Historic North Atlantic & Coastal New England



Between Boston and Halifax, this cruise gives you a front row seat to New England's impressive coastline. Trace historic sites from the Tea Party-era buildings of Boston to the hilltop citadel in Halifax. Experience the postcard-pretty sites in the United States' and Canada's Atlantic Ocean ports. Revel in the old-world elegance of Newport's summer homes and explore galleries in lively Provincetown. Tour the first Pilgrim settlement in Plymouth and the old port waterfronts of Portland. Sail to Bar Harbor, the gateway to Acadia National Park.



DATES: 2018 - Sept 5, Sept 12 (rev), Sept 19, Sept 26 (rev), Oct 3 & Oct 10 (rev)

DURATION: 8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS

EMBARK: BOSTON, MA DISEMBARK: HALIFAX, NS

SHIP: Victory II

FROM: \$2,762* per person *After 50% Savings / Including Port Charges

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DAY 1: EMBARK IN BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Welcome to Boston, Massachusetts. This capital city was founded in 1630 and is one of the oldest cities in the United States. It played a key role in the American Revolution and the freedom of our country today. As you board the *M/V Victory II*, settle into your outside stateroom before joining your fellow guests for dinner with free-flowing house wines and cocktails.

DAY 2: PROVINCETOWN/CAPE COD

Provincetown is located on the northern tip of the Cape Cod Peninsula where the Mayflower made landfall in 1620 and where the pilgrims spent five weeks before sailing onward to Plymouth, MA. During our time ashore we will visit the Pilgrim Monument and the Provincetown museum.



Guests will enjoy our "Dolphin Fleet" whale watching expedition starting from the Provincetown Pier. We will have the benefit of a trained, experienced naturalist with us who will explain the behavior of each creature we encounter. Aboard the whale watching vessel you can observe the combined electronic displays of chart plotters and bathymetric instruments that records the path of any species we encounter.

We then head out of town to visit the remarkable Cape Cod National Seashore with its rolling sand dunes, where accomplished local artists constructed fragile wooden hideaways, often spending weeks on end, painting this everchanging seascape. We'll spend some free time strolling down the Provincetown Pier and exploring the cafes, galleries and boutiques of this unique community.



DAY 3: NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

Mansions and grand homes are synonymous with Newport, birthplace of the so-called "Gilded Age", named after Mark Twain's 1873 novel of the same name. America's rich and famous families flocked to this elegant seaside resort and turned it into their summer playground. Newport has also been called "America's Versailles" because of the elaborate architecture in America's National Registered Landmark District. This morning we will visit "The Breakers" - grandest of all Newport's summer cottages and symbolic of the Vanderbilts family wealth where they showcased their social and mercantile power. We will also visit "The Elms", a mansion built by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Burwind from Philadelphia and New York in 1898 and designed with the French Château d'Asnieres in mind. Newport is dominated by its closeness to the sea and the Ten Mile Drive showcases the relationship between its residents and the magnificent seascape. After lunch on board, we will have free time to explore the "old Port" in this lovely maritime community.

DAY 4: PLYMOUTH, MASSACHUSETTS

Join us in the morning as we head out to Cape Cod Bay and Stellwagen Bank for a whale watching marine expedition.

In the afternoon as we arrive in Plymouth, you'll reflect on the surprise and apprehension the

pilgrims must have felt, while setting foot for the first time in the new world.

Our journey through the "Plimoth Plantation" will showcase this iconic period in American history, as we stroll through this living museum located beside modern Plymouth. Three outdoor exhibits will bring colonial America to life and will showcase daily activity in the New England of the 1600s. Plimoth Plantation, Mayflower II, and Plimoth Grist Mill are part of the museum's exhibits and are located conveniently close to one another. In addition to learning about the Pilgrims, you will leave with an appreciation of the Native American Wampanoag tribe and their relationships with the Pilgrims during this colonial era. At the conclusion of our visit, guests can see Plymouth Rock for themselves.

DAY 5: PORTLAND, MAINE

Portland is located on a peninsula that protrudes into Casco Bay. The Old Port waterfront combines active fishing wharves, combined with warehouses that have been converted into restaurants, shops and museums. Sightseeing includes the Portland architectural district, Pollard Head Lighthouse and a visit to Kennebunkport and Kennebunk with free time to visit these quaint communities.

After lunch on board, we'll depart via coach for a short ride to Kennebunkport. Kennebunkport's Lower Village and Dock Square are located close to the ocean and the Kennebunkport River. Since the early 1600 this community has been a shipbuilding mecca, with locally constructed five-masted schooners, sliding into the Atlantic to eventually work in every corner of the globe. This New England community has long been the summer residence of former President G.W. Bush and many others seeking to relax in this New England maritime atmosphere.

We will have free time to visit this quaint community, after which we will tour past the architecturally significant homes of nearby Kennebunk. We will also visit the Franciscan Monastery and pause by the quirky "wedding cake house".

DAY 6: BAR HARBOR, MAINE

The town of Bar Harbor is located on Mount Desert Island, nestled inside Frenchman's Bay, in a region that typifies the rugged Atlantic coastline of Maine. After breakfast, we will depart on a brief coach ride to Acadia National Park. which is the smallest



designated park of its type in the Unites States. Our first stop will be at lovely Sand Beach flanked by pink granite walls and opens to the Atlantic on one side. Then we motor up Cadillac Mountain to see the extraordinary Thunder Hole. Notably this Summit is the highest elevation on the Eastern Seaboard, with stunning views across Frenchman's Bay to the Atlantic Ocean below. In the afternoon, enjoy lunch on your own at a local restaurant with time to stroll the pretty coastal outpost community of Bar Harbor.

DAY 7: SCENIC SAILING OF ATLANTIC COAST

We'll follow the path of the fishing trawlers who leave the northern extremities of the USA, past the mouth of the Bay of Fundy, heading out to sea. Unlike them, however we'll turn North East and hug the coast of Nova Scotia passing storied harbors full of maritime history.

DAY 8: DISEMBARK IN HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA

This morning we will arrive in the beautiful city of Halifax, Nova Scotia. After breakfast, disembark the ship and make your way to the airport for your return flight home, or to your hotel.



2018 RATES	Cat E	Cat D	Cat C	Cat B	Cat A	Cat AA	Owner
							Suite
BROCHURE RATE - DBL	\$4,825	\$5,365	\$5 <i>,</i> 835	\$6,135	\$6,300	\$6,608	\$7,070
DOUBLE	\$ 2,413 *	\$2,683*	\$2,918*	\$3,068*	\$3,150*	\$3,304*	\$3,535*
With Port Charges (\$349)	\$2,762*	\$3,032*	\$3,267*	\$3,417*	\$3,499*	\$3,653 *	\$3,884*

* After 50% savings per person

