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Boston National Historical Park Boston, MA

Faneuil Hall

"Those who cannot bear free speech had best go home. Faneuil Hall is no place for slavish hearts." Wendell Phillips



Originally built in 1742 as Boston's town meeting hall and a ground level market, Faneuil Hall is still used today as both a marketplace for goods and ideas. During the American Revolution, patriots James Otis, Samuel Adams, and others spoke here to protest such issues as British government trade restrictions and taxation without representation. Over

the years, orators have spoken and debated here on many important topics including slavery, women's rights, temperance and war.

Faneuil Hall, Congress Street, Boston 617-242-5642; free MBTA: Green Line to Government Center

Charlestown Navy Yard

"A navy is our natural and only defense." John Adams

One of the original six federal shipyards established to build warships to defend the liberties of the new nation. From 1800 until it closed in 1974, the "Yard" built, repaired and supplied



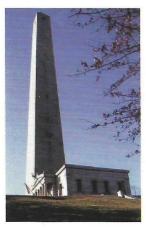
ships for the U.S. Navy. For much of its history, the Charlestown Navy Yard's ropewalk (built in 1837) produced all of the U.S. Navy's rope. In 1926 die-lock chain was invented here. Die-lock chain is still used by the United States and many of the world's navies!

Charlestown Navy Yard, Charlestown 617-242-5601; free MBTA: Orange or Green Line to North Station or wo

MBTA: Orange or Green Line to North Station or water shuttle from Long Wharf in downtown Boston

Bunker Hill Monument

"The day-perhaps the decisive day- is come, on which the fate of America depends." Abigail Adams



Dedicated in 1843 as one of America's first monuments, Bunker Hill Monument marks the site of the first major battle of the American Revolutionary War. On this ground, over 225 years ago, a newly formed American colonial army first stood up against powerful British forces. Stand where volunteer patriots and British soldiers fought this pivotal battle.

Bunker Hill Monument, Monument Square, Charlestown 617-242-5641; free MBTA: Orange Line to Community College

Visiting Boston National Historical Park

The park consists of eight historical sites including those previously mentioned. You may start your visit at one of two visitor centers, one in downtown Boston, and one in the Charlestown Navy Yard. Maps, brochures, and information about Boston and the Freedom Trail are available, along with audiovisual presentations about the sites. Online information is available at www.nps.gov/bost

Downtown Visitor Center 15 State Street Boston, MA 02109 617-242-5642

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