

SCENIC WALKS

WALK 1

The Headlands and Old Garden Path.

From Dock Square, proceed up Mount Pleasant Street, passing T-Wharf with its view of Motif #1 on your left. You will soon pass the Hannah Jumper House, a small white house with blue shutters just before turning left onto Atlantic Avenue. Straight ahead, enter a paved path called "Way to Headlands". Enjoy spectacular views of the harbor and the town. Leave the Headlands out the back side onto Old Garden Road; continue several hundred yards to Old Garden Beach.

WALK 2

Bearskin Neck.

Stroll from Dock Square, to Bearskin Neck, with its many colorful shops, restaurants, and art galleries. Explore Bradley Wharf and Tuna Wharf, the first and second rights along your way. Proceed to the end of the Neck for a panoramic view of the Atlantic Ocean and the breakwater. Return to Dock Square via Doyle's Cove Road and either Middle Road or North Road. At the end of North Road, take a right on Old Harbor Road to Sea Fencibles Park and White Wharf for a view of the Old Harbor.

WALK 3

Main St., Beach St., and Millbrook Meadow.

From Dock Square walking up Main Street stop for a visit to Lumber Wharf on your right. You will pass the Rockport Art Association and the Congregational Church on your left, followed by the new Shalin Liu Performance Center on your right. Take a right onto Beach Street, passing Front Beach and then Back Beach. Beach, crossing the street to the Bandstand. Return on Beach Street and take a right on King Street. Proceed past five houses on left to a set of granite stairs. Cross over the footbridge and enjoy your time in Millbrook Meadow, Upper Pond, and the Old Burial Grounds and follow the gravel footpath onto Beach Street and return to Main Street.

SANDY BAY



Old Granite Pier

Bartlett Rock

Dodge Rock

Sandy Bay Ledge

Rowe Point

Back Beach

Front Beach

Rockport Harbor

Whale Cove

Gap Head

Gully Pt. Cove

Old Garden Beach

South Street

Whale Cove

Paradise Cliffs

Flat Point

Loblolly Point

Emerson Point

Land's End

Pebble Beach

Cape Hedge Beach

Long Beach

Route 127 to Gloucester & Route 128

Route 127A to Gloucester & Route 128

Info Booth [seasonal]

Halibut Point State Park

Andrew's Point

Hoop Pole Cove

Folly Cove

To Lanesville, Annisquam, Gloucester & Rte. 128

Summit Ave

Railroad Ave

Upper Main Street

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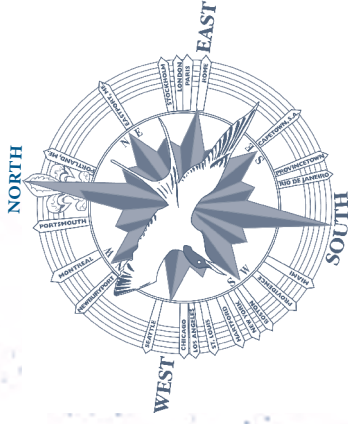
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WALK 4
Dogtown Common Walk via Summit Avenue.

From the parking lot at the top of Summit Ave, go through the white gate and follow the trail through the Forest for 1/2 mile until you reach a T-junction at which you turn left. The trail narrows; take the left fork after about 400 yards and the right fork after crossing the brook. After about 500 yards you reach a dike at trail marker #14. Either cross over the dike, or take the boardwalk to the right to join Luce Trail at Marker #15. Turn right on Luce Trail for about 300 yards to trail marker #16. Turn right over the stream and after 100 yards reach marker #17 at the Whale's Jaw. Continue on the main trail, still Luce Trail, from Whale's Jaw for another 1/3 mile or so until you reach the junction at marker #18. Stay right and look out for a trail after about 100 yards that heads into the woods to the right; it's narrow but it's marked with a painted rock at the intersection and then paint blazes on the trees. After about 600 yards, this trail meets the T-junction 1/2 mile from the start. Take the left here to walk back to the parking.

WALK 5

The Atlantic Path.

A two mile walk or drive from the Village Center out Granite Street, past many historic homes and ocean views. Turn right at Phillips to Cathedral Avenue. The Atlantic path begins at a break in the wall on the left side of the street, just past the Emerson Inn. You will want to consider proper walking shoes as the Atlantic Path takes you over rocks that slope down to the ocean as well as dirt foot paths. Follow the marked trail and enjoy the awesome vistas.

WALK 6

Halibut Point State Park.

Just 2 1/2 miles from the Village Center out Granite Street to Gott Avenue, the Park lies at the northernmost tip of Rockport and has an expansive view of the Eastern seaboard. On a clear day you can look across Ipswich Bay and up the coast to NH and Maine.

WALK 7

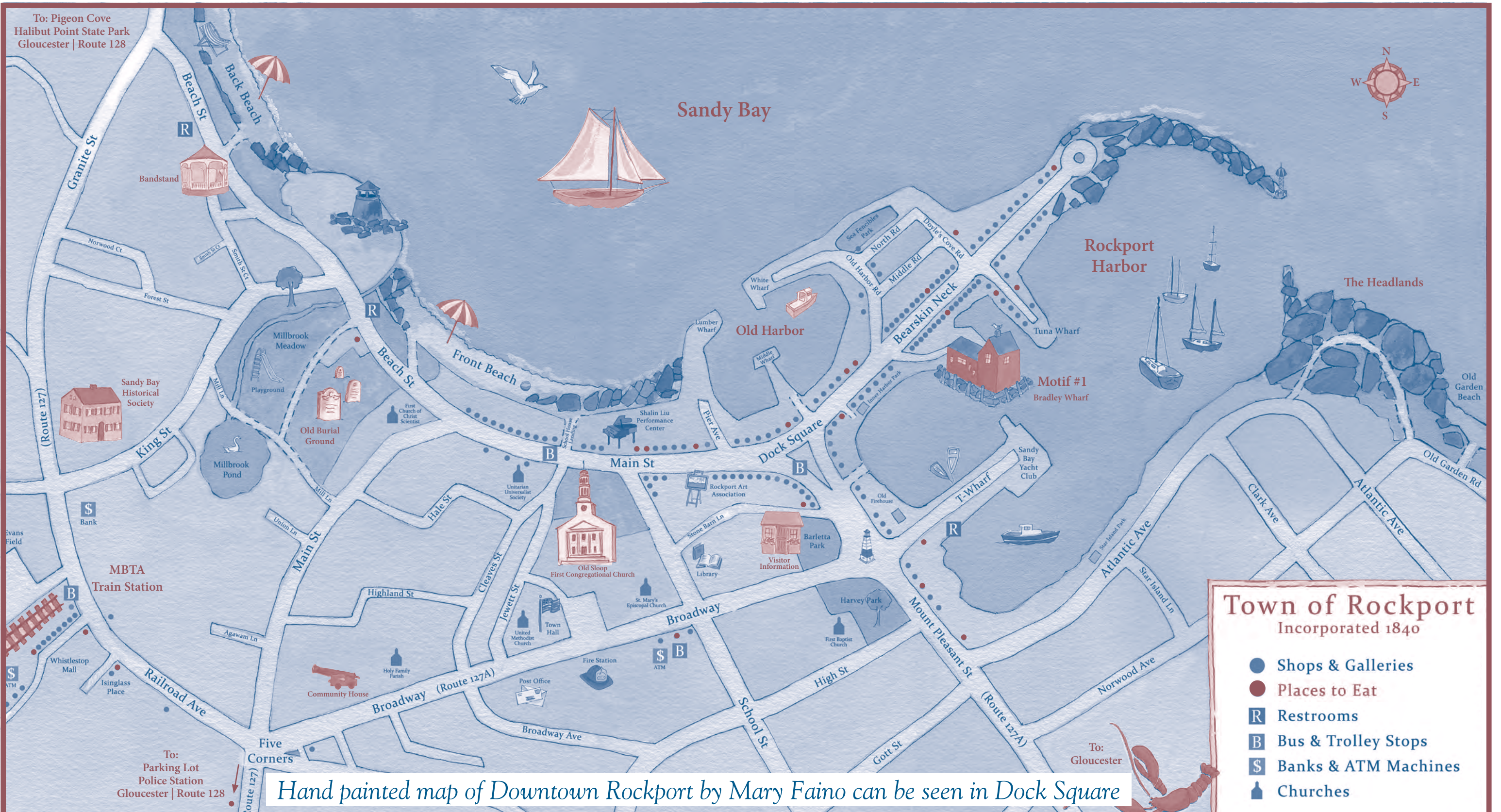
To Cape Hedge and Long Beach.

Take a beautiful walk along Mt. Pleasant and South Streets Historic District, past some of Rockport's oldest homes and B and B's. Cape Hedge Beach is just a 2 1/2 mile walk, at the end of South Street. Stroll across the beach and over the stone sea wall to the foot bridge which will gain you access to Long Beach.

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Town of Rockport
Incorporated 1840

- Shops & Galleries
- Places to Eat
- R Restrooms
- B Bus & Trolley Stops
- \$ Banks & ATM Machines
- Ⓜ Churches

Hand painted map of Downtown Rockport by Mary Faino can be seen in Dock Square

Welcome to ROCKPORT
We invite you to explore the historic sites and natural beauty of Rockport.

Stroll about Rockport's quaint downtown cultural district, and enjoy the ambiance of a seaside community that offers a wide selection of art galleries and unique shopping and dining experiences in a picturesque setting. Rockport has something special to offer in every season. Rockport Music presents superlative musical entertainment all year long at the Shalin Liu Performance Center while Rockport Art Association & Museum offers multiple exhibits, galleries and art shows throughout

the year. Annual events include May's Motif No.1 Day and Memorial Day parade; the Firemen's July 4th Parade and Bonfire; summertime Farmers Markets; August's Illuminations and Fireworks; the annual Christmas in Rockport celebration; and Rockport New Year's Eve. Explore Rockport's rugged yet accessible shoreline along the Essex Coastal Scenic Byway (Routes 127 and 127A). Nearly half of this 85 mile drive takes you in and around Cape Ann,

with over nine miles in Rockport alone. From a Twin Lights sunrise at Long Beach to sunsets over Ipswich Bay at Halibut Point, you can spend a delightful day or a whole lifetime meandering Rockport's coastal pathways and woodland trails. Its unique mix of light and sea and sky, granite-edged harbors and coves and sweeping tides creates memorable and constantly renewing vistas at every turn. Through the years and the cycles of the seasons, Rockport's beauty and allure endure.

The Blue Gate Park & Ride facility seasonally offers 200 free parking spaces and a \$1 trolley shuttle to downtown and Front and Back Beaches, and includes stops at Rockport's MBTA train station. It is conveniently located on Route 127, just one-half mile from downtown. If you arrive by train, follow the color-coded Green, Red and Blue Diamonds painted on the sidewalks leading from the station to downtown Rockport. Choose among the Beaches (Green: King and Beach Streets), Main Street (Red),

or Broadway (Blue) routes; all are scenic and welcoming walkways to and from the center of our beautiful town. Welcome to Rockport!
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