

The MOT Mount Washington Observatory Tour

"Home of the World's Worst Weather!"



The top of Mount Washington is home to a weather station founded in 1932 and staffed all year ever since. The Mount Washington Observatory's two alternating observer crews live on the summit for a week at a time, taking hourly weather observations around the clock, performing research, and conducting educational programs. The crews and other staff members observe and maintain a unique record of weather data, perform weather and climate research, and foster public understanding of the mountain and its environment.

On April 12th, 1934, the Observatory recorded the world's fastest surface wind speed ever observed by a human: 231 mph. While MOT participants have not experienced anything like that, more than 95 mph gusts occurred one year.

Again this year, MOT participants can meet with the observers and tour the facility. A maximum of 24 people will be treated to an interactive talk about the Observatory's research and the conditions that result in "The World's Worst Weather," and a weather station tour.

The "Obs Tour" will be conducted in small groups of people, starting about 15 minutes apart. The tours will conclude with plenty of time to tag the summit sign and enjoy the views.

The Obs Tour is NOT included with the other MOT activities. The additional cost is \$15.00 per person over age 12, paid in cash (only) before the tour. Participation by children 12 and under is free. The tour groups depart from the Auto Road's base at 6:00 p.m. NOTE: You MUST be registered for this MINIs On Top event and you MUST have an Auto Road ticket.

Please send an email — NOT a text or Facebook private message — to us at the email below no later than Sunday, June 7th, if you want to take the tour or have questions. Please let us know how many people in your party will be taking the tour. The tour is one of the most popular MOT events. We will conduct a lottery to select participants from all the submissions entered by the June 7th deadline if more than 24 people would like to participate.

Thank you!

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