

## Welcome to the Blue Hills Trailside Museum!

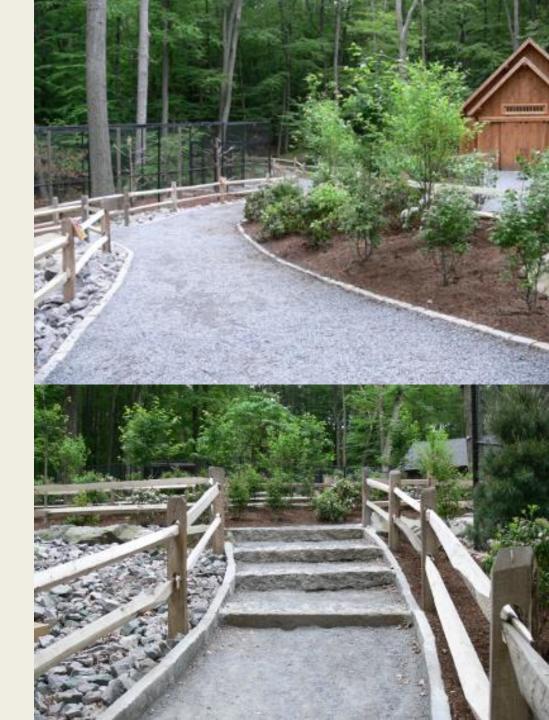
The museum is the welcome center for the Blue Hills Reservation. The **exhibits** at the museum will tell you about the **plants and animals** found in the Blue Hills. There are **outdoor** animal exhibits and **indoor** exhibits to **explore**.





If you need **help** or have a question, look for **someone who works here**. Museum staff all wear **clothing with a blue triangle** with a white bird.

The paths around the museum are flat and wide. They are covered either with crushed stone or pavement. There are steps in some places, but you can see all of the museum without using any steps.





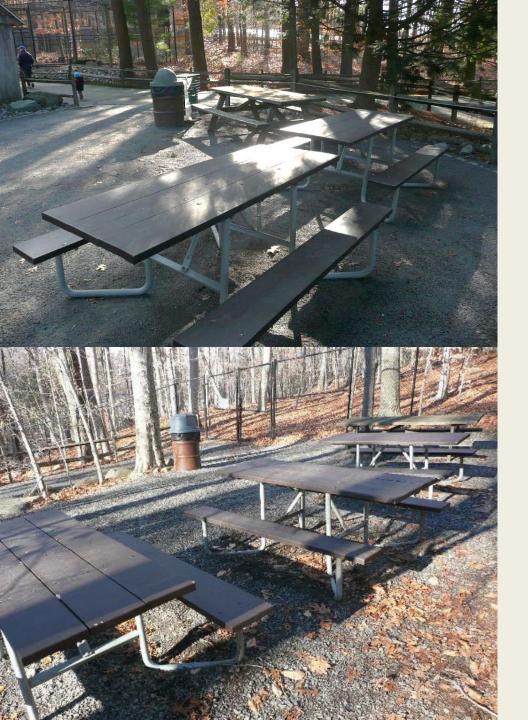
The **outdoor paths** will take you to the large **animal exhibits**.

Most of the animal viewing spaces are along the path. The **fox exhibit** has a **small building** with a wooden floor that you enter to see the fox.

By the **duck pond** there is a small building called a **blind**. The blind is a dark, quiet place to watch the wild ducks and turtles.

While you are visiting, please **be kind to the animals** who live here.
You can do that by staying **calm and quiet**. The animals that live here need human help. None of the animals here can live on their own in the wild.





Outside the building are two different places to eat lunch or a snack, and benches for you to sit on.



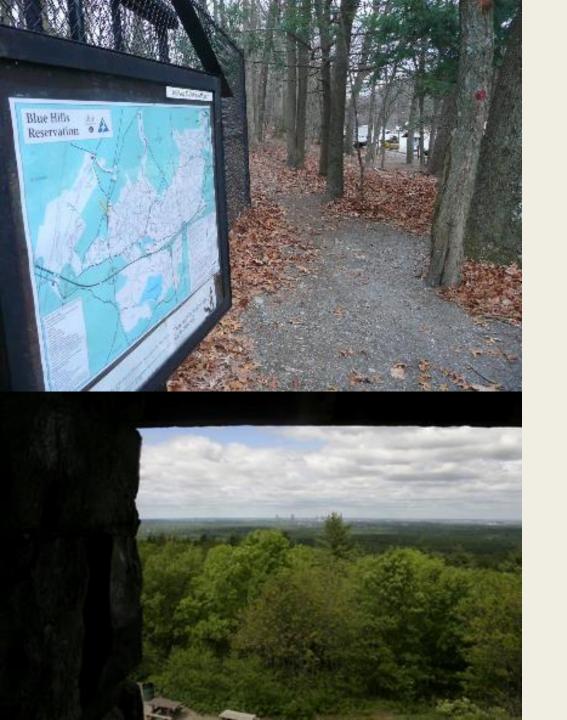
The first place that you see when you come inside the museum building is the gift shop. Toys, books, and snacks are for sale here. There is also someone at the front desk if you need help or have a question.

Inside the museum's exhibit hall are things to look at, touch, and listen to. You can learn about the plants, animals, and human history of the Blue Hills here. You may walk down the stairs or take the ramp to get to the exhibit hall. If it's a busy day in the museum, the exhibit hall can be a **noisy** place!



While you are visiting the museum, you may have a **program** in **the auditorium**. A naturalist will help you discover new things about nature and you may get to meet a wild animal.





After you visit the museum, you may also explore the Blue Hills' trails. Many people enjoy climbing to the top of Great Blue Hill and seeing all of Boston. The trail to the hilltop is right next to the museum. There are lots of other trails to hike and places to visit in the Blue Hills. If you go hiking, your leader will explain what you need to do to stay safe.

The Blue Hills Trailside
Museum is a good place to
meet the wild animals that live
in Massachusetts. We hope you
enjoy your visit and find out
about the animals that live near
you. See you at the museum!

