

## Winthrop-East Boston - Coast Guide Site Descriptions

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**Belle Isle Marsh Reservation** - Salt marsh with trails, benches, and picnic tables. Free parking off Bennington Street.

**Constitution Beach** - Sandy beach with view of Boston Harbor and Logan Airport, benches, picnic tables, playground, sports fields, and ice rink. New bathhouse, large parking lot.

**Coughlin Park** - Park under flight path of Logan Airport with benches, picnic tables, playground, and sports fields. Free parking at end of Bay View Avenue.

**Crystal Cove Jetty** - Jetty with views of Logan Airport and Snake Island. Free parking.

**Deer Island** - Massachusetts Water Resources Authority wastewater treatment facility site with park at northerly end, perimeter walkway, and views of Boston Harbor and Broad Sound. Free parking.

**Donovan Beach** - Sand and pebble beach. No parking.

**Halford Beach** - Rocky beach. Located at the corner of Nahant and Sewell Avenues. Street parking.

**Lewis Lake** - Small park on tidal river and pond with benches and playground. Street parking.

**Pico Playground and Beach** - Park with benches, playground, and tennis courts behind pebble beach. Located at end of Pico Avenue. Street parking.

**Point Shirley Beach** - Sandy beach. Access from adjacent Yirrell Beach. Resident sticker parking.

**Railroad Right-of-Way** - Right-of-way to salt marsh fringing Boston Harbor at end of Winthrop Street, off Washington Avenue. Limited parking.



ROLLER BLADE TO THE BEACH IN EAST BOSTON!



**Revere Beach Reservation** - Revere Beach, the oldest public beach in America, celebrated its 100th anniversary in 1996. In 1895, the Massachusetts Legislature ordered the acquisition of nearly three miles of coastline and entrusted it to the Metropolitan Park Commission the following year. This sandy beach forms a crescent along Massachusetts Bay. Revere Beach has a colorful history. At one time the Boulevard boasted rides, dance halls, movie theaters, carousels, roller coasters, and all kinds of special attractions. Current amenities include a bandstand for summer concerts, a bathhouse, and many shaded shelters. Located five miles north of Boston, Revere Beach Reservation, which is currently run by the Massachusetts Department of

Conservation and Recreation, Division of Urban Parks and Recreation (formerly the Metropolitan District Commission), is easily reached by car and by public transportation. It is located across the street from both Revere Beach and Wonderland Stations at the end of the MBTA Blue Line. In addition, there is ample parking along the Revere Beach Boulevard.

**Short Beach** - Sandy beach. Street parking.

**Small Park** - Park with benches on bluff descending to rocky shore. Located at end of Highland Avenue. Limited parking.

**Winthrop Beach** - Extensive sand and pebble beach with restrooms. Free parking.

**Winthrop Town Landing** - Public boat ramp with benches. Parking lot.

**Winthrop/Revere Salt Marsh** - Salt marsh on Belle Isle Inlet. No parking.

**Woodside Park** - Sand and pebble beach at end of Woodside Drive. Resident parking only.

**Yirrell Beach** - Sandy beach with walkway and benches behind seawall. Street parking.

**The following site is accessible by water only:** Snake Island.

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