

# Where Freedom Began: Boston & the Spirit of 1776 (TMC1930)

April 24-28, 2026

### **INCLUDES:**

- Roundtrip motorcoach transportation from Buffalo, Rochester, or Syracuse
- 4-nights hotel accommodations
- 9 meals: 4 breakfasts, 2 lunches, and 3 dinners
- Presentation on Boston and its revolutionary history by noted historian Anthony
  Sammarco. Referred to by the Boston Globe as the "Balzac of Boston History", Anthony is
  also author to more than 80 books on the history and development the city.
- Freedom Trail guided tour
- Visit the Paul Revere House and USS Constitution Museum
- Experience View Boston at the Prudential Center to witness breathtaking and orienting views from high above the heart of the city.
- Lighthouses and Tales of Boston Harbor cruise
- Visit Quincy Market and Faneuil Hall
- Samuel Adams Boston Brewery tour and tasting
- Self-guided tour of Plimoth Patuxet Museums
- Explore the Mayflower II
- View Plymouth Rock and Coles Hill Burial Ground
- Visit the Boston Tea Party Ships and Museum
- Lexington and Concord guided historical tour visiting sites including The North Bridge, Lexington Green, The Hancock-Clarke House, and Minute Man National Park.
- Services of a AAA Group Travel Tour Host
- Services and Gratuities for a Professional Motorcoach Driver
- All applicable taxes, fees, and included meal gratuities

### **ACTIVITY LEVEL: 3**

**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 evel is not recommended for travelers with mobility issues such as someone who uses a cane, walker, or wheelchair.



### **HOTEL:**

Embassy Suites by Hilton – Waltham, MA (4 nights)

### **PRICING:**

Double	\$1,899
Single	\$2,239
Triple	\$1,789
Quad	\$1,729
Optional Pre-Paid AAA Group Travel Tour Host Gratuity	\$20

Rates and inclusions are per person based on occupancy and include AAA Member Discount. \$550 per person deposit due at time of booking. Final payment is due by February 24, 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.

### **PICK-UP LOCATIONS:**

Buffalo	Rochester	Syracuse
AAA Administrative Office	RIT Inn & Conference Center	Syracuse Doubletree Hotel
100 International Dr.	5257 West Henrietta Rd.	6301 State Route 298
Williamsville	Henrietta	East Syracuse

### **CANCELLATION POLICY:**

AAA recommends the purchase of Allianz Global Assistance products to protect your trip investment. Day of Deposit to 1-15-26 / \$150 Administrative Fee Per Person 1-16-26 to 2-24-26 / Loss of Deposit Per Person 2-25-26 to Day of Departure / 100% Non-Refundable Per Person



### **TENTATIVE ITINERARY**

Where Freedom Began: Boston & the Spirit of 1776 Friday, April 24 – Tuesday, April 28, 2026

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Early morning boarding begins at AAA Travel & Insurance Center, 100 International Dr, Williamsville, NY.

Early morning boarding begins at RIT Inn & Conference Center, 5257 W Henrietta Rd, Henrietta, NY. A brief rest stop will be made en route.

Early morning boarding begins at a **NEW LOCATION as of March 1, 2025**: Syracuse DoubleTree Hotel, 6301 State Route 298, East Syracuse, NY (Carrier Circle). Rest and meal stops will be made en route at your own expense.

Check-in for your four-night stay at Embassy Suites by Hilton Boston Waltham.

Enjoy **dinner** included at the hotel. During dinner, enjoy a **presentation on Boston and its revolutionary history** by noted historian Anthony Sammarco. Referred to by the Boston Globe as the "Balzac of Boston History," Anthony is also author to more than 80 books on the history and development of his native city.

### Saturday, April 25, 2026

Enjoy an included hotel breakfast at your leisure.

Meet your Local Guide and begin exploring the **Freedom Trail** in Boston, MA. Begin with a stroll through Boston Commons before driving past landmarks such as Beacon Hill, the Old State House, the Boston Massacre Site, Granary Burying Ground, Old Corner Bookstore, Old South Meeting House, and Faneuil Hall.

Visit the **Paul Revere House**, where 2026 exhibits will highlight colonial craftsmanship through the Handwork 2026 initiative, and enjoy an exterior view of the Old North Church and Paul Revere Statue.

Enjoy lunch on your own at Hub Hall, offering 18 dining options.

Visit the **USS Constitution Museum** to learn about "Old Ironsides" and see the Bunker Hill Memorial from the shipyard.

Visit the **Prudential Center** and experience *View Boston* – A 360 observation deck offering breathing and orienting views from high above the heart of Boston.

Enjoy free time and dinner on your own at the Prudential Center, with its variety of restaurants and shops, before returning to the hotel.

#### **Sunday, April 26, 2026**

Enjoy an included hotel **breakfast** at your leisure.

Arrive at Boston Harbor City Cruises to board your **Lighthouses and Tales of Boston Harbor cruise** and journey through history with storyteller David Coffin, seeing Boston Light, Graves Light, historic forts, and the harbor islands.

Enjoy lunch on your own at Faneuil Hall Marketplace (Quincy Market) and enjoy free time shopping in this vibrant historic district.

Visit the **Samuel Adams Boston Brewery** for a guided tour and tasting.

Enjoy your included **dinner** at Joe's on Newbury. A distinctively Bostonian dining experience with made-from-scratch bold flavors and classic American comfort fare.

### Monday, April 27, 2026

Enjoy an included hotel **breakfast** at your leisure.



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Take a self-guided journey through **Plimoth Patuxet Museums**, a recreated 17th-century Wampanoag homesite and English village. This plantation is as it was in the 17th century: a centuries-old Wampanoag home site, a welcoming bench covered in furs, bluefish roasting slowly over a bed of hot coals, and a man dressed in traditional deerskin clothing. You might hear the townspeople speak the poetic language of Shakespeare's England and laughter around a glowing hearth, smell gunpowder during a military drill, and feel the salty breeze blowing across a wooden ship's deck.

Enjoy an **included themed lunch** at Plymouth Plantation featuring a traditional New England turkey dinner with seasonal sides and desserts.

Visit the **Mayflower II**. Visiting Mayflower II is an extraordinary experience. The details of the ship, from the solid oak timbers and tarred hemp rigging to the wood and horn lanterns and hand-colored maps, have all been carefully recreated to give you a sense of what the original 17th-century vessel was like.

Visit the Plymouth Rock and the Coles Hill Burial Ground.

Visit the Boston Tea Party Ships and Museum for a lively reenactment and immersive exhibits.

Enjoy a **farewell dinner** included at Union Oyster House. Boston's oldest restaurant, serving seafood and New England specialties in a historic setting on the Freedom Trail.

Enjoy more free time at **Quincy Market** before departing.

### Tuesday, April 28, 2026

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

Stop at the **Lexington Visitors Center**. With a costumed step-on guide, visit the **North Bridge**, **Lexington Green**, **Hancock-Clarke House**, **and Minute Man National Park** to walk in the footsteps of the patriots who sparked the American Revolution.

Enjoy an included **lunch** at Copper House Tavern, a contemporary tavern with modern twists on American fare.

Depart for home in the early afternoon. Rest and meal stops will be made en route at your expense.

Return to Syracuse in the evening.

Return to Henrietta in the late evening.

Return to Williamsville in the late evening.

Timing, itinerary, inclusions, and order of events are subject to change without notice.

Effective April 21, 2025, New York State requires any person on a charter bus in New York State to be restrained by a safety belt while in motion. Failure to comply will result in fines imposed on the person not in compliance. NY State Assembly Bill 2023-A8557.