

Historic walk

Quincy's rich history, from Revolutionary War politics to Cold War battle cruisers, is on display at 10 historic locations within easy walking distance from the city's downtown.



Josiah Quincy House

20 Muirhead St. Tel: 617-471-4508
Open: noon-5 p.m. (last tour at 4 p.m.) daily, except Tuesday, Thursday and weekends, June 1-Oct. 15.
Admission: \$2
Built in 1770 by Col. Josiah Quincy, it was originally a country estate. Generations of Quincys living there played important roles in Massachusetts' social and political life. Three served as mayors of Boston; one was president of Harvard University.

Adams National Historic Site

135 Adams St. Tel: 617-770-1175
Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily
Admission: \$2 (mansion and birthplaces)
The Adams National Historic Site was designated as part of the National Park Service in 1946 to commemorate the distinguished men and women of the Adams family. The park comprises the Visitor Center; the birthplaces of John and John Quincy Adams and the "Old House," home to four generations of the Adams family.



Old Quincy City Hall

1305 Hancock St.
Admission: (free) municipal building
Hours: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays. Designed by Solomon Willard, also the architect of the Bunker Hill Monument. Old City Hall was first occupied Nov. 1, 1844. Abutting city hall is Constitution Common, which honors John Adams for drafting the Massachusetts Constitution of 1780, the basis for the U.S. Constitution.



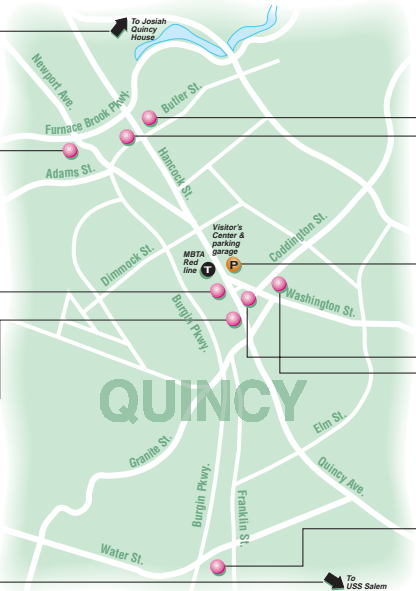
Hancock Cemetery

Hancock Street, next to Quincy City Hall
Open: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays
Admission: Free.
The Colonial community's first (1640s) and main burial ground. Includes graves of the Adams and Quincy families; the Rev. John Hancock; the Rev. Leonard Hoar, third president of Harvard. Fine examples of early gravestone art and early uses of Quincy granite.



USS Salem

739 Washington St., Quincy Point
Tel: 617-479-7900. Open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.
Admission: \$6 adults, \$4 seniors and children 4-12. Children under 4, free.
The Salem, former flagship of the 6th Fleet, is located in the former Fore River shipyard, where more than 700 Navy vessels were built and launched. The complex features one of the country's largest collections of military and shipbuilding memorabilia. Guided tours are available on the Salem, the only remaining U.S. big-gun cruiser.



Quincy Homestead

1010 Hancock St. at Butler Road entrance. Tel: 617-471-5117
Open: noon-5 p.m. (last tour at 4 p.m.), Wednesday-Sunday, May 1-Oct. 31. Admission: \$3 for adults, \$1 children.
An 18th-century colonial mansion built on land granted in 1635, it served as the home of four generations of the Edmund Quincy family, including Dorothy Quincy, wife of the governor and patriot, John Hancock. The colonial landscaping includes an herb garden.



Adams Academy Building Quincy Historical Society

A National Historic Landmark
8 Adams St., at Dimmock Street entrance. Tel: 617-773-1144.
Open: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays year-round, except holidays; call for Saturday hours.
Admission: Donation.
Museum with permanent and changing exhibits on all aspects of area history. Housed in a former boy's academy funded by John Adams, built on the site of John Hancock's birthplace.

Visitor Center and Historic Trolley Tour

1250 Hancock St., Presidents Place. Tel: 617-770-1175, www.nps.gov
Open: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily April 19-Nov. 10; winter hours 10 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays Nov. 1-April 18; closed holidays.
A free trolley bus service connects the Adams National Historic Site. An orientation to the site is available at the Visitor Center, as well as exhibits, a bookstore, and the park's only public restrooms.
Visitors must register for all tours at the Visitor Center.

Tour space is limited. Advance reservations are required for groups of eight or more.
Admission: A \$2 tour admission is collected for persons 17 years and older. The fee provides access to the three historic homes and transportation via a trolley bus, which departs from the Visitor Center. The United First Parish Church, located next to the Visitor Center, is open for tours and requests a \$2 donation.

Thomas Crane Public Library

A National Historic Landmark
40 Washington St. Tel: 617-376-1300
Open: 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday year-round; also open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday (Sept.-May).
Admission: Free.
Designed by H.H. Richardson, this 1882 building is a masterpiece of Romanesque architecture.



John Adams Birthplace & John Quincy Adams Birthplace

133 and 141 Independence Ave.
Tel: 617-770-1175
Open: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily April 19-Nov. 10.
The birthplaces of John Adams and his son, John Quincy Adams. The site where John Adams drafted the Massachusetts Constitution, which was the model for the U.S. Constitution.

United First Parish Church & Adams Crypt

1306 Hancock St. Tel: 617-773-1290
Admission \$2. Open: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday, April 19-Nov. 10, except July and August; winter hours 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 11-April 18 by appointment.
The final resting place of Presidents John Adams and John Quincy Adams and first ladies Abigail and Louisa Catherine Adams.

