



Winter 2025-2026 Programs

Halibut Point State Park
Department of Conservation and Recreation
4 Gott Avenue, Rockport, MA 01966
(978) 546-2997

Public programs are free. An adult must accompany children. Dress for the weather. *Winter storm cancels. Contact us to book guided group tours: halibut.point@mass.gov or (978) 546-2997.



ADA/Reasonable Accommodation
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Wednesdays - Sundays 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Sundays 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. December 14 January 4, 11, 18 & 25 February 1, 8, 15 & 22 March 1 & 8 Sundays 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. January 18 February 15 March 15	Visitor Center & Exhibits Visit the recently renovated World War II tower, now visitor center. Learn about this site’s quarrying and WWII history and discover plants and animals that live in this rocky coastal park. For all ages and abilities. WWII Tower Tour: Watching the Coastal Edge * Meet in 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. One tower, completed in 1944, now serves as Halibut’s newly renovated Visitor Center! We’ll provide a “tower tour/talk” about Halibut’s military history and the then cutting-edge technology. Includes an opportunity to climb the five-story tower! For adults. Winter Birding * Meet at parking lot Winter brings birds and ducks from frozen ponds up north to our seashore. See Harlequin ducks and loons among the winter visitors at this rocky coastal water’s edge. Bundle up and join us for a short, leisurely walk while learning about bird sounds, habits, and flight patterns. Wear sturdy, warm footwear/boots/ice creepers, clothing layers, and wear sunscreen or a scarf to protect your face from coastal winds. Bring your binoculars. For all ages.
SPECIAL EVENTS	
Thursday 10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. January 1	DCR’s Traditional First Day Hike! * Meet at park entrance Seaside Stroll: Breathe in the fresh scent of seaside air with us and start your New Year healthfully! Stroll along trails at edges of the last glacier. Enjoy the seasonal scenic splendor including wintering ducks and birds along this rocky coastal water’s edge. View from the Babson Farm Quarry edges the Ipswich Bay and beyond—all the way up the east coast to Maine! Dress for the weather. For all ages.



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**Saturday, February 14
through
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10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

February School Vacation = “Stay”cation!!!

Available at Visitor Center area

Quarrying History Self-Guide for all ages at your leisure!

Quarry Quest—Treasure Hunt! Follow clues then unscramble to find a treasure box! Family fun adventure—on trails you may never have walked before—while learning about the Babson Farm Granite Quarrying history. For ages 8 and up.

StoryWalk®! *Nest Robin Built*, by Denise Fleming. Self-guided reading pages posted along a lovely Park trail near the visitor center. Connect with nature and each other while enjoying the magic of reading together in the outdoors! For ages 3-7 with favorite adult.

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT, and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Story Walk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson. This StoryWalk® is provided by Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation Interpretive Services.