

BOSTON & NEW YORK CITY

A mix of old world and modern culture, Boston and New York reflect our nation's growth since independence. This multi-city tour features cultural attractions from the Freedom Trail and Plimoth Plantation to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island.

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Day 1: Boston

- Meet your Tour Director and board your private motor coach.
- Explore the history of the Revolutionary War when you climb the **Bunker Hill Monument**, one of the first monuments in the United States. Dive deeper into the battle's history at the **Bunker Hill Museum**.
- After lunch, depart for **Salem** and **Marblehead**.
- Experience the spookier side of American history at the **Salem Witch Museum**. In its main exhibit, 13 stage sets use historic documents to bring to life the Salem Witch Trials of 1692. A secondary exhibit guides you through the history and changing interpretations of witchcraft.
- Visit the **House of Seven Gables**, a famous 17th-century estate that inspired Nathaniel Hawthorne's famous Gothic novel of the same name.
- After dinner, explore more haunted hotspots on a nighttime **Salem Ghost Tour**.

Day 2: Boston

- "Walk into history" on the **Freedom Trail**. Costumed tour guides take you along a 2.5-mile route featuring 16 revolutionary locations.
- Visit **Faneuil Hall**, a marketplace and meeting hall dating back to 1742. It hosted several speeches by Samuel Adams and other revolutionaries, earning the nickname "the Cradle of Liberty."
- Join the revolution at the **Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum**, an interactive history experience.
- Explore the **Museum of Science**, bordering the Charles River. Established in 1830 as the Boston Society of Natural History, the museum features diverse exhibits and an indoor zoo.
- Board your private motor coach and depart to **New York City**.

Day 3: New York City

- Take a ferry ride to **Ellis Island** and the **Statue of Liberty**, showcasing the city's history as a meeting place for global cultures.
- Pose for a group photo on **Liberty Island**.
- Visit the **National Museum of the American Indian—New York** to learn about the diverse Native peoples of the New World and how life changed after the settlers arrived.
- Embark on a walking tour of the city's Revolutionary-era sites, like **St. Paul's Chapel**, the oldest surviving church in Manhattan, and **Fraunces Tavern**, where peace treaties between the colonists and the British were agreed upon.
- Honor recent events with a stop at the **National September 11 Memorial and Museum** and the **One World Trade Center Observatory**.
- Spend the evening under the bright lights of **Broadway** as you take in a world-class **theatre performance**.

Day 4: New York City

- Spend the morning exploring **Central Park**, the first major landscaped public park in the United States. Spanning over 750 acres, it features numerous gardens, memorials, and statues; playgrounds; iconic fountains and ponds; the Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis Reservoir; and even a zoo!
- Explore **Times Square**, the brightly-lit commercial and entertainment district known as "the Crossroads of the World." With 50 million visitors each year, it remains one of the most visited tourist attractions in the world.
- Take in the view from the sky-high observatories on the 86th or the 102nd floors of the **Empire State Building**. Built in 1931, this Art Deco skyscraper is the fifth-tallest in the United States.
- Depart for home.

