

What's New from Discover New England - 2021 / 2022

Connecticut

Martin Luther King Jr. in Connecticut Memorial (Simsbury)

Unveiled January 18, 2021, the memorial serves to educate people about the struggle to obtain equal rights, and how MLK dedicated his life to that cause.

4D Theater at The Maritime Aquarium (Norwalk)

The 179-seat 4D theater that will feature 3D digital projection, proprietary 4D sensory seats and other in-theater special effects is opening soon. The new theater will be multipurpose and have a stage for lectures and other presentations.

American Mural Project (Winsted)

The largest indoor collaborative artwork in the world—a mural 120 feet long, 48 feet high and up to ten feet deep came to Winsted in 2021.

The Lloyd (Stamford)

Opened last summer in the former home of Hotel Zero Degrees in the heart of downtown Stamford, the boutique hotel features 94 guest rooms outfitted with West Elm furniture and luxurious amenities. The local Metro North and Amtrak Station are a stone's throw from the hotel.

Maine

The <u>Katahdin Woods & Waters National Monument</u> is known for its hiking, paddling and all-around epic outdoor recreation. And now, <u>The International Dark-Sky Association</u> has designated the monument as an <u>International Dark Sky Sanctuary</u>. Only 13 exist throughout the entire world. In the U.S. there's only one east of the Mississippi.

The International Dark Sky Association has designated the <u>Appalachian Mountain Club's Maine Woods</u> property as an <u>International Dark Sky Park</u>. The property is within Maine's famed 100-Mile Wilderness and includes part of the <u>Appalachian Trail</u>. The park is the first of its kind in New England.

Historic Driving Tours (Statewide)

There are 26 tours organized by region and range from 30 minutes to four hours. Travelers will experience some of Maine's most beautiful and historic downtowns, many of which are nationally accredited Main Street communities and are vibrant places to find local food, shops and cultural happenings.

Maine Oyster Trail (Statewide)

Whether you want to shuck, taste, learn from the experts or just grab and go, there's no better way to appreciate the fresh reward of Maine oysters than following along the Maine Oyster Trail. The interactive guide allows you to pick your desired oyster experience and explore the different coastal

New Hampshire

Mill City Whitewater Park (Franklin)

The only whitewater park in New England will open this summer in the heart of downtown Franklin, New Hampshire. The new park sits right on the Winnipesaukee River. When finished, the park will consist of 13 acres, with an adjacent 21 acres, three whitewater features, a climbing wall, mountain bike trails and more.

Omni Mount Washington Hotel (Bretton Woods)

The Omni Mount Washington Hotel, a favorite New England retreat of presidents, poets and celebrities, offering New Hampshire's largest ski area, developed 70 new guest rooms in the Presidential Wing. These luxury rooms boast private balconies with superior mountain views and are ideal for family vacations, romantic retreats or a getaway with friends. The space will welcome the addition of a central concierge lounge, featuring morning coffee service and a state-of-the-art business center.

The White Mountain Hotel and Resort (North Conway)

The White Mountain Hotel & Resort just completed a \$3.5 million renovation and redesign of all guest rooms and suites along with extensive exterior improvements. Inside improvements include all new furniture, mattresses, TVs, doors, lighting, guest bathrooms, HVAC units, and guest room corridors. Located at the base of White Horse Ledge, this 80-room hotel with a 9-hole championship golf course features breathtaking views of the surrounding cliffs and mountains of New Hampshire.

Jimmy's on Congress (Portsmouth)

Inspirational jazz and blues paired with fine New Hampshire inspired cuisine, libations and a lively scene... all in a spectacularly restored local landmark located in the heart of downtown Portsmouth. Jazz and Blues Club opening September 2021.

Massachusetts

The Newbury Boston Hotel and Contessa (Boston)

The Newbury Boston Hotel (One Newbury Street, Boston) opened spring 2021 with 211 rooms. It takes over the space previously occupied by The Taj. With a location between the Boston Public Garden and Newbury Street, it is located at one of Boston's most coveted locations. Major Food Group also brings its highly acclaimed creativity to The Newbury's signature glass-enclosed, four-season rooftop restaurant, Contessa.

Raffles Boston Back Bay Hotel (Boston)

Raffles Boston Back Bay Hotel (40 Trinity Place) will be opening in 2022 with 147 Rooms. Joining an impressive collection of 12 unique Raffles properties around the world, it will include 147 guestrooms and 146 residences in a new 33-story building at the corner of Stuart Street and Trinity Place in Boston's Back Bay. The first Raffles hotel in North America will include a mix of signature services and is conveniently near high-end shopping at Copley Place and within a short walk to Newbury Street and Prudential Center, Fenway Park, the Museum of Fine Arts and dozens of fine dining restaurants.

Ramsay's Kitchen (Boston)

Gordon Ramsay will open his first Boston restaurant at Mandarin Oriental, Boston in late 2021.

US Open 2022 (Boston/Brookline)

The Country Club of Brookline has been awarded the 2022 U.S. Open Championship.

Bascom Lodge - 85th Anniversary in 2022 (Adams)

Bascom Lodge celebrates its 85th anniversary in 2022. Nestled on the summit of the state's highest mountain, Mt. Greylock, the lodge is the centerpiece of a 12,500-acre wilderness park. Established in 1898, the Mt. Greylock Reservation was the first land preserved-in-trust by the state for the citizens of Massachusetts as a wilderness park. Bascom was designed in an architectural style that would later become an inspiration for many of America's national park buildings. Constructed from local stone quarried from the mountain and old-growth red spruce timbers harvested from the slopes of the "Hopper," The Lodge, as we see it today, opened its doors in 1937. Source: bascomlodge.net

Avery's General Store – Celebrates 160 Years in 2021 (Charlemont)

Avery's is celebrating 160 years in business! First opened in 1861, Avery's General Store is considered the oldest continuously operating general store in New England.

400th Anniversary of the First Thanksgiving in November 2021 (Plymouth)

The holiday feast dates back to November 1621, when the newly arrived Pilgrims and the Wampanoag Indians gathered in Plymouth for an autumn harvest celebration, an event regarded as America's "first Thanksgiving."

Polar Park opened in April 2021 (Worcester)

Polar Park opened in spring 2021 for the Worcester Red Sox, the AAA affiliate to the Boston Red Sox. Along with the team, Polar Park will also serve as an event space with the DCU club and other various areas for different events to take place both during gameday and nongame days.

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