



Boston

Newport • New Bedford • Martha's Vineyard Plimoth Plantation • Salem • Cape Ann

August 11 – 20, 2010

This late-summer tour to coastal Massachusetts promises sights of interest for every traveler and every taste. Our first stop will be the Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum, where elegantly scrolled and painted carousel horses and other popular menagerie animals were created starting in the 1880s and are on exhibit to this day. Many of us will remember the *Saturday Evening Post* cover pages that were painted by Norman Rockwell. These delightful stories-in-a-picture will come alive again when we visit the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, Massachusetts. Fall River (home of the infamous Lizzie Borden and her unfortunate parents) offers us an enlightening tour of Battleship Cove, the world's largest naval ship exhibit, before we take in the grandeur of Newport, Rhode Island's magnificent early 20th-century estates. A few miles away we will visit New Bedford—a longtime whaling capital—and its Whaling Museum. This museum enables us to step into an old-time whaling ship and also to view the whales that struck terror into and promised profit for whalers in the 18th and 19th centuries. Think Herman Melville and *Moby-Dick*. A ferry ride from New Bedford will take us to gorgeous Martha's Vineyard, fabled island retreat for celebrities. A guided tour will acquaint us with the beauty and opulence of this area just off Cape Cod, and we will have time to explore on our own. In Plymouth we will tour Plimoth Plantation, the settling point for the European pilgrims who landed here in 1620. We will also tour Mayflower II, an exact replica of the ship that brought those long-ago travelers to the shores of the pre-revolutionary colonies. During a late-afternoon shoreline cruise we will see the breathtaking cityscape of Boston. A guided tour will take us to downtown Boston, Harvard Yard, the Quincy Market, Old North Church and the historic revolutionary haunts of Lexington and Concord. By the late 1690s, witch hunts gripped the area, notably in Salem. We will tour this area and spend time at the Salem Witch Museum after we leave Beantown. We are in for plenty of "wow" moments as we travel northward to the Atlantic shore communities of Gloucester and St. Ann. "There's whales in them thar waters!" Our evening whale watching cruise is sure to dazzle us. Keep a sharp eye, Matey! The return path to Michigan will take us to the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York, which chronicles the history of baseball through photographs, player memorabilia, artifacts and more. Dress is casual throughout this tour.

**PASSPORT
NECESSARY**

TOUR INCLUDES

- Round trip transportation – Hartzler Motorcoach
- Nine nights lodging: 1 in Batavia, NY; 1 in Springfield, MA; 1 in Middleville, MA; 1 in New Bedford, MA
1 in Hyannis, MA; 2 in Boston, MA; 1 in Gloucester, MA; 1 in Syracuse, NY
- Admission to the Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum
- Admission to the Norman Rockwell Museum
- Admission to Battleship Cove
- Tour of The Breakers in Newport
- Admission to New Bedford Whaling Museum
- Ferry ride from New Bedford to Martha's Vineyard
- Guided tour of Martha's Vineyard
- Ferry ride from Martha's Vineyard to Hyannis
- Tour of Plimoth Plantation
- Admission to Mayflower II
- Shoreline cruise in Boston Harbor
- Guided tour of Boston
- Guided tour of Concord and Lexington
- Admission to the House of the Seven Gables
- Admission to Nathaniel Hawthorne's house
- Admission to the Salem Witch Museum
- Traditional Lobster Bake
- Whale watching cruise
- Admission to the Baseball Hall of Fame



TOUR INCLUDES, continued

- 15 meals: 3 full breakfasts; 6 continental breakfasts; 2 lunches; 4 dinners
- Luggage handling
- All taxes and gratuities on included items
- Services of a Hartzler Travel Tour Director

**Although unlikely, some items may be subject to change due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances.*

COST PER PERSON

- Double occupancy per person: \$1697.00
- Triple occupancy per person: \$1567.00
- Quad occupancy per person: \$1467.00
- Single occupancy per person: \$2377.00

DEPOSIT - \$100 person reserves your place

REGISTRATION DEADLINE AND BALANCE DUE June 10, 2010. After this date, please call for availability.

TENTATIVE DEPARTURES

- Traverse City 5:30 am
- Cadillac 6:30 am
- Reed City 7:10 am
- Clare 8:10 am
- Mt. Pleasant 8:30 am

Other pick-up points south between Mt. Pleasant and Lansing, as needed

- Lansing 9:50 am

Motorcoach pick-up points and routes may be altered depending on registrations.

Return to final drop-off approximately 9:00 pm

-----**CUT AND MAIL**-----

TOUR REGISTRATION FORM – Boston, August 11-20, 2010

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: HARTZLER TRAVEL, INC (231) 922-4911

(Please Print)

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ MI Zip _____ PH: (____) _____

Township _____ I have enclosed \$ _____ for _____ passengers

List Roommate(s) _____

From the departure points listed above, I (we) prefer to board the motorcoach in _____

Special Lodging Request (not guaranteed) Smoking _____ Non-smoking _____ No Preference _____

One bed _____ Two beds _____

Mail payments to: Traverse City Senior Center, 801 E. Front St., Traverse City, MI 49686

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Day 1 • Wednesday, August 11, 2010 (D)

Pack casual clothes and sunscreen for a pip of a trip to the Massachusetts seaboard. We must have our passports readily available this morning when we cross the US/Canada border in Port Huron/Sarnia. Our tour's first attraction will be in North Tonawanda, New York, where we will take a mid-afternoon tour of the Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum. The Herschell Carrousel Factory opened up shop in the 1880s, producing the finely sculptured, highly ornate horses and other animals that provided tons of carousel fun for kids of all ages well into the 1970s. Today's travel will take us to Batavia, New York for the night.

Day 2 • Thursday, August 12, 2010 (CB)

Today's journey through the Berkshire Mountains takes us to Stockbridge, Massachusetts, where we will tour the Norman Rockwell Museum. Remember those fantastic *Saturday Evening Post* covers that depicted life and times in the 30s, '40s and '50s? Highlights include enduring favorites from those covers along with the world's largest and most significant collection of original Rockwell art. We will spend the night in Springfield, Massachusetts, hometown of Theodore Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss.

Day 3 • Friday, August 13, 2010 (CB, L)

Remember this rhyme: "Lizzie Borden took an axe and gave her mother forty whacks; and when she saw what she had done, she gave her father forty-one." For decades after Lizzie Borden dispatched her parents with a hatchet in 1892, the gruesome crime was the center of attention in small-town Fall River, Massachusetts. Now, more than one hundred years later, Fall River is home to Battleship Cove, the largest exhibit of naval ships in the world. While here, we won't just learn about history; we will live it. We can experience what it was like to serve on board a Navy warship during World War II; sound the diving horn on the Submarine *Longfish* before we slip below the sea; sail through the Cold War aboard the *USS Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr.* or climb on board a high-speed missile corvette that the Soviets designed to fight the United States. We will spend tonight in Fall River.

Day 4 • Saturday, August 14, 2010 (CB)

This morning will begin with a short journey to Newport, Rhode Island, where, in the early 20th century, captains of industry and the social elite built ornate summer "cottages." These "cottages" are immense, magnificent structures that continue to bear witness to Newport's wealth and its draw as a yachting capital. We will tour The Breakers, the grandest of the summer cottages and a symbol of the Vanderbilt family's social and financial preeminence at the turn the last century. There will also be time for shopping and sightseeing before we head to New Bedford to immerse ourselves in the city's historic whaling culture. A tour of the New Bedford Whaling Museum will take us aboard a whaling vessel of the kind that Herman Melville's Captain Ahab would have used in pursuit of Moby-Dick, literature's most famous whale. We will witness first-hand the dangers that whalers faced, as well as artifacts from the era and intricate scrimshaw carvings created by whalers at sea. New Bedford is our home for the night.

Day 5 • Sunday, August 15, 2010 (CB, D)

A ferry ride from New Bedford this morning will take us to the island of Martha's Vineyard, a long-time summer haunt of the rich and famous. We will see "how the other half lives" during a guided tour and then enjoy free time to explore on our own. A late afternoon ferry ride will take us to Hyannis, the main town on Cape Cod. It is here that the "Boston" accent, the one we now associate with the Kennedy family, will begin to sound commonplace. We will spend the night in Hyannis.

Day 6 • Monday, August 16, 2010 (B)

History moves front and center this morning when we tour Plimoth Plantation (yes, that is the correct spelling for the original settlement). A tour of this icon of America's development will reveal how the Native American Wampanoag people viewed the arrival of European settlers, and how settlers (Pilgrims) viewed the Wampanoag. Persons in 1620's-era garb will give us insight into Plimoth Plantation's beginnings and future growth; and we will tour Mayflower II, an exact replica of the ship that brought Europeans to Plymouth. Today's tours are real eye-openers. From Plimoth Plantation we will travel to Boston for a late-afternoon sail off Boston Harbor. We will rest our heads in Boston tonight and tomorrow night.

Day 7 • Tuesday, August 17, 2010 (B, D)

Hello, Beantown! This morning we will be joined by a knowledgeable, home-grown guide who will take us on a Boston adventure, including downtown Boston, Boston Commons, Back Bay, Beacon Hill, "Old Ironsides" and "Little Italy." We may sit in the pews of the Old North Church ("One if by land; two if by sea"), have lunch at the Quincy Market, walk through Harvard Yard and visit the past during a tour of Lexington and Concord. We will stand on the same ground at Lexington Green where the Minutemen stood their ground against the Red Coats. In Concord, we will drive by the homes of Louisa May Alcott, Henry David Thoreau and other authors and stop at the North Bridge where "the shot heard 'round the world" was fired. After dinner in Concord, we will return to our hotel.

Day 8 • Wednesday, August 18, 2010 (B, D)

Moving northward from the city lights of Boston, we will come upon Salem, where we will visit the house of the seven gables—made famous in Nathaniel Hawthorne's novel of the same name, as well as Hawthorne's home. For most of us, Salem, Massachusetts conjures up images of witches. Were there really witches here? Witch hysteria gripped the community in the late 1690s, and a visit to the Salem Witch Museum will explain how and why the hysteria mounted and what the outcome was. Afterward we will ride the coastal highway to Gloucester and Cape Ann. Now we're cookin'! A traditional seaside lobster bake awaits us with all the fixin's (non-lobster lovers will have alternative menu choices) before we take to the ocean for a sunset whale-watching cruise. Let's keep our eyes peeled for giant tails and spouts of water. After a rich full day, we will come to rest for the night in Peabody, Massachusetts.

Day 9 • Thursday, August 19, 2010 (CB, L)

Our journey home begins this morning. Traveling westward, the main stop-of-the-day will be in Cooperstown, New York, which baseball aficionados will recognize as the Baseball Hall of Fame. All the great ones will be waiting for us there: Cy Young, Babe Ruth, Ty Cobb, Jackie Robinson and Jimmy Pearsall, just to name a few. In addition to the Baseball Hall of Fame, nearby shops will also grab our attention. After our tour, we will travel to East Syracuse, New York to spend the night.

Day 10 • Friday, August 20, 2010 (CB)

The road is waiting to bring us home. We need to have our passports readily available for this afternoon's border crossings. We have seen and done a lot during our tour. Let's sit back and relax, reflect on the last nine days, and maybe even start thinking about our next adventure.

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