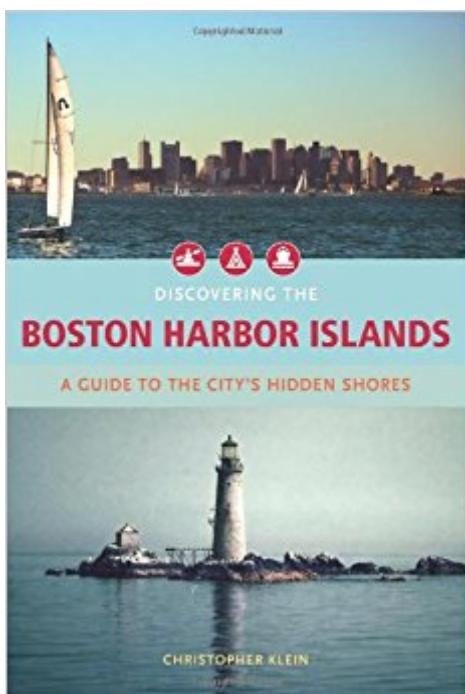


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# Discovering The Boston Harbor Islands: A Guide To The City's Hidden Shores



## Synopsis

The Boston Harbor Islands are experiencing unprecedented visitation, finally assuming their rightful place as Boston's backyard. Rich with history, over 150 full-color photographs, maps, and illustrations, and a resource section devoted to the recreational offerings surrounding the harbor islands, *Discovering the Boston Harbor Islands* is an indispensable guide to help you plan your island adventures. Explore the military installations that protected Boston during wartime including Fort Warren, home of Confederate prisoners during the Civil War. Visit Boston Light on Little Brewster, site of the nation's oldest lighthouse. Kayak into the coves where pirates and bootleggers once hid. Wander the meadows that were the camps of Native Americans and the sites of Revolutionary skirmishes. Sail to the outer islands, a spectacular ocean wilderness. Find the best year-round fishing spots and discover why the islands are a birders paradise. Dive amid century-old shipwrecks or climb to the top of Spectacle Island for an altogether different view of the Boston skyline. Take in a jazz concert, an antique baseball game, or simply hop from one island to the next to experience the stunning natural beauty of this most storied national park area. *Discovering the Boston Harbor Islands* is sure to resonate with new and veteran islanders. Whether its hiking, camping, a trip through history, or a simple getaway to spend a day at the beach, a visit to the harbor islands offers an outdoor experience wholly unique to the geography and heritage of Boston. Don't leave port without it!

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"This harbor island guide is a real gem." --Points East Magazine "Whether your gift recipient is a

boater, history buff or nature lover, Christopher Klein's witty and insightful book offers a unique perspective on the city's incredible history." --The Beacon"A wonderful companion piece to the hidden island treasures off Boston's coast." --Dennis Lehane

Christopher Klein has written for numerous publications, including The Boston Globe, National Geographic Traveler, American Heritage, and New England Travel + Life. He lives in Waltham, Massachusetts.

Great book with lots of information. Very well organized and easy to get through - especially when referring back to the book. Also filled with good information for visiting the islands in your own boat.

I ordered 2 of these books for my sons. I went to a lecture on what was available to do on the harbor islands and got the books to give to my children for family trips. Was glad to be able to get the books used.

This book is a refreshing and interesting new look at the Islands. Chris Klein has brought the old and new history together in a way that holds your interest from cover to cover. I am familiar with the Islands and it was wonderful to learn more about their history. I was especially pleased with Chapter on Peddocks, since that is the Island where my heart is.

This short volume is packed with fascinating history of the Boston Harbor Islands--an up and coming hot spot for the city. The photos are beautiful and the writing is funny and smart and informative. It's a great gift for those who are familiar with the harbor islands, and those who just like to know more about the history of New England. Highly recommend it!

Very readable history of each island in Boston Harbor rich in detail. I work for the Education Center on Thompson Island and so many things I read are inaccurate. The Thompson Island section of this book was spot on so I am encouraged to trust the detailed histories of the other islands.  
Fascinating.

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