

History Hunt

Exploring Odiorne Point State Park

You may know this land as Odiorne Point State Park, but it has undergone many transformations over the centuries. Using the map provided, adventure to these locations throughout the park and see what you can discover!

 Take pictures of what you find and share with our Naturalists!

Battery 204

Different from most other batteries, the design of Battery 204 has the Commander's Station built on top of the magazine. Climb to the top for a great view of the Isles of Shoals!



Seacoast Science Center

During WWII the Federal Government determined that Odiorne Point was critical for naval defense. Landowners, like the Sugden family, were given 30 days to vacate their homes! After WWII the stone home remained abandoned until 1972, when it became the Park's visitor center. It was not until 1992 that the Seacoast Science Center opened its doors.

155 mm Gun mounts

Stand in the middle and turn in a circle. The circular mounts let the guns protect NH's coast, as well as Portsmouth Harbor during WWII. The horseshoe shaped beach you see used to be a forest.

Frost Point

The Abenaki and the Penacook are indigenous tribes that used to live on this land prior to English settlement. Did you know the Gulf of Maine was a valuable resource of seafood and materials for both tribes?



Dolphin Fountain

Look around for stone pillars - this would have been part of your driveway if you lived here in the early 1900's.

Founder's Monument

In the spring of 1623 a group of Englishmen landed here in New Hampshire. Did you know people first lived here 10,000 years ago and called what is known as Odiorne Point State Park today, the "Dawn Land."



ODIORNE POINT STATE PARK



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Odiorne Point State Park Trail Map

History Hunt: How many places can you find?

