TSC Summer Expedition Trip 2026: Islands of New England

Dates: May 28 – June 4, 2026 (Thurs-Thurs)

Tour Operator: Collette

CLASC est prices: Full pkg \$4390*, Ground w/ bus \$3840*, Single +\$800*

Air price goes up +\$200 after 12/31/25

Optional 2-Night Boston Post Tour Extension \$700

Note: a second TSC group is scheduled for June 19-26. Individuals may choose either date, on a space-available basis.

Full Pkg includes:

Round Trip Air (air is Houston to Providence, Boston to Houston)

Hotel Transfers

All tours and transfers

Meals: 7 Breakfast, 3 Dinner (+ CLASC mid-week dinner party)

A payment of \$698 per person is due upon reservation; refundable until 12/31/25. Final payment is 2/27/26.

Optional Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$429 per person is available.

*Price are CLASC <u>estimates</u> for Full Pkg (with Air), or Ground Pkg (Lodging, airport transfers, parties and fees) based on double occupancy, do not include baggage fees, are for Club members only and are subject to change.

Cancellation Policy available.

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Highlights...

Newport ● Plymouth Harbor Lobster Trap Pull Demonstration & Cruise ● Plymouth Rock

Cape Cod ● Nantucket ● Martha's Vineyard ● Lobster Dinner

Lodging:

Days 1 – 3 Providence Marriott Downtown, Providence, RI

Days 4 – 7 Sea Crest Beach Resort, Falmouth, MA

(See map on last page)

Day 1: Providence, Rhode Island

Discover the natural beauty that lies along the shores of New England. Come to know its coastal charm, friendly people, and fresh-from-the-sea cuisine. Your tour opens in Providence, the capital of Rhode Island. As arrival flights vary greatly, there are no included activities today.

Day 2: Providence Meals: B, D

This morning, enjoy a panoramic city tour with your Tour Manager on your coach and see highlights including the Brown University Campus and Waterplace Park. Later, get to know the self-proclaimed *Creative Capital* of Providence with a local guide on a walking tour focused on the urban art and architecture of the city.

Tonight, celebrate the beginning of your journey and this historic year with your fellow travelers at a lively, Colonial-themed welcome dinner.

Day 3: Providence - Newport - Providence Meals: B

Head to Newport, a colonial port city that later turned into a summer home to America's wealthiest industrialists. On your way, look to the calm water and see why the city has earned the moniker of the "Sailing Capital of the World" and was home to the America's Cup sailing competition for more than 50 years. In Newport, travel along Bellevue Avenue. Lined with extraordinary 19th-century summer "cottages," this road is home to 7 mansions designated National Historic Landmarks. These extravagant homes were used by affluent families like the Astors and Morgans, for fewer than two months each year. Step back in time and get a taste of the Gilded Age at The Breakers, the most opulent of the Newport Mansions and 70-room summer getaway of the Vanderbilt family.

Day 4: Providence - Plymouth, Massachusetts - Cape Cod (Falmouth) Meals: B

This morning, venture to the home of the first permanent colonial settlement in the country: Plymouth. Here, board a boat and cruise Plymouth Harbor. Your captain will share the importance of lobstering to New England culture and demonstrate how lobsters are pulled from the water. After returning to land, stop in the town of Plymouth to see where the Pilgrims disembarked the Mayflower in 1620: Plymouth Rock. Later, arrive at your beachfront hotel for a 4-night stay on the Cape.

Day 5: Cape Cod - Hyannis - Nantucket - Cape Cod Meals: B, D

Catch a glimpse of the Camelot era in Hyannis Port, home of the Kennedy compound, and visit the poignant Kennedy Memorial. Next, set off via ferry to explore the idyllic island of Nantucket. From its cobblestone Main Street to its beaches and lighthouses, this place lives up to its reputation. During time at leisure, meander the waterfront where sailboats and yachts sway in the harbor or shop for a famous Nantucket basket. Next, head to the Nantucket Whaling Museum and learn about this island's history as the former whaling capital of the world. Peruse exhibits about the danger of this industry in the 18th century and even see the skeleton of a 46-foot-long whale. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a popular local restaurant.

Day 6: Cape Cod - Sandwich - Cape Cod Meals: B

Take in Cape Cod your way because today, it's your choice!

Take advantage of the amenities at your waterfront hotel, perhaps sitting by the pool or visiting the private beach on the resort's property -

OR- join your Tour Manager for a trip to Sandwich where you'll visit the Heritage Museums & Gardens with 100 beautiful acres to explore followed by a visit to the Sandwich Glass Museum for a glimpse into the delicate artform of glassblowing. No matter which choice you choose, your evening is at leisure.

Day 7: Cape Cod - Martha's Vineyard - Cape Cod Meals: B, D

A ferry ride transports you to beautiful Martha's Vineyard. Known for visits by presidents and royalty, this summer home of many artists, writers and celebrities is full of surprises. You'll see all the highlights of "the Vineyard" (as the locals call it), including quaint gingerbread-styled cottages and a once-famous whaling port resplendent with sea captains' homes and widows' walks. Later, depart the island and cruise back to Cape Cod. Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner and traditional New England experience as you indulge in a lobster feast.

Day 8: Cape Cod - Boston - Tour Ends Meals: B

Your tour comes to a close, leaving you with many fond memories.

Optional 2-Night Boston Post Tour Extension

Day 8: Cape Cod – Boston Meals: B

After transfer from Cape Cod to Boston with the group, check into the hotel and rest of the day is on your own.

Day 9: Boston Meals: B

This morning, meet a local guide at your hotel before jumping on the "T" and making your way to the Freedom Trail for a guided tour. The 2.5 mile trail connects 16 nationally historic sites telling the story of the American Revolution and beyond. The remainder of the day is yours. Consider a quick walk from your hotel to the Museum of Science or take a famous Duck Boat tour. As the home of 35 different colleges, Boston features a perfect blend of history and modern innovations.

Day 10: Boston – Tour Ends Meals: B

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