

FORT GRISWOLD

Battlefield State Park

Groton, Connecticut



ATTRACTIONS

- ★ Revolutionary War Fort and Battlefield
- ★ Groton Monument
- ★ Monument House Museum
- ★ Ebenezer Avery House

FACILITIES

- ★ Restrooms
- ★ Picnic Tables



The park grounds are open daily from sunrise to sunset.

The Museum and Monument are open
Wednesday through Sunday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Memorial Day through Labor Day.

No Fees

Fort Griswold is the site where, on September 6, 1781, 800 British Forces, commanded by Benedict Arnold, defeated 165 local patriots. In the bloody massacre that ensued, 88 Americans were killed, including their commander Colonel Ledyard. An additional 35 defenders were wounded.

Down slope from the Fort is the home of defender Ensign Ebenezer Avery, which sheltered many wounded after the battle and has been restored on the Park grounds.

The 135 foot granite Groton Monument was completed in 1830 and was the first patriotic obelisk-style monument in America. The adjacent Monument House Museum displays objects dating from the battle and the period.

This location was maintained as a military site through World War II. Fort Griswold was designated as Connecticut's 60th state park in 1953. The fort is maintained by the State Department of Energy and Environmental Protection



Directions: I-95 North and Southbound to Exit 87, Clarence B. Sharp Highway.

(Southbound is a left exit). Turn right at first traffic light onto Meridian Street. Turn left at light onto Mitchell Street. Take second right onto Park Avenue. The park is one block straight ahead.

Fort Griswold Battlefield State Park
Corner of Park Ave. and Monument St.
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