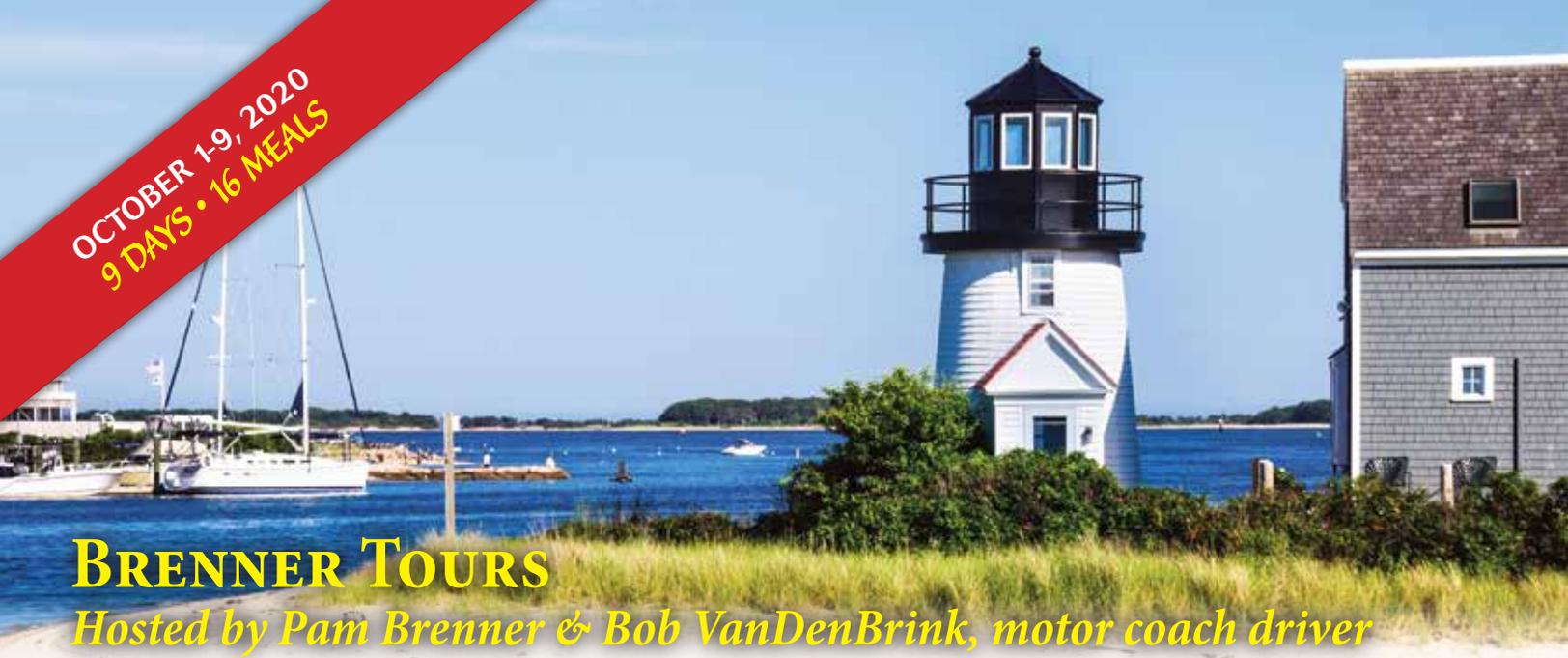


OCTOBER 1-9, 2020
9 DAYS • 16 MEALS



BRENNER TOURS

Hosted by Pam Brenner & Bob VanDenBrink, motor coach driver



Take in the beauty of American Falls

Seaside New England & Cape Cod

Discover the Bounty, Culture and Character

Step into life in the seaside towns of yesterday and today along the coast of southern New England. Sea spray and salt air surround you in the old whaling center of New Bedford to the cliff-top mansions of Newport and historic Plymouth Rock. Get to know Cape Cod from charming Nantucket Island to colorful Provincetown on the tip. En route, meet hardworking fishermen, orchardists, cooks and craftspeople who will make your New England experience come vibrantly alive. A moving visit to the JFK Presidential Library & Museum, scenic rail trip, and ferry ride cap off an unforgettable New England adventure.

DAY 1—WELCOME TO COLORFUL NEW ENGLAND

After pick ups by motor coach in Grand Rapids, Martin, Kalamazoo, MI and Middlebury, IN we travel to Niagara Falls, NY, the gateway to Niagara Falls State Park. Our hotel this evening is within walking distance to American Falls. Don't forget your camera!

DAY 2—NIAGARA FALLS, NY/BOSTON

We are up early to visit the Erie Canal Discovery Center. The 363-mile canal, built from 1817 to 1825, was an engineering marvel in its time. Continue east to Stockbridge, Massachusetts, the hometown of Norman Rockwell. We'll visit his museum which houses the largest collection Rockwell original art. Then it's off to dinner at the famed Red Lion Inn. After dinner, we venture to Boston where we will stay for the night. **B, D**

DAY 3—PLYMOUTH ROCK/MAYFLOWER/CAPE COD RESORT

Start today with a moving visit to the JFK Library and Museum, which portrays the life and legacy of our 35th President. We then travel to one of the country's first settlements, historic Plymouth with the Plymouth 400 celebration. We start our day at Plimoth Plantation with a Pilgrim lunch. Today, we will try some new and familiar foods - prepared and eaten the way English people would in early colonial days. Then, visit the Mayflower after almost eight years of re-constructive work. We'll have a chance to step onto the Mayflower and see what life was like aboard the ship. During our time in Plymouth, we are sure to feel like an original colonist with the 400th anniversary of the sailing of the Mayflower. **B, L, D**



DAY 4—NANTUCKET

We begin our morning with a visit to the John F. Kennedy Memorial and Korean War Memorial. The seas and shores of Hyannis Port inspired our 35th President like no other place on earth. It was here that he contemplated and accepted his run for office. Then, step off the boat and back in time after a high-speed ferry cruise from Hyannis to charming Nantucket. You'll delight in a fully narrated historic tour of America's most scenic little island. In just over an hour, become acquainted with the "Little Grey Lady," the world's foremost whaling port in the 18th century. You'll range across some 65% of the island, from the Old Mill and rose-covered cottages of "Sconset" Village to Sankaty Head Lighthouse and more. Enjoy lunch on your own and take free time to stroll the quaint streets and alleyways before sailing back to the mainland. **B, D**



Meet local cranberry harvesters

DAY 5—CRANBERRIES/NATIONAL SEASHORE/"P-TOWN"/HYANNIS

Today, visit Leo and Andrea Cakounes during the harvest season at the largest organic cranberry bog on Cape Cod. Continuing towards the Cape's northernmost tip, view the Eastham Windmill, a lighthouse, and the Cape Cod National Seashore. Sand dunes and ocean surround you as you approach "Land's End"—famous Provincetown—for some free time in the charming downtown. Unpack for our next two nights in New Bedford, where tonight's delicious Portuguese dinner awaits. **B, D**

DAY 6—FISHING & WHALING HISTORY/NEW BEDFORD

This morning, learn why New Bedford is America's fishing capital. You'll meet men and women who fish the Atlantic, see a working fishing boat, and tour the docks along the waterfront. You may even see a vessel return from the sea. After lunch, explore the underwater world of whales, the dramatic story of whaling and its impact, and the maritime history of Southcoast Massachusetts—right in the heart of New Bedford. At the Whaling Museum, marvel at massive whale skeletons, the world's largest ship model, and America's longest painting. **B, L**



Tour the impressive Breakers Estate in Rhode Island

DAY 7—THE BREAKERS/CLIFF WALK/NEWPORT

Our travels today take us to Newport, Rhode Island, we explore Newport including the popular Ten-Mile Ocean Drive and Bellevue Avenue mansion area. Afterwards, a delicious lunch at the harbor awaits. Then, The Breakers—the magnificent, 70-room, Italian-style palazzo built as a "summer cottage" by the Vanderbilts. Stroll Newport's Cliff Walk for breathtaking views of the ocean and other palatial summer homes from a bygone era. See the yachts cruise in and out of this historic harbor and enjoy free time wandering amongst the shops. **B, L**

DAY 8—ESSEX

This morning, submerge yourself in nautical history at the Submarine Force Museum followed by a visit to the charming seaport village of Essex, filled with unique shops, galleries and beautifully restored sea captains' homes. We'll enjoy a delicious lunch at historic Griswold Inn, which dates to 1776 and is said to be the oldest, continuously run tavern in the U.S. Then, begin our journey towards home enjoying autumn foliage along the way. **B, L**

DAY 9—HOME

Return home with lasting memories of southern New England. **B** 🌍

Discoveries Experience

9 Days • 16 Meals

October 1-9, 2020

Price Per Person:

Double: \$2,147; Single: \$2,785

Pick up points: Grand Rapids, Martin, Kalamazoo, MI and Middlebury, IN

Highlights & Inclusions

- Experience coastal highlights of 3 New England states
- See American Falls from Niagara Falls State Park
- Learn about the Erie Canal
- See the Norman Rockwell Museum
- Experience the 400th Anniversary of the Mayflower
- Visit Nantucket Island, an 18th century whaling port
- Narrated tour of Cape Cod, including the National Seashore
- Meet a cranberry farmer, and a working fisherman
- Tour the Vanderbilt estate, The Breakers
- Enjoy an authentic lobster bake and Portuguese dinner
- Two nights at a Cape Cod oceanfront resort
- Fees/tips for included attractions/meals

Quality Accommodations

Night 1: Comfort Inn The Pointe, Niagara Falls, NY

Night 2: Courtyard Marriott Boston Logan Airport, Boston, MA

Nights 3 & 4: Blue Water Resort, Yarmouth, MA

Nights 5 & 6: Fairfield Inn & Suites, New Bedford, MA

Night 7: Hampton Inn & Suites, Newport, RI

Night 8: Holiday Inn Express, DuBois, PA

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