





# WHEN the ATLANTIC BREEZE FLOATS PAST your EARS, it SAYS "WELCOME."



THE VIEWS, SPECTACULAR. THE FOOD, AMAZING. THE PEOPLE, WELCOMING, THIS IS MAINE, WHERE THE UNEXPECTED CON RTABLY LIVES AROUND EVERY CORNER. IT'S IRONIC HOW THE STATE WITH SUCH A SHORT NAME HAS A LONG LIST OF THINGS TO DO. BUT IT'S TRUE. HERE, THE FOUR SEASONS AND THE FIVE SENSES ARE THE BEST OF FRIENDS. THIS IS A STATE THAT BEGS YOU TO BE SPONTANEOUS AND DESIGN YOUR OWN DAY. SO LET OUR STATE WRAP ITS ARMS AROUND YOU. GET OFF THE BEATEN PATH AND VISIT US. THE MOMENT YOU ARRIVE, YOU WILL BE TAKEN TO A TOTALLY DIFFERENT PLACE.



# DISCOVER a BREATHTAKING VIEW. GET YOUR BREATH BACK in TIME for the NEXT ONE.



In Maine, the arresting magnificence of our natural surroundings inspires and propels us to live each day to its maximum potential. Wake up on the coast, scale a mountain in the afternoon, and end your day in a wilderness lodge nestled deep within the forest. With a landscape as diverse as ours, boredom becomes obsolete and boundless possibility is the norm.

..... FAST FACTS .....

Maine is the first state to see the sunrise every morning. No wonder we're all about the outdoors.

Maine has 3,500 miles of coastline. That's all the way across the USA and halfway back.

The Maine State Animal is the moose. In fact, we have more moose per square mile than any other state.

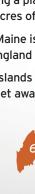
Like to fish or canoe? Maine has over 32,000 miles of rivers and streams and over 6,000 lakes and ponds.

Acadia National Park is the second most visited national park in the United States.

Your chances of finding a place to camp are quite good: We have 542,629 acres of state and national parks.

Geographically, Maine is bigger than the other five New England states combined.

There are over 3,000 islands along Maine's coast. In other words, if you want to get away, we have plenty of options.







## to NEED a MAP. AND a MENU.



Maine has a whole set of its own iconic flavors. When you crack into the hard red exterior of a just-caught-and-cooked Maine lobster, you taste our heritage, our culture and the backbone of our hardworking economy. When you pick a ripe Maine blueberry and pop it into your mouth, you taste the sweetness of summer relaxation. When the flavor of fresh Maine maple syrup hits you, it's like sweet victory.

The eclectic dining scene in Maine is one of the best-kept secrets of the Northeast. Here, innovative chefs combine "farm-to-table" with "sea-to-table," creating dynamic dining experiences you'll never forget. Eat lunch on paper plates at an oceanside lobster shack and experience the best lobster roll you'll ever have followed by a classic Maine whoopie pie for dessert. For dinner, make reservations at one of our amazing restaurants and revel in the inventive flavors and unparalleled freshness. To truly experience Maine, you have to taste it.

FAST FACTS

Maine produces 99% of all wild blueberries in the country, making it the single largest producer of blueberries in the United States.

Approximately 40 million pounds (nearly 90%) of the nation's lobster supply is caught off the coast of Maine.







# MANY EXPLORERS here DISCOVER SOMETHING UNEXPECTED: Their OWN CREATIVITY.



Maine is an artist's refuge, a land of restorative calm with millions of acres filled with natural muses ready to ignite the creative spark. In Maine, the arts are treated as a state treasure: carefully cultivated and allowed to flourish.

From artist colonies to art museums, from street art to Maine-made crafts handed down through generations, we understand the necessity of art and integrate it into our state's culture. We invite you to explore all that Maine's arts and culture scene has to offer and hope you find your Maine muse along the way.

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Portland is the birthplace of poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

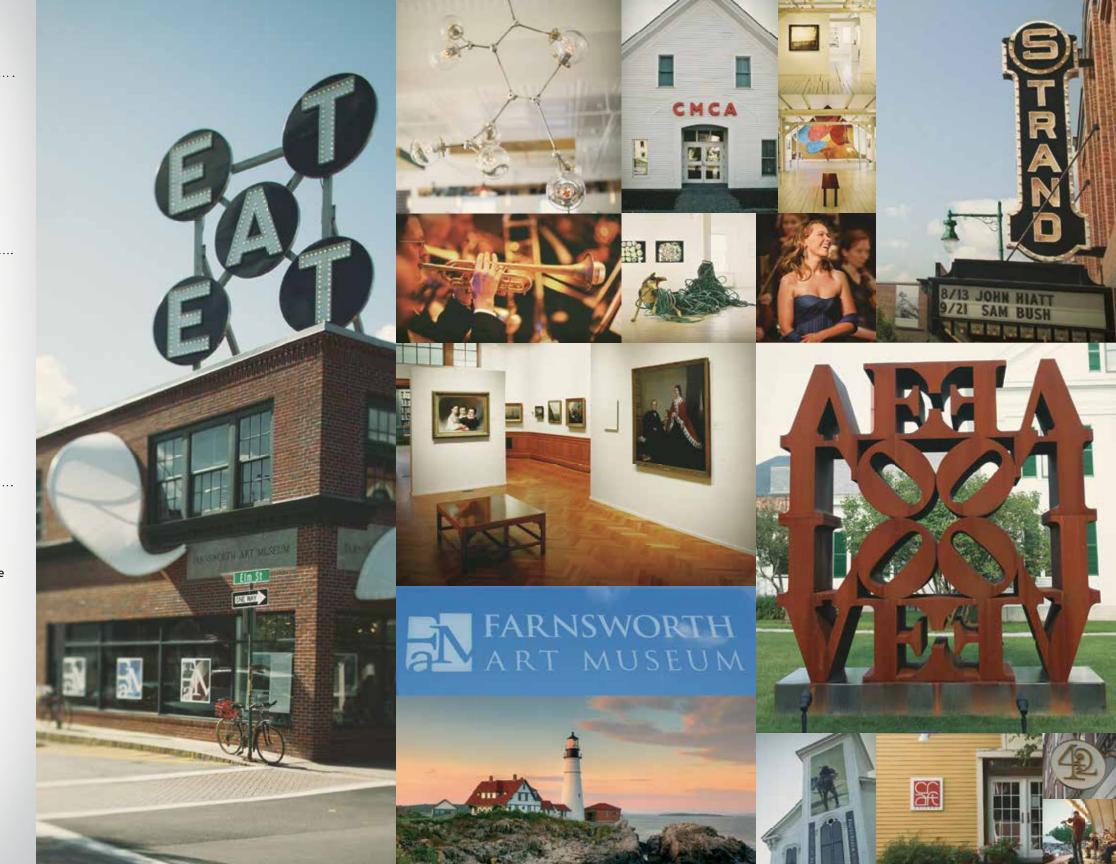
Author Stephen King is a resident of Bangor, Maine.

Edward Hopper settled in Ogunquit, Maine to produce seven oil paintings of his bucolic surroundings.

Film and television actor Patrick Dempsey was born in Lewiston, Maine.

Legendary artist Winslow Homer painted many of his masterpieces at his studio in Prouts Neck, which is open to the public.

Artist Robert Indiana lives in Maine; his famous "EAT" sign (right) is currently on display above the Farnsworth Art Museum in Rockland-it was first shown at the 1964 World's Fair.







### YOU CAN EXPLORE the GREAT INDOORS HERE too.



In Maine, you'll uncover unique diamonds in the rough at our many flea markets and antique stores, a variety of high-quality goods handcrafted by local artisans at our eclectic boutiques throughout the state, and a chance to shop at the iconic L.L. Bean flagship store in Freeport. A day of shopping in Maine translates to a day of discovery and treasure hunting, the spoils of which will (hopefully) tide you over until your next Maine shopping excursion.

..... FAST FACTS .....

L.L. Bean's flagship store is located in Freeport, Maine and is the first retail clothier to be open 24/7/365.

Maine is home to many of the best boat builders in the world: Hinckley, Sabre, Back Cove, Duffy, Lyman-Morse, Egg Harbor, Calvin Beal, Robert Stevens, Old Town Canoe, Downeast, L.L. Bean, Atlantic and The Landing School.

In Wilton, Maine there's a cannery that imports and cans only dandelion greens.

Sea Bags are authentic tote bags and accessories made from actual sails from boats on Portland's waterfront.

90% of the country's toothpick supply is produced in Maine.







### In MANY WAYS, the WHOLE STATE TUCKS YOU in the MOMENT YOU ARRIVE.



Whether you seek luxury or rustic charm, or if the only comfort you need is a clear night's sky full of stars, Maine can accommodate. Lodging options run the gamut from highend accommodations with spa amenities to secluded log cabins away from it all. Campsites, wilderness lodges, adventure resorts, private rentals, hotels, and motels are all given the "Maine treatment" and await your arrival.

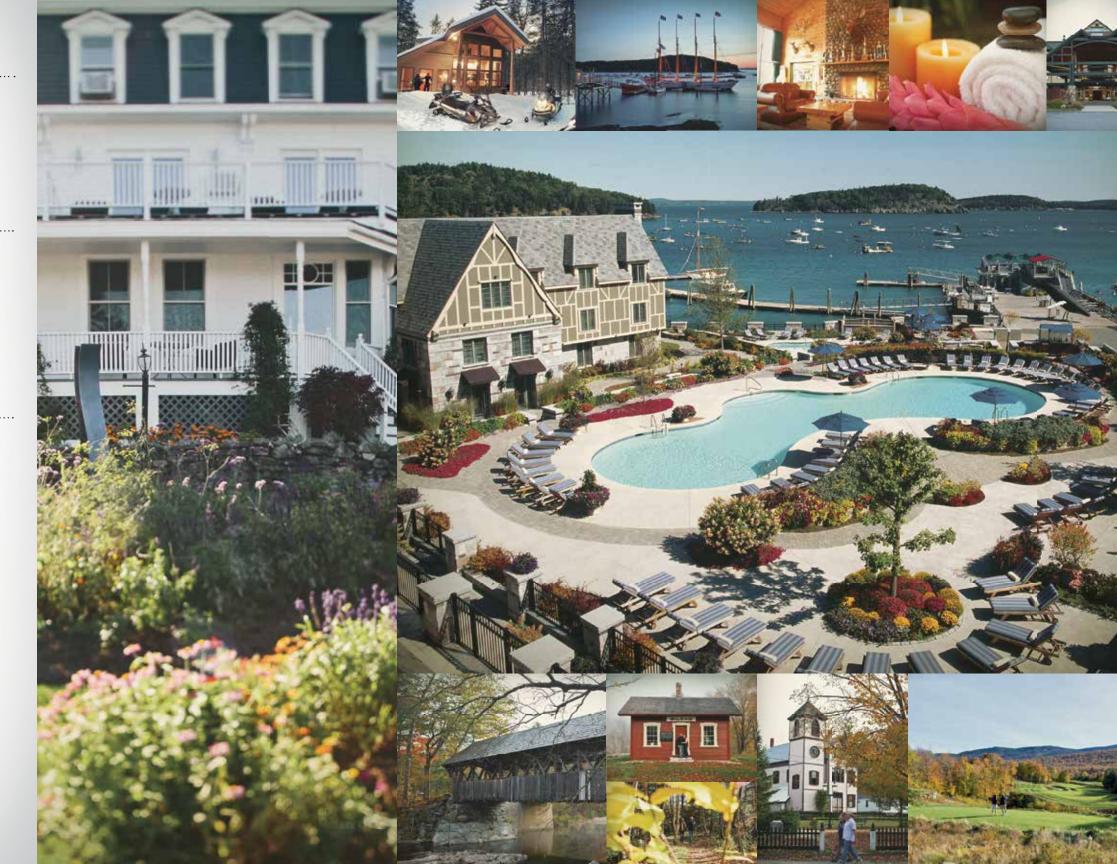
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Maine's coastline has so many deep harbors, it could provide anchorage for all the navy fleets in the world.

America's first chartered city was York, Maine in 1641.

31.7: height in feet of Ed Jarrett's world-record sand castle, constructed in South Casco, Maine, in 2007.

Located off the coast of York, the light from the Nubble Lighthouse's Fresnel lens is visible for 13 nautical miles in clear weather.



### NOTES





For a more complete listing, go to visitmaine.com/things-to-do/events

### **JANUARY**

Snowmobile Snodeo, Rangeley

### **FEBRUARY**

Caribou Winter Carnival and Snowmobile Festival

### MARCH

Maine Maple Sunday, multiple locations

### APRIL

Fisherman's Festival, Boothbay Harbor

### MAY

Moose Mania, Greenville

### JUNE

Windjammer Days, Boothbay Harbor

### **JULY**

Bates Dance Festival, Lewiston Maine International Film Festival, Waterville Maine Potato Blossom Festival, Fort Fairfield Yarmouth Clam Festival

### **AUGUST**

Acadian Festival, Madawaska Maine Lobster Festival, Rockland Machias Wild Blueberry Festival American Folk Festival, Bangor

### **SEPTEMBER**

Capriccio Festival, Ogunquit Common Ground Fair, Unity

### OCTOBER

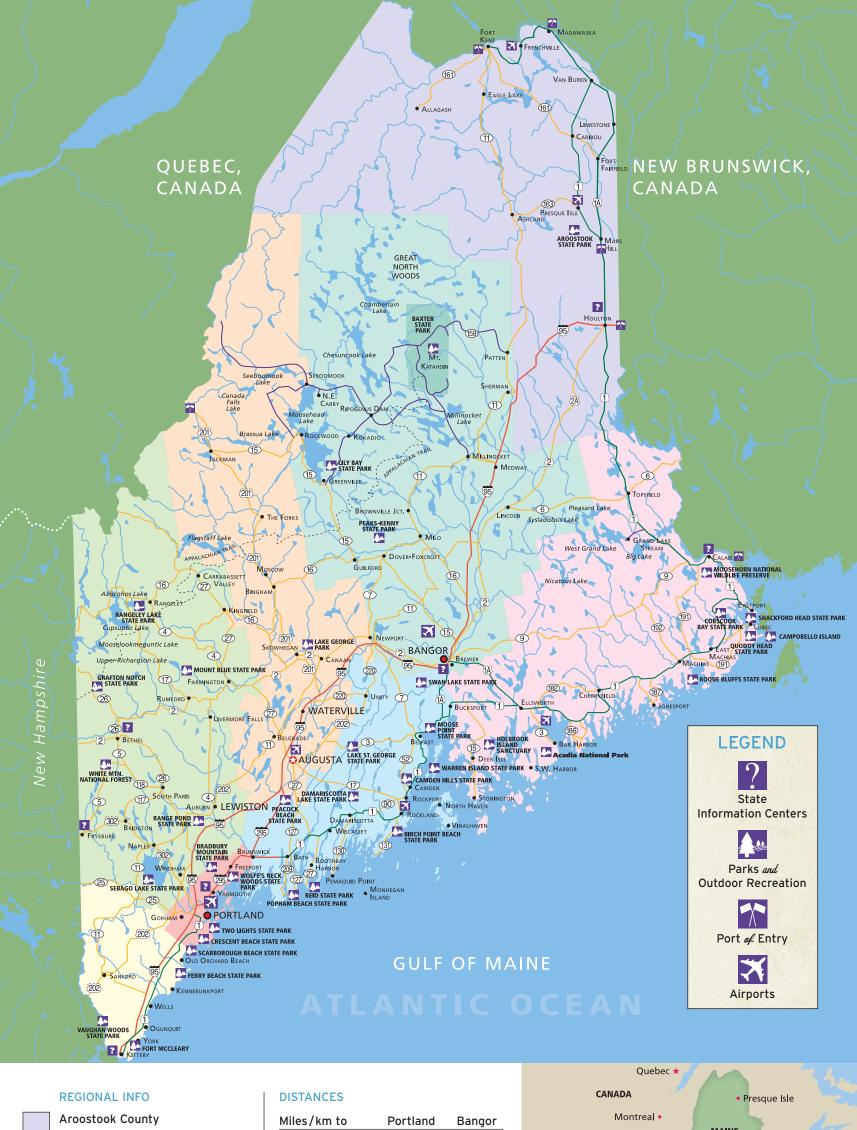
Fryeburg Fair Harvest on the Harbor, Portland

### NOVEMBER

United Maine Craftsmen Shows, multiple locations

### DECEMBER

Sparkle Weekend, Freeport Christmas Prelude, Kennebunkport



www.visitaroostook.com

DownEast & Acadia www.downeastregion.com

Greater Portland & Casco Bay www.visitportiand.com

Kennebec & Moose River Valleys www.kennebecvalley.org

Maine's Lakes & Mountains www.westernmaine.org

Mid-Coast www.mainesmidcoast.com

The Maine Beaches www.MaineBeachesAssociation.org

The Maine Highlands www.themainehighlands.com

Miles/km to	Portland	Bangor
Boston	106/171	231/373
Hartford	203/327	328/529
Albany	267/431	392/632
New York City	311/502	436/703
Philadelphia	402/648	527/850
Washington, DC	535/863	670/1081
Ottawa	369/595	414/668
Montreal	256/413	301/485
Quebec	277/447	243/392
Saint John, NB	398/642	266/429





Maine is closer than you think. And, whether you're coming by car, plane, train or boat, Maine offers travel options from all corners of the globe.

### BY LAND

Maine is within just an hour's drive from Boston, and only a six-hour drive from New York City! In addition, train service offers a convenient and scenic travel option from Boston to Portland. Several bus lines also offer service to Maine from Boston and New York City. If you're planning on driving as a secondary mode of transportation, you'll find major car rental agencies located at Maine airports and in several Maine cities; consult the Maine Office of Tourism's Web site at www.visitmaine.com for more details and complete lists of transportation services.

Train Service Amtrak DownEaster www.amtrakdowneaster.com

Bus Services Concord Trailways www.concordcoachlines.com

Greyhound Bus Lines www.greyhound.com

### BY AIR

For those who prefer to fly, Maine offers several options-major airports are located in Bangor and Portland, and regional airports are conveniently located throughout the state. Consult visitmaine.com for a list of Maine airports and other transportation services.

### **GATEWAYS**

Portland International Jetport (PWM) Portland www.portlandjetport.org

Bangor International Airport (BGR) Bangor www.flybangor.com

### BY SEA

Ferry services offer many exciting travel opportunities between points on the Maine coast and its scenic islands. Maine is also a popular cruise ship destination.

Maine State Ferry Service www.exploremaine.org/ferry/index.html

Casco Bay Lines www.cascobaylines.com

CruiseMaine www.cruisemaineusa.com



Maine enjoys a healthy, invigorating climate: Its smog-free air, moderate temperatures, and climatological zones ranging from mountain to seaside elevations combine to make Maine a highly desirable four-season destination.

Maine has one of the most comfortable statewide summer climates in the nation, with peak temperatures averaging about 70°F (21°C) throughout the state. Summer nights are usually cool and pleasant. Fall is one of Maine's most glorious seasons, with crisp, sun-swept days (averaging about 55°F) and cool evenings. Winters are generally cold, but prolonged cold spells are rare. Average snowfall is between 60 to 90 inches (152 to 228 cm), making Maine very popular with skiers and other winter outdoor enthusiasts.





Maine's wonderful range of accommodations will suit any taste, from simple to elegant. Enjoy historic inns, sea captains' housesturned-B&Bs, grand resorts, rustic lodges, or convenient and affordable hotels and motels. For a searchable Maine lodging database, go to visitmaine.com.



### GENERAL TRAVEL INFO

Maine Tourism Association mainetourism.com

### DINING

Maine Restaurant Association mainerestaurant.com

### ARTS

Maine Arts Commission MaineArts.com

The Maine Art Museum Trail maineartmuseums.org

### LODGING

Maine Innkeepers Association maineinns.com

Maine Campground Owners Association campmaine.com

### SHOPPING

Freeport Merchants Association freeportusa.com

Kittery Outlet Association thekitteryoutlets.com

Maine Antique Dealers Association maineantiques.org

Maine Craft Association www.mainecrafts.org

Maine Made mainemade.com

### SPECIAL INTEREST & OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

Maine Windjammer Association sailmainecoast.com

Raft Maine raftmaine.com

Maine Professional Guides Association maineguides.org

Ski Maine Association skimaine.com

Maine Birding Trail mainebirdingtrail.com

Maine State Parks maine.gov/dacf/parks/index.shtml

Maine State Parks Passport Program maine.gov/dacf/parks/discover\_history\_ explore\_nature/activities/passport\_ program.shtml

Maine Wilderness Guides Association mwgo.org

Maine Island Trail Association mita.org

Northern Forest Canoe Trail northernforestcanoetrail.org

Golf Maine golfme.com

Maine Lobster Marketing Collaborative lobsterfrommaine.com

Appalachian Trail appalachiantrail.org

Scenic Byways exploremaine.org/byways/

Maine Snowmobile Association mesnow.com



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