

Presents

THE BIG E

Day #1 – Monday, September 17, 2018

If your flight arrives mid-morning make your way to **Quincy Market**. Here you will join your traveling companions for an afternoon **guided tour** of this historic city that will include the **Old North Church and USS Constitution** as well as some of Boston's unique neighborhoods. Late afternoon we check into our Boston area hotel and the balance of your evening is free. (B)

Day #2 – Tuesday, September 18, 2018

Breakfast is included this morning before our departure and our drive to **Springfield, MA**. We arrive mid-morning at the **Eastern States Exhibition**, hosted by all six New England States and the largest fair on the Eastern Seaboard of the United States. At the Avenue of the States Exhibition you will find replicas of each New England states capitol building as well as food and goods unique to each state. Storrowtown Village is a complete replica of a 19th century village right on the fairgrounds. Another highlight is the **Wine and Cheese Barn and Mallory Rotunda** with a special sculpture made from butter. Explore the fairgrounds and enjoy lunch (on own). Depart the fair at 2:30 pm (hands will be stamped for re-entry) and drive to our hotel to check in, freshen up and unpack. A 4:00 PM departure from the hotel finds us returning to the fair. A dine around coupon will be provided for dinner at your choice of many venues with time to view the daily parade at 5:00 PM and entrance to the 8:00 pm live show concert. Return to the hotel after the concert. (B,DV)

Day #3 – Wednesday, September 19, 2018

After breakfast depart your hotel for **Springfield Museums with 4 complexes; Art, History, Science and Dr. Seuss Sculpture Gardens** and brand new **Dr. Seuss Museum**. Late morning, we depart the museums and return to the fair (lunch on own) with plenty of time to explore the fairgrounds. At 5:00 PM we have reservations for a private sit down **dinner at the historic Coliseum**. Reserved seats await us for the **Big E Circus** under the Big Top, featuring handpicked circus acts from around the world. Time to return to our hotel. (B,D)



Day #4 – Thursday, September 20, 2018

This morning after breakfast we are off to historic Stockbridge with time to browse the shops and explore the **Norman Rockwell Museum** with entrance fee included. Lunch is included today prior to our visit to the **Hancock Shaker Village**. Return to the hotel, relax and freshen up before visiting the **Yankee Candle Village** for a private event. You will have the run of the village and 30% off the entire store along with games, raffles, beer and wine sampling, live entertainment topped off with an included dinner. After an eventful day it is time to return to our hotel. (B,L,D)

Day #5 – Friday, September 21, 2018

This morning we depart Springfield, MA and head for the **Green Mountains of VT**. Be sure to take in the beautiful colors as we make our way to the **Vermont Country Store**. Spend some time browsing in the VT Country Store and shop for treasures of yesteryear. Leave Rockingham and travel to **Woodstock, VT** for lunch on own in this quaint, charming Village, also home of the **Middle Covered Bridge**. You will be escorted to Sugarbush cheese and maple farm before heading to your Lodging in Killington, VT. Spend two nights lodging in Killington, VT and be greeted with a Welcome Reception on arrival. (B,D)

Day #6 – Saturday, September 22, 2018

A hearty continental breakfast is served prior to our departure. Our first stop this morning is the **Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory** to learn how every scoop is packed with so much deliciousness...Yummy. Time will be given to shop and walk through the Flavor Graveyard to pay your respects to the dearly de-pinted flavors of years past. Remember the Sound of Music? Our next stop is at the **"Trapp Family Lodge"** for lunch and to learn about this memorable family. This afternoon finds us exploring the historic town of **Stowe, VT**. Browse the shops of this charming village with its "Most photographed Church Steeple". We return to our hotel with time to relax and enjoy dinner on your own. (B,L)

Day #7 – Sunday, September 23, 2018

After a hearty breakfast and our bags packed it is time to continue our travels. Our first photo stop is at **Quechee Gorge, Vermont's Little Grand Canyon**. Next we make our way to **Lincoln, New Hampshire** where we will experience the **Highland Games**, a celebration of Scottish Music, Food & Drink, Athletics, Dance, Heritage and more. Lunch is on your own at the festival followed by a ride to the top of mountain via the **Loon Gondola** for spectacular views. Time to make our way to our Portland with a complete downeast **Loobster Bake Dinner** included. (B,D)



Day #8 – Monday, September 24, 2018

This is your last full day in the New England area. This morning we are joined by a **local guide** who will share the diverse history and architecture of Portland. The childhood **home of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, The Victorian Mansion**, and the bustling **Old Port** are just a few of the landmarks you will see as we travel from the city streets to the rocky coast. Lunch on own and time will be given to explore, shop and browse in this quaint location in the Old Port by the wharf. Our afternoon is highlighted by a **90-minute Lighthouse Lovers Cruise** located in Portland Harbor. Four lighthouses can be seen up close with as many as seven in view including a close up view of Maine's oldest and most photographed lighthouse, Portland Head Light! Dinner is on your own this evening! (B)

Day #9 – Tuesday, September 25, 2018

Breakfast again before we transfer to Boston Logan Airport for our return flight to the Midwest. (B)

Travel Package Includes:

- Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation for East Coast Touring
- 8 Nights Accommodations
- Hotel Luggage Handling For One Suitcase Not To Exceed 50#
- 7 Breakfasts/2 Lunches/4 Dinners/1 Dinner Voucher
- Eastern States Exhibition (Parade, Concert Tickets & Circus Ticket)
- Museums of Springfield
- Norman Rockwell Museum
- Hancock Shaker Village
- Yankee Candle Factory
- Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory Tour & Store
- Quechee Gorge
- Highland Games "Scottish Festival at Loon Mountain"
- Loon Gondola
- Portland City Tour
- Lighthouse Lovers Cruise
- Tri-State Travel Tour Director
- Taxes and Gratuities on Included Accommodations, Attractions and Meals

Not Included:

- Airfare (Call iMAGINATION DESTINATIONS to arrange)
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- Meals (other than mentioned in the itinerary)
- Items of a personal nature (i.e., room service, telephone, liquor, etc.)
- Customary gratuities for the tour director, driver, and local guides
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- Travel Insurance/Travel Protection Plan

Your Tour Price:

\$2,229.00 per person – 3 to a room
\$2,379.00 per person – 2 to a room
\$2,919.00 per person – single

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