



**Quincy House, 1770**  
**20 Muirhead Street**  
**Quincy, Mass.**  
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**A Family's Legacy**

Built as a country estate in 1770, the Quincy House was originally surrounded by fields and pasture overlooking Quincy Bay. Its elegant architectural details, including a Chinese fretwork balustrade and classical portico, befit the status of the man who built it, the Revolutionary leader Colonel Josiah Quincy.

For generations, the Quincys, like the Adamses, to whom they were related, played important roles in the social and political life of Massachusetts. The family produced three mayors of Boston and a president of Harvard. Much of the historical information pertaining to the house and family was documented in the early 1880s by Eliza Susan Quincy. She kept journals, inventoried the contents of the house, commissioned photographs of the interior, and persuaded relatives to return heirlooms so that the house could become a repository of Quincy family history.

Visitors learn the history of the estate, the changes in the property over time, and the succession of generations and their remarkable history of public service and political prominence.

**SUGGESTED ITINERARIES**

A wide variety of restaurants, shops, historic sites, museums and attractions are close to the Quincy House. Please inquire about area attractions if your group would like more information.

**Open selected days throughout the year.**

Please contact us at [QuincyHouse@HistoricNewEngland.org](mailto:QuincyHouse@HistoricNewEngland.org) or call **617-994-5930** for more information or to book a group tour. We are happy to help you create a custom group tour experience based on your individual needs and interests.

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## **Quincy House - General Information for Group Tours**

### **Hours of Operation**

- The Quincy House is open on selected days between June 1 and October 15.
- Depending upon staffing availability, group tours may be scheduled on days that the museum is closed to the public.

### **Length of Tour**

- Tours last approximately one hour.
- Up to ten visitors can tour the house with each guide; generally we can accommodate up to twenty visitors in the house in one hour. If your group is larger, we have a variety of options; please consult with the site manager.
- Groups that arrive late will receive a tour only for the remaining reserved time.

### **Fees**

- The group tour rate for the Quincy House is \$5 per person, however, the price may change if the tour is arranged outside of regular hours of operation. Eligible groups consist of eight or more visitors.
- A non-refundable deposit based on your maximum expected number is due upon booking. Failure to submit a deposit means that your tour may not be accommodated.
- For groups with fewer than twenty persons, a deposit of \$25 is required. Groups of more than 20 persons will pay a deposit of 15% of the total group fee, based on the maximum expected number of persons.
- You must call two weeks in advance with the guaranteed number for your group. It is expected that the balance for that number will be paid prior to the beginning of the tour.

### **Accessibility**

A tour of any Historic New England property requires a considerable amount of standing. Folding chairs can be provided for visitors who would like to use them throughout the house. Additionally, it is necessary to climb a staircase in order to reach the second floor of the house.

Individuals who are unable to climb the staircase may participate in the first-floor tour of the house. Please let the museum know in advance to make the special arrangements necessary.

### **Restrooms**

The Quincy House has one restroom located within the museum. Please note that it may not be possible to take a break during a tour.

### **We ask respectfully that you remember...**

- food and drink are prohibited in the museum
- cameras or recording devices are prohibited in the museum
- pencils must be used to take notes in the museum
- touching, leaning, or sitting on the objects is prohibited
- cell phones should be turned off prior to your tour
- your group will stay with the tour guide for the entire tour