

OSB Wickford, RI

January 1 - December 31, 2026

10 and 5km Historic Seaport Village Walks

START/FINISH:

161 Main Street (parking lot)
North Kingstown, RI 02903

OSB: Daily sunrise to sunset.
Complete event within 30 days of
initiating online registration.

REGISTER ONLINE: 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: Wickford is a village in North Kingstown, located 20 miles south of Providence. This historic seaport is located on one of the most well-protected natural harbors on the Eastern seaboard and has one of the largest collections of 18th century dwellings in the Northeast. The fictional village of Eastwick in John Updike's novel "The Witches of Eastwick" was modeled on Wickford.

The 10km route is comprised of both 5km loops. **Village Loop** sights include: historic homes, unique shops & restaurants, Hussey Bridge, Town Hall, North Kingstown Beach, Poplar Point neighborhood, and Poplar Point Lighthouse. **Historic Loop** sights include: Bush Hill Nature Reserve, 13 interpretive signs highlighting area's past, site of Washington Academy, Narragansett Rune Stone, and Old Narragansett Church.

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

DIRECTIONS TO START: Driving directions, parking details, and start point location received **AFTER** completing Online Start Box event registration and payment. Specific walk instructions included in that packet.

RATING: The Village Loop is mostly flat and on paved surfaces and has an AVA rating of 1A. With some natural paths in the Bush Hill Nature Reserve on the Historic Loop, the AVA rating for that loop is 1B, **difficult for strollers and not suitable for wheelchairs.**

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