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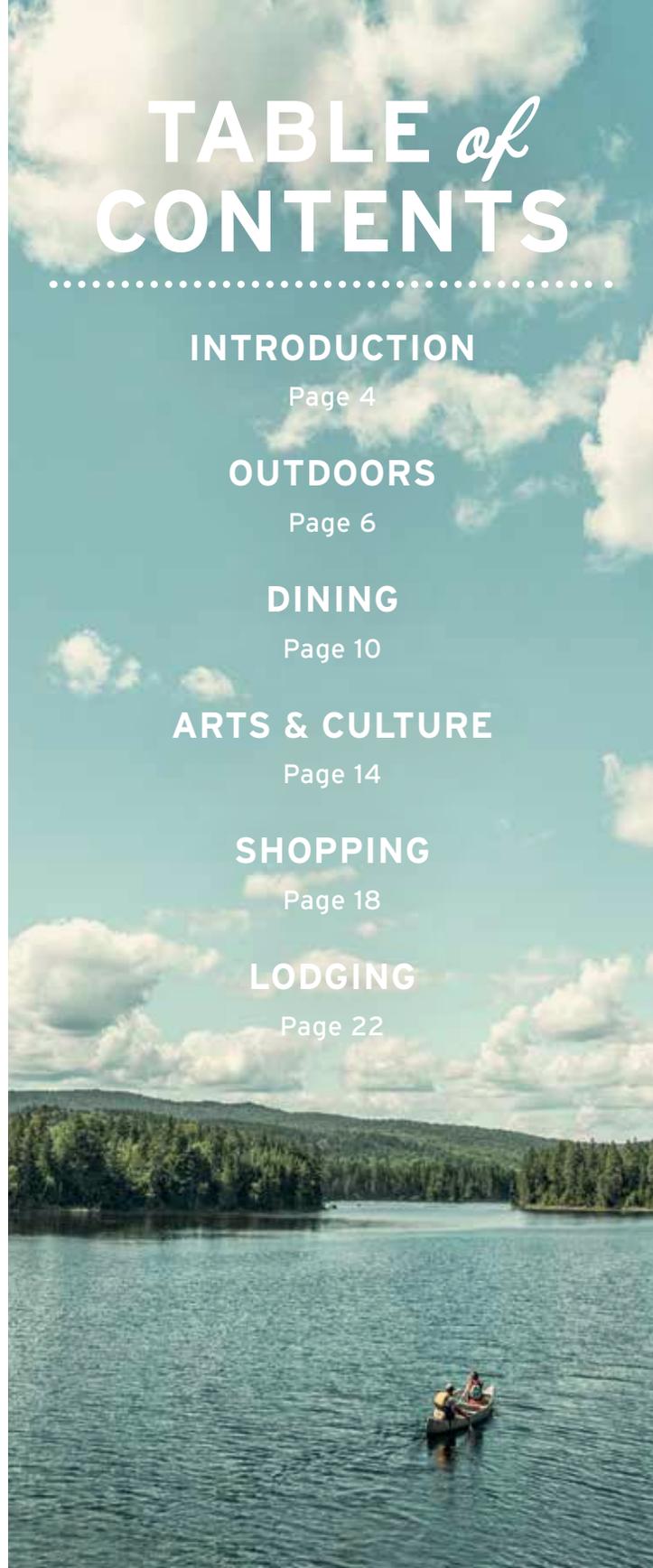
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WHEN *the* ATLANTIC
BREEZE FLOATS PAST
your EARS, *it* SAYS
"WELCOME!"

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THE VIEWS, SPECTACULAR. THE FOOD, AMAZING.
THE PEOPLE, WELCOMING. THIS IS MAINE, WHERE
THE UNEXPECTED COMFORTABLY 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.



OUTDOORS

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.

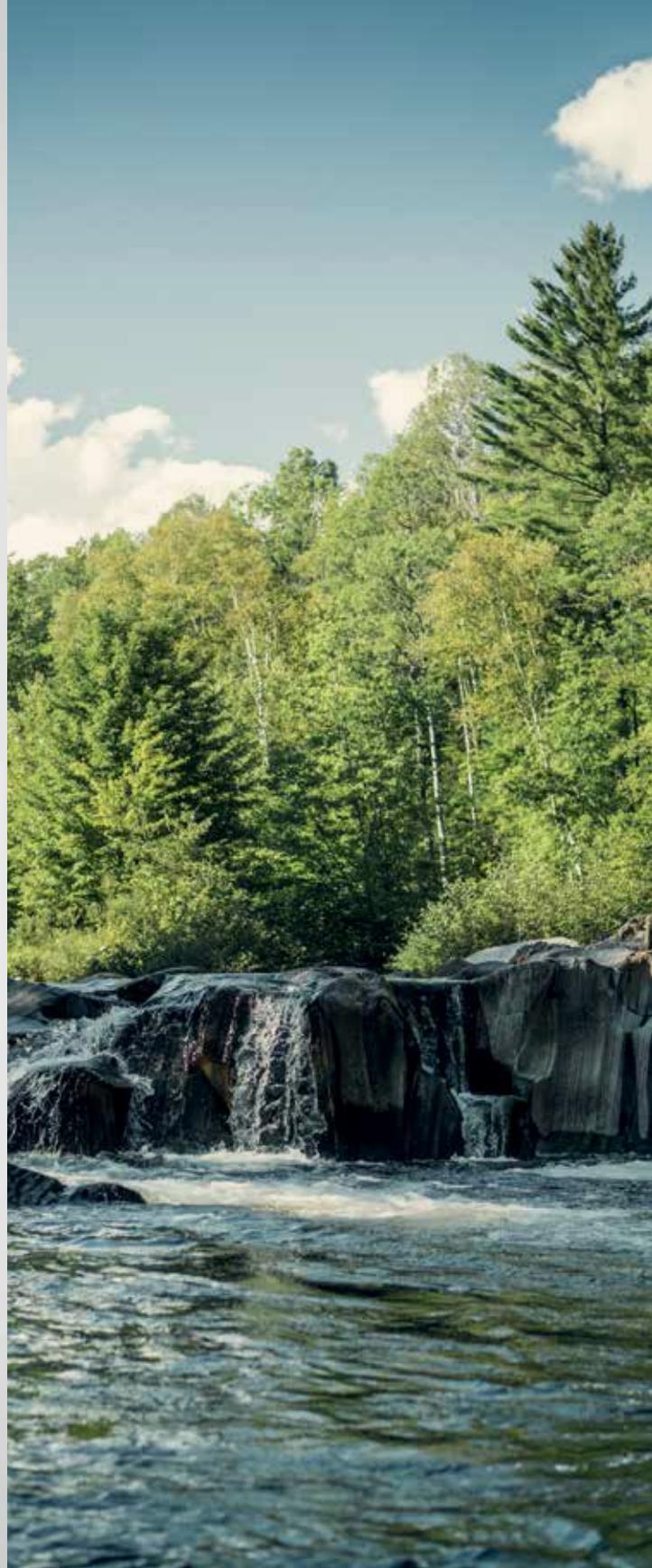
Like to fish or canoe? Maine has over 32,000 miles of rivers
and streams and over 6,000 lakes and ponds.

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.







DINING

HERE, YOU'RE GOING *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.





ARTS &
CULTURE



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.

FAST FACTS

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.





SHOPPING

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.







LODGING

★★★

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 high-end 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.

FAST FACTS

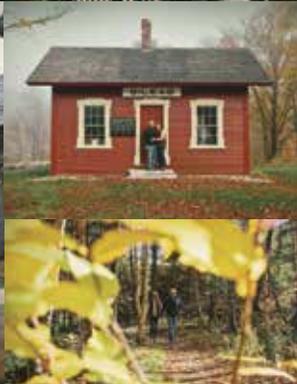
Maine's coastline has so many deep harbors, it could provide anchorage for all the navy fleets in the world.

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



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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

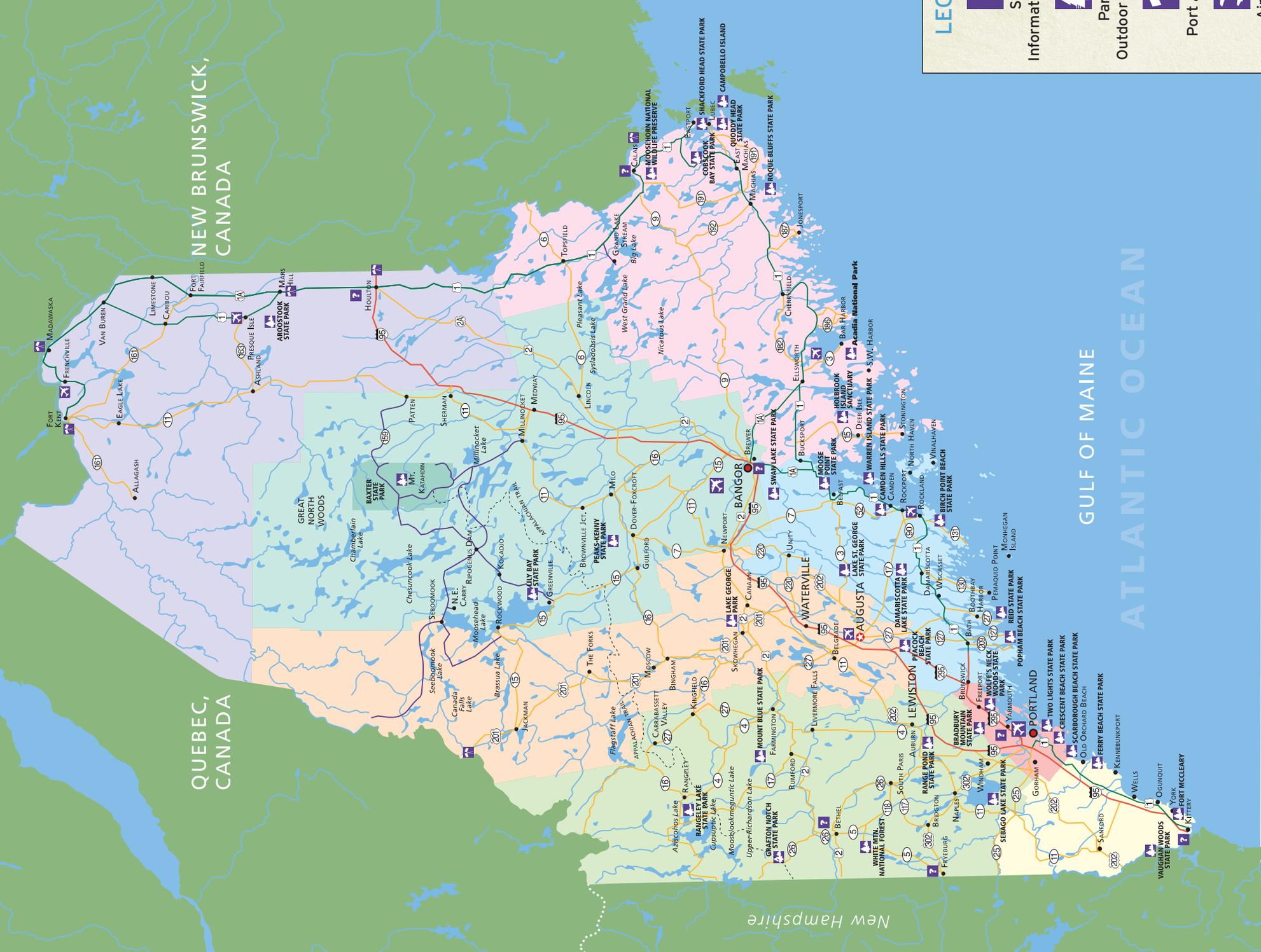
Fryeburg Fair
Harvest on the Harbor, Portland

NOVEMBER

United Maine Craftsmen Shows,
multiple locations

DECEMBER

Sparkle Weekend, Freeport
Christmas Prelude, Kennebunkport



REGIONAL INFO

Aroostook County www.visitaroots.com
Down East & Acadia www.downeastregion.com
Greater Portland & Casco Bay www.visitportland.com
Kennebec & Moose River Valleys www.kennebecvalley.org
Maine's Lakes & Mountains www.westermaine.org
Mid-Coast www.mainesmidcoast.com
The Maine Beaches www.MaineBeachesAssociation.org
The Maine Highlands www.themainehighlands.com

DISTANCES

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



LEGEND

- State Information Centers
- Parks and Outdoor Recreation
- Port of Entry
- Airports

QUEBEC, CANADA

NEW BRUNSWICK, CANADA

GULF OF MAINE
ATLANTIC OCEAN

New Hampshire

GETTING STARTED

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

CLIMATE

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.



ACCOMMODATIONS

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

RESOURCES

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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AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
207-624-7483

VisitMaine.com



DiscoverAmerica.com