# MASSAGHUSETTS

# 2022 International Profile

# **ABOUT SALEM**

A small city just north of Boston, Salem, Massachusetts attracts visitors from around the globe. Most noted for the Salem Witch Trials of 1692, Salem's history stretches from the 17th-century to today and includes maritime heritage, American literature, architecture, military history, and more. When you visit Salem, you will learn the stories of the interesting men and women who have made remarkable contributions to Salem, New England, and the world.

### **NOTABLE FOR 2022**

- Real Pirates Salem is open at 285 Derby Street
- Salem Witch Museum celebrates its 50th Anniversary
- International Monster Museum is open in Museum Place Mall

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

- During the Salem Witch Trials of 1692, 19 innocent men and women were hanged, and one man pressed to death, accused of being Witches
- ♦ Salem Haunted Happenings in October is believed to be the world's largest Halloween celebration.
- The first militia muster was held on Salem Common in 1637, making Salem the birthplace of the American National Guard
- Dating back to 1668, The House of the Seven Gables is New England's oldest wooden mansion.
- ♦ In 1877 Alexander Graham Bell placed the first long-distance telephone call from Salem's Lyceum Hall
- Founded in 1799, the Peabody Essex Museum is the oldest continually operated museum in America
- ♦ Parker Brothers opened in Salem in 1887, where Monopoly and other games were produced until 1991.
- ♦ The Disney movie *Hocus Pocus* is one of several projects that were filmed in Salem.

# **LOCATION & ACCESS**

- Salem is 16 miles (25 km) north of Boston and 14 miles north of Logan International Airport
- Closest highway: MA RTE-128
- Closest interstate: I-95
- Salem is a 30-minute drive from Gloucester, Ipswich, and Essex, and 24 miles from historic Lexington and Concord, Massachusetts

- The Salem Ferry provides high-speed service between Salem Wharf, 10 Blaney Street, and Long Wharf in Boston late May through October
- Commuter train service between Salem and Boston's North Station takes 30 minutes and is available daily, year-round. The train can be taken north from Salem to Gloucester, Ipswich, Rockport, and Newburyport.

# **ANNUAL EVENTS & FESTIVALS**

JANUARY Salem Comedy & Spirits Festival

FEBRUARY Salem's So Sweet

MARCH Salem Film Fest

APRIL Salem Ancestry Days

JUNE Salem Arts Festival

JULY Salem Celebrates the Fourth

AUGUST Salem Heritage Days

Salem Jazz & Soul Festival

Antique & Classic Boat Festival

SEPTEMBER Food Truck Festival
Salem Spice Festival

Salem Haunted Happenings

DECEMBER Holiday Happenings

Christmas in Salem

# **HOSPITALITY & AMENITIES**

The following amenities and services are available. Contact Destination Salem for more information.

- Assistance with itinerary planning
- Familiarization Tours

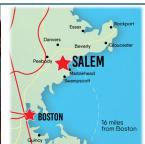
**OCTOBER** 

- Public restrooms (Artists' Row, Salem Maritime National Historic Site, Salem Visitor Center)
- Salem Regional Visitor Center, National Park Service / Essex Heritage, 2 New Liberty St., Salem, has restrooms, exhibits and films. (Open Wednesday— Sunday, 10am-4pm)









# SUGGESTED THEMES & ITINERARIES

**SALEM WITCH TRIALS OF 1692** A dark period of fear and accusation, the events of the Salem Witch Trials are examined and interpreted by several attractions, museums, walking tours, and films. Visitors are encouraged to pause for reflection and remembrance at the Salem Witch Trials Memorial.

**MARITIME HERITAGE** Salem's exciting maritime heritage includes boat-building, fishing, and the prosperous China trade. Explore Salem's museums and Salem Maritime National Historic Site to learn the stories and see the treasures of the men and women who contributed to Salem's boom.

**HAUNTED SALEM** Ghostly tours will share Salem's murder mysteries, wrongful deaths, and wandering spirits. If you are seeking a more personal experience, join a Salem séance!

**BOOKS & MOVIES** Immerse yourself in the fiction of Nathaniel Hawthorne, Arthur Miller, Brunonia Barry, Katherine Howe, Kathleen Kent, Adrianna Mather and more. Visit the filming locations for the film *Hocus Pocus* as well as David O. Russell's films *Joy* and *American Hustle*.

**CULINARY SALEM** Indulge in a food tour, which connects Salem's maritime and spice trade heritage with the historic sites, restaurants and shops of today.

**SALEM SAMPLER** A day filled with a Salem Trolley tour with visits to The House of the Seven Gables, Salem Witch Museum or Witch Dungeon Museum and an evening walking tour to experience each of Salem's significant chapters.

# TRANSLATIONS AND AUDIO GUIDES

#### RECEPTIVE OPERATORS

Wolf Tours & Adventures WolfeTours.com Italian, French, German

#### **VISITOR SERVICES**

Salem Chamber of Commerce

Salem-Chamber.org Dutch, German

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Hampton Inn Salem/Boston Hilton.com

Spanish

Hawthorne Hotel

HawthorneHotel.com *Spanish* 

**Northey Street House B&B** 

NortheyStreetHouse.com Mandarin, Cantonese

Salem Waterfront Hotel & Suites

SalemWaterfrontHotel.com Spanish, French, & Portuguese

# MUSEUMS & ATTRACTIONS

Count Orlok's Nightmare Gallery

NightmareGallery.com Portuguese Cry Innocent: The People Versus Bridget Bishop

HistoryAliveSalem.com Translation available in: Arabic, French, Italian, Japanese, Mandarin, Russian, Spanish

Historic New England's Phillips House

HistoricNewEngland.org *French* 

The House of the Seven Gables

7Gables.org Cantonese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Mandarin, Portuguese, Spanish

Peabody Essex Museum PEM.org

Cantonese audio tours of Yin Yu Tang Chinese House available

Salem Witch Museum

SalemWitchMuseum.com Cantonese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Mandarin, Russian. Spanish

Witch Dungeon Museum

Witch Dungeon.com
Introduction to the history of
the Salem Witch Trials is
offered in French, German,
Italian, Japanese, Spanish

The Witch House

WitchHouse.info French, German, Italian, Japanese, Polish, Portuguese, Spanish

#### **WALKING TOURS**

Bewitched After Dark Walking Tours

BewitchedAfterDark.com Spanish

Salem Food Tours & AM Coffee Walks

SalemFoodTours.com Spanish and French

**Salem Night Tours** SalemGhostTours.com Spanish

Witch City Walking Tours WitchCityWalkingTours.com Spanish

#### **DINING**

**Salem's Retreat** SalemsRetreat.com *Spanish* 

## **SHOPPING**

Circle of Stitches CircleofStitches.com Portuguese, Spanish



Each October the City of Salem hosts the largest Halloween celebration in the world. Spanning all 31 days of October, events range from family-friendly costume parades to 21+ balls and parties. Coinciding with New England's vibrant fall foliage season, Salem Haunted Happenings is a fun, festive, and beautiful time to visit Salem.

## HauntedHappenings.org





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