

New England's Hardwoods, Mountains & Villages



15 Days: September 20-October 4, 2010

This travel package planned and guided by Dave Zimmer.

A Legacy Educational Package



Nothing says brilliant fall foliage like the colors of the New England States! Come along with veteran colonial guide Dave Zimmer as we learn about the area, take time to explore, shop, relax and take in awesome scenery. Flames of fall colors dominate the New England States as softwoods remain a deep green, while the leaves on oak, maple, beech, ash and cherry trees display the same crayon-splashed hues as school buses, blackberries, pumpkins & Rosy red lips.

September 20 we will pick up our travelers in our guaranteed departure cities as we head to Maumee, OH, for our first overnight.

September 21 after **breakfast** we travel through the fall-colored **Appalachian Mountains** on our way to **Lancaster, PA**, where we spend the next 2 nights. **Dinner** is provided tonight at our hotel.

September 22 begin the day with **breakfast**. A **local guide** will join us for a **tour of Old Order Amish Farm Country**. Their beautiful buildings, bountiful fields and crops are amazing. Enjoy a **family-style lunch** at an Old Order Amish family's home. This afternoon we'll drive to the village of Intercourse, a clear reminder of our traditional American heritage as people live a simpler life. You'll have a chance to do some shopping and, in case you didn't know, a portion of the paramount motion picture "Witness" starring Harrison Ford, was filmed in Inter-



course and Bird-in-Hand! Tonight we'll enjoy a harvest **dinner** and "**George M!**" at **Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre**. This tap-dancing, stars and stripes salute to America and Broadway pays tribute to George M. Cohan who wrote "You're A Grand Old Flag," "Give My Regards to Broadway," "Over There," "Mary" and more.



September 23 after **breakfast** we depart for our **tour** of the incredible **New Windsor Cantonment State Historic Site**, final encampment of George Washington's victorious rag-tag Army. Visit **Washington's Headquarters State Historic Site**, the nation's first publicly owned historic site, where Washington awarded our nation's first Purple Heart medal and where he refused a strong request to become King George II. We stay the night in Newburgh, NY.



September 24 after **breakfast** we travel to **Boston, MA**, the keystone of the American Rebellion of 1775. We'll stay in the area the next 2 nights. We'll have a fine **dinner** at a local restaurant.

September 25 enjoy **breakfast** before meeting our **local guide** for a **day of touring in the Greater Boston area**. Highlights will include **Beacon Hill, Commonwealth Avenue, Old State House, Old North Church** (one if by land, two if by sea), "**Old Ironsides**" (U.S.S. Constitution), **Paul Revere's House** and more. You'll have time to browse and find lunch on your own, in the famed **Quincy Marketplace**, full of boutiques, restaurants, and push carts with local artists selling their wares and souvenirs.

Later, we continue to **Lexington and Concord** for the **Minutemen and old North Bridge tour**. Find that perfect restaurant for dinner in nearby Wakefield, MA.



September 26 after **breakfast** we meet our local guide for a **driving tour of the Kennebunkport region** and the crashing waves of the Atlantic Ocean. Enjoy time for lunch on your own in Dock Square with great New England shopping. This evening we stay overlooking the Rachael Carlson Nature Reserve. Enjoy a delicious **Maine Lobster clambake, "in the rough"** at **Foster's Downeast Clambake** in nearby York Harbor, ME. Discover Maine hospitality and enjoy some entertainment.

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September 27 after **breakfast** we connect with the past at **Strawberry Banke**. We'll have the opportunity to experience how people lived and worked in this typical American neighborhood throughout four centuries of history. Through its restored houses, featured exhibits, historic landscapes and gardens as well as its interpretive programs, Strawberry Banke tells the stories of the many generations who settled in the **Portsmouth, NH**, community from the late 17th to the mid-20th century. The lakeside resort village of **Meredith, NH**, is our stop for



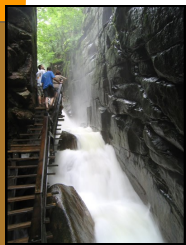
lunch on your own today, where a converted mill overlooking **Lake Winnepesaukee** now houses a wonderful selection of shops, boutiques, and restaurants. Buy a picnic lunch and enjoy it on one of the park benches on the lake's shore, or stroll along the boardwalk and watch the boats go by. After lunch we are greeted by another **guide** as we travel to **New Hampshire's Lakes Region** and step back in time at the **Brick Store**, the region's oldest continuously-



operating general store (1781), a National Historic Landmark, and one of the oldest surviving businesses in the country. The store is famous for its aged cheddar from a wheel, penny candy, pickles from a crock, gifts, reproductions, collectibles and squeaky floors! The afternoon's highlight is a visit to **Castle in the Clouds**, a 5,200-acre, mountain-top estate overlooking the Lake Winnepesaukee. Built in 1913 to last for centuries, this majestic home features walls of granite stone from the mountain itself, a landmark Spanish red slate roof with a gentle Oriental slope and various structures of English, Norwegian, Swiss and Japanese design. Most unusual are the original



owner's self-devised household appliances, practically unheard of at the time: a centralized intercom system, central vacuum system, self-cleaning oven, porcelain clothes washing basin and a clothes drying chamber! Next, we travel to **Lincoln, NH**, for a resort stay, surrounded by the majestic beauty of the **White Mountain National Forest** (which should be in full fall color) near the entrance to **Franconia Notch State Park**. The resort provides full breakfasts, choice of menu for **dinner** and a **show** each evening.

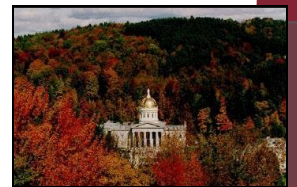


September 28 following **breakfast**, our **local guide** will meet us for a **day of touring in New Hampshire's White Mountains**. Our first stop is for a little orientation at **Flume Gorge's Visitor Center**, at the entrance to **Franconia Notch**. A movie depicts the history of the region, both natural and man-made. We'll ride to the top of **Cannon Mountain** in an enclosed tram for some magnificent views. Next, we'll make a photo stop in historic **Bretton Woods**, home of the famous **Mt. Washington Hotel**, one of New England's few remaining Grand Hotels. Then we'll tour through **Crawford Notch** for views of some of New Hampshire's most rugged scenery. Enjoy some free time to shop and have lunch on your own in **North Conway Village**, filled with unique stores and boutiques. We return to Lincoln via the **Kancamagus Highway**, one of the most popular touring routes of forests, rivers and overlooks in all of New England. Back at the resort, another fun evening is planned with **dinner** and **show**.



September 29 after **breakfast**, depart for the Green Mountain State of Vermont and its **Ethan Allen Heritage**. Our morning stop is at **Cabot Cheese**, a world-renowned creamery nestled on a hillside in one of Vermont's smallest towns. Watch a video then take a guided walking tour into the plant to see how milk is transformed from local farms into the "Best Cheddar in the World." Sample different varieties of cheddar cheese and many other wonderful Vermont products. At **Montpelier**, smallest state capital in the country, we'll meet a **local guide** for an **afternoon of touring**. Visit **Morse Farm**, and learn about the art of maple syrup making, from tree to sap. We'll be treated to the Vermont tradition of

"Sugar on Snow!" We'll meet another **guide** for a **tour of the Vermont State Capitol**, whose history and architecture is most interesting. Late afternoon we check in at a quaint historic Inn with a B & B feel. Each room is individually decorated. Our hosts will make us feel like part of the family and treat us to a New England home-cooked **dinner!**

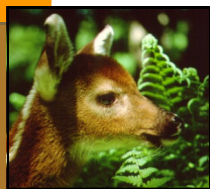


September 30 after **breakfast** enjoy a cruise on beautiful **Lake Champlain**, nestled between magnificent views of the **Green Mountains** of Vermont and the **Adirondacks** of New York. In **Burlington**, visit **Historic Church Street Marketplace**, a pedestrian walkway where over 160 fashionable boutiques and restaurants are located. On nice days, the street is also filled with street vendors and performers. Enjoy time for lunch and shopping. Next, enjoy a guided tour of **Lake Champlain Chocolates** and learn about the process (sampling mandatory! ☺). A guided tour of the **Vermont Teddy Bear Factory** is our final stop of

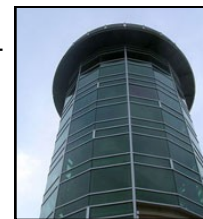
the day. We will travel to the quaint village of Waterbury for dinner then return to our resort.



October 1 enjoy **breakfast** then say “farewell” to the picturesque New England States as we travel east. Our overnight stop is **Rome, NY**, where we’ll stay the night and have **dinner** at the Inn at the Beeches. We’ll also visit the gravesite of Francis Bellamy, author of The Pledge of Allegiance.



October 2 have **breakfast** and then depart for **Erie PA**, where we’ll stay adjacent to **Presque Isle State Park**. Presque Isle State Park is a 3,200-acre sandy peninsula that arches into Lake Erie. As Pennsylvania’s only “seashore,” Presque Isle offers its visitors a beautiful coastline and many recreational activities. A National Natural Landmark, Presque Isle is a favorite spot for migrating birds. Because of the many unique habitats, Presque Isle contains a greater number of the state’s endangered, threatened and rare species than any other area of comparable size in Pennsylvania. The gateway to Presque Isle is the new **Tom Ridge Environmental Center**, dedicated to teaching visitors about Presque Isle and the many different forms of life that inhabit this unique peninsula. TREC also serves as a center for research, contributing to conservation efforts and promoting environmental awareness, helping to preserve the unparalleled beauty of Presque Isle. Take in the **interactive exhibits** and the **75-foot observation tower**. French for “almost an island,” Presque Isle offers 7 miles of beaches, 11 miles of hiking trails and a 13-mile road system. *Field & Stream* magazine named the park as a “Top 20 destination” and *Birder’s World* magazine named the park “one of the country’s top birding spots.”



October 3 enjoy **breakfast** before we journey to **Joliet, IL**. Originally named for Shakespeare’s Juliet, the town became Joliet after it mistakenly was assumed to be named in honor of early French-Canadian explorer Louis Joliet, who visited the site in 1673. A collection of more than 100 murals, mosaics and sculptures celebrating Joliet’s diverse history affords visitors a rare cultural experience.



October 4 is our last travel day together. We have a special **breakfast** buffet in the Rotunda of the 1926 **Rialto Square Theatre**. We’ll have a marvelous tour followed by a private organ mini-concert on the world-renowned **Barton Grande Theatre Pipe Organ**. We continue home with many fantastic memories to share with family and friends!

Your 15-day Southern New England package includes: Luxury motor coach transportation, lodging for 14 nights, luggage handling, tickets/admissions to listed attractions, gratuities to step-on guides, 14 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 8 dinners (meals inclusive of tax and gratuities).

\$2,349 per person, double occupancy

\$2,070 per person with 3 or 4 persons sharing a room with 2 beds

\$3,430 single room accommodations

Reservations: anytime, as long as space is available

Deposit: \$235 per person, due with reservation

Balance Due: August 20

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