



Maine in Bloom: Coastal Gardens & Seaside Charm

MAY 9-15, 2026

COST PER PERSON

DOUBLE **\$3,289**

SINGLE **\$4,259**

TRIPLE..... **\$3,049**

QUAD **\$2,909**

Optional pre-paid AAA Group Travel
Tour Host gratuity **\$28**

Rates and inclusions are per person based on occupancy and include AAA Member Discount. \$750 per person deposit is due at the time of booking. Final payment is due February 20, 2026.

NOTE: This tour is booked as the above inclusions state. It is possible due to unforeseen circumstances that some inclusions may change in future months. Should that happen, AAA Group Travel will take all necessary steps to find a suitable replacement for the tour.



ACTIVITY LEVEL ACTIVE

Moderate pace; good mobility needed; stairs and prolonged standing for more than 2 hours at a time; some longer days involving early mornings and/or late evenings; some walking on varied terrain. This Activity Level is not recommended for travelers with mobility issues such as someone who uses a cane, walker, or wheelchair.

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Discover the beauty of coastal New England with a journey through Maine's most scenic towns and natural wonders. Enjoy narrated tours of Portsmouth Harbor and Kennebunkport, stroll through charming villages like Freeport, Boothbay Harbor, and Portland's Old Port, and explore historic sites including Portland Head Lighthouse. In Bar Harbor, experience a guided tour and scenic nature cruise before venturing into Acadia National Park, where the Park Loop Road reveals breathtaking views, diverse ecosystems, and the serene Wild Gardens of Acadia. Highlights also include visits to the Asticou Azalea Gardens, Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, Pineland Farms, and the Maine Wildlife Park, plus a lobster trap hauling adventure on Linekin Bay for a true taste of Maine's seafaring heritage.

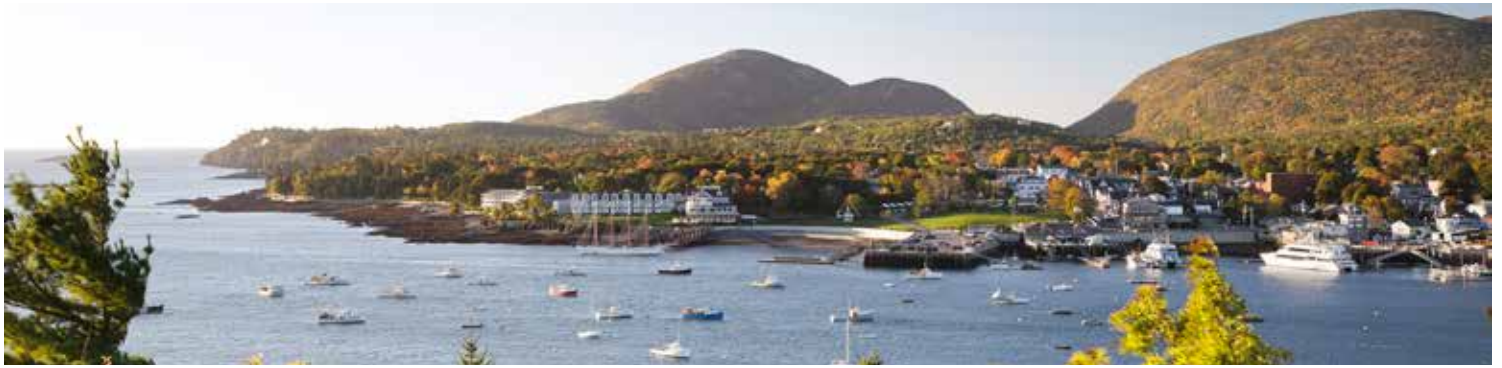
INCLUDES:

- ▶ Roundtrip motorcoach transportation from Buffalo, Rochester, or Syracuse
- ▶ 6-nights hotel accommodations
- ▶ 11 meals: 6 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 4 dinners including one lobster dinner
- ▶ Narrated tour of Portsmouth Harbor Trail, including John's Church and Prescott Park
- ▶ Free time to explore Freeport Village, Bar Harbor, Boothbay Harbor, and Portland's Old Port District
- ▶ Guided tour of Bar Harbor
- ▶ Guided tour of Acadia National Park, traveling the entire Park Loop Road with multiple scenic stops
- ▶ Enjoy the Wild Gardens of Acadia, displaying all 13 ecosystems found in the park
- ▶ Scenic Bar Harbor nature cruise on Frenchman's Bay
- ▶ Tour Asticou Azalea Gardens, a combination of formal English flower beds with informal Japanese effects
- ▶ Guided tour of Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens
- ▶ Cruise on Linekin Bay for a Lobster Trap hauling and Seal Watch adventure
- ▶ Tour of historic Portland, ME including a stop at Portland Head
- ▶ Visit to Pineland Farms, a privately owned working farm
- ▶ Visit the Maine Wildlife Park, a 200-acre park with over 30 different native species of wildlife
- ▶ Narrated tour of Kennebunkport, including the Wedding Cake House and Franciscan Monastery
- ▶ Baggage handling (1 piece per person)
- ▶ Services of a AAA Group Travel Tour Host
- ▶ Services and Gratuities for a professional motorcoach driver
- ▶ All applicable taxes, fees, local guide gratuities and included meal gratuities

CANCELLATION POLICY: AAA Western and Central New York recommends the purchase of Allianz Travel Insurance products to protect your trip investment. Visit AAA.com/GroupTravel for full tour Terms & Conditions.

Cancellation Penalties:

Date of deposit – January 10, 2026	\$150 administrative fee per person
January 11, 2026 – February 20, 2026	Loss of deposit per person
February 21, 2026 – day of departure	100% non-refundable per person



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SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2026

Travel by motorcoach from Buffalo, Rochester, and Syracuse to Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Upon arrival, check in for your overnight stay at the Holiday Inn Portsmouth, with baggage handling included. Enjoy an included dinner this evening.

SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2026

Enjoy included hotel breakfast at your leisure before check-out.

Meet your Local Guide for a narrated tour of the Portsmouth Harbor Trail, where you'll discover the city's deep connection to the river and hear fascinating tales of early settlers, patriots, and ship captains. Stop at St. John's Church to see the exceptional trompe l'oeil ceiling. Visit Prescott Park where you'll spot the 200-year-old Portsmouth Shipyard across the river where US submarines are serviced.

Visit Freeport Village, home of sporting goods king, L.L. Bean, and numerous outlet shops and restaurants. Enjoy lunch on your own and free time for shopping in Freeport.

Enjoy a scenic coastal drive to Bar Harbor, crossing the Causeway to picturesque Mt. Desert Island.

Check-in for your three-night stay at the Atlantic Oceanside Resort Hotel in Bar Harbor, Maine, offering pools, a Jacuzzi, and stunning views of Frenchman's Bay. Baggage handling is included.

Enjoy an included dinner at the resort.

MONDAY, MAY 11, 2026

Enjoy included hotel breakfast at your leisure.

Depart on a guided tour of Bar Harbor and Acadia National Park, where you'll see nine mountains over 1000 feet high, stone bridges, lakes, ponds, trails, and carriage roads. Travel the Park Loop Road and learn about the area's natural wonders and the wealthy summer residents who once built lavish "cottages" here. Make stops along the way at Cadillac Mountain, Thunder Hole, and Sieur de Mont Springs. Tour diverse flora at the Wild Gardens of Acadia, which have tried to mimic the growing conditions found in the ecosystems of the park. You'll visit all 13 habitats.

Enjoy lunch on your own and time to browse Bar Harbor's waterfront shops and scenic shoreline path.

Depart on a narrated scenic Bar Harbor nature cruise on Frenchman's Bay in search of eagles, porpoises, seals, and other wildlife, with views of Egg Rock Lighthouse and Acadia National Park's coastline.

Your included dinner tonight is a traditional Maine lobsterbake with all the fixins.

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026

Enjoy included hotel breakfast at your leisure.

Visit Asticou Azalea Gardens, known for their brilliant blooms and blend of English and Japanese design elements.

Enjoy included lunch at the Bar Harbor Club that overlooks Frenchman's Bay.

The remainder of the day is on your own to explore the waterfront shops and shoreline walking path.

Enjoy dinner on your own, either at the resort or in the heart of downtown.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026

Enjoy included hotel breakfast at your leisure before check-out.

Visit Boothbay Harbor, the sailing capital of mid-coast Maine. Learn about the area's maritime heritage as you tour the spectacular Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, where woodland and riverbank paths meet the rocky shoreline in a tapestry of native plants.

Enjoy lunch on your own and free time to explore picturesque Boothbay.

Embark on a lobster trap hauling and seal watch cruise on Linekin Bay to see how lobsters are caught, how the traps are hauled, and how the lobstermen make their living.

Check-in for your two-night stay at the Hyatt Place Old Port in Portland, located in the lively historic district. Baggage handling included.

Enjoy dinner on your own tonight in Portland's Old Port district.

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2026

Enjoy included hotel breakfast at your leisure.

Depart on a guided tour of historic Portland, including the famous Portland Head Lighthouse, Maine's oldest and most photographed. Take a private, guided visit to another lighthouse typically closed to the public. See how the lighthouse keepers lived on the Maine coast and enjoy the scenic view of Casco Bay when you walk out on the ledge at the top of this two-story beacon.

Visit Pineland Farms, a privately-owned working farm in the rolling hills of New Gloucester, Maine. A box lunch is included here, giving you time to explore the gardens and gift shop.

Visit Maine Wildlife Park, home to over 30 native species of wildlife, including moose, black bears, mountain lions, eagles, and more.

Enjoy an included farewell dinner at DiMillo's on the Water, a unique floating restaurant in Portland Harbor.

FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2026

Enjoy an included breakfast at the hotel before check-out, with baggage handling included. Travel to Kennebunkport for a narrated tour highlighting sandy beaches, dramatic rocky coastline, the Bush family estate at Walker's Point, and the historic Wedding Cake House, along with a visit to the peaceful Franciscan Monastery and its beautifully landscaped grounds. Following the tour, travel by motorcoach back home to WCNY.

HOTELS:

- ▶ Holiday Inn, Portsmouth, NH (1 night)
- ▶ Atlantic Oceanside Resort, Bar Harbor, ME (3 nights)
- ▶ Hyatt Place Old Port, Portland, ME (2 nights)

PICK-UP LOCATIONS:

Buffalo

AAA Administrative Office
100 International Dr.
Amherst

Rochester

RIT Inn & Conference Center
5257 West Henrietta Rd.
Henrietta

Syracuse

Syracuse Doubletree Hotel
6301 State Route 298
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