

# PROGRAM SCHEDULE

## Wachusett Mountain State Reservation

June—August 2025

### Programs At a Glance

#### WEDNESDAY

- 11am—12pm: Summer Wildflower Walk
- 1pm—2pm: Tree ID Walk

#### THURSDAY

- 1pm—2pm: Walking with the Ancients

#### FRIDAY

- 1pm—2pm: Great Hill Detectives

#### SATURDAY

- 11am—11:30am: Wild!Life on the Mountain
- 1pm—1:30pm: As Old as the Hills

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- 1pm—1:30pm: As Old as the Hills

### Program Descriptions

#### AS OLD AS THE HILLS

Wachusett Mountain is home to the only old-growth forest east of the Berkshires. We will share the history of these rare trees and how they have survived during this 30min talk.

*Meet at the Summit Fire Tower.* Appropriate for ages 13 & up.

#### 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!

*Meet in the visitor center.* Appropriate for ages 5 and above.

#### SUMMER WILDFLOWER WALK

Did you know that there have been hundreds of wildflower species documented here? On this stroll we will look at the most common wildflowers here at Wachusett Mountain.

*Meet at the Visitor Center.* Appropriate for ages 10 & up. Approximately one mile over easy terrain.

#### TREE ID WALK

Learn how to use leaves, tree shape, and bark to identify common species of trees.

*Meet at the Visitor Center.* Appropriate for ages 10 & up. Less than half a mile on easy terrain.

#### WALKING WITH THE ANCIENTS

We will take you to view some of the oldest trees found at the mountain, many 300 years old or older. Wachusett Mountain has the only old-growth forest in Massachusetts east of the Connecticut River.

*Meet at the Visitor Center.* Appropriate for ages 13 & up. Approximately 1 mile over easy terrain.

#### WILD!LIFE ON THE MOUNTAIN

Discover the fascinating lives of the “locals” at 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 moose, bobcats, and bears.

*Meet at the Summit Fire Tower.* Appropriate for ages 5 & up.



Programs are free and open to the public. Reservations are not required. **An adult must accompany all children under the age of 15.** Please dress for the outdoors with sturdy footwear, and bring water, sunscreen, and insect repellent.

Programs are subject to cancellation based on staff availability and weather conditions.



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