

**“Islands of New England”
October 3rd - 10th, 2008**

Venture Bank Premier 50 Travel Itinerary

Friday, October 3, 2008 – Providence RI – Tour Begins

- Your tour begins in Providence, the capital of Rhode Island, nestled in the heart of New England.

Saturday, October 4, 2008 – Providence – Newport – Providence

- Known as “America’s Renaissance City,” Providence offers historically significant treasures like the Baptist Meeting House, the first Baptist Church in America. See this and other sights including renowned Brown University, founded in 1764, on your sightseeing tour of this city.
- Later, visit Newport, the “Yachting Capital of the East.” Travel along breathtaking Ocean Drive on your way to Bellevue Avenue which is lined with 11 historic mansions representative of America's Gilded Age and its socially and financially preeminent families. Built beginning in the mid-1800's as summer "cottages," 7 of the 11 mansions have been designated National Historic Landmarks.
- You will have the opportunity to tour the Marble House, one of these architectural marvels. As you explore the gorgeous summer home of Mr. and Mrs. William Vanderbilt, you will gain an understanding of why Newport became known as a legendary resort.
- Today breakfast and dinner are included.

Sunday, October 5, 2008 – Providence – Boston, MA – Providence

- Today you depart Providence and travel north to the exciting city of Boston. Your passport to history, Boston’s charm will envelop you while on a tour of Beacon Hill, the Old South Meeting House, the Public Gardens, the historic North End, the Old North Church, the U.S.S. Constitution and Faneuil Hall Marketplace. With time at leisure, you may stroll along the famed Freedom Trail, a 2.5 mile walking path along the streets of Boston showcasing the city's historical sites. Perhaps you would rather explore the lively marketplace in Faneuil Hall or peruse the red-brick townhouses, quaint boutiques, outdoor cafés and art galleries found along Newbury Street.
- Today breakfast is included.

Monday, October 6, 2008 – Providence – Cape Cod, MA

- Today you'll tour a traditional New England cranberry bog and learn about dry harvesting. Perhaps you'll bring a taste of New England home with you.
- Next, step back in time with a stop in the celebrated city of Plymouth. It was here, in 1620, that the Pilgrims landed. See legendary Plymouth Rock and board a reproduction of the Mayflower, the 102-passenger ship used by the Pilgrims for the 65-day journey from England. You will experience the Pilgrim way of life with a visit to *Plimoth Plantation* (correct spelling), a re-creation of a 17th-century Pilgrim village.
- Today breakfast and dinner are included.

Tuesday, October 7, 2008 – Cape Cod – Martha's Vineyard – Cape Cod

- A ferry ride transports you to the beautiful island of Martha's Vineyard where you will spend a full day. Known for visits by presidents and royalty, this summer home to many artists, writers and celebrities is full of surprises. A local guide will show you all the highlights of "the Vineyard," including quaint gingerbread-styled cottages, and a once-famous whaling port, resplendent with sea captain's homes and widow's walks.
- Later, depart Martha's Vineyard and cruise back to Cape Cod.
- Tonight, indulge in a traditional, savory New England lobster feast.
- Today breakfast and dinner are included.

Wednesday, October 8, 2008 – Cape Cod – Nantucket – Cape Cod

- Today you visit the incomparable Nantucket. You will step aboard a ferry complete with all the luxuries of first-class ferry service, including couch seating, air conditioning and bar service in the bow section of the boat.
- Arriving in Nantucket, you will set out on a tour of the island. Behold the beauty of this idyllic paradise, from its beautiful cottages to its beaches and lighthouses.
- Then, enjoy leisure time to explore the island on your own. Take a stroll along the waterfront and see many marinas while enjoying fresh ice cream. Walk along Main Street's cobble-stoned road, where you can shop for Nantucket baskets and enjoy the seafood at a quaint restaurant.
- Today breakfast is included.

Thursday, October 9, 2008 – Cape Cod – Provincetown – Cape Cod

- Your day begins with a tour of Hyannis. Catch a rare glimpse of the Camelot era as you travel through Hyannisport, home of the Kennedy compound, and visit the poignant Kennedy Memorial.
- Visit charming Provincetown, a lively artist colony, famous for its crafts and bright, Cape Cod flair. Perhaps you will want to journey via a dune buggy along the beaches, which is a fun, adventurous way to explore the beauty of this unparalleled seashore.
- Your evening features a dazzling farewell dinner onboard an elegant dinner train. Indulge in a fabulous meal while you sit back and watch the beautiful Cape Cod scenery roll by.
- Today breakfast and dinner are included.

Friday, October 10, 2008 – Cape Cod – Tour Ends

- Your tour ends on Cape Cod today. Look back with many wonderful memories of your vacation to the islands of New England.
- Today breakfast is included.