

Take a historic journey through these immersive attractions and experiences, and imagine yourself back in time to experience our nation's rich history, so much of which began right here in Massachusetts. Explore Plymouth, where the Pilgrims came ashore on the Mayflower in 1620, journey through Central Massachusetts to see what early life was like on New England farms at the start of the Industrial Revolution, and head to Western Massachusetts, the birthplace of women's suffrage leader Susan B. Anthony. Along the way, you will hear the stories and explore the places that have shaped our American history.

Mayflower II, Plymouth, MA

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WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS

In Western Massachusetts, you can celebrate the legacies of remarkable women and stroll through early American communities. Stop in Florence to see the statue honoring **Sojourner Truth**, and take a walking tour to see sights from the time she lived there. Northwest in Adams is the **Susan B. Anthony Birthplace Museum**, a Federal-style home where the suffragist was born and raised, and southwest in Lenox, you can stroll through the house museum and exquisite grounds of **The Mount**, which author Edith Wharton called her "first real home."

In **Historic Deerfield**, you will find twelve carefully preserved houses dating from 1730 to 1850, which provide an authentic look at 18th century New England life. About an hour west in Pittsfield is **Hancock Shaker Village**, the oldest working farm in the Berkshires. The 750-acre site tells the story of the Shakers through 20 buildings and more than 22,000 Shaker artifacts, making it the world's most comprehensively interpreted Shaker site.





WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS (CONT.)

WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

¶ ☐ DINING & LODGING

Deerfield Inn

81 OLD MAIN ST DEERFIELD, MA 01342

Opened in 1884, the inn offers 24 guestrooms and on-site dining at Champney's Restaurant.

The Red Lion Inn

30 MAIN ST, STOCKBRIDGE, MA 01262

A Berkshires landmark, where Nathaniel Hawthorne and Henry Wadsworth Longfellow once stayed, guests can choose from a variety of lodging and dining experiences.

Student Prince and Fort

8 FORT ST, SPRINGFIELD, MA 01103

This family-owned restaurant has been serving classic German fare since 1935.

Deerfield Inn, Deerfield, MA

ATTRACTIONS

Calvin Coolidge Presidential Library and Museum

20 WEST ST., NORTHAMPTON MA 01060

Explore manuscripts, artifacts, and exhibits covering the political career of 30th President of the United States, Amherst College alumnus, and Northampton resident Calvin Coolidge.

Chesterwood

4 WILLIAMSVILLE RD, STOCKBRIDGE, MA 01262

Step into the world of Daniel Chester French, the renowned sculptor behind the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC; the Minute Man at the Old North Bridge in Concord, MA; John Harvard in Harvard Yard in Cambridge, MA; and many other works of art. Chesterwood, French's summer home and studio, also boasts a contemporary sculptor exhibit and artist-in-residence program.

Hancock Shaker Village

1843 WEST HOUSATONIC ST, PITTSFIELD, MA 01201

Historic Deerfield

80 OLD MAIN ST, DEERFIELD, MA 01342

The Mount, Edith Wharton House

2 PLUNKETT ST, LENOX, MA 01240

Sojourner Truth Memorial, African-American Heritage Trail

FLORENCE, MA 01062

Susan B. Anthony Birthplace Museum

67 EAST RD, ADAMS, MA 01220





CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS

In Central Massachusetts, get an up-close look at what life – both rural and urban – was like in New England from the late 1700s to early 1800s. Through 20 immersive exhibits, the **Samuel Slater Experience** follows Slater's journey from England to Webster, where he became known as the "Father of the American Industrial Revolution" for turning the town into a textile manufacturing powerhouse.

About 30 minutes west is the largest living history museum in New England, **Old Sturbridge Village**. You can easily spend an entire day visiting the homesteads and watching tradesmen perfect their crafts – costumed interpreters are on hand to answer questions and provide additional insight into the daily chores and goings on. It's also a working farm complete with chickens, sheep, and goats.

WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

¶ ≅ DINING & LODGING

The Publick House Historic Inn

277 MAIN ST, STURBRIDGE, MA 01566

Offering accommodations across three buildings – the oldest dating back to 1771 – visitors can dine at the Historic Tap Room or Ebenezer's Tavern.

Cedar Street Grille

12 CEDAR ST, STURBRIDGE, MA 01566

This cozy American bistro specializes in serving creative small plates made from local, seasonal ingredients.

Wayside Inn

72 WAYSIDE INN RD, SUDBURY, MA 01776

The inn has been welcoming guests for lodging and dining since 1716, making it the oldest operating inn in the United States.

ATTRACTIONS

Clara Barton Birthplace Museum

66 CLARA BARTON RD, NORTH OXFORD, MA 01537

Tour the birthplace of the founder of the American Red Cross.

Mohegan Bowl

51 THOMPSON RD, WEBSTER, MA 01570

Stop by to try candlepin bowling, which was first played in Worcester in 1880.

Old Sturbridge Village

1 OLD STURBRIDGE VILLAGE RD, STURBRIDGE, MA 01566
Tip: Be sure to purchase your tickets in advance.

Samuel Slater Experience

31 RAY ST, WEBSTER, MA 01570





Massachusetts IMAGINE



NORTH OF BOSTON

North of Boston has many stories to share of revolutionaries, literary giants, and the women who launched the labor movement. Start at **Buckman Tavern**, where Minutemen gathered in the early hours of April 19, 1775, then crossed the street to **Lexington Battle Green**, where the first shots of the Revolutionary War were fired.

At **Minute Man Historic Park** in Concord – just 10 minutes from Lexington – stand on Old North Bridge, the site of the "shot heard 'round the world," and walk the restored 19th-century grounds, featuring the famous Minute Man statue by Daniel Chester French. Be sure to visit the peaceful **Author's Ridge** at Sleepy Hollow Cemetery, the final resting place of authors Henry David Thoreau, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Nathaniel Hawthorne, and Louisa May Alcott.

Then head north to **Lowell National Historical Park**, which honors the beginnings of our nation's Industrial Revolution. Walking through the Boott Cotton Mills Museum, you can hear the deafening roar of the textile looms, along with stories of the women, mostly young immigrants, who toiled at the Spinner City's water-powered mills. You can also see where they slept and ate, and learn how they contributed to America's early labor movement.



Finally, any trip to North of Boston would be incomplete without a stop in Salem. Swing by the **Salem Witch Museum**, where you can learn all about the infamous trials of 1692 (pro tip: purchase your tickets online before arrival!) After that, be sure to check out the **Salem Maritime National Historic Site**, which celebrates Salem's pivotal role in over 600 years of maritime history and global impact. It's also the first National Historic Site in the country! Wrap up your day with a bite at **Ledger**, an upscale restaurant located in the former Salem Savings Bank. Executive Chef Daniel Gursha was nominated for "Best Chef Northeast" by the James Beard Foundation.





NORTH OF BOSTON (CONT.)

WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

ATTRACTIONS

Concord Museum

53 CAMBRIDGE TURNPIKE, CONCORD, MA 01742

View one of the oldest and most impressive collections of Americana in the country, including Revolutionary War artifacts, personal belongings of Concord's literary greats, and decorative art dating back to the 17th century.

Lexington Historic Sites & Tours

VISITORS CENTER, 1875 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, LEXINGTON, MA 02420

Salem Witch Museum, Salem

Minute Man National Historical Park

PARK HEADQUARTERS, 174 LIBERTY ST., CONCORD, MA 01742

Author's Ridge, Sleepy Hollow Cemetery

BEDFORD ST, CONCORD, MA 01742

Walden Pond

915 WALDEN ST, CONCORD, MA 01742

About a mile outside of Concord, you can walk the same woods as Thoreau did during his two-year retreat and see a recreation of his one-room cabin.

Lowell National Historical Park

67 KIRK ST, LOWELL, MA 01852

The National Streetcar Museum

25 SHATTUCK ST #1819, LOWELL, MA 01852

Take a trolley ride around town, and let the kids play with model trains and tracks and dress up as conductors.

Salem Maritime National Historic Site

160 DERBY ST, SALEM, MA 01970

Salem Witch Museum

19 1/2 WASHINGTON SQUARE NORTH, SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS 01970

Industrial History Center

MILL 2, UPPER MILLYARD, AMESBURY, MA 01913

Operated by the Amesbury Carriage Museum, the Center is dedicated to preserving the city's rich industrial history.







NORTH OF BOSTON (CONT.)

WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

¶ ☐ DINING & LODGING

The Colonial Inn

48 MONUMENT SQUARE, CONCORD, MA 01742

The original structure of this inn, which is home to multiple award-winning restaurants was built in 1716 – some guests think that the rooms are haunted!

Worthen House Cafe

141 WORTHEN ST, LOWELL, MA 01852

Rumor has it, Edgar Allen Poe would come here to write during his visits to Lowell.

Feather and Wedge

5 MAIN ST, ROCKPORT, MA 01966

This restaurant's name honors the quarrymen of Rockport, whose tools – the feather and the wedge – were used to split the granite exported from Cape Ann to cities across the nation in search of building materials.

Ledger

125 WASHINGTON ST, SALEM, MA 01970





GREATER BOSTON

In Greater Boston, you can walk in the footsteps of American political and cultural heroes, including three of our nation's presidents. Start your tour walking the **Freedom Trail**, a 2.5-mile, red brick path that connects 16 historical, social, and cultural attractions in the city's downtown, North End, and Charlestown neighborhoods. Enrich your trip by exploring the sites on both the **Black Heritage Trail** and **Women's Heritage Trail**: the Black Heritage Trail winds for 1.6 miles through Beacon Hill, linking 15 pre-Civil War homes, businesses, schools, and churches, while the Women's Heritage Trail is actually a series of nearly 20 self-guided walking tours that explore the many different roles women have played throughout Boston history.

Then head south out of the city to the **JFK Presidential Library & Museum**, which chronicles the life and legacy of President John F. Kennedy, Jr., and **Adams National Historic Park**, in Quincy where five generations of the Adams family lived, including President John Adams and his son, President John Quincy Adams.

WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

II DINING

Union Oyster House

41 UNION ST, BOSTON, MA 02108

At Boston's oldest restaurant, look for the booth dedicated to President John F. Kennedy, Jr., who was a frequent patron.

A LODGING

Omni Parker House

60 SCHOOL ST, BOSTON, MA 02108

A Boston landmark since 1855, this is the longest continuously operating hotel in the United States, as well as the birthplace of Boston cream pie.

Prospect Place Bed and Breakfast

112 PROSPECT ST, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

This historic Italianate bed and breakfast combines Victorian elegance and modern amenities.







GREATER BOSTON (CONT.)

WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

ATTRACTIONS

Adams National Historic Park

135 ADAMS STREET, QUINCY, MA 02169

Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum

306 CONGRESS ST, BOSTON, MA 02210

Climb on board full-scale replicas of 18th century sailing vessels and watch a reenactment of the Boston Tea Party of 1773.

Black Heritage Trail®

46 JOY ST, BOSTON, MA 02114

Tip: From June through August, the National Park Service conducts free two-hour tours that begin at the corner of Beacon and Park Streets.

Museum of African American History

46 JOY ST, BOSTON, MA 02114

With locations in Boston and Nantucket, this is New England's largest museum dedicated to preserving, conserving, and interpreting the contributions of African Americans.

The Freedom Trail

139 TREMONT ST, BOSTON, MA 02111

Harvard University

1350 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, CAMBRIDGE, MA

There's much to explore at America's oldest university, founded in 1636. Walk the hallowed grounds of Harvard Yard, or explore Harvard's many museums and libraries. The Harvard Science Center's Collection of Historical and Scientific Instruments is home to many rare treasures, including Galileo Galilei's military compass, invented in 1597.

Swan Boats

PUBLIC GARDEN, 4 CHARLES ST, BOSTON, MA 02116

Paul S. Russell, MD Museum of Medical History and Innovation

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL (MGH), 2 NORTH GROVE STREET, BOSTON, MA 02114

Get a comprehensive look at 200 years of health care and medical innovation through the evolution of MGH.

JFK Presidential Library & Museum

COLUMBIA POINT, BOSTON, MA 02125

Women's Heritage Trail

22 HOLBROOK ST, BOSTON, MA 02130

DID YOU KNOW?

Swan boats have been sailing around the **Public Garden** lagoon each summer since 1877.







SOUTH OF BOSTON

Plimoth Patuxet Museums is where you can explore the early days of American life. The 17th-century English Village is a recreation of early Plymouth, while the Patuxet Homesite tells the story of the Indigenous people who have lived on the site for more than 12,000 years. You can also board the Mayflower II, a full-scale reproduction of the tall ship that brought the Pilgrims to Plymouth in 1620, and visit the Plimoth Grist Mill, a reconstruction of the colony's original 1636 mill. Close to the museums is the **Jabez Howland House**, the only existing house in Plymouth where Mayflower Pilgrims actually spent time.

Once the greatest whaling port in the world, New Bedford is where Herman Melville got his inspiration for Moby Dick. Today, the city's renowned **Whaling Museum** offers visitors an in-depth look at the history of the international whaling industry. Also, discover the important role New Bedford played in the abolitionist movement as a stop on the Underground Railroad by checking out the sites on the Black History Trail.

WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

¶ ≅ DINING & LODGING

The Sun Tavern

500 CONGRESS ST, DUXBURY, MA 02332

Enjoy upscale American cuisine in a quaint farmhouse dating back to pre-revolutionary days.

The Red Lion Inn at Cohasset Village

71 SOUTH MAIN STREET, COHASSET, MA 02025

This inn, which also offers classic New England fare at its on-site tavern, has welcomed travelers to Cohasset Village since 1704.

Inn on Shipyard Park

13 WATER ST, MATTAPOISETT, MA 02739

Stay in one of three romantic rooms or dine overlooking the water in this building that has served many purposes over the years, including a blacksmith shop, a ship chandler, a speakeasy, and even a storehouse for the China tea trade.

The Black Whale

106 MACARTHUR DRIVE, NEW BEDFORD, MA 02740





SOUTH OF BOSTON (CONT.)

WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

ATTRACTIONS

Plimoth Patuxet Museums

137 WARREN AVE, PLYMOUTH, MA 02360

Hedge House

126 WATER ST, PLYMOUTH, MA 02360

This former merchant's home features octagonal rooms and a rare, intact carriage house.

Jabez Howland House

33 SANDWICH ST, PLYMOUTH, MA 02360

New Bedford Whaling Museum

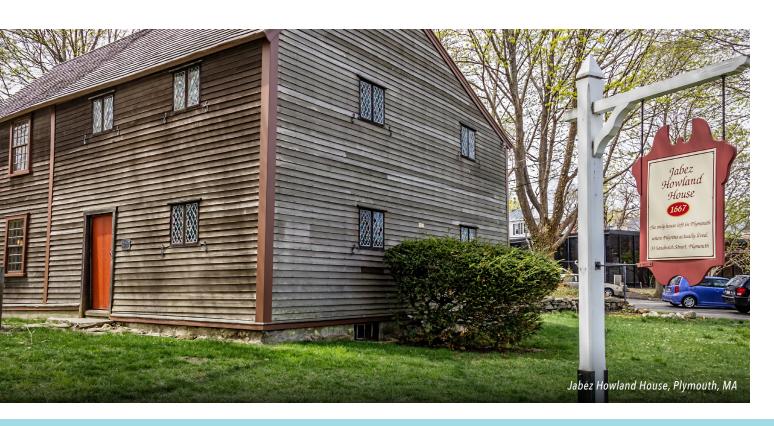
18 JOHNNY CAKE HILL, NEW BEDFORD, MA 02740

New Bedford Black History Trail

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS, NEW BEDFORD, MA 02740

DID YOU KNOW?

Members of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, which was founded in 1897 – the same year the most recent Mayflower Society Meetinghouse was built – still make regular pilgrimages to the site.







CAPE COD & THE ISLANDS

On Martha's Vineyard, visit the **Aquinnah Cultural Center** to learn the history of the Wampanoag, who have called the island home for thousands of years, and follow the **African American History Trail**, which tells the story of the island's African American community across more than 30 sites, including homes, churches, and other places of note. Towering over Provincetown on Cape Cod, is the **Pilgrim Monument**, which commemorates the Mayflower Pilgrims' first landing in the New World. At 252 feet, it's the tallest all-granite structure in the United States, and it's well worth the climb to the top to take in sweeping views of the town, beaches, and ocean.

ATTRACTIONS

African American Heritage Trail of Martha's Vineyard

WEST TISBURY, MA 02575

Aguinnah Cultural Center

10 BLACK BROOK ROAD, AQUINNAH, MA 02535

Maria Mitchell House

1 VESTAL ST, NANTUCKET, MA 02554

Tour the birthplace of America's first female astronomer and see her personal telescope.

Pilgrim Monument and Provincetown Museum

1 HIGH POLE HILL RD, PROVINCETOWN, MA 02657

Sandwich Glass Museum

129 MAIN STREET SANDWICH, MA 02563

Celebrate over 300 years of glass-making history in Cape Cod's oldest town.









REGIONAL DRIVING DISTANCES

If you're traveling by car, we've made it easy to see your approximate driving distance and time.

	Western MA SPRINGFIELD	Central MA WORCESTER	South of Boston PLYMOUTH	Greater Boston BOSTON	North of Boston SALEM	Cape/Islands HYANNIS
NYC	3 hr	3 hr 30 min	4 hr 30 min	4 hr	4 hr 45 min	4 hr 45 min
	(145 miles)	(180 miles)	(235 miles)	(220 miles)	(235 miles)	(250 miles)
Albany	1 hr 30 min	2 hr	3 hr 15 min	2 hr 45 min	3 hr 30 min	3 hr 30 min
	(90 miles)	(130 miles)	(200 miles)	(170 miles)	(190 miles)	(230 miles)
Hartford	30 min	1 hr	2 hr	1 hr 45 min	2 hr	2 hr 30 min
	(30 miles)	(65 miles)	(135 miles)	(100 miles)	(120 miles)	(160 miles)
Providence	1 hr 30 min	1 hr	1 hr	1 hr	1 hr 30 min	1 hr 30 min
	(85 miles)	(40 miles)	(55 miles)	(50 miles)	(75 miles)	(75 miles)
Burlington	3 hr 15 min	3 hr 45 min	4 hr 35 min	3 hr 30 min	3 hr 30 min	5 hr
	(210 miles)	(240 miles)	(255 miles)	(220 miles)	(220 miles)	(285 miles)
Portland	3 hr	2 hr 15 min	3 hr	1 hr 45 min	1 hr 30 min	3 hr 30 min
	(190 miles)	(140 miles)	(150 miles)	(110 miles)	(100 miles)	(180 miles)
Boston	1 hr 20 min	1 hr	55 min	-	45 min	1 hr 30 min
	(90 miles)	(50 miles)	(40 miles)	-	(25 miles)	(70 miles)

Be sure to check each location's website to confirm seasonal availability and hours of operation.





