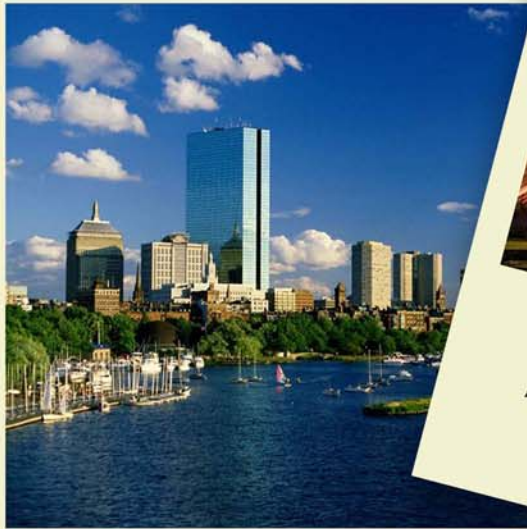




2011-2012 Greater Boston Area Guide



View from the bridge.



*This was gorgeous!
Boston skyline.*

A resource for Olin families and guests when visiting the area, including shopping, dining, attractions, historical sites and much more!

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NEEDHAM/WELLESLEY/NATICK

- **Bowling:** There is a nearby bowling alley where you can try your hand at a New England favorite - Candlepin style bowling. Considered more difficult than Tenpin style, bowlers use a small ball to knock down much narrower pins. This is fun but challenging!
 - **Needham Bowlaway** — (781-444-9614)
16 Chestnut St., Needham
- **Ice Cream and Gelato:**
 - **Lizzy's Homemade Ice Cream** — (781-455-1498), <http://www.lizzysicecream.com>
1498 Highland Ave., Needham
 - **White Mountain Creamery** — (781-239-0676), www.wmcicecream.com
552 Washington St. (Rte. 16), Wellesley
- **Shopping**
 - **Natick Collection** — (508-655-4800), www.natickcollection.com
1245 Worcester St. (Rte. 9), Natick
This two-floor mall has all your favorite shops including American Eagle, Banana Republic, Crate & Barrel, Express, Lord & Taylor, Macy's, Nordstrom, Neiman Marcus and more. Also, it is home to restaurants such as California Pizza Kitchen, P.F. Chang's and The Cheesecake Factory.

- **Shoppers World** — (508-872-1257), www.shoppersworldma.com
1 Worcester Rd, Framingham
This strip mall includes Barnes and Noble, Best Buy, Kohl's, Marshall's, Office Depot, Old Navy, Sports Authority, and restaurants Bruegger's Bagels, Chipotle and Olive Garden. See the Olin Parent Handbook for a Natick/Framingham map of more shopping.
- **Theaters**
 - **IMAX Theatre at Jordan's Furniture** (1-866-8JORDANS x2860), www.jordansimax.com
1 Underprice Way (off Rte. 9 Eastbound) Natick

Directions: Use the Natick/Framingham Area Map in the *Parents' Handbook* to drive to Rte. 9 in Natick and pass the **Natick Collection** on Rte. 9. As you approach **Shopper's World**, get into the left lane of Rte. 9 and take a left at the lights (**Ken's Steak House & Wal-Mart** will be on your right) and go to the top of the hill to **Jordan's Furniture**. **Kelley's Roast Beef**, a local favorite, is also at the top of this hill.
 - **AMC Framingham 16** — (508-875-6151)
22 Flutie Pass, Framingham www.amcentertainment.com/Framingham
- **Restaurants:**
For an extended list of restaurants in the Needham area, visit www.olin.edu/campus/dining.aspx reference the Dining and Lodging section of the *Parents' Handbook*.

DEDHAM

See the *Parents' Handbook* for the Dedham Area Map.

- **Theaters**
 - **Dedham Community Theatre** — (781-326-0409), www.dedhamcommunitytheatre.com
580 High Street (at Washington), Dedham Square
See your favorite art house films, and pay a visit to the **Museum of Bad Art** in the basement (free). Dedham Square also includes Isabella Restaurant, Ron's Ice Cream, Kiku Yama Japanese Steakhouse and nearby Centre Deli.
 - **Showcase Cinema de Lux Legacy Place** — (800-315-4000), <http://www.nationalamusements.com/showtimes/default.asp>, 670 Legacy Place, Dedham
Your favorite flicks in this pretty new theater with stadium seating and option for "lux-level" seating with dining service during the show. Walkway from parking garage.
- **Shopping and Restaurants**
 - **Legacy Place** — (781-329-3009), www.legacyplace.com
680 Legacy Place (950 Providence Hwy), Dedham
Lots of your favorites here including Apple, Anthropologie, Banana Republic, L.L.Bean, Borders Bookstore, Express, Gap, Merrell Shoes, Urban Outfitters and Whole Foods. Restaurants to please every taste include PF Chang's, Au Bon Pain, JP Licks, Legal C Bar, Aquitaine (French), Wicked Fire Kissed Pizza, Met Bar & Grill, and Yard House.

- **Dedham Mall** — (781-329-1210), www.dedham-mall.com
300 Providence Hwy, Dedham
Mall includes Lowe’s, AC Moore (crafts), Old Navy, Dick’s Sporting Goods, DSW Shoes, Radio Shack, as well as Chipotle, Starbucks, IHOP and Five Guys Burgers restaurants and Dedham Day Spa.
- **Dedham Plaza** —
747 Providence Hwy, Dedham
Location of Keldara Salon and Spa, T-Mobile, Star Market, Hallmark and restaurants Panera Bread and Friendly’s.
- **Other Shopping** —
Staples, 450 Providence Hwy; Best Buy, 700 Providence Hwy; Bed, Bath and Beyond, 820 Providence Hwy; and Costco, 400 Commercial Circle.
- **Kings Bowling** — (781-329-6000), www.kingsdedham.com
600 Legacy Place, Dedham
Twenty lanes with state of the art graphics, also skee bowling and shuffle board. Must be 21 or older after 6 pm!
- **The Fairbanks House** — (781-326-1170), www.fairbankshouse.org
511 East St (at Eastern Ave), Dedham
Believed to be the oldest surviving timber frame house in North America dating back to the 1630’s. Public tours from May to October, beginning every hour on the hour.

BOSTON

There’s only one Boston! To obtain more information, visit www.boston.com/travel or www.bostonusa.com (Greater Boston Convention & Visitors Bureau). For **sporting event schedules** visit www.boston.com/sports .

Take “**The T**” – public transportation (www.mbta.com) from the Green Line. Most fares are \$1.70-\$2.00 for the subway and \$1.25-1.50 for buses. Visitors’ passes (unlimited use of the subway, local bus, and inner harbor ferry) for one day (\$9.00) and seven days are available for purchase. Please note that these passes are not honored on the Commuter Rail. For future visits, you may purchase visitors’ passes online at www.mbta.com/fares_and_passes/passes. For more information see the Getting Around section in the *Parent Handbook*.

- **Boston Duck Tours** — (617-267-3825), www.bostonducktours.com
This is a great 80-minute tour of Boston by land and water on an authentic amphibious landing vehicle from WWII. The tour passes **the State House, Bunker Hill, the Fleet Center, Newbury St., the Prudential Center, Copley Square** and more. It also takes a ride down the Charles River for a view of Boston from the water. Tours begin at 9:00 a.m. and last tour leaves an hour before sunset. Tickets may be purchased upstairs in the **Prudential Center**, at the **Museum of Science**, at **Faneuil Hall** or online. Tickets may not be purchased at the **Duck Tour** boarding areas. Tours begin at both the **Prudential Center** and the

Museum of Science. These tours are very popular and do get booked early in the day. Paid parking is available at the **Prudential Center** and at the **Museum of Science**.

- **Old Town Trolley Tours (Brush Hill Tours)** — (888-910-8687), www.trolleytours.com/boston
Visit Boston at your own pace as you get on and off at any of the 18 designated stops, many of which are on the **Freedom Trail**. Tour price includes free admission to the **Old State House Museum**. Other tours are available including the evening “Ghosts and Gravestones” tour. Boarding locations include the **New England Aquarium, Faneuil Hall** and the **Prudential Center**.
- **Beantown Trolley Tours** — (800-343-1328), www.beantowntrolley.com/tours/beantown.html
Take a 90-minute trolley ride and a **Boston Harbor** cruise. Full-day bus tours are also available for fall foliage viewing or to Newport, RI, Salem, NH, Cape Cod, the New England seacoast and other locations. Trolley and tour pickups are available at many Boston area hotels, including the **Marriott Long Wharf** (beside the **Aquarium**) and the **Sheraton Boston** (near the **Prudential Center**).
- **Boston Harbor Cruises** — (877-733-9425), www.bostonharborcruises.com
Offers both harbor cruises and whale watches (June-September). Located on Long Wharf (to the left of the **Aquarium**).
- **Massachusetts Bay Lines** — (617-542-8000), www.massbaylines.com
Offers both harbor cruises and whale watches (June-September). Located at Rowes Wharf (behind the arch of the Boston Harbor Hotel).
- **Freedom Trail** — **Boston Common** (oldest public park in the U.S., established in 1634). www.cityofboston.gov/freedomtrail/bostoncommon.asp
The **Freedom Trail** is the starting point of this self-guided tour through Boston’s historic sites. Includes the **State House, Park St. Church, Granary Burying Ground, King’s Chapel, First Public School site, Old South Meeting Church, Old Corner Bookstore, Boston Massacre site, Paul Revere House, the North End, Old North Church, Faneuil Hall, Copp’s Burying Ground, Bunker Hill Monument** and the **USS Constitution**.
This is a lot of walking, but you can pick and choose. You don’t have to do the entire tour! National Park Service Rangers lead free 90 minute walking tours starting at the **Boston National Historical Park Visitor Center**, 15 State St. Tours are first come, first serve! Call 617-242-5642 for more information. <http://www.nps.gov/bost/planyourvisit/guidedtours.htm>
- **The Charlestown Navy Yard and Bunker Hill Monument**, *part of the Freedom Trail*, can be toured on its own. The **USS Constitution**, the oldest commissioned warship afloat in the world, the **Charlestown Navy Yard**, one of our country’s first naval shipyards (tour the **USS Cassin Young**, a World War II destroyer, and the **USS Constitution Museum**), and the **Bunker Hill Monument**, site of the first major battle of the American revolution (“Don’t fire until you see the whites of their eyes...”) are all located within a short distance of each other (**Boston National Historical Park** – www.nps.gov/bost). Both the Bean Town Trolley and Old Town Trolley Tours stop at the **Charlestown Navy Yard**.

Visitors should stop at the National Park Service's Navy Yard Visitor Information Center located near Gate 1 to obtain a daily program schedule. There are self-guided tours or a 90 minute ranger-guided walking tour of the Yard. For more information, please visit www.nps.gov/bost/historyculture/cny.htm or call 617-242-5601. At the Visitors' Center, there is also a multimedia program (14 screens, over 1000 images) called "Whites of Their Eyes," where Colonial "history tellers" bring the Battle of Bunker Hill to life.

Located at the **Charlestown Navy Yard** and commonly known as **Old Ironsides**, the **USS Constitution** is an active duty United States Navy ship and is free and open to the public. *To board the ship, visitors must go through a security screening process.* Please visit <http://www.usconstitutionmuseum.org/> or call 617-426-1812 if you wish to obtain more detailed information about touring the ship or the security process. **Summer hours** (early April – October 31): Tuesday – Sunday from 10 am until 5:50 pm. **Winter hours** (November 1 – March 31): Open Thursday – Sunday from 10:00 am until 3:50 pm.

Please visit <http://www.usconstitutionmuseum.org/> to obtain directions to the **Charlestown Navy Yard** and information about parking. Please note: For Mapquest or Yahoo use, enter the following address: 1 Constitution Rd., Charlestown, MA 02129. The USS Constitution's mailing address is: USS Constitution, Charlestown Navy Yard, Bldg. 5, Charlestown, MA 02129.

- **Boston Public Garden** — (617-522-1966), www.swanboats.com
Walk through the 24 acres of America's first public garden. Ride the **Swan Boats** at the lagoon. Find the statues of Mrs. Mallard and her eight ducklings, which commemorate Robert McCloskey's beloved children's book, *Make Way for Ducklings*. The matching set of these statues, given to Mrs. Raisa Gorbachev by Mrs. Barbara Bush in 1991, can be found in Moscow, Russia.
- **Faneuil Hall and Quincy Marketplace** — www.faneuilhallmarketplace.com
Visit cafes, restaurants, shopping, street performers and more.
- **New England Aquarium** — (617-973-5200), www.neaq.org
Located on Atlantic Ave. at Central Wharf, across the street from **Quincy Marketplace**, the aquarium hosts a giant ocean tank, live shows and an **IMAX Theatre**.
- **John F. Kennedy Library** — (866-535-1960), www.jfklibrary.org
Columbia Point, One JFK Rd., Boston
Designed by I.M. Pei, the **Kennedy Library** is built of white concrete and glass and is noted for its beautiful views of **Boston Harbor**. The museum has a great deal of memorabilia from JFK's life and Presidency. It is very much alive with memories of the past. Short films and actual footage of JFK's time in office make this memorial very moving.
- **Museum of Fine Arts** — (617-267-9300), www.mfa.org
463 Huntington Ave., Boston

One of the largest museums in the United States, the **MFA** attracts over one million visitors a year. It contains over 450,000 works of art, making it one of the most comprehensive collections in the Americas.

- **Museum of Science** — See listing under “Cambridge” section.
- **Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum** — (617-566-1401) www.gardnermuseum.org
280 The Fenway, Boston
The home of wealthy socialite, Isabella Stewart Gardner, this three-story Venetian palazzo was brought to Boston in pieces and assembled here. Gardner’s house holds a large collection of European art, furniture, plants and flowers. In a still unsolved robbery, in 1990, thieves absconded with 13 works valued at over \$200 million, which included paintings by Vermeer, Rembrandt, Degas, and Manet. Under the terms of Gardner’s will, the museum must remain as she created it so blank frames and discreet cards mark the empty places on the walls. This museum is a very peaceful and unique place to visit.
- **Newbury St.** — www.newbury-st.com
Newbury St. is lined with historic 19th-century brownstones that contain hundreds of shops and restaurants, making it a popular destination for tourists and locals.

CAMBRIDGE

Everyone should try to go to **Harvard Square** at least once while visiting Boston. It’s a great place for people watching, bookstore browsing, and ethnic eating and is easily accessible via public transportation (Red Line to **Harvard Square**).

- **Henry Wadsworth Longfellow House** — (617-876-4491), www.nps.gov/long/
105 Brattle St., Cambridge
While living in this beautiful home, Longfellow wrote many of his famous poems and entertained prominent literary friends including Nathaniel Hawthorne.
- **Mount Auburn Cemetery** — (617-547-7105), www.mountauburn.org/
580 Mt. Auburn St. (Rte. 16), Cambridge
The first garden cemetery in America was established in 1831 and is famed for its unique architecture and horticulture. Among the many well-known people buried here are Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Isabella Stewart Gardner, Mary Eddy Baker and Winslow Homer.
- **Harvard Yard, Harvard College**
Harvard Yard is a grassy area of about 25 acres adjacent to Harvard Square, which constitutes the oldest part and the center of the campus of Harvard University.

Bordering Harvard Yard are the following Harvard University museums:

- **Harvard Botanical Museum** — (617-495-2365),
www.huh.harvard.edu/collections/botanical.htm
22 Divinity Ave., Cambridge

This museum is home to the famous **Blaschka Glass Flower Collection** hand-blown in Germany from 1887 to 1936. More than 840 plant species are represented in this amazing exhibit.

- **Mineralogical and Geological Museum** — (617-495-3045), www.fas.harvard.edu/%7egeomus/
24 Oxford St., Cambridge
Housing a large collection of gemstones, minerals, ores, meteorites, and giant crystals, it makes up part of the **Harvard Museum of Natural History**.
- **Peabody Museum of Archeology and Ethnology** — (617-496-1027), www.peabody.harvard.edu
11 Divinity Ave., Cambridge
The oldest museum of its kind in this hemisphere housing treasures from prehistoric and historic cultures from all over the world. The first floor gallery has an exhibit which features a comprehensive collection of some 50 artifacts including totem poles, peace pipes, and a number of items brought back by the Lewis and Clark Expedition.
- **Museum of Comparative Zoology** — (617-495-2460), www.mcz.harvard.edu
26 Oxford St., Cambridge
This museum is perfect for younger children. It has whale skeletons, an 180-million-year-old Paleosaurus, the 25,000-year-old Harvard mastodon, the giant sea serpent Kronosaurus, and the world's oldest egg which is 225 million years old.
- **Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the MIT Museum** — (617-253-5927), <http://web.mit.edu/museum/>
265 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge
If you travel east from Harvard Sq., on Massachusetts Ave., you will arrive at **MIT** and the **MIT Museum**. This museum is a gem. It shows off inventions that both **MIT** professors and students (including **Olin**'s very own professor, Dr. Gill Pratt) have made in the area of artificial intelligence. Also displayed are some of the world's current and most sophisticated and imaginative concepts including the work of Dr. Harold Edgerton, who developed the electronic stroboscope, (remember the photo, *Shooting the Apple*), the engineering work of Arthur Ganson, who creates amazing mechanical sculptures based on gears and sprockets, a unique hologram collection, and an exhibit of how **MIT** began in 1861.
- **Museum of Science** — (617-723-2500), www.mos.org
Science Park (Rte. 28/O'Brien Hwy. between Charles St. and Commercial Ave.)
Located on the Cambridge side of the Charles River. Open daily 9:00 am – 5:00 pm; Friday open until 9:00 pm. This is a great science museum that is also home to the **Hayden Planetarium** and the **Mugar Omni Theater**.

LEXINGTON

Directions: Take I-95/128 North to Exit 30A (Rte. 2A East). Follow Rte. 2A for about 1 mile and take a left onto School St. Follow School St. for about .5 miles and take a right onto Massachusetts Ave. Follow Massachusetts Ave. for about 1 mile to the **Lexington Battle Green**.

This lovely historic town, with its bustling town center, is where the first military encounter of the American Revolution took place. Lexington is about 35 minutes from Olin. More information about touring Lexington is available at www.libertyride.us/

- **Lexington Battle Green** — www.libertyride.us/historic.html
Lexington Center at the intersection of Massachusetts Ave. and Rtes. 4/225.
Site of the first shots of the American Revolution, which were fired on April 19, 1775. A statue of Captain John Parker and other commemorative monuments line the green. As they gathered in the predawn hours of April 19, 1775, Captain Parker told the militia, “Stand your ground. Don’t fire unless fired upon but if they mean to have a war, let it begin here.”
- **Lexington Visitor Center** — (781-862-1450), www.lexingtonchamber.org/visitor.html
1875 Massachusetts Ave., Lexington
A diorama of the Battle of Lexington is displayed. Information about visiting the other Lexington sites can be obtained here. A gift shop and restrooms are available.
- **Hancock-Clarke House** — (781-862-1703), www.lexingtonhistory.org
36 Hancock St. (near Lexington Center)
Sam Adams and John Hancock stayed here on the night that Paul Revere and William Dawes rode out to warn them that the Redcoats were approaching.
- **Buckman Tavern** — (781-862-1703), www.lexingtonhistory.org
1 Bedford St., Lexington Center
This building served as the headquarters for the Minutemen before the battle on Lexington Green on the morning of April 19, 1775.
- **National Heritage Museum** — (781-861-6559), www.nationalheritagemuseum.org
33 Marrett Rd. (also Rte. 2A East), Lexington
Museum of daily life in the farming community of Lexington in 1775, as well as other changing exhibits that document American history and popular American culture. (Free museum admission and parking.) The museum hosts a nice cafe and lovely grounds.
- **Minute Man National Park Visitor Center** — (781-674-1920)
Rte. 2A West, Lexington (GPS: 250 Great Rd., Lincoln)
Hosts a multi-media presentation that relates what happened on the eve of April 19, 1775. Great for children and adults! For assistance planning your drive along the **Battle Road** between Lexington and Concord, visit <http://www.nps.gov/mima/index.htm>
. Recorded information about the **Minute Man National Park** is also available at 978-369-6993.

CONCORD

Directions: Take I-95/128N to Exit 30B (Rte. 2A West, Hanscom Field/Concord). Follow Rte. 2A West into Concord Center. Concord is only about 40 minutes from Olin.

If you are driving the Battle Road from the **Minuteman Visitors' Center** in Lexington, you will pass these **historic houses** in Concord. Buildings are open for tours, which are geared towards children, 10 and older, as well as adults. Each tour takes approximately 45 minutes.

- **Orchard House** — (978-369-4118), www.louisamayalcott.org
399 Lexington Rd., Concord
Home of Louisa May Alcott and the setting for *Little Women*
- **Emerson House** — (978-369-2236)
28 Cambridge Turnpike Rd., Concord
Home of Ralph Waldo Emerson
- **The Wayside** — (978-318-7826)
455 Lexington Rd., Concord
Home to the Alcott, Hawthorne, and Lothrop families
- **The Old Manse** — (978-369-3909), www.oldmanse.org
269 Monument St. (adjacent to Old North Bridge) Concord
Home to Nathaniel Hawthorne and the Emerson Family
- **Concord Museum** — (978-369-9763), www.concordmuseum.org
Located at the intersection of the Concord Turnpike and Lexington Rd., Concord. All of Concord's remarkable past is brought to life in a short film and through a variety of exhibits.
- **The Old North Bridge** — (978-369-6993), www.nps.gov/mima/
Ralph Waldo Emerson spoke of “the rude bridge that arched the flood” where they “fired the shot heard round the world”. Location of the famous **Minuteman Statue** created by Daniel Chester French (who also created the statue of Abraham Lincoln for the **Lincoln Memorial**)
Directions: From Concord Center, take a right onto Monument St. and follow 1/4 mile to the parking area on the right. The walkway to the bridge is across the street. The bridge is next to the Old Manse!
- **Sleepy Hollow Cemetery** — www.concordma.gov/pages/concordma_cemetery/sleepy
Rte. 62, Concord (follow Authors Ridge)
A peaceful walk to the gravesites of Thoreau, Emerson, Hawthorne, the Alcotts and Daniel Chester French.

- **Walden Pond** — (978-369-3254), www.mass.gov/dcr/parks/walden
Rte.126 (on the other side of Rte. 2), Concord
The setting for Thoreau’s book *Walden*, woods and pathways descend to the smooth water. You can walk around the pond (about 1 mile around) on a footpath or visit the site of Thoreau’s hand-hewn cabin from 1845-1847.
- **Concord’s Colonial Inn** — (800-369-9200), www.concordscolonialinn.com/
48 Monument Square, Concord
This charming old inn, dating to 1716, has several restaurants. Lunch and desserts are served on the porch in nice weather.

SALEM

This New England city is filled with history! Museums and historic sites inform the public about its time of shame with the **Salem Witch Trials** of 1692 and its time of glory in the 1800s with the Maritime Trade. Salem is especially exciting during their October celebration of Halloween, Haunted Happenings, www.hauntedhappeningssalem.com.

Directions: Take Rte. I-95/128 North. Stay on Rte. 128 North when the highway divides (do not follow I-95 North). Take Exit 25A off 128N and follow Rte.114 East into Salem. Follow signs to the Salem Visitor Center, Museum and Historic Sites, and downtown parking. Note that Rte. 114 East does a “zig and zag”. Give yourself a good hour to get there from Olin. Salem can be a very busy place to visit in October.

- **Salem Maritime National Historic Site** — (978-740-1650), www.nps.gov/sama/
193 Derby St., Salem
See the 18-minute award winning film *To the Farthest Ports of the Rich East*, which explains how Salem pioneered trade with the Orient. Then visit **The Custom House** across the street where Nathaniel Hawthorne worked and “found” the Scarlet Letter. Guided tours are offered by National Park Service Rangers. Call for tour times.
- **The House of Seven Gables** — (978-744-0991), www.7gables.org
115 Derby St., Salem
New England’s oldest mansion was made famous by Nathaniel Hawthorne who spent many of his younger years here.
- **The Salem Witch Museum** — (978-744-1692), www.salemwitchmuseum.com
Washington Square, Salem
A theatre-in-the-round that uses stage sets with life-size figures and lighting to dramatically relate the story of what happened during the witch hunts of Salem in 1692. Especially appealing to middle school children!

- **The Peabody Essex Museum** — (978-745-9500, 886-745-1876), www.pem.org
East India Square, Salem

This newly renovated museum, designed by architect Moshe Safdie, is worthy of a visit. The dramatic structure houses decorative arts from China, Japan, Korea, Africa, and the Pacific Islands, many of which were traded during the 1800s, the time of Salem's maritime glory. The museum also exhibits modern art from various parts of the world. The highlight of this museum is Yin Yu Tang, a late Qing Dynasty merchant's house and the only installation of its kind in North America. The house was disassembled in China and reassembled for permanent display at the **Peabody-Essex** as part of a cultural exchange between China and the United States.

PLYMOUTH

- **Plimoth Plantation and the Mayflower II** — (508-746-1622), www.plimoth.org
137 Warren Ave., Plymouth (50-60 minutes from Olin)

Plimoth Plantation is open from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm (7 days a week) from mid-March through late November. Please note that many people visit during October and November weekends, particularly if the weather is good.

Plimoth Plantation is a living museum, and all staff members wear historically accurate clothing and speak with guests in the roles of Pilgrims who actually lived on the plantation in 1627. Homes and structures have been constructed according to what research says they were like in 1627. While at **Plimoth Plantation**, follow the path to **Hobbamock's Homesite**. Wearing traditional deerskin clothing, modern day Wampanoags staff the site and tell visitors about the history of the Wampanoag, who have lived in this area for 12,000 years. Please check the website for ticket prices and operating hours.

Directions to Plimoth Plantation (137 Warren Ave., Plymouth): Follow Rte. 135 (Great Plain Ave.) through Needham Center and get onto Rte. I-95/128 South at Exit 17. In Dedham, the highway will split. It will now be called **Rte. 93 North** and the signs should say towards Braintree and may say towards Cape Cod. (Rte. 95 will split off towards Providence, RI which you do *not* want to do.) Follow Rte. 93 for about 6-7 miles and then take Rte. 3 South towards Cape Cod. Take Rte. 3 South to Exit 4 (Plimoth Plantation Highway). **This is a left exit.** Continue on Plimoth Plantation Highway for approximately 1 mile and take the exit for the museum. At the end of the exit ramp, turn right and proceed up the street for 20 yards. Turn right at the sign for the museum into the driveway.

Next, drive to the **Mayflower II**, which is moored in Plymouth Harbor, about 3 miles north of **Plimoth Plantation**. You will find it hard to imagine what it must have been like for the 102 passengers and 18 crewmembers to live on this ship for many months (and don't forget the food, supplies, equipment, and animals that were also crammed on board).

Directions from Plimoth Plantation to the Mayflower II: Go through the upper Main Parking lot to the road directing you to Rte. 3A. At the Plantation gates, turn left onto Rte.

3A North. Stay on Rte. 3A for about 3 miles. Turn right onto Water St. between Reliable Cleaners and Stevie's Pizza. The **Mayflower II** is docked at the State Pier about .25 miles on the right.

There are many restaurants on Water St. in Plymouth. **The Lobster Hut** (25 Town Wharf, 508-746-2270 or lobsterhutplymouth.com) is a local favorite, serving lobsters, steamers (clams), and other seafood as well as burgers and hot dogs. (If one is looking at the **Mayflower II**, the **Lobster Hut** will be at the **Town Wharf** about .5 miles to the left.)

Please note – on your return to Olin: From **Plymouth**, take Rte. 3 North to **Rte. 93 South** (stay to the left at the big split at the end of Rte. 3). After 6-7 miles, Rte. 93 South will then become Rte. 95/128 North. Follow Rte. 95/128 to Exit 17. Take Rte. 135 (Great Plain Ave.) through Needham Center to Olin College.

STURBRIDGE

- **Old Sturbridge Village** — (1-800-SEE-1830), www.osv.org
Rte. 20, 1 Stallion Hill Rd, Sturbridge (one hour west of Needham) Closed on Mondays. **Old Sturbridge Village** is a living history museum that is set up as a New England village, representing what everyday life for farmers and craftspeople would have been like in the 1830s. The village has more than 40 buildings, many of which are actual New England buildings that have been moved to Sturbridge over the last 50+ years. There is a covered bridge, along with a meeting house, school, mill, bank, barns, printing office, etc. The staff is dressed in appropriate clothing for the period and do the chores and tasks as the people would have in that time period. There are several dining options at **Old Sturbridge Village**. Please check the website for ticket prices and operating hours.

Directions: Take the Massachusetts Tpke. (Rte. 90) West to Exit 9. After the tolls, take the first right onto Rte. 20 West. Continue approximately one-half mile, stay in the right-hand lane and follow signs to **Old Sturbridge Village**.
- The **Publick House Historic Inn and Bake Shop** — Hotel reservations (508-347-3313), Dining reservations (508-347-7323 ex. 400), www.publickhouse.com
277 Main St. (Rte. 131, On the Common), Sturbridge
Built in 1771, this historic inn and restaurant has a long history of serving New Englanders. Costumed servers help guests step back in time to enjoy innovative New England fare along with old standbys such as clam chowder, baked onion soup, lobster pie and turkey dinners. Reservations are recommended.

WRENTHAM

- **Wrentham Village Premium Outlets** — (508-384-0600), www.premiumoutlets.com/wrentham
One Premium Outlets Blvd., Wrentham
Home to over 170 stores

Directions: Follow Rte. 135 (Great Plain Ave.) through Needham Center and get onto Rte. I-95/128 South from Exit 17. Take Rte. 95 South towards Providence, RI. Next, take Exit 6b, Rte. 495 North (toward Worcester) to Exit 15. Follow signs to the outlets (approx. 25-30 minutes from Olin).

CAPE COD & THE ISLANDS

Check www.capecod.com for links to many local attractions.

- **Cape Cod National Seashore** — Park Headquarters (508-771-2144), www.nps.gov/caco/
Beaches, walking trails, biking trails and roads remain open throughout the year, but may experience brief closures due to winter weather.
 - **Salt Pond Visitor Center**, Nauset Rd, off Rte 6 in Eastham (508-255-3421) is open daily from 9 am to 4:30 pm (5 pm in summer).
 - **Province Lands Visitor Center**, Race Point Rd, off Rte 6 in Provincetown (508-487-1256) is open daily, May 1 through October 31, from 9 am to 5 pm

Directions from Boston Area: Take Rte. 3 South, to the Sagamore Bridge in Bourne. Follow Rte. 6 eastward to Eastham and Provincetown. From Providence, RI: Take I-95 North to, I-195. Follow Rte. 6 eastward. Once on the Cape, most park features are off Rte. 6 from Eastham to Provincetown. Stop at a park visitor center to get a map of the local vicinity.

- **Whale Watching:**
 - Dolphin Fleet Whale Watch & Portuguese Princess** — (800-826-9300)
www.whalewatch.com
307 Commercial Street, Provincetown
- **JFK Hyannis Museum** — (508-790-3077), www.jfkhyannismuseum.org
397 Main Street, Hyannis
Please check the website for hours and additional information.

Directions from Boston: Take Rte. 3 South; follow signs for Cape Cod. Cross the Sagamore Bridge. Take Rte. 6 to Exit 7. Take left at end of Exit ramp onto Yarmouth Rd. Go straight through light at intersection of Rte. 28 and Yarmouth Road. Stay on Yarmouth Rd. by taking right fork immediately after light. Go to stop sign. Take right on Main St. Go straight on Main St. through two sets of lights. We're on the left just after the Post Office. Free parking on Main St. or in back in the Municipal Parking Lot.

- **Woods Hole** — (508-289-2252), www.who.edu
The village of **Woods Hole** is an international center for natural science. In addition to the Marine Biological Laboratory, the **Woods Hole** scientific community includes the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, the United States Geological Survey, the National Academy of Sciences, Sea Education Association and the Woods Hole Research Center.

Summer Walking Tours begin at the WHOI Information Office at 93 Water Street. WHOI volunteers guide visitors on free walking tours through the WHOI dock area and other restricted village facilities. Tours take approximately one hour and fifteen minutes and provide excellent background on the research conducted at WHOI and on the history of the Institution. Tours run in July and August, Monday through Friday. Please contact the Information Office for a reservation as space is limited. Telephone (508) 289-2252 or email information@who.edu.

- **Ocean Science Exhibit Center** — (508-289-2663), www.who.edu/page.do?pid=9135
15 School St. Woods Hole
Visitors to the Exhibit Center will learn about the Institution's ocean science research and the vessels and tools developed by WHOI engineers and scientists for use in that research. Please call for Exhibit Center Hours.
- **NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service Northeast Fisheries Science Center** — (508-495-2000), www.nefsc.noaa.gov/
166 Water St., Woods Hole
- **Marine Biological Laboratory** — (508-548-3705), www.mbl.edu
The MBL offers weekday tours late June through the end of August. Tours consist of a video presentation, a visit to the Marine Resources Center for a look at the marine animals used in MBL research, and a walking tour of the campus. Learn more about the Marine Biological Laboratory by visiting the **Pierce Visitors Center** at 100 Water St. in Woods Hole. Check website for May-December hours of operation.

Directions from Boston: Take Rte. 3 south; follow signs for Cape Cod. Cross the Sagamore Bridge, take the first exit off Rte. 6, and follow signs for Falmouth and Rte. 28. Travel south along the Cape Cod Canal until you reach the rotary at the base of the Bourne Bridge. Three quarters of the way around the rotary, bear right and continue south on Rte. 28. At the second rotary on Rte. 28, travel halfway around, bearing right to continue south to the town of Falmouth. Bear right at the Gulf station onto Woods Hole Rd. Travel two and one-half (2.5) miles to WHOI's Quissett campus (on the left), or four (4) miles to WHOI's facilities in the village of Woods Hole.

- **The Islands**
 - **Martha's Vineyard** — www.mvy.com
The Vineyard's main attractions include: Gay Head & East Chop lighthouses, gingerbread cottages, Flying Horses Carousel, Gay Head, Mytoi Japanese-style garden, Colonial Edgartown, Polly Hill Arboretum, Up-Island Stonewalls, Martha's Vineyard Museum and Aquinnah Cultural Center.
 - **Nantucket** — www.nantucket.net or www.nantucketchamber.org

PROVIDENCE, RI

For extensive information on parks, zoos, historical sites, museums, shopping and restaurants when visiting **Providence**, check out: www.visitrhodeisland.com/ or www.providenceri.com .

Contact information:

Rhode Island Tourism Division
315 Iron Horse Way, Suite 101
Providence, RI 02908
(800) 250-7384

Directions: Rte. I-95/128 South to Exit 1/I-95 South towards Providence, RI (approx. 45 mins. from Olin)

- **WaterFire Providence** — (401-273-1155), www.waterfire.org
Waterplace Park, Providence
Nearly one hundred bonfires illuminate the waters of the Providence River. Take a walk along cobblestone paths leading to Waterplace Park or ride a gondola as the smell of cedar and cultural music fill the air while passing through Venetian-style foot bridges. Please note that Waterfires are scheduled at sunset and are weather permitting. Although there are not any scheduled during Family Weekend, there may be other coordinating festivals scheduled or you may want to schedule it for another visit.
- **The State Capitol** — www.quahog.org/attractions/ and then select Rhode Island State House under the Architecture and Buildings menu of options.
This stately white Georgian marble structure is one of only four self-supporting domes in the world. (St. Peter's Basilica, the Taj Mahal and the Minnesota state capitol are the other three). Designed by McKim, Mead and White in 1891, it is the home of the original Rhode Island Charter and the historic portrait of George Washington painted by Gilbert Stuart, Rhode Island native and well-known Colonial portraitist.
- **Roger Williams Park & Zoo** — (401-785-3510), www.rogerwilliamsparkzoo.org/
1000 Elmwood Ave., Providence
This 430-acre Victorian park (1878) is flourished with waterways, walks, outdoor gardens, a Carousel Village, Museum of Natural History and planetarium and Roger Williams Park Zoo. The Zoo is home to 150 different species and over 900 animals. Visit the animals, play tennis, picnic or voyage over to the boathouse for paddle boats and mini-speedboats (open year round, ideal for children and the young at heart.) See website for details.

Directions: Rte. I-95 South; take Exit 17, Elmwood Ave.; left at light and park entrance is ½ block on left.

- **Theatres:**
 - **Providence IMAX Theatre** — (401-270-4646), www.nationalamusements.com/theatres and select Rhode Island and Providence from pull down menus.
10 Providence Place, Providence
 - **Providence Performing Arts Center** — (401-421-2787), www.ppacri.org/
220 Weybosset St., Providence
 - **Trinity Repertory Company** — (401-351-4242), www.trinityrep.com/
201 Washington St., Providence

- **Shopping and Dining:**
 - **Providence Place Mall** — (401-270-1000), www.providenceplace.com
One Providence Place, Rte. 95 Exit 22C
This five-floor mall is located alongside I-95 and has all your favorite shops including Abercrombie & Fitch, American Eagle, Ann Taylor, Banana Republic, Express, JCrew, Macy's, Nordstrom, Pottery Barn and more. The mall is also home to restaurants galore such as Cheesecake Factory, Legal Seafood, Joe's American Bar and Grill, and Fire and Ice.
 - **Federal Hill, East Side and Downtown**
Similar to Boston's North End, fine Italian cuisine resides in the west side's Federal Hill neighborhood. Don't miss the pizzerias or dessert cafés. On the East Side, near Brown University and the Rhode Island School of Design (RISD), you will find Asian, European and Latin American influence. Award winning restaurants featuring New American cuisine can be found in the Downtown area, where the financial district and the arts & entertainment district come together.

- **Slater Mill Historic Site** — (401-725-8638), <http://www.slatermill.org/>
67 Roosevelt Ave., Pawtucket
Seasonal Hours of Operation:
March - April: Saturday & Sunday 11am – 3pm
May - October: Tuesday – Sunday 10am – 4pm (closed Monday)
November - February: Group Tours (for groups of 5 or more) by appointment only
Old Slater Mill (1793), said to be the “Birthplace of the American Industry,” was the first factory in America to successfully produce cotton yarn with water-powered machines. It is currently used to illustrate the process of converting raw cotton to finished cloth. The historical treasure also includes the **Sylvanus Brown House** (1758) and the **Wilkinson Mill** (1810). A reconstructed 16,000 lb. water wheel is still functioning.

Directions from Boston area: Rte. I-95 South to Exit 29 (Downtown Pawtucket). Turn right at second stop sign on Broadway, right at first light on Exchange St., left at next light on Roosevelt Ave., Slater Mill is on the left past City Hall.

NEWPORT, RI

For information on parks, zoos, historical sites, museums, shopping and restaurants in **Newport**, check out: www.visitrhodeisland.com and www.newport-discovery-guide.com

Directions: Take Rte. I-95/128 South to 93 North. Next take Exit 4/Rte. 24 South (**do not** take Exit 1/Rte. I-95 South towards Providence, RI). Follow Rte. 24 South until the very end; after Exit 5, stay right when highway splits onto Rte. 195 West, stay in right lane and take next exit to get back on Rte. 24 South until the end. This brings you to Rte. 114 South/West Main Rd.; follow signs to Newport (approx. 1.5 hours from Olin).

- **International Tennis Hall of Fame** — (401-849-3990), www.tennisfame.com
194 Bellevue Ave., Newport (located in the historic Newport Casino)
Visit the oldest grass courts and the only ones open for public play in America. World-class tennis competition still takes place here. The Tennis Hall of Fame Museum features displays, artifacts and exhibits covering over a century of tennis history.
- **Newport Mansions** — (401-847-1000), www.newportmansions.org
Bellevue Ave. and Ocean Dr. are homes to many historic mansions and grand gardens. From inspiring architecture to elegant interior design, **The Breaker's**, **Rosecliff**, **Marble House**, **Astor's Beachwood**, **Ocean Cliff**, **Castle Hill** (restaurant and inn as well) and much more can be seen here. Drive by, stop and visit, or take a stroll down **Cliff Walk**, seaside walkway behind Bellevue Ave. Tours of some mansions are seasonal so call ahead.
- **Beaches** — www.riparks.com/listing.htm
Over 100 salt and fresh water beaches line Rhode Island communities such as Newport, Narragansett, Jamestown, Little Compton, Watch Hill and Block Island. Accommodations are available for activities such as swimming, picnicking, camping, horseback riding, surfing, skin diving, boating and water skiing. Shopping and restaurants are often found in these areas as well. Two historic state parks, **Fort Adams** and **Brenton Point** (both off of Ocean Dr.) are great spots for picnicking, kite flying, rollerblading and bike riding.
- **Segway of Newport Tours** — (470-619-4010), www.segwayofnewport.com
438 Thames St., Newport
Hop on a Segway for a guided tour of either the Historic Mansion area or a tour along the 10 mile "Ocean Drive". No experience necessary, but must be 16 and a licensed driver.
- **Shopping and Dining** — www.newport-discovery-guide.com/newport-rhode-island-shopping.html
Newport Waterfront Colonial Area features restored buildings, shops and homes of the Colonial Era. Visit this historic waterfront known as the "Sailing Capital of the World" and former home to the America's Cup for over 50 years. From Irish pubs to fine dining and gift shops to jewelry boutiques, many shops and restaurants line **Brick Market Place** and **Thames St.** Brick Alley Pub, Christie's, the Red Parrot, Ben and Jerry's, and Michael Hays are just a few hot spots to check out.

- **Sakonnet Vineyards** — (800-91WINES), www.sakonnetwine.com
162 West Main Rd., Little Compton (approx. 1 hr. from Olin)
Sakonnet Vineyards was founded in 1975 on the well-researched premise that the microclimate and soil conditions found along the southeastern New England coast closely resemble some of the great wine regions of the world, particularly, the maritime climates of northern France. At present, fifty acres are planted with many Vinifera varieties including Chardonnay, Gewurztraminer, Pinot Noir, and Cabernet Franc as well as Vidal Blanc one of the French-American hybrids. Wine production has climbed to over 30,000 cases annually with many wines receiving awards in domestic and international competitions.

Directions: Take Rte. I-95/128 South to Rte. 93 North (**do not** take Exit 1, I-95 South towards Providence, RI) to Exit 4, Rte. 24 South to Tiverton/Sakonnet for Rte. 77 (if you go over the Sakonnet River Bridge you have gone too far), take left off exit; stay straight through Historic Tiverton Four Corners (shopping, noted Gray’s Ice Cream, restaurants, etc.), then approx. 3 miles (about 15 mins. off highway). Stay straight on Main Rd. to encounter a few beaches.

- **Newport Vineyards & Winery** — (401-848-5161), www.newportvineyards.com
909 East Main Rd. (Rte. 138), Middletown
This family-run establishment was founded in 1977 overlooking Rhode Island Sound. Wines include Seyval, Vidal, Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, Marechal Foch, Cabernet Franc, Malbec and Landot Noir.

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