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Hyannis, MA

January 1 - December 31, 2026

11 & 6km JFK Cape Museum Walks

START/FINISH:

Public Parking Lot
behind JFK Museum, 397 Main St.
Hyannis, MA 02601

TIMES: Daily sunrise to sunset.

Complete event within 30 days of
initiating online registration.



REGISTER ONLINE ONLY: my.ava.org

REGISTRATION: Use the AVA's Online Start Box (my.ava.org). Follow the instructions to sign waiver & register for this event. Payment for event and directions uses secure online system. Walk directions and insert cards are PDFs that you download and print as needed. **POC does not provide event directions or accept alternate payment methods.** The entire online process should take less than 10 minutes for a first time user.

TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS: Hyannis, settled in 1666 and the largest of Barnstable's seven villages, is well suited for walkers with its beautiful homes, both old and new, ocean views from different elevations, and sandy beaches. Hyannis is an official state cultural district, and is locally referred to as the HyArts Cultural District.

Both routes traverse Main Street passing the JFK Museum (admission fee), which focuses on the "Cape Years" of President Kennedy; restaurants featuring seasonal outdoor dining; and a variety of retail shops. The 11km walk continues out of town and into Hyannisport neighborhoods passing Merchant Avenue, home of the Kennedy Family Summer Compound. Both the 11km and 6km routes enter Veterans' Park, including JFK and Korean War Memorials, overlooking Hyannis Harbor at Veterans' Beach, and pass the terminals with ferry service to Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard..

RATING: The walk routes are mostly on paved roads with one small section of beach that can be bypassed, and have an AVA trail rating of 1B, doable for strollers but **not suitable for wheelchairs.**

AVA SPECIAL PROGRAMS: Lighthouses, Par for the Course, Step to the Beat, Walking with America's Veterans, and Walking with the Wild Things

AWARD: This is an IVV Credit Only event; no award.

DIRECTIONS TO START: Driving directions received **AFTER** completing Online Start Box event registration and payment. Specific walk instructions included in that packet. Public restrooms at start location.

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