

Cape Cod, Newport, & Martha's Vineyard

**Spend all 7 night at the Margaritaville Resort!
June 13-20, 2027**

From the dry cottages of Cape Cod National Seashore near Provincetown to the Gilded Age "Cottages" like The Breakers, this tour has it all! Plus, visit the National Oceanographic Institute in Woods Hole, go on a Whale Watch cruise, and enjoy a delicious lobster dinner!

Sunday, June 13 – Escape to the Cape!

Meet Dea and Declan at the St. Louis Airport for our flight to New England on Southwest Airlines. When we arrive, we meet our coach at the airport before heading to Sandwich, the oldest town in Cape Cod. One of the most famous resort areas in the US, people have come to Cape Cod for decades to escape the hustle and bustle of the East Coast. Our home this week is the **Margaritaville Resort Cape Cod**, a state-of-the-art hotel that provides some of the nicest amenities on the Cape. Take time to settle in, as we will be staying here for the entire tour. Enjoy a walk along the spectacular white sand beach, look for seashells, or just enjoy the sounds of the ocean waves crashing just steps from your door. The resort also has lounge chairs that overlook the ocean, as well as indoor and outdoor pools. After you have recharged, gather in the hotel's restaurant for our welcome to Cape Cod dinner. **(D)**

Monday, June 14 – The Gentle Giants of the Deep

After breakfast we head to **Hyannis**, the summer playground of the Kennedy family, where our guide will lead us to the **JFK Memorial**, the **Korean War Memorial**, and **St. Francis Xavier Church**, where the Kennedy family attended mass during the summer. After lunch on your own, we set sail on a **Whale Watch**. Many species of whales spend time in the waters here, where they feed in the nutrient-rich waters after giving birth further South. You might spot Humpback, Minke, and Fin whales as they glide past our eco-friendly vessel. The onboard naturalist will be on hand to spot these gentle giants as well as other animals, plus answer questions you might have on our journey. We then return to the hotel. **(B)**



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Tuesday, June 15 - The Dunes of the Cape

After breakfast in the resort, we meet our local guide and set out for a day to catch the highlights of the Cape, heading all the way to the tip. Keep your cameras ready as we wind past historic structures including a windmill and, of course, a lighthouse! We arrive at the **Cape Cod National Seashore**, surrounded by dunes and waves before arriving at **Provincetown** or P-Town as the locals call it, located at the extreme tip of Cape Cod. Provincetown was once known as “Province Lands” and was the original landing site of the pilgrims before they decided to head further across the bay. This afternoon we explore the **dunes of Cape Cod National Seashore**. Learn about the many famous and colorful residents who lived here, including the playwright Eugene O’Neill, Nobel Laureate Sinclair Lewis, and poet E.E. Cummings as we drive through the dunes. Don’t forget your National Parks Passport book if you want a stamp. Tonight we dine as a group at a local favorite. **(B, D)**



Wednesday, June 16 – Cruising to Block Island

After breakfast at the hotel, we travel to nearby **Rhode Island**, the “ocean state,” and enjoy a visit to **Block Island**! We head to the Judith Point ferry dock where we will leave the motorcoach behind and board the ferry. Just steps from where we arrive is the **Old Harbor district**, full of quaint shops in this beautiful shore town and enjoy lunch on our own. After lunch, we board the island bus and enjoy a **1-hour tour narrated by an island native**. Sit back, relax and enjoy beautiful ocean vistas as our guide entertains us with stories from the early settlers to what life on the island today. We will stop at the 125-year-old **Southeast Lighthouse** located atop the Mohegan Bluffs, one of the most visually striking lighthouses in the US. We have a special treat for dinner this evening – a **Lobster Dinner on the porch of the Historic National Hotel** (Don’t worry if you have never eaten a whole lobster, Dea and Declan will be on hand to help you out, and if you’re not a fan, there is another option for landlubbers!) We then return on the ferry, back to the mainland and our hotel. **(B, D)**



Thursday, June 17 – Martha’s Vineyard

After breakfast in the resort, board the coach and set out for a day of discovery. Arrive at the **Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution**, the world’s leading, independent, non-profit organization dedicated to ocean research, exploration and education. Explore the Ocean Science Exhibit Center and learn about the Institution’s ocean science research and the vessels and tools developed by WHOI engineers and scientists for use in their research. Learn about whale and dolphin research and the discovery and exploration of the Titanic in 1985 by a group of people working out of Woods Hole. We board the ferry for a 45-minute cruise to **Martha’s Vineyard**. Upon arrival in the town of Oak Bluffs, we embark on a tour of the island and discover its history, its current residents and how it became one of the most sought-after destinations on the east coast.

On our tour, we will experience the unique, brightly colored gingerbread cottages of Oak Bluffs and learn the history of the campground cottages. Then it’s off to Edgartown, where pristine whaling captain’s homes align themselves with the Edgartown harbor. We’ll see the oldest known working carousel in the country and see where scenes from the movie “Jaws” were filmed, plus visit the famous Field Gallery in West Tisbury, a barn-like structure that was constructed in 1970 by friends, passersby, summer house guests, and curious day trippers, all volunteering their time! Housing three galleries, the Field Gallery presents rotating exhibits of contemporary paintings, sculpture, photography, and more! After your tour, there will be some free time for lunch, plus some additional time to explore Oak Bluff and its famous “Cottage City” of brightly colored houses and immaculate lawns left from the Methodist Church Camp Days. Upon return to the mainland, we enjoy dinner as a group before returning to the hotel. **(B, D)**



Friday, June 18 - Gilded Age in Newport, RI!

After breakfast, we head out to America's first resort town of **Newport, Rhode Island!** Enjoy the charm of Newport's historic buildings and restored homes on this narrated tour by our guide who portrays one of the women who participated in the suffragette movement. Enjoy self-guided tours of **Marble House**, which Alva Vanderbilt Belmont called her "temple to the arts" and **The Elms**, the summer residence of Edward Berwind, a coal magnate. These massive homes were often called "cottages" since they lacked a ballroom! After our included lunch, we head to a special treat: the **New Bedford Whaling Museum**. The museum, through its collections and exhibitions, tells the story of the international whaling industry. Its collection contains



over 750,000 items, including 3,000 pieces of scrimshaw and 2,500 logbooks, plus the world's largest whale ship model is housed in the museum, as well as 3 preserved skeletons from whales that have died due to injury from ships. This 110-year-old institution is now the world's largest and most comprehensive museum devoted to the history of whaling as well as the efforts preserving whale populations around the world. **(B, L)**

Saturday, June 19 – Cruise Plymouth Harbor (Pilgrim garb not required)

After breakfast in the resort, we head to Plymouth, where the Pilgrims made one of the first European settlements in the continental US. We see some of the highlights such as the Forefathers Monument, the largest solid granite monument in the world, as well as the Mayflower II and, of course, Plymouth Rock. We also enjoy a paddlewheel cruise around the harbor, with great water views of the Mayflower II, Bug Light, the Gurnet Light, and Clark's Island. This afternoon, enjoy free time at our resort to relax and enjoy the ocean air. **(B)**



Sunday, June 20 – Returning Home

After breakfast in the resort, we pack our bags and bid farewell to beautiful Cape Cod as we head towards the airport. Before we arrive, however, we do have one more stop, the **John F Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum**. Relive the powerful story of the Kennedy years. Enter the re-created world of the Kennedy Presidency for a "first-hand" experience of John F Kennedy's life, legacy and leadership. Enjoy free time for lunch and exploring Boston and then we head to the airport for our flight home, carrying memories in our hearts and sand in our shoes from the Cape. Thank you for traveling with us! **(B)**

Tour includes:

- ✓ Round-trip flights to Boston on Southwest Airlines!
- ✓ See the best of the area, from Cape Cod to Martha's Vineyard to Newport, Rhode Island!
- ✓ Private Motorcoach transportation
- ✓ Tour Newport with a costumed guide, plus tour the mansions of Marble House and The Elms
- ✓ Visit the New Bedford Whaling Museum, learn about the industry as well as efforts to preserve whale populations around the world.
- ✓ Wonderful beachfront resort for all nights – it's like a cruise on land - only unpack once!
- ✓ Hyannis Whale Watching cruise on an eco-friendly vessel custom built for the family still operating this business
- ✓ Amazing Local Guides in Martha's Vineyard, Plymouth, Newport
- ✓ Enjoy 12 included meals (7 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 4 Dinners), including a Lobster dinner on Block Island!
- ✓ All other Activities as indicated
- ✓ Baggage Handling at the resort
- ✓ Professional Tour Directors with you from St Louis to New England and back again
- ✓ All gratuities including step-on guides, included meals, driver and director

Please note: Any notice of fuel surcharges imposed by carriers and/or attractions will be disclosed at least 30 days prior to tour departure. Itinerary is subject to change due to uncontrollable circumstances.

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We encourage all travelers to purchase travel protection and pay with initial deposit. Please remember that certain benefits are time sensitive. Plans help provide coverage for unexpected circumstances & help protect your trip and your investment. We offer several 3rd party insurance plans that are the best available in the industry.

Balance on base tour price is due March 30, 2026, and per state insurance regulations we are unable to provide any refunds after that time. If you purchase travel protection and need to cancel after that date, you must file a claim with the insurance company. As we utilize a 3rd party insurance company, they are responsible for processing the claim, which typically takes 6-8 weeks. Restrictions on coverage apply, and we encourage you to read over the policy as well as call them directly with any questions prior to buying coverage, regardless of which insurance company you select.