

USA – NEW ENGLAND IN AUTUMN

13-days / 12-nights hotel based guided walking & sightseeing tour from Boston to New York



See nature at its spectacular best with the many and changing colours of autumn as we explore New England in the “fall”. Warm days, walking through this wondrous landscape make for an unforgettable holiday. We begin with Boston with its grand architecture and end with the towering skyline of New York City. This is the ideal mix of cityscapes and stunning countryside, accompanied by fascinating walks throughout.

Highlights:

- Boston, *The Cradle of Liberty*, with its rich history and grand architecture
- Admire the blaze and brilliance of colour in the “fall”
- Explore the White Mountains of New Hampshire, the Green Mountains of Vermont, and the Berkshires
- Walks and sightseeing excursions in classic New England landscapes
- New York – the city that never sleeps

Dates: 15th September, 28th September, 5th October, 2017

Cost from: \$7245 per person twin share Single room supplement on request

Includes: 12-nights in comfortable accommodation ranging from historic inns to modern 3-star city hotels, all with en suite; 12 breakfasts, 11 dinners; full program of guided walks led by specialist local guides and tour leader; transport by minibus; sightseeing and entrance fees; tips.

Not included: International flights, drinks, lunches, visa or passport charges, personal expenses.

Grades: A good balance of leisurely half and full day walks and sightseeing. Walk distances are generally between 2 – 7 miles (3.25-11.25km) with ascents of up to 1,500ft (450m).

Accommodation: Welcoming and comfortable country inns, hotels and lodges with well-located city hotels, all offering good standards of accommodation and all with en-suite bathroom facilities.

In the small towns of Stowe (3 nights), Jackson (3 nights) and Williamstown (3 nights), our accommodation reflects the character of the area. The hotel in Jackson – Eagle Mountain Lodge – is one of the Historic Hotels of America. Built in 1879, the hotel is a listed building with the National Trust of Historic Preservation, and has its own swimming pool, tennis courts, and golf course.

Our accommodation at the Williams Inn in Williamstown continues the theme. One of the nicest destination inns in New England, the Williams Inn was built in 1912, and blends the charm of its history with modern facilities such as the pool, hot tubs and spa.

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Suggested itinerary:

Days 1-2: Arrive in Boston for 2 nights where we walk the Freedom Trail, exploring the legacy of America's Path to Independence, and visit Quincy Market.

Day 3: A pleasant drive through Massachusetts countryside and into the beautiful White Mountains of New Hampshire. En route to our hotel in the attractive small town of Jackson, where we spend 3 nights, we walk into the Flume Gorge at Franconia Notch and ride the aerial tramway to Cannon Mountain for short walks and outstanding views.

Days 4-5: Enjoy valley walks to the Arethusa and Ripley Falls, a short ascent of Mount Willard and trail walks on the lower slopes of Mount Washington in the company of our Appalachian Trail Guide.

Days 6-8: Travel to Stowe, Vermont where we stay for 3 nights, a quintessential New England town with its white clapboard houses, church steeple and Arts and Crafts shops. Visit the Ben and Jerry ice cream factory, stroll the town's 'recreation pathway' and explore the Vermont countryside with walks on the von Trapp family estate and a ridgeline walk on Mount Mansfield, Vermont's tallest mountain.

Day 9: Journey through the Green Mountains, stopping in picturesque Woodstock for optional walks on Mount Tom. Continue to Williamstown, Massachusetts, a classic New England college town in the Berkshire Hills.

Days 10-11: Walks and excursions through the Berkshires include a visit to the Massachusetts Audubon Wildlife Sanctuary, a walk on Mount Greylock and a visit to the historic towns of Lenox and Stockbridge. Places of interest include the Norman Rockwell Museum, Naumkeag with its superb gardens, the Edith Wharton Estate, Tanglewood and the Clark Art Institute.

Day 12: Journey south to New York where we spend the night. In the afternoon, take a Circle Line cruise for inspiring views of the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island and the city skyline.

Day 13: Tour ends after breakfast.



Outdoor Travel offers guided or self-guided walking holidays in many parts of the US including the Grand Canyon, in Oregon or the Rockies Mountains, in Canada or the UK, Ireland & in Europe. Popular are England's **Coast-to-Coast** trail or Scotland's **West Highland Way**, the **Ring of Kerry** in Ireland the **Camino de Santiago** in France & Spain, Italy's **Amalfi** or **Cinque Terre Coast** or **Via Francigena**.

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