

# AUTUMN IN AWESOME NEW ENGLAND INCLUDES THE ROCKY COAST OF MAINE



**\*2 DATES\*** October 5- 13 **OR** October 7 -15 2024 - 9 Days/8 Nights  
\$1995 PP Double / \$1795 PP Triple / \$1595 PP Quad / \$2825 Single  
Tour Includes 16 Meals

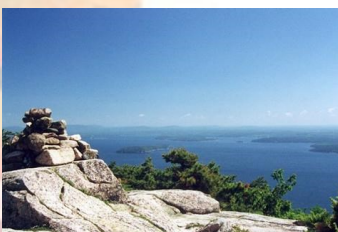
**Day 1:** Join **Ionosphere Tours** for one of the most enjoyable tours you will ever experience. Our adventure begins today as we venture north traveling through South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, W. Virginia and into **Maryland** for our overnight stay in Hagerstown. **Lunch will be included** today. (L)

**Day 2:** Following breakfast, we will continue north, traveling through Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, New York and into Connecticut, where we spend the night in **Milford, CT**. **Dinner will be included tonight**. (B,D)

**Day 3:** Following breakfast this morning, we continue our amazing New England journey as we travel through **Rhode Island** and into **Massachusetts**. Just on the outskirts of **Boston**, we will visit the **JFK Museum and Library**, dedicated to the memory of our nation's thirty-fifth president. We can relive the Kennedy era in this dynamic combination museum and library, where our visit starts with a short film and then we will explore on our own a series of fascinating exhibits, including the Kennedy-Nixon debate, the Cuban Missile Crisis, the space program, 1960's campaign paraphernalia and displays about Jacqueline and other Kennedy family members. The striking, I.M. Pei designed building overlooks the water and the Boston skyline. We will then head into Boston and have lunch on our own in **Quincy Market at Faneuil Hall Marketplace**. Next, a short driving tour of the city will include a view of the USS Constitution, "Old Ironsides" of the War of 1812, the Boston Common, the oldest public park in the country. We'll catch a view of the Old State House, from whose balcony the Declaration of Independence was first read to the citizens of Boston in 1776. We'll travel through Massachusetts as we make our way toward **Portsmouth, New Hampshire** area. We will enjoy an **included dinner** and spend the night in the Portsmouth area. (B,D)



**Day 4:** We cross into **Maine** early this morning and travel along the coast through **Kennebunkport**, where former President Bush has a home. In **Portland**, we make a picture stop at **Portland Head Lighthouse**, said to be the first lighthouse authorized by the US and the oldest lighthouse in continuous use. Next, we travel along the rocky coast of Maine to **Pemaquid Point** near Bristol, site of the first permanent settlement in Maine (1625). Continuing along the coast to Camden, we enter **Camden Hills State Park** where the view of the Atlantic coast from 800 ft. **Mt. Battie** is spectacular. We continue on to **Waterville, ME**, where we will spend the next 2 nights. We will have an **included dinner**. (B,D)



**Day 5:** Following breakfast this morning, we depart for **Acadia National Park**, located on **Mount Desert Island**, near **Bar Harbor**. We'll enter Acadia National Park, and take the scenic drive to **Cadillac Mountain**. The island is of rugged granite with forests and flowers and has many bays and inlets, of which many can be seen from the vantage point on 1530 ft. Cadillac Mountain, the highest point on the Atlantic coast of the US. Next, time to explore and have an **included lunch in Bar Harbor**. By mid-afternoon we will depart for **Waterville, ME**, for our 2nd overnight stay. (B,L)

**Day 6:** Following breakfast this morning we continue our amazing New England journey as we travel into **New Hampshire** and the **White Mountains**. We'll enjoy the breathtaking scenery along our route through the White Mountains and we pause to enjoy **The Mount Washington Cog Railway**. It is the world's first mountain-climbing cog railway. **Lunch will be included today**. We cross into **Vermont** and have accommodations for tonight in **Montpelier, VT**. (B,L)

**Day 7:** Our first stop this morning will be to visit the **Bragg Farm Sugarhouse**, in Montpelier, VT. They offer free sugar house tours and tasting, multimedia displays in a real woodshed theater, and country store. The Bragg Family has been producing Vermont Maple Syrup for 8 generations. Their pure maple syrup is made the traditional way, using buckets and a wood-fired evaporator.



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We'll also include a stop at the **Cold Hollow Cider Mill**, located at Waterbury Center. This Vermont legend is New England's largest producer of apple cider. We'll watch cider making and sample free cider fresh from the press. On hand is a collection of antique cider making and agricultural machinery. **Lunch will be included** today. Later this afternoon we pause for a break at **The Vermont Country Store**, home of the Voice of the Mountains mail order catalog. Our overnight is in the **Milford, CT** area. (B,L)



**Day 8:** After breakfast at the hotel this morning we depart for Lancaster, PA in the heart of the Amish country. Our **included lunch** today is an Amish treat as we enjoy a feast at a local favorite restaurant. Next we welcome our step-on guide onboard our motorcoach for a **Guided Tour** of the farms and homes of the Amish. Manicured homes, gardens and fields are evidence of the hard work of the Amish and Mennonite residents of Lancaster County, and we're sure to see the well-known black buggies of the Amish that are their only mode of transportation to and from work, church and the markets. We'll travel to **Hagerstown, Maryland** for our overnight. (B,L)



**Day 9:** All to soon, our journey must come to an end. Following breakfast this morning, it's time to turn toward home, filled with the wonderful memories that remain from our autumn excursion. We reflect on all the beautiful scenery we've viewed this week, and maybe even talk of future trips into the beautiful region of New England. What a wonderful time we have shared. (B)

**Deposit/Payment Requirements:  
\$500.00 Deposit Per Person due with reservation**

**Plus cost of travel protection (rates for persons 80 & under), if desired  
(travel protection offers insurance benefits & non-insurance services)  
cost per person\* from: \$115 Double, Triple, or Quad - \$165 Single**

\* subject to change— additional cost for persons 81+

**Final Payment Due by August 5, 2024**



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