

# **NEW ENGLAND FALL FOLIAGE 6 DAYS / 5 NIGHTS**

Boston > Portland, ME

## **Overview:**

Calling all leaf peepers! You won't want to miss this journey through two of New England's most beloved cities: Boston and Portland. Explore Boston on a hop-on/hop-off sightseeing tour. Relive history as you follow the Battle Train through Historic Lexington, Concord, and Cambridge. See New England's magnificent fall colors on a Gray Line Fall Foliage Tour. Discover Portland, "New England's Best Kept Secret," on a Land and Sea Discovery expedition. This fall foliage excursion through New England's Boston and Portland is the perfect way to spend 6 days during this colorful season.

## **Highlights:**

- Hop-on, Hop-off sightseeing tour of Boston
- Sightseeing Tour of Historic Lexington and Concord with Cambridge
- Sightseeing Tour of New England and the Fall Foliage
- Sightseeing Tour Portland on a Land and Sea Discovery expedition

## **Package Also Includes:**

- One-way Amtrak® from Boston to Portland on the Downeaster® in Coach accommodations
- 5 nights' hotel accommodations
- 2 meals (2 dinners)

## **TRIP ITINERARY**

### **DAY 1 BOSTON**

Welcome to the Boston! This historic coastal city is full of sights you won't want to miss. Begin to explore "Beantown" today on your hop-on, hop-off sightseeing tour of the city. Visit historic sites, like Paul Revere's House, the Boston Common, and the Old State House. Take a leisurely stroll through the gorgeous Public Garden and enjoy a swan boat ride. You'll also have the chance to see Boston's modern marvels, including Copley Square and the Boston Christian Science Center's magnificent reflecting pool. (Overnight in Boston)

### **DAY 2 BOSTON**

Today you will relive history with a journey back in time to the Revolutionary War era as you follow the route of Paul Revere as he warned the countryside with his infamous cry of "the British are coming!" Travel along the famous Battle Road Trail and see the homes of renowned literary greats, like Hawthorne, Alcott, and Emerson in the charming town of Concord. Stand on Lexington Green, where Captain Jonathan Parker and 77 Minutemen fiercely stood their ground against 700 Redcoats. Visit the Old North Bridge, where the "shot heard round the world" was fired. Hang out in Harvard Yard and stroll through Cambridge Common, where George Washington took control of the Continental Army. Drive along "Tory Row" past the home of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. Today, is a history lover's dream come true! (Overnight in Boston)

### **DAY 3 BOSTON**

Today, your Fall Foliage Tour awaits! Board the Gray Line motorcoach for a ride through a region awash in stunning seasonal colors. Sit back and relax as you travel past quiet ponds, ancient farms, weathered roadside taverns, and sturdy colonial churches, all of which are surrounded by the glorious red, orange, and yellow hues. Your pleasant afternoon of leaf peeping will be capped off with a stop at a native orchard for apples and cider. Tonight enjoy dinner at one of Boston's most iconic restaurants! (Overnight in Boston) **D**

### **DAY 4 BOSTON > PORTLAND**

Wake up this morning and travel on your own to Boston's South Station, where you will board Amtrak for a ride on the Downeaster® to Portland. Say goodbye to "Beantown" as you travel north to Maine! The pubs, shops, and restaurants of downtown Portland are always buzzing with tourists, locals, and fishermen alike, creating a convivial atmosphere where everyone is welcomed. Portland's vibrant performing arts scene, amazing cuisine, and eclectic group of shops are all part of why locals call this city "New England's Best Kept Secret." There's so much to do here—from food and wine festivals to

trolley tours to art gallery exhibits—that you can easily spend an entire vacation in Portland. Tonight, enjoy an included dinner at a popular local restaurant on Portland's gorgeous waterfront. (Overnight in Portland) **D**

## DAY 5 PORTLAND

Explore Portland today on your Land and Sea Discovery Tour. Sit back, relax, and enjoy a 105-minute, fully-narrated excursion as your engaging and informative guides treat you to Portland's diverse history and hidden gems. The childhood home of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, the Victoria Mansion, and the bustling Old Port are just a few of the landmarks you'll see as you travel from Portland's city streets to its stunning rocky coast. Don't forget your camera, as you'll have some great photo ops at Portland Head Light, Maine's oldest lighthouse. (Overnight in Portland)

## DAY 6 YOUR JOURNEY ENDS IN PORTLAND

**Legend for meals: B - Breakfast, BR - Brunch, L - Lunch, D – Dinner**

### DISCLAIMER:

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Included Cities	Accommodation
Boston	Sheraton Boston
Portland	Westin Harborview

*Alternative hotels may be used.*

DEPARTURE CITY	DEPARTURE TIME	ARRIVAL CITY	ARRIVAL TIME
Boston	Multiple	Portland	Multiple

### No Train Upgrades

### SELLING POINTS:

#### **Boston**

- In one of the originally settled states, Boston is a part of New England, can be described as the birthplace of the US, and is beaming with historic beauty
- Boston Duck Tours on board an authentic, renovated WWII amphibious landing vehicle
- The Boston Common, the country's oldest public park
- Home of the Freedom Trail, a series of 16 historic sites in downtown Boston and nearby Charlestown, taking in sights including the New State House and the Paul Revere House
- A major center for arts and culture with the Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of Science, John F. Kennedy Library and Museum
- Lively sports environment with the Boston Celtics, Bruins, Patriots, and Red Sox

#### **Portland**

- The city of Portland is a unique and inviting blend of quaint cobblestone charm and big city night life
- Discover the many islands of Casco Bay, the mysterious Desert of Maine, and Yarmouth's many treasures
- In Freeport, you will find Maine's iconic outfitter, L.L. Bean
- Explore the historic forts and iconic lighthouses along Portland's southern rocky coastline
- Visit Fort Williams Park, Maine's oldest Lighthouse, whose light can be seen up to 24 miles away and a sight that takes your breath away at night