



## **Point Pleasant Park** (~ 1 Hr // 7.3 km or 4.5 miles)

Point Pleasant Park is a beautiful green space located at the tip of Point Pleasant Park. A favourite by locals, no visit to Halifax is complete without at least one visit to the park.

This itinerary can be completed a number of ways depending on your riding level. This trip can easily be made in one hour (return trip) however if you wish to spend more time in the park there are many ways to enjoy your visit.

### **Tips:**

- Pack a picnic. We provide picnic packages at \$19.95 per person. Picnic must be booked by 4 pm the previous day and are final sale. *(Gluten Free +\$5.00, Vegan, Vegetarian options available)*

### **Things to do at the Park:**

- Go swimming at Black Rock Beach
- Explore old fortress relics
- Fly a kite
- Read a book

### **Notes // Safety Tips:**

- Bikes are permitted to ride in the park 7 Days per week, Holidays included. Bikes are restricted to the main trails.
- On road riding is required for this route. If you have small children or wish to avoid street traffic we suggest taking Marginal Road to and from the park. Marginal Road is the primary road for truck traffic going to and from the port. Depending on the time of day truck traffic can be high or low. If there is truck traffic while you are on the road we suggest stopping and waiting for the traffic to pass before continuing.
- Marginal Road is the primary access for train and truck traffic to the Port of Halifax. Please watch out for the train tracks making sure to cross them perpendicular to your bike tire. While the tracks have been filled they can catch people by surprise.



- On road riding is required for this route. Please ride with care and don't be afraid to hop off your bike and walk if you feel nervous. You can always hop back on. **Riders ride at their own risk.**
- When leaving your bike unattended please make sure it is securely locked and in a visible, high traffic area. You are responsible for any equipment rented from I Heart Bikes.

## Route Notes:

*\*Departing from I Heart Bikes\**

- Continue along the Halifax Boardwalk (pedestrians have the right of way) so that the Harbour is on your left hand side.
- You will eventually come to the end of the wooden boardwalk. Here you have two options:
  - Take the Port of Halifax to and from the Park
  - Take Young Ave. going through the South End of Halifax to reach the park and return via Marginal Road (this is a nice scenic loop taking you down Halifax's most prestigious street, Young Ave.)

### A. Marginal Road Option:

- Once arriving at the end of the wooden boardwalk go straight (passing the Seaport Farmer's Market and Pier 21) to link up with Marginal Road (make a left turn). If you choose this option it will look and feel like you are biking through an actual industrial port. You are going the right way.
- Follow this street until the end, make a left and you will arrive to the park.
- Once you are done exploring, turn around and return the same way you came.



## **B. Young Avenue Option:**

- If you don't mind some slight hills and are comfortable biking along side traffic this is the nicest most scenic route to the park.
- Once arriving to the end of the wooden boardwalk turn right onto Marginal Road. Shortly you will encounter a three way stop.
- Turn LEFT onto Hollis Street.
- At your next stop sign TURN LEFT onto Barrington Street.
- Follow Barrington Street for a few moments staying right. Barrington Street turns into Inglis Street leading you to a Third stop sign a four way intersection.
- TURN LEFT onto Young Ave.
- At the end of Young Ave you will find a stop sign. Go straight into Point Pleasant Park.

## **RETURN TRIP:**

- Once you are done exploring the park and wish to make your return trip (~15 minutes) follow the perimeter of the park so that the water is on your right hand side. This will lead you to the bottom of the park where there is a large parking lot.
- Exit Point Pleasant Park at the bottom parking Lot near Black Rock Beach
- Shortly after exiting the park you will TURN Right onto Marginal Road. Here you are entering the Port of Halifax.
  - Please be careful of truck traffic and the railway tracks!
- Follow Marginal Road until you reach the Halifax Waterfront. There is an entrance to the Boardwalk directly beside the Farmer's Market after Pier 21 and Garrison Brewery. You will need to make a right to turn off Marginal Road and a left to turn onto the Boardwalk.



- Follow the Boardwalk until you reach I Heart Bikes.

*Suggestions? We are always looking to improve our riders experience. Let us know what we missed.*

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