

GBCCA Hiking Club Announcement

PLACE: FORT FOSTER PARK, KITTERY POINT, ME 03905

DATE: August 21, 2010, Saturday

TIME: 11:00am at the park parking lot

MEET: 9:00am at GBCCA for car pooling

Estimated Hiking Duration: 3 hours

Level of difficulty: Easy

Brief:

Fort Foster is at the southern tip of Maine, past the village of Kittery Point. Technically, it is on Gerrish Island, although this "island" is barely separated from the mainland by a narrow creek and wetland, and can be reached easily by car. The park, a former military installation, is owned and operated by the town of Kittery. Fort Foster offers three small but sandy beaches, an extensive trail system, restroom facilities in season, picnic areas, and old military fortifications to explore. The park features an excellent view of the entrance to Portsmouth Harbor, including Whaleback Light, Portsmouth Harbor Light and Fort Constitution. There is a designated area scuba diving; windsurfing, kayaking and boat trailers are not allowed in the park.

Directions to Fort Foster Park Kittery Point, Maine 03905

From Boston Marriott Newton Hotel 2345 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton, MA 02466

75.0 mi – about 1 hour 22 mins

1. Head **southwest** on **Commonwealth Ave** (go 0.3 mi total 0.3 mi)
2. Merge onto **I-95 N** via the ramp to **Waltham Partial toll road** Passing through New Hampshire Entering Maine About 1 hour 8 mins (go 68.5 mi total 68.8 mi)
3. Take exit **2** to merge onto **ME-236 S** toward **Traffic Cir/Downtown/US-1 Partial toll road** About 1 min (go 0.5 mi total 69.2 mi)
4. At the traffic circle, take the **3rd** exit and stay on **ME-236 S** About 2 mins (go 1.1 mi total 70.3 mi)
5. Continue onto **Whipple Rd** About 2 mins (go 1.1 mi total 71.4 mi)
6. Continue onto **Pepperrell Rd** About 3 mins (go 1.5 mi total 72.9 mi)
7. Continue onto **Tenney Hill Rd** (go 0.3 mi total 73.2 mi)
8. Continue onto **Brave Boat Harbor Rd** (go 0.2 mi total 73.5 mi)
9. Turn **right** at **Gerrish Island Ln** About 1 min (go 0.3 mi total 73.7 mi)
10. Turn **right** at **Pocahontas Rd** About 3 mins (go 1.2 mi total 75.0 mi)It takes about 1 hr 45 minutes

Web Reference:

Visitors are charged admission during the summer season.

Location: Pocahontas Road, Kittery, ME map

Hours: Dawn to dusk for pedestrians; gates open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Admission: \$10 per vehicle; pedestrians or bicyclists \$5 adults/\$1 under 12

You and your families/friends are invited. Please call 617-795-2168 or email Wanchin wanchinc@hotmail.com by 8/19 if you are planning to come and need a car pool. As the Park charges \$10 per car or \$5 per person as the admission fee, car pooling is more preferable. Jen King and I have been there before. We may provide some help in case you have any question. For more detail please click the attachment.

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