

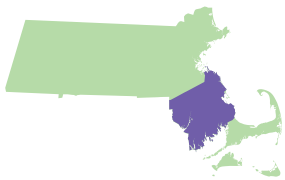
# Grab your camera and get inspired.

From Boston's stunning skyline to the pristine beaches of the coast and rolling hills to the west, Massachusetts is home to manmade and natural wonders that you won't find anywhere else. We've gathered some of our most scenic attractions and experiences, along with recommendations for unique eats and opportunities to appreciate world-class art from east to west, north to south. Whether you're looking to create serious "FOMO" with your social media feed, or you're a seasoned professional, a trip to the Bay State is certain to make your inner *artiste* come alive.

*Skyline, Boston, MA*

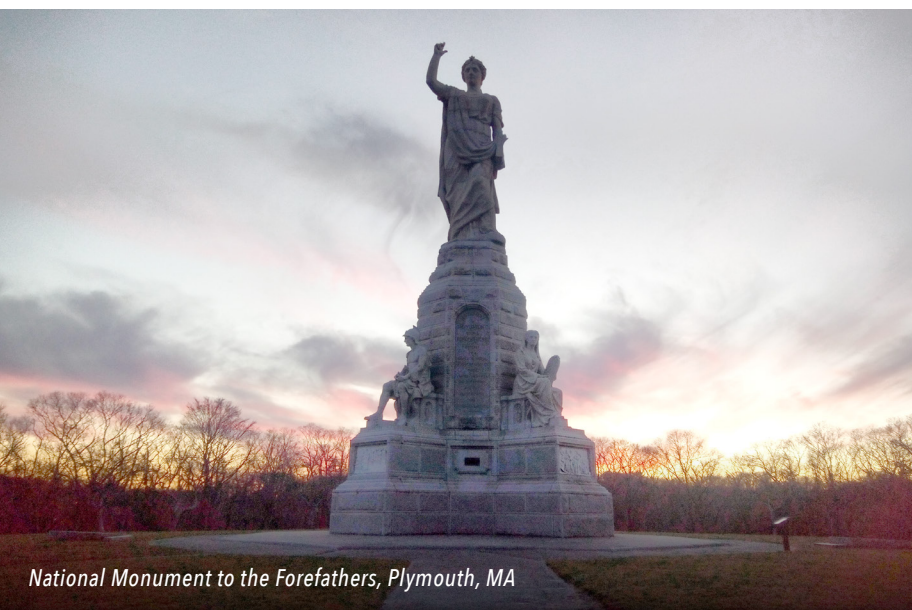
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## SOUTH OF BOSTON

Take a day trip to explore South of Boston and experience the area's natural beauty along with international delicacies, soaring sculpture, and colorful urban art.



*National Monument to the Forefathers, Plymouth, MA*

### Portugalia Marketplace

489 BEDFORD ST, FALL RIVER, MA 02720

Considered one of the best Portuguese markets in the United States, you can stock up on specialty groceries and fresh meats, cheeses, and seafood along with a variety of home goods.

### New Bedford Public Art

VARIOUS LOCATIONS, NEW BEDFORD, MA

"The Whaling City" is home to dozens of murals, sculptures, installations, and other works of art.

### National Monument to the Forefathers

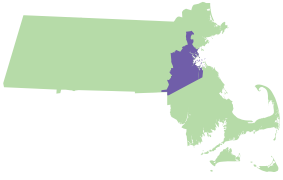
ALLERTON ST., PLYMOUTH, MA 02360

The largest solid-granite sculpture in the United States, this 81-foot-tall monument honors the Mayflower Pilgrims.

### Shelly's Tea Rooms

51 COURT ST, PLYMOUTH, MA 02360

Enjoy afternoon tea with a side of true English hospitality in these authentic tea rooms.



## GREATER BOSTON

Some of the most scenic sights in Greater Boston can be found in Boston's Beacon Hill neighborhood. Capture the gold dome of the magnificent Massachusetts State House and the expertly decorated window boxes of row homes dating back to the late 1700s and early 1800s. Be sure to stop at nearby **Acorn Street** – one of the most photographed places in Massachusetts – and stroll down Charles Street, which is lined with impeccably decorated storefronts. After that, wander down through the **Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway** to explore the seasonal outdoor art installations in Boston's Seaport neighborhood.

To get the best unobstructed views of the city skyline and Boston Harbor, head to **Piers Park** in East Boston or take the 30-minute ferry ride to **Spectacle Island**, and climb to its highest point. You can also hop aboard the 80-foot **Schooner Adirondack III** for sightseeing or sunset cruises.

## WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

### DINING & LODGING

#### Mike's Pastry

300 HANOVER ST, BOSTON, MA 02113

Here you'll find display cases stuffed with cannoli, pastries, and cookies that not only look good but taste good too.

#### Liberty Hotel

215 CHARLES ST, BOSTON, MA 02114

This former jail and National Historic Landmark showcases many remnants of its past life, including a dramatic cupola soaring 90 feet above the lobby.

#### Omni Boston Hotel at Seaport

450 SUMMER ST, BOSTON, MA 02210

With 7 restaurants on site, this hotel in the heart of Boston's Seaport neighborhood is centrally located and walkable to picturesque harbor views and arts and culture exhibitions.

#### Revolution Hotel

40 BERKELEY ST, BOSTON, MA 02116

Housed in a former YWCA, this South End hotel celebrates the state's revolutionary spirit and history of innovation through its decor and original artwork – most notably, a 65-foot mural in the lobby by renowned artist Tristan Eaton.

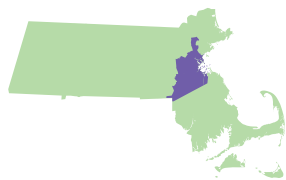


Acorn St, Boston, MA



Public Garden, Boston, MA





## GREATER BOSTON (CONT.)

### WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

#### ATTRACTIONS

##### Acorn Street

BOSTON, MA 02108

##### Piers Park

MARGINAL ST, BOSTON, MA 02128

##### Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway

ATLANTIC AVE, BOSTON, MA 02109

##### Schooner Adirondack III

60 ROWES WHARF, BOSTON, MA 02110

##### Spectacle Island

BOSTON HARBOR CRUISES, LONG WHARF NORTH, 66 LONG WHARF, BOSTON, MA 02110

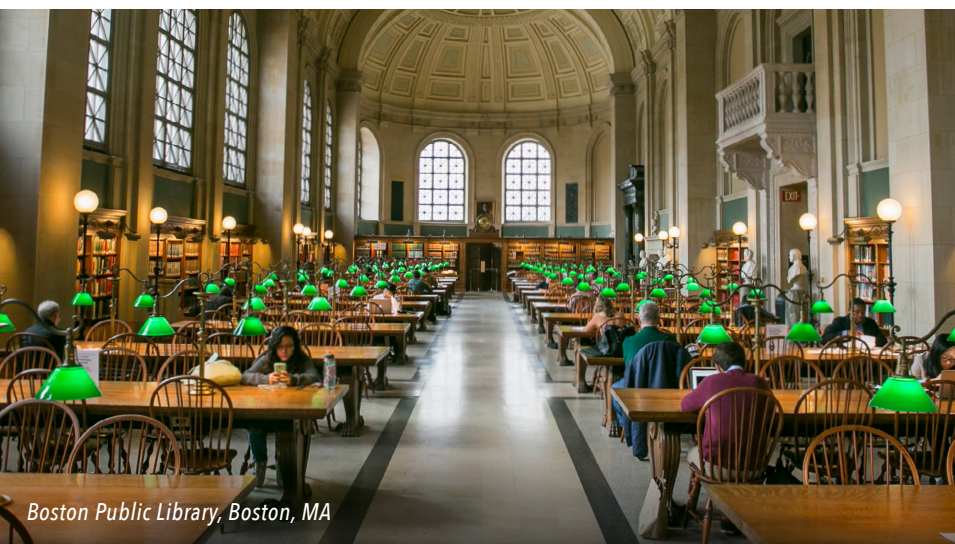
##### Lyman Estate

185 LYMAN ST, WALTHAM, MA 02452

A Historic New England property, the estate's oval parlor and ballroom can be seen in the 2019 film, "Little Women."



*Boston Harbor Islands, Boston, MA*

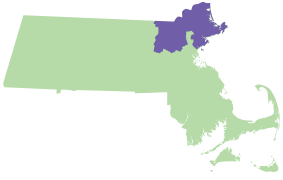


*Boston Public Library, Boston, MA*



*Boston Skyline, Boston, MA*





## NORTH OF BOSTON

On the North Shore you can enjoy both stunning ocean vistas and sprawling historic estates. Gloucester's **Hammond Castle**, which sits on a cliff high above the Atlantic Ocean, was built by eccentric scientist and inventor John Hays Hammond, Jr., and features an eclectic mix of architectural styles. 10 minutes up the road in Rockport, you'll find sailboats bobbing in the water off the rocky coast, along with **Motif No.1**, a red fishing shack known to art lovers as a frequent subject of painters.

Head east to Ipswich where you can tour **Castle Hill at the Crane Estate**, a grand manor home sitting on 2,100 exquisitely landscaped acres that meander down to the sea, and soak up some sun on **Crane Beach's** four-mile sandy beachfront. If you have time, catch the sunset up the road at the **Plum Island Pink House**, but be sure to get there early to jostle for a good spot among all of the other photographers.

## WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

### 📍 VISIT THE TRUSTEES

Journey up Argilla Road for an adventure at Castle Hill at the Crane Estate, the Inn at Castle Hill, and Crane Beach. These Trustees-stewarded properties are beloved by locals and visitors for their show-stopping views, history, and Italian Renaissance Revival vibes.

#### Castle Hill at the Crane Estate

#### Crane Beach

#### The Inn at Castle Hill

290-310 ARGILLA RD, IPSWICH, MA 01938

### 🍴 DINING

#### Clam Box of Ipswich

246 HIGH ST, IPSWICH, MA 01938

Mouth-watering fried clams and seafood have been a local favorite since 1935.

#### The Ice Cream Store

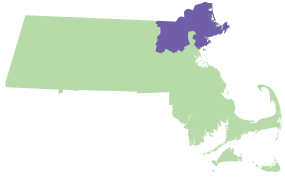
14 BEARSKIN NECK, ROCKPORT, MA 01966

Cool off with a scoop or two from this quaint little shack that overlooks the Harbor.



Castle Hill, Ipswich, MA





## NORTH OF BOSTON (CONT.)

### WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

#### LODGING

##### Blue Inn on the Beach

20 FORDHAM WAY, NEWBURY, MA 01951

This peaceful boutique hotel sits right on Plum Island beach, with some rooms opening onto the dunes.

##### Ocean House Hotel at Bass Rocks

107 ATLANTIC ROAD, GLOUCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS 01930

This waterfront Cape Ann hotel, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, has been welcoming guests for over 100 years.

#### ATTRACTIONS

##### DeCordova Sculpture Park and Museum

51 SANDY POND RD, LINCOLN, MA 01773

Discover dozens of constantly changing, large-scale pieces of modern and contemporary sculpture as you walk through 30 landscaped acres surrounding Flint's Pond. Fun fact: the DeCordova is the largest outdoor sculpture park in New England!

##### Hammond Castle

80 HESPERUS AVE, GLOUCESTER, MA 01930

##### Motif No.1

BRADLEY WHARF, ROCKPORT, MA 01966

##### Plum Island Pink House

60 PLUM ISLAND TURNPIKE, NEWBURY, MA 01951

##### Punto Urban Art Museum

VARIOUS LOCATIONS, THE POINT/EL PUNTO, SALEM, MA

This open-air museum covers three city blocks and features more than 75 large-scale murals by both local and international artists.

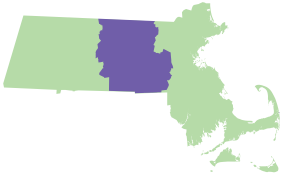


Hammond Castle Museum, Gloucester, MA



Bradley Wharf, Rockport, MA





## CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS

As you stroll through the 200-acre **New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill**, you can practice your close-up settings on hundreds of seasonal trees, flowers, plants, and herbs. To capture a stunning sunset, a perfect spot to set up is **Old Stone Church** in Boylston, which sits on the banks of the Wachusett Reservoir.

Worcester has amassed the largest collection of murals in New England – more than 100! – so if you're a fan of public art, you can easily spend an entire day tracking down these one-of-a-kind, colorful creations that proudly adorn businesses, schools, and other public buildings. When you're in the city, stop by the **Worcester Art Museum** and take in its famous collection of medieval armor – the second-largest in the Americas! Finally, wind down and catch the sunset at **Bancroft Tower**, a castle-like structure in Salisbury Park.

### WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

#### DINING & LODGING

##### The Groton Inn

128 MAIN ST, GROTON, MA 01450

Guests can enjoy picturesque views of the surrounding hills and dine at Forge & Vine, which serves fresh, farm-to-table fare.

##### Maguire House Bed & Breakfast

30 COBB RD, ASHBURNHAM, MA 01430

Set on 44 acres, this 1764 home offers guest country charm, along with lake and mountain views.

##### The Moran Square Diner

6 MYRTLE AVE, FITCHBURG, MA 01420

Farm-to-table fare is served in this bright red lunchcar, which has been a series of eateries since 1939.

#### ATTRACTIONS

##### Bancroft Tower

BANCROFT TOWER ROAD, WORCESTER MA 01609

##### New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

11 FRENCH DR, BOYLSTON, MA 01505

##### Old Stone Church

130 BEAMAN ST, WEST BOYLSTON, MA 01583

##### Quabbin Reservoir

100 WINSOR DAM RD, BELCHERTOWN, MA 01007

39 square miles of rolling hills and forest land surround the reservoir, which is the largest inland body of water in Massachusetts.

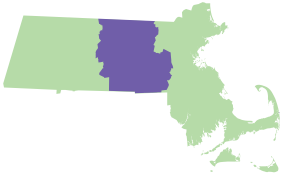
##### Worcester Art Museum

55 SALISBURY ST, WORCESTER, MA 01609



Old Stone Church, West Boylston, MA





## CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS (CONT.)

### WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

#### 🏠 ATTRACTIONS

##### Apple Sculpture

NORTH CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS VISITOR'S CENTER, 1000  
ROUTE 2 WESTBOUND, LANCASTER, MA 01523

Head to the North Central Massachusetts Visitor Center to see the birthplace of Johnny Appleseed, commemorated with this giant apple sculpture!

##### Giant Chair

130 ELM ST, GARDNER, MA 01440

This oversized 20-foot chair sits in Gardner to pay tribute to the city's furniture-making past.



*Giant Chair, Gardner, MA*



*Apple Sculpture, Lancaster, MA*

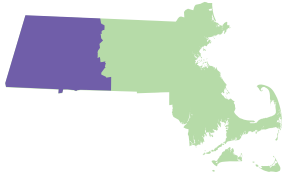
##### Leominster, MA

You will find many photographable, iconic pink flamingos around town! The plastic flamingo was created in Leominster in 1957 and is celebrated annually during Pink Flamingo Day.



*Plastic Flamingo, Leominster, MA*





## WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS

Western Massachusetts not only offers impressive natural scenery but also picturesque gardens and stately homes. About 90 minutes northwest of Springfield is Adams, where you can take on 3,491-foot **Mount Greylock**, the highest peak in Massachusetts – on a clear day, you can see as far as 90 miles away. Don't worry, you can drive to the top if you're not up for the hike! Straight south, on the other end of the Massachusetts/New York border is **Bash Bish Falls**, a stunning series of cascades stretching nearly 200 feet high.

As for man-made beauty, **Naumkeag** is a grand 48-acre estate in Stockbridge renowned for its gardens and 44-room, "shingle style" mansion. A short drive north is **Ventfort Hall Mansion and Gilded Age Museum**, a Jacobean Revival-style mansion built in 1893 for Sarah Morgan, sister of J.P. Morgan – one of approximately 75 "cottages" built as Lenox was becoming a popular Gilded Age resort destination.

## WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

### DINING & LODGING

#### Johnny's Roadside

458 RUSSELL ST, HADLEY, MA 01035

Get a dose of nostalgia and all-day breakfast at this classic roadside diner.

#### Porches Inn

231 RIVER ST, NORTH ADAMS, MA 01247

Set in a row of 19th-century Victorian homes across from MASS MoCA, this 47-room inn has an artist-in-residence program and a heated outdoor pool.

#### The Springs Motel

94 RT 7 NEW ASHFORD, MA 01220

This motel's dramatic renovation was featured on the Magnolia Network show "Inn the Works" in 2021.

#### Wigwam Western Summit

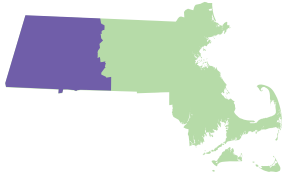
2350 MOHAWK TRAIL, NORTH ADAMS, MA 01247

Experience the views of the iconic Mohawk Trail and Hairpin Turn from one of the many cozy cabins, where you can also enjoy a hand-packed picnic.



Naumkeag, Stockbridge, MA





## WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS (CONT.)

### WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

#### ATTRACTIONS

##### Bash Bish Falls

MT WASHINGTON STATE FOREST, SOUTH EGREMONT,  
MA 01258

##### Bridge of Flowers and Glacial Potholes

INFORMATION CENTER, 75 BRIDGE STREET, SHELBURNE  
FALLS, MA 01370

The village Shelburne Falls has not one, but two, one-of-a-kind attractions: the Bridge of Flowers, a footbridge lined with an immaculate flower garden, and the Glacial Potholes, which were formed 14,000 years ago when glacial waters receded.

##### Mohawk Trail Hairpin Turn

1935 MOHAWK TRAIL, CLARKSBURG, MA 01247

This iconic turn – literally shaped like a hairpin – boasts gorgeous mountain views in any season.

##### Mount Greylock

VISITORS CENTER, 30 ROCKWELL ROAD, LANESBOROUGH,  
MA 01237

##### Naumkeag

5 PROSPECT HILL RD, STOCKBRIDGE, MA 01262

##### Stanley Park

400 WESTERN AVE, WESTFIELD, MA 01085

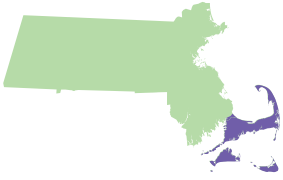
Explore 300+ acres of trails, woods, and gardens, which include the rose & flower garden, a rhododendron display garden, and the woodland wildflower garden.

##### Ventfort Hall Mansion and Gilded Age Museum

104 WALKER ST, LENOX, MA 01240



*Bash Bish Falls, Mt Washington, MA*



## CAPE COD & THE ISLANDS

There is no shortage of unique and memorable landscapes to capture on Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard, and Nantucket. You can take in views of the ocean, forests, and salt marshes by foot or bike on **Shining Sea Bikeway**, a flat path that runs along the coast for 10.7 miles from Falmouth to Woods Hole. On the other end of the Cape, **Provincetown Dune Tours** can help you get off the road and into the protected dunes of the Provincetown Cape Cod National Seashore, which stretches for 40 miles along the edge of the Atlantic Ocean. Out on Nantucket, drive or hike up to the 109-foot peak of **Altar Rock** for 360-degree views of the Middle Moors, the island's largest undeveloped open space.

### WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

#### 🍴 DINING

##### The Beachcomber

1120 CAHOON HOLLOW RD, WELFLEET, MA 02667

You can't get closer to the beach than this local favorite, which offers live music and a fun tiki vibe

##### Cooke's

1 S ORLEANS RD, ORLEANS, MA 02653

Get your seafood fix at this third-generation family-owned restaurant – be sure to treat yourself to their award-winning fried clams and lobster roll.

##### Pie in the Sky

10 WATER ST, WOODS HOLE, MA 02543

Fuel up for a day of sightseeing with coffee and a croissant, or grab a piece of their famous pie after taking a ride on the Bikeway.

#### 🏠 LODGING

##### Summertime

70 LAKE AVENUE, OAK BLUFFS, MA 02557

This ocean-front hotel – the largest on Martha's Vineyard – uses vintage touches like classic games and snacks to take a trip down memory lane.

##### White Elephant

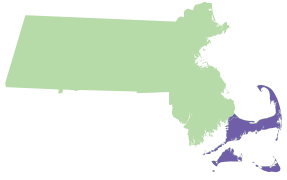
50 EASTON STREET, NANTUCKET, MA 02554

Relax, unwind, and soak up the views at this iconic waterfront resort. Don't forget to snap a photo on the lawn with "Trunket," a white elephant statue and beloved hotel mascot!



*The Beachcomber, Welfleet, MA*





## CAPE COD & THE ISLANDS (CONT.)

### WHERE TO EAT, PLAY & STAY

#### || ATTRACTIONS

##### Shining Sea Bikeway

BEGINS AT THE STEAMSHIP AUTHORITY ON CRANE ST, WOODS HOLE, MA 02543

##### Gingerbread Houses

OAK BLUFFS, MA 02557

Looking right out of the pages of a storybook, more than 300 brightly painted Victorian cottages are clustered together in Oak Bluffs. There's also a Cottage Museum at the entrance to the village.

##### Heritage Museums & Gardens

67 GROVE ST, SANDWICH, MA 02563

Spanning 100 peaceful acres on the banks of Shawme Pond, the gardens boast important collections of rhododendrons and hydrangeas, along with thousands of varieties of trees, flowers, and herbs.

##### Provincetown Dune Tours

4 STANDISH ST, PROVINCETOWN, MA 02657

End the day with an experience to remember – take a ride through Provincetown's famous dunes, then watch the sunset over the water, while enjoying dinner and a bonfire on the beach.

##### Chatham Shellfish Company

393 BARN HILL RD, CHATHAM, MASSACHUSETTS, 02633

Learn about oyster cultivation and processing while sailing on an oyster barge up the Oyster River – you can even harvest your own oysters, which will be prepared for you at a private raw bar on the river.

##### Altar Rock

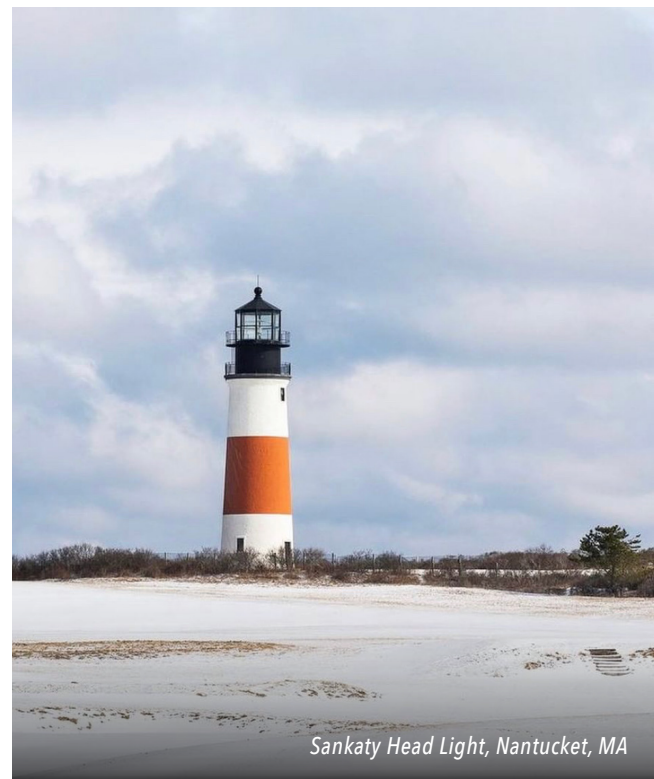
POLPIS RD & WAUWINET RD, NANTUCKET, MA 02554

##### Sankaty Head Lighthouse

122 Baxter Road, Siasconset, MA 02564



Gingerbread Houses, Oak Bluffs, MA



Sankaty Head Light, Nantucket, MA



## 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
<b>NYC</b>	3 hr (145 miles)	3 hr 30 min (180 miles)	4 hr 30 min (235 miles)	4 hr (220 miles)	4 hr 45 min (235 miles)	4 hr 45 min (250 miles)
<b>Albany</b>	1 hr 30 min (90 miles)	2 hr (130 miles)	3 hr 15 min (200 miles)	2 hr 45 min (170 miles)	3 hr 30 min (190 miles)	3 hr 30 min (230 miles)
<b>Hartford</b>	30 min (30 miles)	1 hr (65 miles)	2 hr (135 miles)	1 hr 45 min (100 miles)	2 hr (120 miles)	2 hr 30 min (160 miles)
<b>Providence</b>	1 hr 30 min (85 miles)	1 hr (40 miles)	1 hr (55 miles)	1 hr (50 miles)	1 hr 30 min (75 miles)	1 hr 30 min (75 miles)
<b>Burlington</b>	3 hr 15 min (210 miles)	3 hr 45 min (240 miles)	4 hr 35 min (255 miles)	3 hr 30 min (220 miles)	3 hr 30 min (220 miles)	5 hr (285 miles)
<b>Portland</b>	3 hr (190 miles)	2 hr 15 min (140 miles)	3 hr (150 miles)	1 hr 45 min (110 miles)	1 hr 30 min (100 miles)	3 hr 30 min (180 miles)
<b>Boston</b>	1 hr 20 min (90 miles)	1 hr (50 miles)	55 min (40 miles)	– –	45 min (25 miles)	1 hr 30 min (70 miles)

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



New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill, Boylston, MA