

New England Fall Foliage

Stay at the Trapp Lodge

& spend 2 nights in Maine!

Oct 3-9, 2026



See the best of New England, including 2 nights in Maine! From the White Mountains of New Hampshire to the Green Mountains of Vermont, the scenic beauty will take your breath away. Explore unique New England institutions like a Maple Syrup Farm, the Shelburne Museum and stay at the Trapp Family Lodge. Plus, enjoy great dining experiences like an authentic Lobster Bake and a dinner cruise. And since we fly rather than drive, you can see the best of New England in less time!

Saturday, Oct 3, 2026 – Welcome to New England and Quechee Gorge

Meet us at St. Louis Lambert Airport to board your included air flight round-trip to the gateway of New England, Boston, MA! We'll be back to visit this Colonial city, but today we head North to Vermont, the Green Mountain State. Enjoy the beautiful scenery on our way to our first stop, the **Quechee Gorge Visitor Center** in Quechee, VT for a breathtaking view of the gorge, which at 165 feet deep is the deepest gorge in Vermont. The Visitor Center is full of wonderful historical displays and photographs from the past, plus choose from a selection of local handicrafts in their gift shop! We then continue to Williston, VT and check in to the new Towne Place Suites, our home for the next 3 nights. Dinner tonight will be included at Folino's Pizza, a local Vermont restaurant specializing in artisan sourdough pizza cooked in a wood-fired oven. **(D)**



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Sunday, Oct 4, 2026 – Best of Vermont - Granite, Capitol and Maple Syrup

After a full breakfast, we head out to explore some Vermont favorites with a local guide. This morning, we take a drive through **Hope Cemetery**, renowned for its landscaping and funerary art. A prime example of the rural cemetery movement, it was inspired by romantic perceptions of nature and art, from the monuments and statues to the setting of fine trees and plantings set on 168 acres of rolling hillsides. Then we visit the **Vermont Granite Museum**. Founded in 1995, the museum preserves the story and memories of the Vermont granite industry with 50 exhibits and hands-on activities.



Our next stop is **Montpelier, Vermont's capital city**. Vermont is known for having the country's smallest State House. Built in 1859, it is one of the nation's oldest and best-preserved state capitols in use. During your guided tour, marvel at the fossil embedded marble floors, the original representative's desks still being used in the chambers today, a beautiful collection of artwork and original lighting fixtures. Lunch is on own at the State House Café, where you just might find yourself dining next to the Governor!



This afternoon, we travel to one of our favorite spots in Vermont - the **Morse Syrup Farm**. Burr Morse is a fascinating man and a great example of a true Vermonter. See what "sugaring" involves, the different types of syrup, and what makes Vermont Syrup the best in the world. We tour the sugar house, sample freshly made maple syrup and visit the largest and most unique maple, crafts and mail order shop in the area. We even have the chance to enjoy a great syrup treat called Sugar on Snow!

We return to our hotel where, this evening, dinner is on your own along Church Street near the hotel. **(B)**

Monday, Oct 5, 2026 – Shelburne Museum and Dinner Cruise on Lake Champlain

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before we depart for **Vermont Teddy Bear**. What started from a small stand at a local open-air market in Burlington became a major sensation, producing over 500,000 bears a year by hand, right here in Vermont. They are guaranteed for life – they even have a "Bear Hospital" to take care of them. Next, we visit the **Shelburne Museum** – the best collection of Americana in New England. The Shelburne Museum is one of the most popular attractions in Vermont with a 45-acre campus comprised of 22 gardens and 39 buildings, including some historic structures like the Shaker Round Barn, a General Store, a carousel, the 220-foot steamboat USS Ticonderoga, and the amazing Circus Parade. They also have works by famous American artists such as Andrew Wyeth, Winslow Homer, Grandma Moses, John Singleton Copley and many more. Enjoy lunch or a light bite on own at this fascinating museum.



This afternoon, we visit and tour **Lake Champlain Chocolates** with an included decadent treat to take home and time to shop for your own chocolates. Then it's all aboard for our **dinner cruise on Lake Champlain**. Board the ***Spirit of Ethan Allen***, named for the leader of Vermont's militia called the Green Mountain Boys, for our cruise out to Lone Rock Point. We loop around Juniper Island, go past Rock Dunder and into Shelburne Bay. From there we head back through the South End of Burlington. Enjoy dinner aboard and lose yourself in the breathtaking scenery of Lake Champlain, where every snapshot is postcard perfect!

(B, Dinner cruise)

Tuesday, Oct 6, 2026 – Ice Cream, Cider and Trapp Family Lodge

After breakfast at the hotel, we leave Williston, VT and head to **Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory** to hear the crazy story of how two guys climbed the ladder of success, our tour includes a tasting of course! Next, we visit **Cold Hollow Cider Mill**, where everything apple you could ask for awaits you. This family-owned mill has been pressing cider the old-fashioned way since 1974. Today you'll enjoy a taste of their apple cider and cider donuts, plus enjoy time to wander through their bakery and retail store or watch the apples being pressed the old-fashioned way!

Lunch today will be on your own in **Stowe, VT**. You'll enjoy time to dine, shop and browse in this charming village, known for the "most photographed Church Steeple"! We also enjoy a ride on the **Stowe Gondola Skyride** to see some of Vermont's greatest views. We then head to our home for tonight, **The Trapp Family Lodge**. The Sound of Music resonates through the lodge, a classic Austrian chalet. Learn why the von Trapp family settled in Stowe and developed their home into a renowned lodge. Dinner at the Lodge is included tonight. Enjoy the lovely surroundings of our hotel location and a room with a European feel. **(B,D)**



Wednesday, Oct 7, 2026 – Leaf Peeping and the Maine event with a Lobster Bake!

After a full, hot breakfast at the Trapp Lodge, enjoy a guided tour and learn the history of the Von Trapp Family and their journey from Austria to Stowe, VT. We then bid farewell to Vermont and head west into **New Hampshire**, home to the smallest coastline in America. We will make our way to the scenic drive along the **Kancamagus Highway**, known as one of the best fall foliage viewing areas in the country, some say the world. The Kancamagus Highway is designated an American Scenic Byway for its rich history, aesthetic beauty and culture. There will be time to stop for photo ops along the way so make sure your phone is charged!



We continue into Maine with a stop at the **Cape Neddick Nubble Lighthouse**. The Voyager II spacecraft, which carries photographs of Earth's most prominent man-made structures and natural features, includes a photo of Nubble Lighthouse along with images of the Great Wall of China and the Taj Mahal. We promise this is a site you do not want to miss! There will be time to disembark the coach, walk around the lighthouse, take photos, visit the gift shop and breathe in the fresh salt air.

Then, we head to our home for the next two nights at The Anchorage Inn and Resort in York Beach, Maine. Enjoy time to stroll about this magnificent property, enjoy the two indoor pools, or simply sit back, relax and count the waves as they crash into the rocky coastline.

Our dinner is a New England tradition – a **Lobster Bake**! Served at one of the most popular restaurants in Maine, tie on your lobster bib and get ready to dig into clam chowdah', steamers and whole steamed lobstah'. If you're not a fan of lobster, you can enjoy a sirloin steak instead. **(B,D)**

Thursday, Oct 8, 2026 - Kennebunkport sightseeing & Light House Cruise



After our full hot, plated breakfast at our seaside resort, we head to Kennebunkport, ME. During our trolley tour, we'll learn about the town, its 300-year history, ranging from Native Americans and early settlers through the shipbuilding era, and learn about the most famous resident, former President George H. W. Bush. After the tour, enjoy time on Dock Square. Visit the charming shops and boutiques and have lunch at your leisure.

After lunch, we stop in Freeport, home to Maine's most famous outdoor gear company, **L.L. Bean**. Not only do they have their massive store and outlet shop located here, but numerous other retailers have set up their own outlet shops as well - it's a great place to get started on some early Christmas shopping. Our final dinner tonight is at a local favorite, **Jonathan's Ogunquit**, a timeless Maine tradition of fine dining since 1976! Tonight, you'll have a choice of Chicken Piccata or Lemon Baked Scrod. We then return to the hotel. **(B,D)**

Friday, Oct 9, 2026 – Boston & Homeward Bound

After breakfast, bid farewell to Maine and head to Boston, cradle of the revolution. Enjoy a narrated city tour of Boston with our local guide and experience sections of the Freedom Trail as we wind our way through the city streets, stopping at Old North Church, famous for its role in the story of Paul Revere's ride. Our guide will walk us down the street of Paul Revere's home, and you will even go by the park that inspired "Make Way for Ducklings." We then head to the airport for our direct afternoon flight back home to St. Louis. For those joining us from Springfield, your motorcoach will be waiting to take you back. Thank you for traveling with us! **(B)**



Tour Price includes:

- ✓ Round-trip airfare on Southwest from STL (Also a Springfield, IL with shuttle option)
- ✓ Luxury Motorcoach transportation
- ✓ Great hotels such as the Trapp Family Lodge in Vermont and a seaside resort in Maine!
- ✓ Visit Morse Syrup Farm & experience Sugar on Snow
- ✓ Dinner cruise on Lake Champlain
- ✓ City tours of Boston & Kennebunkport, plus a local guide to show us around Vermont!
- ✓ Cruise along the coast of Maine to see the lighthouses!
- ✓ Two Professional Tour Directors that start with you from St. Louis
- ✓ Admission to all attractions as listed
- ✓ 11 Meals: 6 Breakfasts, 5 Dinners, including a Lobster Bake and dinner cruise!
- ✓ All gratuities to step-on guides, at included meals, driver and director – YES ALL TIPS!!!!

\$4,166 per person, double occupancy

\$5,343 per person, single occupancy

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Airfare is based on current tax rate/fuel surcharges. A supplement may be assessed if they increase before final payment or if you book after the deadline. Call us if you want to fly from another location! - You may ALWAYS book your air, just arrive before the group. Ask for adjustment in pricing.

A deposit of \$1,000 per person is due when signing up for this tour. Final Payment is due Aug 1, 2026. The 4% discount is for checks and payment apps like Cash App, Zelle or PayPal, while you get a 1.8% discount with a bank ACH. Multiple payments and types of payment are accepted towards the tour, but there will not be any discount on portions paid by credit card.

This has been a highly requested tour, so please don't delay in signing up. If you want to go, please call our office or you can also email you want to sign up. We will allow 7 days for your check to arrive, or you can pay with credit card at the first listed above rate.

Please note: Any notice of fuel surcharges imposed by carriers and/or attractions will be disclosed at least 30 days prior to tour departure.

Inclusions and events subject to venues ability to perform, if a change occurs an event of equal or greater value will replace it.