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# QUAINT NEW ENGLAND TOWNS

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**Boston, Massachusetts to Kennebunkport, Maine**

**Kennebunkport to Camden, Maine**

**Camden to Bar Harbor, Maine**

**Bar Harbor to Bethel, Maine**

**Bethel, Maine to North Conway, New Hampshire**

**North Conway, New Hampshire to Londonderry, Vermont**

**Londonderry, Vermont to Stockbridge, Massachusetts**

**Stockbridge, Massachusetts to Providence, Rhode Island**

**Mystic, Connecticut to Cape Cod, Massachusetts**

**Cape Cod to Boston, Massachusetts**

**1 hour and 32 minutes / 144km**

**2 hours and 7 minutes / 174km**

**1 hour and 43 minutes / 124km**

**3 hours and 29 minutes / 294km**

**1 hour and 2 minutes / 80km**

**3 hours and 14 minutes / 297km**

**1 hour and 45 minutes / 144km**

**2 hours and 8 minutes / 200km**

**2 hours and 3 minutes / 195 km**

**1 hour and 15 minutes / 113km**

## BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Although many visitors know about Boston's rich history and its role in the Revolutionary War, they may not be aware of the city's world-class museums, numerous universities and abundant shopping opportunities. Begin your exploration of the city on **The Freedom Trail** with its 16 historic stops, including the famous **Old North Church** and the **Paul Revere House**. Spend an afternoon (or a day) enjoying the **Museum of Fine Arts'** extensive collection or the eye-opening exhibits at the **Museum of Science**. For a more intimate experience, visit the **Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum** or the **Nichols House Museum**. Walk across the Charles River on the **Longfellow Bridge** or take the "T" (subway) to Cambridge to explore the ivy-trimmed campus of **Harvard**

**University** and nearby cafés and bookstores. Shoppers will enjoy areas such as **Newbury Street** in the Back Bay (high-end boutiques in restored brownstone houses), **Copley Place** (a two-level mall with top brand-name stores) and the famous **Faneuil Hall Marketplace** (100-plus shops and pushcarts as well as 50 restaurants, pubs and food vendors). Sports fans should plan to watch a Boston Red Sox baseball game (April through October) and take a tour of **Fenway Park**, the oldest Major League Baseball park in the country. If the weather is nice, stroll through the **Boston Common** and take a ride on one of the famous Swan Boats in the Public Garden.

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*Kennebunk River, Kennebunkport*

## BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS TO KENNEBUNKPORT, MAINE

● ● ● ● ● 1 hour and 32 minutes / 144km

Head north along the scenic New England coast through Massachusetts. Infamous for the Salem Witch Trials of 1692, Salem is a colourful city with a rich maritime heritage, Victorian architecture and fascinating stories that span nearly 400 years. Continue through Manchester-By-The-Sea, Massachusetts (made famous by the award-winning 2016 movie of the same name) and historic **Rockport**, Massachusetts, an inspiration to painters since legendary American painter Winslow Homer spent two summers in this area (1873 and 1880). After exploring charming Rockport, head to **Portsmouth**, New Hampshire. Settled in 1623, Portsmouth's historic past and cultural strengths make it an attractive destination. It's also a gateway to New Castle, one of New Hampshire's smallest towns and home of the **Fort Constitution Historic Site**. After exploring the fort, depart for Maine, where your first stop is **Ogunquit**, named by the Abenaki tribe, meaning 'beautiful place by the sea'. Enjoy the vintage feel of this charming place, stroll among quaint buildings or explore the **Marginal Way** ocean path. The final stop today is **Kennebunkport**, Maine, located along the Atlantic Ocean and Kennebunk River. Settled in the 1600s and a long-time ship building centre, the city's resident sea captains built fine mansions here; some of these original homes are now lovely inns.

*Accommodation: Kennebunkport, Maine*









# CAPE COD TO BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

● ● ● ● 1 hour and 15 minutes / 113km

The beach towns of Cape Cod could easily entertain visitors for several weeks or more. Do some research before your trip to determine what community best suits your style, from the bustle and fun of **Falmouth** on the Lower Cape, to the flower-adorned cottages of Orleans and the dune-swept beaches of **Eastham** and **Truro** on the Outer Cape. Busy **Provincetown**, an LGBT-friendly city at the tip of the Outer Cape, offers eclectic shops, galleries and restaurants, as well as natural beaches and stellar whale watching. The Cape's scenic out islands – **Martha's Vineyard** and **Nantucket** – can be reached via ferry or small plane.

Summer is high season on Cape Cod, and the shoulder seasons of spring and autumn offer quieter experiences. After your visit to Cape Cod, drive to **Plymouth**, 'America's hometown', where the Pilgrims landed in 1620 in search of a home and religious freedom. **Plimoth Plantation** is a must-visit – a fascinating, interactive view of the life of the early American colonists in a harsh land. Depart Plymouth and continue to Boston, where your journey will end.

*Accommodation: Boston, Massachusetts*

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*Cape Cod, Massachusetts*

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