



# DECEMBER 2025 PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to the public. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Reasonable accommodation is available upon request. Programs meet at the John Hitchcock Visitor Center, 345 Mountain Rd., Princeton, MA, unless otherwise noted. Inclement weather may cancel programs. To confirm or for more information call (978) 464-2987.



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**Wednesdays**  
**1:00–2:00pm**

### Take a Hike

Join us on a recreational hike. This hike is geared towards adults with various hiking experience. Whether you are a beginner or an advanced hiker, these hikes are a great way to experience the mountain with like-minded folks. Appropriate for adults. *No program December 24.*

**Thursdays**  
**1:00–2:30pm**

### Great Hill Detectives

Investigate the mysteries of the mountain as we unwrap pieces of history and learn about their significance. Discover the secrets of “The Great Hill” we know as Wachusett Mountain. Drop-in program! Stop by for a few minutes or stay for the whole time... It’s up to you! Appropriate for ages 5 and up. *No program December 25.*

**Fridays**  
**11:00–11:30am**

### A Peak Back in Time

Journey with us to Wachusett’s past, from the geologic era to today. In this talk, we will explore the last ice age, the Nipmuc people, the summit houses, the Civilian Conservation Corps, and more. Appropriate for ages 10 and above.

**Saturdays and Sundays**  
**11:00–11:30am**

### Wild!Life on the Mountain

Discover the fascinating lives of the “locals” in this talk about wildlife habitats, competition, and survival on Wachusett Mountain. See and touch the skins, skulls, and tracks of some of our native animals, including coyotes, deer, bobcats, and bears. Appropriate for ages 5 and above. *No program December 7.*

**Saturdays and Sundays**  
**1:00–1:30pm**

### The Forest Before Us

Can’t see the forest for the trees? We can help! Join us for a talk about forest growth from the last glacial period to today. Appropriate for ages 10 and above. *No program December 7.*

**Saturdays and Sundays**  
**2:30–3:15pm**

### Bark, Bark, Bark!

No leaves on the trees? No problem! Join us on this short walk around the visitor center to learn how to use bark to identify common species of trees found at Mount Wachusett. Appropriate for ages 10 and up. *No program December 7.*