

## 18 Days | Best of Eastern USA & Canada | With Flights | 2025

New York - Boston - Quebec City - Montreal - Ottawa - Toronto - Niagara Falls - Detroit - Pittsburgh - Washington DC - Philadelphia

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From **\$9,199** Typically \$9,999 ✈️ pp twin share

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Return airfares from Australia to the United States

Spend two full days exploring New York City

Cross the border and visit Quebec City, Toronto & Montreal

See natural wonders including Niagara Falls and Flume Gorge

## Description

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Combine the magic of New York City, the East Coast of the United States and Canada into one epic trip for 2025.

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The adventure begins in the iconic metropolis of New York City, where the towering skyscrapers, Broadway lights, and Central Park converge. From the Statue of Liberty to Times Square, every corner of the city is a testament to its rich history and global influence.

Leaving the bustling streets of New York, the journey heads north to Newport, Rhode Island, a coastal gem known for its opulent Gilded Age mansions and vibrant sailing culture. The seaside charm and well-preserved architecture make Newport a delightful stop before venturing into the intellectual hub of Boston. In this city steeped in American history, visitors can walk the Freedom Trail, explore the historic neighbourhoods, and immerse themselves in the birthplace of the American Revolution.

Continuing the journey, the path leads to the natural marvel of Flume Gorge in Franconia Notch State Park, New Hampshire. This stunning canyon showcases the power of nature with its granite walls, cascading waterfalls, and lush forest surroundings. The journey then crosses the border into Canada, arriving in the enchanting city of Quebec. With its cobblestone streets, centuries-old architecture, and French-inspired cuisine, Quebec City exudes old-world charm and European sophistication.

Moving westward, Montreal awaits, blending French and English influences into a vibrant cultural mosaic. The city's dynamic arts scene, diverse neighbourhoods, and culinary delights provide a rich experience for any

traveller. The Canadian capital, Ottawa, offers a contrast with its stately government buildings, museums, and the picturesque Rideau Canal.

Toronto, the bustling cosmopolitan hub on the shores of Lake Ontario, beckons with its diverse neighbourhoods, iconic CN Tower, and world-class entertainment. Niagara Falls, a short drive away, provides a breathtaking natural spectacle, where the roaring waters of the falls captivate visitors from around the world.

Crossing the border into the United States, the journey takes a turn towards Detroit, a city with a storied industrial past and a renaissance of art, culture, and innovation. Pittsburgh, nestled among the hills and rivers, surprises with its mix of modern amenities and historic charm.

The journey concludes in the nation's capital, Washington, D.C., where the iconic monuments, museums, and government buildings tell the story of the United States. A short trip south brings travellers to the historic streets of Philadelphia, home to the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall, where the founding principles of the nation were forged. This grand adventure through the heart of the East Coast and beyond offers a tapestry of experiences, blending urban excitement, natural beauty, and rich cultural heritage.



## Itinerary

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### Day 1

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#### Australia ✈ United States

New York, New York! Welcome to the Big Apple! Today is the first day in New York City, and it's yours to explore as you wish. Check into the accommodation for the next three nights in the heart of the city, making exploring very convenient! Start planning the many adventures to experience over the next two full free days in this exciting city.

*Please note: Day 1-3 is unescorted with free time to explore New York City. You will meet up with your tour leader on the morning of Day 4.*

**Meals:** None

**Accommodation:** Holiday Inn Express Manhattan Midtown West or similar

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### Day 2

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#### New York

Enjoy the entire day to explore New York, one of the world's major commercial and financial centres! Make time for main attractions like Times Square, Broadway, the Empire State Building and the breathtaking Statue of Liberty. Take a ferry from the New York harbour and see one of the most iconic skylines in all of America. Top attractions like Central Park and the Natural History Museum also await - the choice is yours. Be sure to taste classic New York dishes like New York pizza, corn dogs or a bagel with cream cheese. Fun fact: the cost of a single subway ride will be the same as a slice of pizza, it's been nearly equal for 50 years!

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Holiday Inn Express Manhattan Midtown West or similar

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### Day 3

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#### New York

Day three in New York and still so much to see! New York is one of the world's most famous filming locations. Make a stop at Grand Central Terminal where movies like Superman, The Avengers and TV series like Gossip Girl were filmed. Want to go shopping? Head to Madison Avenue for luxurious designer shops or Union Square, one of the hottest shopping and eating areas. Stroll just a few blocks north to Broadway to experience the musical mecca of America. New York truly never sleeps, and the bars are open till the small hours of the morning. Your visit to the Big Apple will be a memorable one, no matter how you spend it!

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Holiday Inn Express Manhattan Midtown West or similar

## Day 4

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### **New York** **Newport** **Boston**

As the New York vacation comes to an end, meet up with your tour leader and fellow travellers this morning. Wave goodbye to the Big Apple and travel to Boston. En route to the next leg of this Eastern US & Canada tour, stop in Newport in the state of Rhode Island. This oceanside town has a fascinating history. It started out as a vital port in the 1600s and became a haven for artists. Since then, it has become a popular American holiday destination and is now home to the US Naval War College. After some free time for lunch, drive through the state of Connecticut towards Boston. Enjoy a welcome dinner with the group tonight.

**Meals:** Breakfast and Dinner

**Accommodation:** Sonesta Select Boston Milford or similar

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## Day 5

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### **Boston**

This full day in Boston begins with a driving tour accompanied by your tour leader. Look forward to seeing a few famous landmarks, like Faneuil Hall and Quincy Market. Afterwards, enjoy the option of visiting the famous, and very prestigious, Harvard University. The rest of the day is free to explore the capital of Massachusetts! A good way to get around the city is by taking the hop-on hop-off bus tour, which is very convenient and visits major sights including Beacon Hill, Boston's most historic and affluent neighbourhoods and the 221-foot high Bunker Hill monument that commemorates the first major battle of the American Revolution.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Holiday Inn Express Manhattan Midtown West or similar

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## Day 6

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### **Boston** **Flume Gorge** **Quebec City**

Cheers Boston! Today, this USA tour crosses over into Canada. On the way, drive through the spectacular White Mountain National Forest to visit Flume Gorge in New Hampshire. This natural gorge extends for 800 feet at the base of Mount Liberty and the sheer walls narrow to 12 feet apart in places. Take a memorable photo on the boardwalk, which takes you deep into the gorge. Enjoy some free time for lunch in the town of Littleton before crossing into Canada! Head into the country's only walled town - Quebec City. Settle into the hotel for the evening, or set out on foot to explore the city.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Hotel Universel Quebec Sainte-Foy or similar

## Day 7

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### Quebec City

This morning, set off on a walking tour to discover Quebec City. See Old Quebec, an important UNESCO World Heritage Site. Other historical places of interest include Chateau Frontenac and the Quebec fortifications. After the tour, the rest of the day is free. A Canadian tour isn't complete without lots of opportunities for personal exploration! There are plenty of outdoor activities and cultural destinations to discover. Feel like taking a day trip? Choose to join an excursion to Montmorency Falls, a breathtaking waterfall. Or, simply follow your nose and see where you end up!

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Hotel Universel Quebec Sainte-Foy or similar

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## Day 8

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### Quebec City Montreal Ottawa

Bid adieu to Quebec this morning. The next stop on this Canada holiday is Ottawa, the country's capital. Along the way, make a stop in Old Montreal, with some free time for lunch. Now is a good time to try a local delicacy. Trying some piping hot poutine - French fries topped with gravy and cheese curd (yum!) is highly recommended. Arriving in Ottawa, make a quick check-in at the hotel and head to Parliament Hill for a walking tour. See a few of Ottawa's top attractions. The tour concludes in ByWard Market. Here, take a picture by the OTTAWA sign and get some dinner before heading back to the hotel for the evening.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Courtyard by Marriott Ottawa Downtown or similar

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## Day 9

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### Ottawa McDonalds Corners Toronto

Today this Eastern US & Canada tour travels to Toronto via McDonalds Corner. Enjoy a stop here for a delicious included breakfast of French toast, pancakes and more, followed by a tasting and demo of one of the country's biggest exports - maple syrup! Tour the maple syrup farm and museum and learn all about this sweet treat. Later, arrive in Toronto. Your tour leader will take the group on a city centre orientation tour. Get your bearings and set off on your own to explore this evening. Opt to take the excursion up to the CN Tower for some unmissable views of the city!

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Chelsea Hotel Toronto or similar

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## Day 10

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### Toronto Niagara-on-the-Lake Niagara Falls

A Canada holiday is not complete without a Niagara Falls experience. Today, leave the shores of Great Lake Ontario to travel to these famous falls. Along the way, enjoy a stop at Niagara-on-the-Lake. This quaint town is known for its wineries. Visit a local winery and sample some local wines, including Canadian ice wine. Next up - the majestic Horseshoe Falls! Join an optional boat tour to witness the falls up close, or experience them from above with an optional helicopter ride! The evening is free to explore. Stroll along Clifton Hill, visit a casino or go see the falls at night.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Wyndham Garden Niagara Falls Fallsview or similar

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## Day 11

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### Niagara Falls Detroit

Today, head back to the States to explore more of the USA! After waving Canada goodbye, travel onwards to Detroit. This tough, gritty city is known for American Motown music and muscle cars. Although Detroit was heavily affected by the recession, it didn't take the beating lying down. This is a city that has reinvented itself. Enjoy an introduction to Detroit on a driving tour with your tour leader and learn more about the city's history and resurgence. Choose to explore further on an optional Detroit walking tour or spend the rest of the evening exploring at your own pace.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** MotorCity Casino Hotel or similar

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## Day 12

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### Detroit Pittsburgh

Next up on this US holiday, travel to Pittsburgh via Cleveland. Stop over in the Rock 'n Roll capital of the world! Enjoy some free time to visit the iconic House of Blues or grab some lunch. This is the perfect time to try some American roadside cuisine such as a Polish Boy. This famous sandwich is a delicious combination of bun, grilled kielbasa sausage, chips and coleslaw. Alternatively, take this opportunity to visit the amazing Rock & Roll Hall of Fame! Then, continue onwards to Pittsburgh. Here, take a ride on the century-old Duquesne Incline that travels all the way up Mount Washington. From the observation deck at the top, admire the city and its three rivers!

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Hampton Inn University Center or similar

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## Day 13

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### Pittsburgh Washington DC

After breakfast, leave Pittsburgh behind and head onwards to America's proud capital city. Travel east to Washington D.C. and, upon arrival, start touring the city straight away! Look forward to exploring this must-see American city and its important monuments and landmarks. First up is a visit to Arlington Cemetery and the resting place of the late JFK. See some of Washington's renowned attractions on the way to tonight's hotel. Snap a photo in front of the White House and honour history at the WW2 memorial. Check into the hotel later this afternoon and enjoy a free evening.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Holiday Inn Express Washington D.C. BW Parkway or similar

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## Day 14

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### Washington DC

Washington is a city like no other and today, you have the full day to explore it! The morning begins with an orientation driving tour of the National Mall and Smithsonian Museums. Afterwards, why join the optional Extended Washington D.C. Sightseeing Tour? Discover more of the city's highlights and gain a fascinating insight into the city's important history. See the Korean War and Vietnam Veterans memorials, the Jefferson and Lincoln memorials and much more! Alternatively, hop on the Old Town trolley to visit all the major sights or visit one of the Smithsonian Museums. The National Museum of Natural History is a must-visit!

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Holiday Inn Express Washington D.C. BW Parkway or similar

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## Day 15

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### Washington DC Philadelphia New York City

This may be the final day of this Eastern US & Canada Tour but there are still plenty of experiences to be had today! Wave D.C. goodbye and travel to New York via Philadelphia. Enjoy some free time to grab some tasty street food (a Philly cheesesteak is a must! and to explore the city. Or, join your tour leader for a walking tour to see top sights including the Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, Ben Franklin Grave, Betsy Ross House and more! Hop back on the coach in the afternoon and head back to the Big Apple. The tour concludes upon arrival in New York City between 5:00pm and 9:00pm, where you will have one more night before your flight home. We hope you had an amazing experience and made memories to last you a lifetime!

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Accommodation:** Holiday Inn Express Manhattan Midtown West or similar



## Day 16

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### New York City ✈ Australia

Home time! You'll be flying out of the United States today, en route back to Australia.

**Meals:** Inflight Menu

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## Day 17

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### In Transit

Due to crossing multiple timezones, expect to spend this day up in the air.

**Meals:** Inflight Menu

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## Day 18

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### Arrive In Australia

Welcome home to Australia! We hope you enjoyed your trip aboard, and safe travels on your journey home.

**Meals:** Inflight Menu

## Inclusions & Exclusions

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### Inclusions

- Return international airfares from Australia to the United States
  - 15 nights in 3 and 4-star hotel accommodation with private bathrooms
  - 14 breakfasts and 1 dinner
  - Modern air-conditioned coach with reclining seats and toilet onboard
  - Any public transport used as part of the tour (excludes free days)
  - Fully guided tour with an experienced trip leader taking care of all the logistics
  - Spend three nights in New York City
  - Visit Newport, a charming New England seaside town
  - See the sights on a Boston driving tour
  - Enjoy a scenic White Mountain National Forest drive
  - Explore Flume Gorge at the base of Mount Liberty
  - Embark on a guided tour of Quebec City
  - Visit Old Quebec, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
  - Experience Old Montreal
  - Discover Ottawa on a walking and driving tour
  - Eat breakfast at a maple farm in Canada
  - Tour the vibrant Toronto city centre
  - Taste ice wine at a local winery
  - Visit Niagara-on-the-Lake
  - Encounter the spectacular Horseshoe Falls
  - Discover Detroit on a driving tour
  - Visit Cleveland, home to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame
  - Take a trip on the Duquesne Incline
  - See Arlington Cemetery and JFK's final resting place
  - Explore Washington, D.C. and its many monuments
  - Visit Philadelphia, the birthplace of the United States
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### Exclusions

- Travel insurance (highly recommended)
- Meals and sightseeing not specified
- Entrance fees not specified
- Optional add-on tours
- Tipping or gratuities
- Items of a personal nature, such as drinks, snacks, laundry etc
- Any items or services not listed in the above inclusions.

**Child Policy:** No children under 10 years of age permitted on this tour. Please contact us if you are after a family-friendly trip.

**Single Supplement:** Travelling solo? The single supplement to have your own room is \$3999, and is available on check-out. If you don't mind sharing a room with a fellow solo traveller of the same gender, this tour provides the option of doing so at no extra charge.

**Optional Tours:** This package is designed to be flexible around the personal preferences of our guests. There are a range of optional day tours and activities available during this tour, so please let us know if



you would like more information.

**Travel Insurance:** We recommend Covermore travel insurance. To quote and book, please click [HERE](#).

**Package Amendments:** Want to upgrade your airfares, add a stopover, extra accommodation or add additional tours? Get in touch with us so we can help build your dream trip.