



History Can Hurt

This is a special place. It is a monument to the people who fought and died here. Many parts of the fort are fragile and so are you! Please keep yourself and the fort from being injured today.

Climbing is unsafe and can damage something that cannot be replaced, including you. Stay on designated pathways.

Watch your step. Many historic surfaces are now uneven and some areas may be damp and slippery, especially in the rain. Use handrails when climbing stairs.

Some interior areas have **no electric lights**. They can be dark and dangerous.

As part of the National Park System, **everything here is protected**. Don't remove or disturb any part of the fort structure or any living thing. If everyone took just one brick, the fort would quickly disappear forever.

Smoking is not permitted within the fort, even the areas with no roof. Smoke only outside the fort entrance.

Some areas are closed with chains and other barriers. Crossing them puts you at risk of serious injury.

Use **insect repellent** in the warmer months. Beware of fire ant mounds.

Summer here is hot and humid, so **drink plenty of water** and take frequent breaks out of the sun.

Contact a ranger with questions and concerns. Enjoy your visit!