



**Memorial Day Weekend Visitor Schedule  
May 27 & 28, 2023**

Join Fort Ticonderoga to remember the men and women lost in the service of their country from Revolutionary War to today. During this special weekend-long commemoration, discover the story of the Continental Army at Ticonderoga in 1777, as they prepared to defend against British invasion from the North. Join a hive of activity as citizens-turned-soldiers build extensive lines of defenses across the Ticonderoga peninsula and beyond to try to secure this vital stronghold from the British. Throughout the weekend, witness the labor of liberty as soldiers from the Continental Army bring to life this defining story through military drills, historic trades, and fatigue duties such as carpentry.

**10:15 a.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour (Begins at American Flag)**

In this entertaining 30-minute tour, discover Ticonderoga's incredible history and learn about all of the great experiences we offer today.

**11:00 a.m. Musket Demonstration *Saturday Only* (Demonstration Area)**

Earthworks defined the American defense of Ticonderoga in 1777. See how Continental Army soldiers could hold their ground, firing from behind a wall of earth. Discover how bullets, powder, fascines and earth were the tools of the American soldiers' trade.

**11:00 a.m. Memorial Service *Sunday Only* (Begins inside Parade Ground)**

Join the procession of a Continental Army Soldier's funeral and see him laid to his final resting place. Pay respect to the numerous soldiers who did not receive a proper burial at Ticonderoga in 1777 and reflect on the ultimate sacrifice they made to secure our liberty today.

**11:30 a.m. A Guided Tour of the Fort Ticonderoga Museum (Begins inside Parade Ground)**

More than a century of collecting has allowed Fort Ticonderoga to acquire North America's largest and most important collection of 18th-century military material culture. This guided tour will give you the scoop on the most significant, rare, and interesting pieces in the collection on display.

**11:30 a.m. Garden March (Begins at American Flag)**

Follow behind the Fifes and Drums down to the King's Garden with a musical escort.

**11:45 a.m. Breaking Ground Tour: A Guided Tour of the Fort Ticonderoga Gardens (Begins at King's Garden Greenhouse)**

From military garrison gardens to a vibrant Colonial Revival garden, explore one of North America's oldest cultivated landscapes. Discover the incredible story of America's first historic preservation effort, and the family country estate and gardens emblematic of that legacy.

**12:30 p.m. Music Demonstration (Parade Ground)**

From reveille in the morning to tattoo at night, hear how drummers and fifers within the Army regulated daily life in 1777. Listen to the Fifes & Drums as they play the martial music that inspired private soldiers on campaign and influenced the orchestral music of civilian life.

**1:00 p.m. Narrated *Carillon* Boat Cruise on Lake Champlain (Boat dock by King's Garden)**

During this 75-minute narrated *Carillon* tour, our friendly and experienced staff will guide you through centuries of Lake Champlain's stirring maritime heritage. Panoramic mountain vistas will surround you and sonar readings present unforgettable images of shipwrecks. A selection of beer, wine, soft drinks, and snacks are available for sale on board!

*Additional ticket required. Tickets are available by visiting the Guest Service Desk in the Log House Welcome Center.*

**1:15 p.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour (Begins at American Flag)**

*See 10:15 am description.*

**2:00 p.m. Cannon Demonstration (Recreated Redoubt)**

Cannons armed key points along the miles of entrenchments built by American soldiers in 1776 and 1777. See how skilled American artillerymen loaded and fired cannons from behind these fortified walls.

**2:30 p.m. Hut Building (Adjacent to Recreated Redoubt)**

Help us make history and grab a mallet or saw and try out timber framing! Work along Continental Army Soldiers to build simple wooden soldiers' huts as they continue to hold the line for liberty in 1777.

**2:30 p.m. A Guided Tour of the Fort Ticonderoga Museum (Begins inside Parade Ground)**

*See 11:30 am description.*

**2:45 p.m. Breaking Ground Tour: A Guided Tour of the Fort Ticonderoga Gardens (Begins at King's Garden Greenhouse)**

*See 11:30 am description.*

**3:00 p.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour (Begins at American Flag)**

*See 10:15 am description.*

**3:30 p.m. Narrated *Carillon* Boat Cruise on Lake Champlain (Boat dock by King's Garden)**

*See 1:00 pm description.*

**4:00 p.m. Witness to History Tour (Begins atop Mount Defiance)**

From America's first Navy on Lake Champlain to the miles of entrenchments across the peninsula, discover the strategy of the American Army in 1777 to make their stand. View the landscapes that shaped the history of our nation.