



Martha's Vineyard



Cottage City

# Cape Cod, The Islands & Boston

June 2 - 7, 2024 (6 days)

## HIGHLIGHTS

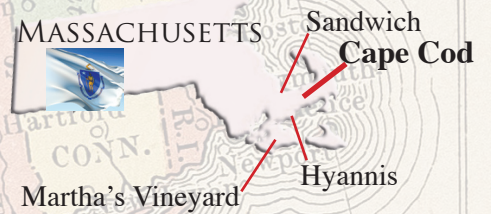
- 5 Nights on Cape Cod at the Red Jacket Beach Resort
- High Speed Ferry to Martha's Vineyard
- Sightseeing Tour of Martha's Vineyard
- Guided Tour of Hyannis
- Lobster Tales Cruise
- Visit Sandwich, Cape Cod's Oldest Town
- Sandwich Glass Museum
- Guided Tour to Provincetown along Scenic Route 6A
- Cape Cod National Seashore Visitor's Center
- Whale Watch Excursion **OR** Dune Tour Excursion
- John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum
- Cape Cod Maritime Museum
- Guided Tour of Plymouth

*"Awesome tour, attractions, etc!"*

*Allison & Marcia [local guide] are the best! Made the trip interesting & fun!"*

Deb H. - Mapleton, MN Cape Cod 2023 Traveler

## MAP AT A GLANCE



Historic Windmill



Cape Cod Maritime Museum



Hands-on Lobster Tales Cruise!

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## Day 1 - Home to Cape Cod

Our flight takes us from Minnesota to Massachusetts, the "Bay State." We'll make our way to the sandy shores of Cape Cod, where R&J has chosen a wonderful beach front resort for our 5 night stay on the Cape! We will enjoy a Welcome Dinner at the Resort as we get to know our fellow travelers.

**Included Meals: Dinner**

**Hotel: Red Jacket Beach Resort (5 Nights!)**

## Day 2 - Hyannis & Sandwich

Another beautiful day on the Cape dawns and after an enjoyable breakfast our local guide gives us a tour of the town of Hyannis. We'll enjoy a stop at the John F. Kennedy Memorial – this contemplative site pays tribute to the man who created "Camelot." The memorial includes a fountain and a field-stone monument with the Presidential seal and inscription: *"I believe it is important that this country sail and not lie still in the harbor."* John Fitzgerald Kennedy In Hyannis Port in 1928, Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy & Joseph P. Kennedy, Sr. purchased their Hyannis Port summer home, now known as the Kennedy Compound. It has served as a getaway for the Kennedys for generations. The location will be pointed out but the grounds are still private. Close by is St. Francis Xavier Church where Rose Kennedy always sat in the front row. She considered the church as the catholic spiritual center. When their oldest son Joe Jr. died after his plane was shot down during World War II, the service was held here. The main altar is a memorial to him. John F. Kennedy attended the Sunday mass in this church during the summertime. A little further is the Hyannis Armory - John F. Kennedy accepted the 35th presidential nomination in this building. After JFK and his wife Jacqueline voted in Boston, they flew to Cape Cod to await the election results at the Kennedy Compound. When it was announced that Richard Nixon conceded, the family formed a cavalcade and rode down to the Hyannis Armory, where Kennedy delivered his acceptance speech. We'll visit the Cape Cod Maritime Museum. Here the Kennedy legacy continues, sharing with the community their love for the sea and the need to preserve and celebrate the Cape's rich maritime heritage. Learn about President Kennedy's nautical history. A stop at the John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum will be a real treat! The seas and shores of Hyannis Port inspired our 35th President like no other place on earth. It was here that he contemplated and accepted his run for office. Discover why he loved this place so, and how he spent his time on Cape Cod. *"I always go to Hyannis Port to be revived, to know again the power of the sea and the master who rules over it and all of us."* John Fitzgerald Kennedy The museum is right on main street, which is perfect for additional free time for having lunch on own and shopping. Stroll through Aselton Park past the Peace Corps Memorial. The Peace Corps was established by President John F. Kennedy on March 1, 1961. JFK sought to encourage mutual understanding between Americans and people of other nations and cultures by sending volunteers from the U.S. to work in developing countries. This memorial commemorates the 50th anniversary of the creation of the Peace Corps. Then we visit the oldest town on Cape Cod, Sandwich. We'll view the Village Green, the Great Salt Marsh, a cranberry bog, and Cape Cod Bay. This quaint and quiet seaside community is the hometown of Thornton Burgess, naturalist & author of 170 children's books. At the Sandwich Glass Museum we will view sparkling exhibits that describe the transformation of a small farming community into one of the most respected manufacturers & one of America's largest glass factories in the 19th century. We'll watch as molten glass is drawn from the furnace, blown, and pressed into exquisite shapes. Dinner is included this evening at the historic Dan'l Webster Inn.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

## Day 3 - Cape Cod

Following breakfast this morning we will travel historic route



Set sail on a Lobster Tales Cruise - we'll roll up our sleeves & help haul in the traps!



Sandwich Glass Museum masterpiece



This will be tasty!!

We'll stay 5 nights right on the Cape's sandy shore & enjoy the sunsets!



6a, the Old King's Highway, a scenic byway winding through centuries of Cape Cod history. It winds past hundreds of historic structures which characterize its early development. View the Eastham Windmill, a Cape Cod Lighthouse and visit the Cape Cod National Seashore Visitor's Center. In 1961, President Kennedy signed legislation establishing an American treasure, the Cape Cod National Seashore, protecting the fragile coastline from Chatham to Provincetown. A long-time summer resident of the Cape, JFK had co-sponsored the legislation while in the Senate. The goal, he wrote, was *"to preserve the natural and historic values of a portion of Cape Cod for the inspiration and enjoyment of people all over the United States."* This was the first time the federal government had created a national park out of land that was primarily in private hands. Today the Seashore encompasses more than 43,000 acres and draws more than 4,000,000 visitors a year. Sand dunes and the ocean surround us as we approach "Land's End" – Provincetown. We are now at the extreme tip of Cape Cod. Formerly known as the "Province Lands," the pilgrims landed here first before they decided to settle across the Bay in Plymouth. Take some time to enjoy the wonderful variety of restaurants, shops, and galleries

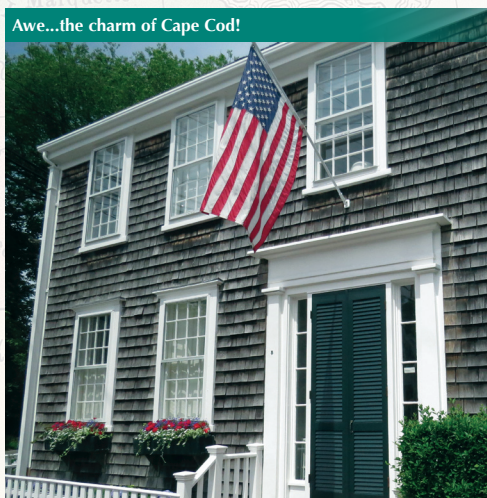




Martha's Vineyard - quaint & colorful "Cottage City" in Oak Bluffs



Tour Boston



Awe...the charm of Cape Cod!

that make this artists/fishermen village so unique. This afternoon you will have an option: Board an excursion vessel for an amazing experience of whale watching. You will travel into the natural habitat of a diverse marine environment including birds that migrate here from all over the Atlantic, and fish which use these shallow waters to feed. Try to spot Humpback, Minke, and Fin Whales going about their daily business. An onboard naturalist will introduce you to everything you see and will answer any of your questions about the whales, birds, fish and lighthouses. OR You may choose to stay on dry land and enjoy a Dune Tour excursion. You will ride along the shoreline of the protected lands of the Cape Cod National Seashore. Your driver/guide will point out the "dune shacks" where famous artists and writers became inspired to create their art. After a great afternoon exploring either land or sea and enjoying dinner together, we'll travel back to our wonderful resort on the Cape.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

### Day 4 - Plymouth

We have a special day in store! First, our local guide will take us to America's Hometown - Plymouth! See Forefather's Monument, Plymouth Rock, and the Mayflower II, a reproduction of the ship that brought the pilgrims to the New World. Next we board our exciting Lobster Tales cruise to learn about the many creatures that live in Plymouth Harbor. Experience a "hands on" approach as we see how lobsters are harvested from their natural environment. We'll even roll up our sleeves to help haul in the lobster traps! Then free time will be given at the Plymouth Waterfront for shopping and lunch on your own. We'll return to the resort this

afternoon to enjoy our beach surroundings at leisure. Dinner with entertainment is included this evening.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

### Day 5 - Martha's Vineyard

Following breakfast at the resort we travel to Woods Hole to board a high speed ferry to the island of Martha's Vineyard. Upon arrival we will board a local bus for a sightseeing tour and will learn about the history and lifestyles of the islanders as we pass through Vineyard Haven. There will be free time for lunch and shopping in the historic whaling town of Edgartown. Complete your day on the island in Oak Bluffs, where you stroll through "Cottage City" with its brightly painted cottages and decorative gingerbread trim. Tonight we will be treated to a fabulous lobster dinner!

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

### Day 6 - Cape Cod to Home

Following breakfast together, we'll head to Boston, the city where America's roots were formed, and driving through it is like reading the pages of an American history book. Our guide will point out sights along the Freedom Trail, the Boston Common & Public Gardens, the Back Bay, Beacon Hill, and the gold-domed State House. It's been a great six days of exploring Cape Cod, The Islands, and Boston. An enjoyable flight home with our travel mates will allow us time to reminisce about our fabulous time in Massachusetts!

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch**

Cape Cod



## 2024 DATES & PRICES

DATES:	June 2 - 7, 2024 (6 Days)	
PRICE PER PERSON:	\$3,799 Double	\$4,469 Single
	\$3,639 Triple	\$3,529 Quad
PRICE INCLUDES:	RT Airfare including taxes, fuel surcharges, & baggage fees! 11 Meals, Hotels & Activities as stated in brochure, Luxury Motorcoach	
DEPOSIT DUE PER PERSON:	\$200 p/p deposit at time of reservation, Full payment due 60 days prior to departure.	
OPTIONAL TRAVEL PROTECTION P/P:	\$270 Double per person / \$305 Single	
TOUR PACE: <small>(See page 13 for description)</small>	Moderate to Extensive Walking	
TRAVEL BUCKS:	\$50 R&J Travel Bucks earned on this tour	
NEEDED TRAVEL DOCUMENTS:	A valid driver's license or government issued photo ID	

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