



# FALL 2026 PROGRAMS

Public programs are free. Adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodation is available upon request. Heavy rain cancels programs. Contact us for booking visitor center visits and guided group tours: 978.546.2997 or [halibut.point@mass.gov](mailto:halibut.point@mass.gov).

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**Fridays -  
Sundays  
9:00 am–  
3:00 pm**

**Visitor Center & Exhibits**  
Visit the recently renovated World War II Tower and barracks, now visitor center. Learn about this site’s granite quarrying and WWII history and discover plants and animals that live in this rocky coastal park. All ages/abilities.

**Saturdays  
10:00 am–  
11:00 am  
Sept. 5, 12, 19  
& 26**

**When Granite was King!  
Babson Farm Quarrying History Guided Walk  
Meet at Park Entrance**  
It has been one hundred years since granite was quarried here. Learn about the buildings, bridges, and breakwaters they built to last! Walk our wide, gravel trails one mile around the quarry with stops at significant sites. Find out how they moved these large, heavy stone pieces and “paved” dirt streets in our new Nation’s growing cities—and around the world! Heavy rain cancels. All ages.

**Sundays  
8:00 am–  
10:00 am  
Sept. 20  
Oct. 18  
Nov. 15**

**Birding Basics Walks  
Meet at Parking Area**  
Start your morning strolling our seaside treasure! Watch them in the field, woodland, and ocean edges on this slow, one mile walk on gravel terrain with short inclines and declines. Learn about bird sounds, habits, and flight patterns. Enjoy Extraordinary Views! Bring your binoculars if you have them. Heavy rain cancels. All ages.

**Thursday  
10:00 am–  
12:30 pm  
Oct. 15**

**Fall Plants of the Park Walk  
Meet at Visitor Center**  
Naturalist led slow stroll featuring Plant ID basics and beyond! Learn to identify the plants that shape our local ecosystem. Stops for wildflowers, towering trees, and shrubs tucked along the trails. Discover the clues nature provides—branching patterns, leaves, flowers, fruits, galls, and other distinctive features. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced nature enthusiast, you'll gain practical plant identification skills and a deeper appreciation for the world growing all around us. For those new at plant ID, but all interests are welcome! Rain cancels. For ages 12+. Sorry, No Dogs.

Coming events



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**Sunday**  
**11:30 am–**  
**3:00 pm**  
Nov. 15

**ATLANTIC “PATH” TREK—Keep Paths Public**  
**Meet at Parking Area**

Trek Rockport’s historic Atlantic “Path” featuring great bird watching, curious geology, and incredible views. **Advisory:** this is a challenging 4-mile trek along an uneven, rocky coastline from Halibut Point to Pigeon Cove—and back. Wear comfortable walking shoes or hiking boots—no sandals, long pants (thick brush). Bring snacks/water. There are no amenities along the way. Rain Cancels. For ages 12+.

**Sundays**  
**11:00 am–**  
**12:00 pm**  
Dec. 6 & 13

**Watching the Coastal Edge—Tower Tour!**  
**Meet at Visitor Center**

One day after the 1941 Pearl Harbor attack, U.S. enhanced defenses with coastal patrols and built a network of watch towers at ocean edges. Our tower, completed in 1944, now serves as DCR’s Halibut Point State Park’s newly renovated Visitor Center! We’ll provide a guided “Tower Tour/Talk” about Halibut’s military involvement and the then cutting-edge technology. Includes an opportunity to climb the tower! For age 12+.

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