathing comes from the plants and trees around you. Take a moment to thank the trees around you by giving one a big hug!

3. Stand in the sun for 30 seconds, then move into the shade. How does it feel different? Why are trees important for keeping places cool?

History Hunt!

1. Visit the historical landmarks within the park and learn about their significance. What makes these places special?

2. Find historical signage and read the display. What cool facts did you learn about the history of the park?

3. Learn about a historical figure connected to the park, such as a famous naturalist, previous owners, or activists. What is their name? What did you learn about them?

Snapshot Safari!

(Optional) Capture your journey with a photo and share it on Instagram. Don't forget to tag us @MassDCR to connect with fellow explorers.

1. Find a spot in the park that takes your breath away and snap a photo to make this beautiful moment last forever! Whether it's a serene lake, towering trees, or a hidden gem, capture the scene that speaks to you the most.
2. Appreciate the little things! Get up close and personal with the tiniest treasures nature has to offer! Look for buzzing insects, delicate seeds, colorful mushrooms, or anything else that catches your eye. Take a close-up photo of these tiny wonders that often go unnoticed.
3. Gather your fellow explorers and strike a pose! Find a cool feature in the park, whether it's a unique rock formation, a spectacular view, or a historical structure, and snap a selfie with your friends or family to capture the memories of your journey together!