

New England Islands Cruise

Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Cast your eyes across **brehtaking coastal panoramas** of windswept, grassy dunes, sparkling waters and sailboats gliding in the distance.
- ▶ Delight in the **picturesque harbors of New England**, dotted with quaint lighthouses, sandy coves and fishing vessels.
- ▶ Meander through the charming seaside towns of the classic summer getaway, **Martha's Vineyard**.
- ▶ Explore the region's **rich maritime traditions**, past and present: whaling, fishing and sailing.
- ▶ Marvel at the sumptuous Gilded Age mansions in **Newport**.

Nantucket Harbor



INCLUDED FEATURES

ACCOMMODATIONS

(With baggage handling.)

- **One night** in Providence at the first-class Providence Biltmore Hotel.
- **Seven nights** aboard the first-class American Star.

EXTENSIVE MEAL PROGRAM

- Eight breakfasts, seven lunches and seven dinners, including a Captain's Dinner; complimentary cocktails and hors d'oeuvres before dinner during the cruise; coffee, tea or soft drinks with all meals, plus wine and beer with lunch and dinner during the cruise.

YOUR ONE-OF-A-KIND JOURNEY

- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A selection of **Elective Experiences** provide additional opportunities for further immersion.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Tipping of guides and drivers on included excursions.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

ITINERARY

- Day 1** Depart gateway city[†] | Arrive in Providence | Transfer[†] to hotel
- Day 2** Providence | Embark the ship
- Day 3** New Bedford
- Day 4** Nantucket Island
- Day 5** Martha's Vineyard
- Day 6** Block Island
- Day 7** Newport
- Day 8** Bristol
- Day 9** Providence | Disembark ship | Depart for gateway city[†]

[†]Flights and transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Walking is required on many excursions, and surfaces may be uneven or unpaved.




DISCOVERY

Providence. Founded in 1636, this vibrant city boasts a revitalized downtown and a beautiful riverfront area. Enjoy a panoramic tour of its highlights before embarking the ship for your New England Islands Cruise.

Whaling Museum. Delve into the dramatic heritage of whaling through artifacts and interactive exhibits, including a half-scale replica of a whaling ship and five whale skeletons.

Fort Adams Guided Tour. While docking nearby, admire this vast complex at the entrance of the Narragansett Bay, then walk to the fort for an in-depth tour. Hear about its history of protecting the harbor.

ELECTIVE EXPERIENCES

 Further your experience by immersing yourself in specially designed activities.

New Bedford

Acushnet Harbor Cruise. Sail past Palmer Island's Lighthouse, the Revolutionary War-era Fort Phoenix, an active fishing fleet and the East Coast's largest hurricane barrier.

Nantucket Island

Nantucket Island Tour. With a guide, get acquainted with this intimate summer retreat. See the bright red expanse of the cranberry bogs and the cedar-shingled homes draped in roses. Enjoy free time in the charming downtown area and later walk to the Brant Point Lighthouse for gorgeous harbor views.

Martha's Vineyard

Lighthouses and Gingerbread Cottages. New England's favorite vacation spot offers stunning seaside scenery and a laid-back atmosphere. Spend free time browsing the little shops in Edgartown, and visit Vineyard Haven and West Tisbury. Witness the bevy of ornately trimmed gingerbread cottages in Oak Bluffs.

Block Island

Scenic Bluffs and Preserves. From this serene island off the Rhode Island coast, revel in the spectacular ocean views that continually inspire local


artists and visitors. Your tour takes you along the 200-foot-tall Mohegan Bluffs to the red-brick Southeast Lighthouse and the Old Harbor.

Newport

Avenue of the Mansions. At the turn of the 20th century, fabulously wealthy families vacationed here in their palatial "summer cottages." Marvel at their grandeur as you travel along these fashionable streets, before visiting The Breakers, Vanderbilt's opulent, Italian Renaissance palazzo.

Bristol

Herreshoff Marine Museum and Blithewold Mansion. See many of the beautiful yachts crafted by the Herreshoff company in its heyday, along with its Hall of Fame for America's Cup sailors. Then hop aboard a trolley to explore the 33-acre Blithewold Mansion and its garden-filled grounds that overlook the magnificent Narragansett Bay.

 Elective experiences available at an additional cost

ACCOMMODATIONS

Providence Biltmore Hotel | 
Providence

www.providencebiltmore.com

American Star

www.americancruiselines.com



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American Star



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International Tower
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ENRICHMENT

New England Whaling. A local expert offers fascinating insights about New Bedford's nautical history and its once prosperous whaling industry.

Newport History. Discover how the town's earliest settlers protected this well-situated harbor from intruders and also benefited from it financially.

AHI Travel Expertise

Passenger Service Representative | Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

Travel Director | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

Travel information | Prepares you fully for your journey.

Expert local guides | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service.

Lecturers | Share their knowledge of and passion for their country.

Let us arrange your flights!

✈ **AHI FlexAir** | Our personalized air program offers incredible advantages:

- **price guarantee**
- arrival and departure **transfers**
- **flexibility** to change or cancel
- **assistance** with changes or delays
- flight insurance



Martha's Vineyard cliffs