

New England *in the fall* Autumn Colors

September 27 – October 8, 2026

Trip # 20177



PACKAGE PRICE

Per Person based on appropriate hotel room occupancy:

Double: \$5,799.00 per person

Single: \$7,994.00 per person

Deposit:

Initial \$500.00 per person
Due upon booking

2nd Payment:

\$1750.00 per person
Due by March 27, 2026

Final Payment:

Balance per person
Due June 27, 2026

INCLUDES: Roundtrip motor coach transportation, lodging, meals as listed, programs and activities, Simply Special Tours by Kelly Tours tour director, snacks and drinks along the way, travel arrangements, and all taxes.

Discover charming New England through two train rides and three boating adventures across Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts, & Connecticut! Enjoy celebrated accommodations at Omni Mt. Washington, The Essex, Inn at Mill Falls, and Wentworth by the Sea!

SCHEDULE

Day 1, Sunday, September 27: As your Autumn Colors adventure through New England unfolds, enjoy the vibrant tapestry of fall hues that line your scenic drive into Pennsylvania. With October's golden leaves and crisp air surrounding you, it's the perfect time to savor nature's seasonal splendor. Overnight with an informal dinner at the hotel. **D**

Day 2, Monday, September 28: Today's journey north brings the beauty of fall into full view, with a delightful pause at a local orchard—perfect for savoring the season's flavors and crisp October air. By evening, you'll settle into the heart of Vermont at The Essex Resort & Spa for a two-night escape surrounded by fiery foliage and serene landscapes. Your stay is thoughtfully designed for both comfort and discovery while you're unwinding in your room, strolling the colorful grounds, and enjoying regional flavors. With warm hospitality and rustic charm, The Essex offers a refreshing blend of relaxation and autumnal indulgence. Tonight, indulge in a Green Mountain State-inspired dining experience crafted from locally sourced autumn ingredients as you unwind in true Vermont style. **B D**

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Day 3, Tuesday, September 29: As autumn colors begin to paint the Champlain Valley in radiant reds and golds, you'll start your morning at Lincoln Peak Vineyard, a welcoming, family-run farm in New Haven, Vermont. The vineyard spans 12 lush acres and is known for producing some of the state's finest cold-hardy grapes—varieties specifically chosen to thrive in Vermont's climate. Guided by passionate winemakers who blend global expertise with local tradition, the vineyard takes pride in sustainable practices and small-batch craftsmanship. During your tasting experience, you'll enjoy a curated flight of house-made wines ranging from crisp whites to complex reds, all grown and bottled on-site. The tranquil surroundings, rich with the scent of harvest and the crunch of leaves underfoot, make this a perfect way to connect with the landscape—and the soul—of Vermont. Next, treat yourself to a memorable lunch at the Waybury Inn, a beloved Vermont gem nestled in East Middlebury. Step into its cozy, historic charm and enjoy a relaxed yet elevated dining experience where seasonal creativity meets locally sourced autumn ingredients. Each dish is thoughtfully prepared to reflect the flavors of the season, while the atmosphere is warm, inviting, and steeped in character—making every bite feel like a homecoming. This afternoon, step aboard the Ethan Allen II for a scenic narrated cruise across the shimmering waters of Lake Champlain—an unforgettable way to experience Vermont's legendary fall foliage. As the ship glides north toward Lone Rock Point, you'll be surrounded by sweeping views of the Green Mountains ablaze in autumn color. The route loops gracefully around Juniper Island, passes the storied Rock Dunder, and winds into the quiet beauty of Shelburne Bay before returning through Burlington's South End. With crisp air, golden light, and the possibility of spotting "Champ," the lake's elusive mythical creature, this cruise offers both natural wonder and a touch of local lore. Keep your camera ready—every turn reveals a postcard-perfect moment. This evening, unwind at The Essex Resort with dinner on own. **B L**

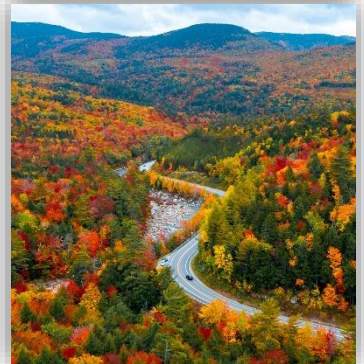
Day 4, Wednesday, September 30: This crisp October morning, journey east to Bethlehem, New Hampshire, where the golden hues of fall foliage frame your visit to the Rocks Estate—a beloved Christmas Tree Farm and a hidden gem for autumn travelers. Nestled on 1,400 scenic acres, this historic property serves as the North Country Conservation & Education Center for the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests, offering far more than its signature holiday evergreens. Stroll past rows of fir trees and classic stone walls along fields of foliage ablaze in autumn color, then enjoy a personalized, guided tour led by the Estate Manager. You'll learn about the art of tree farming and the history that shaped the land. Relax into the season on a horse-drawn wagon ride through vibrant fields and treat yourself to estate-made maple syrup—freshly harvested and full of fall's sweetness. Feel free to wander the grounds on your own, soaking up the crisp mountain air and peaceful charm of this quintessential New England retreat. Venturing a little further east, we arrive at Bretton Woods, New Hampshire. Nestled in the golden glow of autumn, the iconic Omni Mount Washington Resort & Spa offers the perfect blend of history, grandeur, and seasonal charm. Ground was broken on this storied hotel in 1900, with construction completed in 1902 by 250 Italian craftsmen whose masterful masonry and woodworking still grace the halls today. As you take a self-guided tour, you'll walk in the footsteps of presidents, poets, and pioneers—Thomas Edison, Babe Ruth, and three U.S. presidents among them—who once found inspiration in this mountain sanctuary. Throughout your two-night stay, the resort invites you to curate unforgettable moments and take in fall's brilliant foliage while enjoying gondola rides or cozing up by the fire. Evenings come alive with refined dining—whether it's the relaxed charm of Stickney's Steak & Chop Pub or the elegance of 1902—before nightcaps and nostalgia in The Cave, a prohibition-era speakeasy tucked beneath one of America's last grand hotels. Dinner is on your own, letting you choose how to indulge each night. Let the magic of Omni Mount Washington wrap you in warmth, history, and unforgettable beauty. **B**



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Day 5, Thursday, October 1: Wrap yourself in warm layers this morning for a breathtaking ascent to the top of New England aboard the legendary Mount Washington Cog Railway. This thrilling journey to the summit of Mount Washington—at 6,288 feet, the highest peak in the Northeast—is not just a scenic ride, but an unforgettable experience woven from history, engineering, and natural splendor. Since 1869, “The Cog” has been defying gravity and climate, climbing through three distinct zones via an ingenious cog-and-rack rail system. The railway’s powerful biodiesel locomotives and century-old coal-fired steam engines—with their signature slanted boilers—carry passengers up steep grades with ease, offering cozy hand-built coaches and knowledgeable onboard narrators who share fascinating insights into the railway’s design and the mountain’s famously wild weather. The three-hour round trip includes a one-hour layover at the summit, where the Sherman Adams Visitor Center and Tip Top House Museum provide a window into Mount Washington’s storied past. Enjoy an interactive weather exhibit, grab lunch in the cafeteria, and browse two charming gift shops before mailing a postcard from the summit’s unique post office. On clear days, you’ll be treated to panoramic views spanning five states, the Atlantic Ocean, and southern Quebec—or perhaps marvel at a dramatic “undercast,” with mountaintops peeking through a dreamy blanket of clouds. Whether you’re a history buff, a nature lover, or simply chasing unforgettable moments, your climb to the top of New England promises to be a true fall highlight. Back to the hotel for a free afternoon to enjoy the resort, then regroup for dinner on-site this evening. **B D**

Day 6, Friday, October 2: This morning, experience one of New England’s most unforgettable scenic drives along the legendary Kancamagus Highway, affectionately known as “The Kanc.” Spanning 34.5 miles through the heart of New Hampshire’s White Mountain National Forest, this American Scenic Byway winds past vibrant foliage, rushing rivers, and historic landmarks—earning its reputation as one of the top fall foliage viewing routes in the country. With no gas stations, restaurants, or modern distractions piercing its tranquility, The Kanc offers a serene escape into nature’s finest seasonal display. As you drive through forests steeped in history and rich indigenous heritage, you’ll be surrounded by the earthy aromas of pine and autumn leaves drifting through the crisp mountain air. Stops include the Sugar Hill Overlook, where panoramic vistas of brilliant treetops stretch to the horizon; the picturesque Albany Covered Bridge, nestled in a glowing canopy; and the dramatic Rocky Gorge, with its swirling waters and peaceful walking trails. Climbing nearly 3,000 feet to Kancamagus Pass near Lincoln, you’ll be immersed in uninterrupted beauty. This winding route through rugged terrain celebrates not just nature’s brilliance, but also the perseverance of the loggers and railroad workers who carved it out. Whether you’re a seasoned leaf peeper or simply seeking solace in the splendor of fall, The Kancamagus Highway promises an immersive and timeless experience. Enjoy a satisfying lunch at the Woodstock Inn Brewery in North Woodstock, where hearty fare and a sample tasting of the Inn’s handcrafted beers provide a perfect midday pause. Surrounded by rustic charm and a lively brewpub atmosphere, this stop combines local flavor with warm hospitality—an ideal complement to a foliage-filled morning. After lunch, the adventure continues as you ascend to new heights aboard the Cannon Mountain Aerial Tramway, one of New Hampshire’s most awe-inspiring alpine experiences. This exhilarating eight-minute ride lifts you to the summit of Cannon Mountain, where rugged peaks and sweeping views unfold in every direction. From the observation deck and summit loop trail, you’ll take in breathtaking vistas of the Franconia and Kinsman ranges, along with glimpses of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, and even Canada on clear days. As you walk the short summit loop, each turn reveals dramatic cliffs, forested valleys, and the vibrant tapestry of autumn across the landscape—a true feast for the senses. As evening settles in, we make our way to tonight’s restful retreat: The Inn at Mill Falls in Meredith, New Hampshire. Housed in a beautifully restored nineteenth-century linen mill, the inn greets you with the soothing sound of a cascading 40-foot waterfall and the earthy scent of fallen leaves—a warm autumnal ambiance that blends comfort, history, and natural beauty. Golden foliage frames the property as the sun begins to dip behind the hills, casting a soft glow on the surrounding town. With its prime location adjacent to the Marketplace’s shops, restaurants, and seasonal festivities, The Inn offers both tranquility and easy access to local charm. This inviting blend of historical reverence and timeless coziness is especially enchanting during the fall. Whether you’re stepping into one of The Inn’s cozy spaces to warm up by the fire, exploring the village’s centuries-old past wrapped in brilliant foliage, or simply gazing out over the lake as the autumn chill settles in, your evening promises a perfect October escape where heritage and hospitality converge in the heart of New England. **B L**

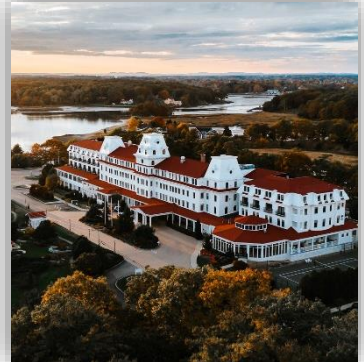
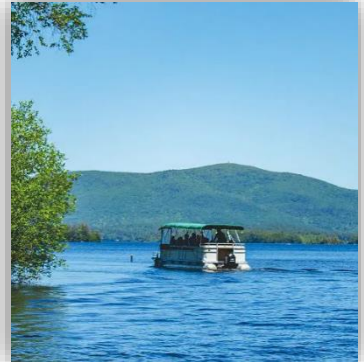


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Day 7, Saturday, October 3: As morning mist drifts across the shimmering surface of Meredith Bay, today's adventure begins with a cozy and delicious departure aboard the Turkey Dinner Train on the Winnepesaukee Railroad. This two-hour rail journey winds along the scenic lakeshore, treating you to classic New England views—rolling hills painted in fiery foliage, quaint towns nestled into the landscape, and flashes of lake water dancing in the autumn light. Inside the warmly appointed railcars, enjoy a comforting feast from Hart's Turkey Farm Restaurant, featuring hot roast turkey carved right at your table, complete with stuffing, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, and all the traditional trimmings that make a harvest meal so memorable. The gentle rhythm of the train, combined with the savory aromas and lake views, creates an atmosphere that's both festive and relaxing—perfect for this October morning. This experience isn't just about the meal; it's about savoring autumn with all your senses, wrapped in a vintage journey through one of New Hampshire's most beloved landscapes. Next, embrace the quiet beauty of autumn with a guided cruise on Squam Lake—New Hampshire's sparkling gem and the iconic setting of On Golden Pond. Just like Katharine Hepburn and Henry Fonda, you'll drift across crystal-clear waters framed by rocky shores, celebrated islands, and historic lakeside homes. As the boat glides past Juniper Island and Church Island, the vibrant foliage of the surrounding mountains reflects the changing season and the passage of time. Keep watch for loons, bald eagles, and other remarkable wildlife that call this tranquil haven home. It's a moment to pause, reflect, and let the timeless magic of Squam Lake wash over you. Return to Meredith for your final memorable evening at The Inn. **B L**

Day 8, Sunday, October 4: Today we visit the quintessential New England village of Concord where the "shot that was heard around the world" was fired, marking the start of the Revolutionary War. Stroll through history with your local guide, at Minuteman National Historic Park and walk in the footsteps of the Minute Men & Redcoats as you cross the Old North Bridge, all in the beautiful setting of a New England Fall. Lunch is included at The Colonial Inn which dates back to 1716. We then continue our journey south. This evening, embrace the coastal charm and tranquil elegance of New Castle as you settle into your water view room at the storied Wentworth by the Sea. Overlooking the serene waters of Little Harbor or the Piscataqua River, your room offers sweeping views framed by historic architecture and boutique décor. Whether you're sipping wine on your private balcony or watching sailboats drift by from a cozy window seat, the ambiance is pure New England romance. With thoughtful amenities and timeless hospitality, Wentworth becomes more than just a place to stay—it's your peaceful retreat by the sea for the next two nights. **B L**

Day 9, Monday, October 5: With October's soft golden light and cool coastal breeze as your backdrop, begin your day with a relaxing breakfast at the hotel, fueling up for a journey through Maine's coastal towns. Your first destination is York, where your step-on guide joins the group, bringing the region's rich history to life through vivid storytelling. As you pass through York, you'll view the preserved colonial buildings of the Old York Historical Society Campus that reflect centuries of settlement. Then, enjoy local commentary as you take in the scenic beauty of Long Sands and Short Sands Beaches, two beloved stretches of coastline where waves roll in against rugged shores. Continue north to Ogunquit, a town celebrated for its natural beauty and artistic spirit. At Perkins Cove, your guide will share rich details about the quaint fishing village's heritage, dotted with artisan boutiques and a picturesque footbridge that spans the tidal inlet. Passing through Wells, you'll hear stories of early settlements and cultural landmarks that defined this quiet town. Arriving in Kennebunk, the drive down Summer Street reveals elegant shipbuilders' homes, including the famously ornate Wedding Cake House, a marvel of Gothic trim and Victorian flair, celebrated for its ornate design and romantic lore. Coastal Kennebunk unfolds next with a shoreline drive past Mother's Beach and Gooch's Beach, where tide-worn rocks and gentle surf meet lush beachfront homes. A brief stop at the peaceful Franciscan Monastery, invites you to stretch your legs, visit the chapel, browse the gift shop, or simply enjoy the calm of its gardens. Finally, explore Kennebunkport, where Dock Square's charming shops and galleries welcome you with classic New England appeal. The Ocean Avenue drive offers stunning viewpoints, from the Bush Family Compound at Walker's Point, to the historic stone beauty of St. Ann's Church perched above the Atlantic, and the serene dunes of Goose Rocks Beach, where sand and sky meet in quiet elegance. Finally, with the sun creeping lower over the coastal horizon, you'll return to the familiar comfort of Wentworth by the Sea, your heart full and your senses enriched by a day steeped in Maine's seasonal beauty and seafaring legacy. **B**

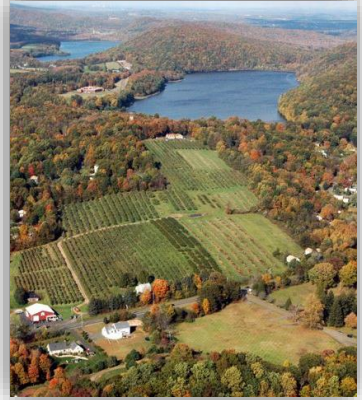


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Day 10, Tuesday, October 6: Today's journey leads you to the charming riverside town of Essex, Connecticut, where you'll enjoy an included lunch amid quaint shops and cozy cafés. Afterward, immerse yourself in the rich history of the region with a visit to the Connecticut River Museum, where permanent exhibits like *On the Great River*, *The River That Connects Us*, and the towering *Vertical Gallery* offer a fascinating look at the river's cultural and ecological significance. From there, prepare for an unforgettable two-hour cruise aboard their river boat, departing right from the museum's dock. As you glide along the Lower Connecticut River, you'll be treated to vibrant October foliage, sightings of local wildlife such as ospreys and bald eagles, and stories that bring the river's legacy to life. The afternoon continues with a festive stop at Bishop's Orchards in Guilford, where you can pick apples or pumpkins, browse the farm market for fresh seasonal treats, and enjoy the rustic charm of this beloved local destination. As evening falls, check in to the Cambria Hotel in New Haven, a modern boutique-style retreat just steps from downtown and Yale University. Whether you choose to dine at the hotel's locally inspired restaurant or venture out to explore the city's vibrant culinary scene, you'll be perfectly positioned to enjoy New Haven's best shopping, dining, and cultural attractions. **B L**

Day 11, Wednesday, October 7: Today, as you journey southward from Connecticut toward the final evening of your fall adventure, the road opens up one last time for discovery. With vibrant memories behind and fresh moments still ahead, you'll enjoy a special stop: a hearty Grand Smorgasbord lunch at Hershey Farm in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. This local favorite offers a true taste of Pennsylvania Dutch country—from savory classics to sweet homestyle desserts, served in a warm and welcoming setting. After lunch, enjoy some afternoon free time at Kitchen Kettle Village, nestled in the heart of Lancaster County. Stroll through over 40 charming shops featuring handmade quilts, local art, gourmet foods, and unique gifts. Sample fresh jams and relishes at the Jam & Relish Kitchen, watch artisans at work, or simply soak in the cozy village atmosphere. Whether you're browsing, tasting, or relaxing, it's a perfect way to savor the spirit of the season. As the sun dips lower and you roll into Hagerstown, Maryland—a hidden gem chosen to celebrate fall's gentle farewell—settle in and unwind, knowing tomorrow brings the final leg home. **B L**

Day 12, Thursday, October 8: After a journey filled with golden leaves, coastal views, mountain summits, and historic railways, today you head home- closing the final chapter of your New England fall adventure. It's been a true pleasure sharing this colorful experience with you. Until your next adventure with us, safe and happy travels! **B**



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MEALS:

B Breakfast
L Lunch
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R Hotel Reception

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