

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Wachusett Mountain State Reservation

September/October 2025

Programs At a Glance

WEDNESDAY

- 1pm—2pm: Fall Wildflower Walk

THURSDAY

- 11am—11:45am: Tree ID Walk
- 1pm—3:30pm: Walking with the Ancients

FRIDAY

- 1pm—1:30pm: A Peak Back in Time (Summit)

SATURDAY

- 11am—11:30am: Hawks over the Mountain (Summit)
- 12pm—12:30pm: As Old as the Hills (Summit)

SUNDAY

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- 12pm—12:30pm: As Old as the Hills (Summit)

Program Descriptions

A PEAK BACK IN TIME

Journey with us to Wachusett’s past. We will explore the last ice age, the Nipmuc people, the summit houses, the Civilian Conservation Corps, and much more.

Meet at the Summit Fire Tower. Appropriate for ages 8 & up.

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.

FALL 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.

HAWKS OVER THE MOUNTAIN

Wachusett Mountain is one of the best places in the northeast to witness the fall migration of hawks. Learn the basics of hawk identification and (hopefully) admire the hawks as they go by.

Meet on the Summit by the Fire Tower. Appropriate for ages 5 and above.

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 2 miles over moderate terrain.



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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