

# FORT DELAWARE FACTS

- ⇒ In 1815 a masonry fort was constructed & destroyed by a fire in 1831. In 1848 work on the current fort started and ended in 1859.
- ⇒ It took around \$1.3 million dollars to build Fort Delaware.
- ⇒ Most of the Confederates captured from Gettysburg were imprisoned at Fort Delaware, 12,500 prisoners were held at the fort in the peak of the war; between 2,400 & 2,700 of those confederates died. Around 2,400 of them are buried at Finns Point National Cemetery next to Fort Mott.
- ⇒ On the eve of the Spanish-American war (1898) an additional \$600k was spent to install modern disappearing guns on Battery Torbert, sometimes referred to as the Endicott Section.
- ⇒ Fort Delaware was active during both WWI & II. German POWs held at Fort DuPont in 1943 performed maintenance duties at Fort Delaware. Some of their names can be found scratched into the walls.
- ⇒ During the entire history of Fort Delaware, it never fired a shot in combat.



Behind the Scenes Tour: Tour areas of the Fort not open to the public, learn about our restoration & preservation process. Weekends only.  
\$5.00 Per Person

## FORT DELAWARE STATE PARK FERRY AND FEE SCHEDULE

### FEE SCHEDULE

Adults.....\$12  
 Senior (62+).....\$11  
 Military.....\$11  
 Children 2 - 12.....\$7

(Seniors and Military must present identification)

Delaware City  
to  
Fort Delaware  
& Fort Mott

10 a.m. Continues to Fort Mott  
 11 a.m.  
 11:30 a.m.  
 12 p.m. Continues to Fort Mott  
 1 p.m.  
 1:30 p.m.  
 2 p.m. Continues to Fort Mott  
 3 p.m.  
 4 p.m. Return to Fort Mott Only

Weekends & Holidays  
Extended Hours

3:30 p.m.  
 4 p.m. Last Ferry to Fort Mott

Fort Delaware  
to  
Delaware City  
(Tram Time)

11 a.m.  
 11:30 a.m.  
 12:30 p.m.  
 1 p.m.  
 1:30 p.m.  
 2:30 p.m.  
 3 p.m.  
 3:30 p.m.  
 4:30 p.m.

Weekends & Holidays  
Extended Hours

5 p.m.  
 5:30 p.m.

Fort Mott  
to  
Fort Delaware  
& Delaware City

10:30 a.m.  
 12:30 p.m.  
 2:30 p.m.  
 4:30 p.m. Return to  
Delaware City Only

Fort Delaware  
to  
Fort Mott

12 p.m.  
 2 p.m.  
 4 p.m. Last Ferry to  
Fort Mott



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Fort Delaware is Open RAIN OR SHINE,  
 Although the Delafort will remain docked dur-  
 ing High Winds and/or Thunder and Lighting.



Visit our Website:  
[destateparks.com/park/fort-delaware/index.asp](http://destateparks.com/park/fort-delaware/index.asp)

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OR

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## Tips to enhance your visit

1. There is no food concession at Fort Delaware. We sell light snacks in our gift shops. So pack a lunch or bring a cooler but remember we are a carry in-carry-out park. Picnic tables & grills are available on the Island.
2. There is a water cooler on the Island and a vending machine with water and sodas, and you are welcome to bring your own non-alcoholic beverages.
3. The ground floor of the fort is handicap accessible, unfortunately the upper levels are not yet.
4. Bring bug spray and sun screen, and if it's chilly bring a jacket. Remember weather conditions at Fort Delaware on Pea Patch Island vary from the mainland.
5. We recommend comfortable closed-toe shoes. Your visit includes walking on gravel/stones and uneven ground.
6. Tickets must be purchased at least 5 minutes before Ferry departs so please plan accordingly.
7. Service dogs are welcome at Fort Delaware. Please leave other pets at home.



## Contact Information

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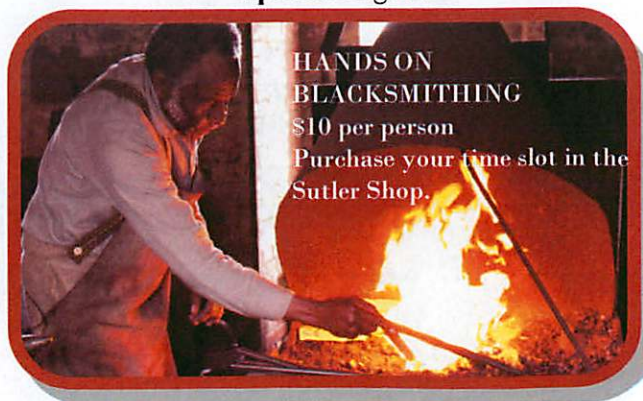
## Fort Delaware will be OPEN

Starting April 29th, 2017 -  
September 30, 2017  
Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays  
10 am to 5:30 pm

Starting on June 7th, 2017  
- September 3, 2017  
Wednesday thru Friday  
10 am to 4:30 pm

Ticket office opens 30 minutes before the first ferry leaves and closes 30 minutes after last ferry returns.

## Special Program



## Fort Delaware State Park

*Take a scenic boat ride to Historic Fort Delaware and experience 1864 in person. The fort served as a Civil War prison which held close to 33,000 Confederate POWs. Explore the fort and enjoy a variety of programs, from living history to a behind-the-scenes tour. Visit us in October and you can participate in a paranormal investigation!*

## Spend a Day in 1864



- Artillery Demonstrations
- Civil War History Tours
- Living History Programs
- Birdwatching
- Picnicking
- Behind-the-Scenes Tour\*
- Hands on Blacksmithing\*
- Paranormal Investigations (seasonal)
- Overnight Camping for Youth & Scout Groups (scheduled)
- Special Events

Some special weekend programs are an additional cost per person & space is limited