

Halibut Point State Park

Department of Conservation and Recreation



Spring Programs

Programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. ADA/Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Contact us for booking guided group tours: halibut.point@mass.gov or 978.546.2997. Heavy rain cancels.

Saturdays and Sundays and by prebooking Monday April 8 Sundays April 21 May 19 June 16 Saturdays May 18, 25 June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Saturday

April 13

through

Sunday

April 21

VISITOR CENTER & EXHIBITS 9:00 am-3:00 pm

Visit the recently renovated World War II tower, now visitor center. Explore this site's quarrying and WWII history and discover plants and animals that live in this rocky coastal park. All ages/abilities.

SOLAR ECLIPSE VIEWING PARTY → CLOUDS CANCEL 2:00 pm—4:30 pm, meet at Visitor Center

Safe sun-viewing telescopes and glasses available to witness the nearly total eclipse of the Sun as the Moon passes between Earth and Sun. Co-sponsored with Gloucester Area Astronomy Club. All ages/abilities.

SPRING BIRDING WALKS—Symphony of Bird Song! 8:00 am—10:00 am, meet at parking area

Stroll our seaside treasure with birding basics. Hear the symphony of spring bird song! Watch for them in the fields, woodlands, and at ocean's edges. Learn about bird sounds, habits, and flight patterns. Enjoy extraordinary views. Bring your binoculars. All ages.

WHEN GRANITE WAS KING!

Babson Farm Quarrying History Guided Tour

10:00 am-11:00 am, meet at parking area

Learn about the buildings, bridges, and breakwaters built to last. Touch tools of the trade. Find out how they moved these large, heavy stone pieces and how they "paved" dirt streets in our Nation's growing cities—and around the world! All ages.

Saturday LIVE ANIMAL PRESENTATION—Celebrate Earth Day!!!

April 27 11:00 am—12:30 pm, meet at Visitor Center

Live Frogs & Salamanders, our vernal pond ambassadors, will visit Halibut Point with Cape Ann Vernal Pond Team. Get up close to these animals and learn about their behaviors and habitats. Co-Sponsored with Friends of Halibut Point State Park. All ages and abilities.

April School Vacation="Explor"ation!!! Family Fun 8:00 AM—4:00 PM available at Visitor Center

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 nature and the Babson Farm Granite Quarrying history. For ages 8 years+.

StoryWalk! Our Big Home, by Linda Glaser. 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 Pre-K—3rd grade with favorite adult. StoryWalk® created by Anne Ferguson, Montpelier, VT, with Kellogg-Hubbard Library, is registered by Ms. Ferguson.

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