

NEW

Best of Boston and Salem



Salem Witch Museum -
Courtesy of Sara Cope

May 15-19, 2022

Oct 16-20, 2022

Day 1: Travel through the colorful hills of Pennsylvania on your way to **Connecticut** for an overnight stay.

Day 2: WELCOME to the **City of Boston**, the capital of, and largest city in Massachusetts. It is one of the oldest cities in the United States. Boston is the city where America's roots were formed and driving through it is like reading the pages of an American history book.

Arrive at the **Prudential Center**, in the heart of **Boston**. Experience **Eataly** a unique combination of restaurants, café's, counters and markets all under one roof, where you can purchase a wide variety of Italian delicacies (wine, pasta, cheese, meats, produce, pastries, chocolates and gelato) as well as kitchen items and gifts! Other restaurants available in the Prudential Center for lunch on own.

Meet your local guide for an afternoon of touring. Admission is included to the **Boston Tea Party Ships and Museum**. Come relive that famous night that forever shaped the course of our history! The Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum Tour Experience takes one hour and features full-scale replicas, artifacts and interactive elements throughout. Your group will have a personalized "**Colonial Character**" host that will guide you through this never-before-seen museum experience.



Boston Tea Party Ship & Museum -
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You'll "meet" **Sam Adams**, you'll participate in the re-enactment of the destruction of the tea; you'll be invited to board a tall ship, you'll marvel at one of only two known surviving tea crates and you'll be inspired by the film **Let It Begin Here in the Minuteman Theatre**. Learn the role that you will play in one of the most important events in American history. You will go into the ships and see the lower deck. **(Must be able to walk stairs and ramps to boats).**

Check in to the **Encore Boston Harbor Hotel Casino** in Everett, MA, for the next 2 nights. Each person will receive a slot-play-credit for the slot machines and (3) three \$20.00 meal vouchers towards meals at any participating Encore restaurant. ****Must be 21 or older for Casino bonus and food vouchers****. **Federal/State issued photo I.D. required for bonus. Bonus subject to change without notice.** (B)

Day 3: Today your guide will give you their famous motorcoach **Boston Tour**. There are so many fascinating stories to hear about! Learn about the different districts of the city including the **Back Bay** where you find so many beautiful brownstones, each with its own unique architectural design. You will also see **Beacon Hill and the gold domed state house, Boston Common, America's first public park and the Public Garden**. You, of course, can't miss seeing the **Old Statehouse**, once headquarters for English governors and later the site where the Declaration of Independence was read to the waiting citizens of Boston. Included are many



Boston Public Garden,
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Next, enjoy the **Fenway Park** tour. See behind the scenes at Fenway Park, **home of the World Champion Boston Red Sox**. You will see such things as the “Green Monster”, press box, Red Sox Hall of Fame Club, which highlights 102 years of Red Sox history, priceless photos, memorabilia, Fenway’s 406 Club; the luxurious seating that also doubles as a tribute to Ted Williams and more. **(There will be a good amount of walking and stairs).**

Free time for lunch on your own at **Quincy Market**. Boston’s #1 tourist attraction! Experience the shops, restaurants, and pushcarts at leisure.

A **photo stop** at the **Charlestown Navy Yard** is included. The Yard is run by the National Parks Service where you will see the **USS Constitution Old Ironsides**. Located in the Charlestown Navy Yard, the USS Constitution was launched in Boston on October 21st, 1797 and is the oldest commissioned warship afloat in the world. Today, she is manned by an active duty U.S. Navy Crew.

Enjoy a **Boston Harbor Cruise**. On this fully **narrated tour** through Boston’s inner and outer harbors you’ll be regaled with heroic tales of the Revolutionary War and local legends of the sea.

Dinner is included this evening at a local restaurant. **(No elevator - walking up/down stairs required).** (D)

Day 4: Meet your local guide for a morning of touring in **Salem, MA**. Start with a **Salem Food Tours Coffee Walk**. This tour offers an historic **walking tour** of Salem that gives guests a great overview of Salem. The walking tour includes information on the illustrious spice trade history and more, walking past historic landmarks, and learning about their wonderful shops and restaurants, and more!

Next visit the **Salem Witch Museum**. Witness the testimony of the hysterical girls, the suffering of the blameless victims, and the decisions of the fanatical judges who sent innocent people to their deaths. When the witch hunt began no one was safe from being accused.

The Salem witch Museum offers two historical presentations focused on the tragic events of the Salem witch trials of 1692 and the evolving image of the witch throughout history.

The first presentation takes place in a large auditorium. Life sized stage sets are illuminated alongside a dramatic narration, immersing visitors in the world of 1692 Salem.

The second presentation, “Witches: Evolving Perceptions” is a guided tour which examines the European witchcraft trials, how the word “witch” has evolved and changed over time, and the phenomenon of witch-hunting.

There will be free time for lunch and shopping on your own in Salem. You will overnight in Connecticut.

Day 5: Your journey home will be filled with many fond memories of Boston and Salem. (B)

Please Note: Tours are subject to current COVID-19 regulations.

Walking Code: 4

This tour requires a heavy amount of walking. To truly experience the program and destination, you need to be able to participate in physical activities such as long walking tours, walking over uneven terrain, climbing stairs and periods of standing. Some of the touring days may be longer, with select included activities occurring later in the evening.

Cost per person, per room occupancy:

May

\$1,424.00 double	\$1,309.00 triple
NO QUADS	\$1,760.00 single

Oct

\$1,442.00 double	\$1,327.00 triple
NO QUADS	\$1,778.00 single

Includes: Transportation, lodging, two breakfasts, dinner, admissions, cruise and touring per itinerary, local guide service, baggage handling, and taxes.

Deposit: \$100.00 per person

Insurance: Optional; see below

Balance due: May Tour - Mar 31, 2022
Oct Tour - Sep 1, 2022

Cancellation Policy: Up to 45 days prior to departure - Full refund less any non-refundable charges (i.e. theater tickets, hotel rooms, service fees, etc.) unless notification of difference is noted on tour description. **NO REFUND after balance due date.**

Written notice of cancellation is required before monies refunded.

Note: Travel Insurance is optional. To be eligible for the waiver of pre-existing medical condition exclusion, the protection plan must be purchased within 15 days from the time you make your initial trip deposit and for the prepaid non-refundable payments or deposits. If purchased, the insurance premium is refundable during the 15 day review period, unless you have filed a claim or departed on your trip. The insurance premium is non-refundable after the 15 day review period. To view/download the Policy, go to: <http://policy.travelexinsurance.com/312A-1217>.

Depart: 6:00 am - Sewickley
6:30 am - Pittsburgh
7:00 am - Monroeville
7:15 am - Irwin
7:30 am - New Stanton