

Fourth of July Celebration with the Boston Pops

July 2 ~ July 5, 2012



Come to Boston for the annual celebration of the Birth of our Country!

Our patriotic trip begins with a walk through the North End of Boston on the Freedom Trail. We'll visit the Old North Church, the location from which the famous "One if by land, and two if by sea" signal is said to have been sent. Cross over the Charles River and see Harvard University and Harvard Yard with its rich history and dedication towards excellence. Enjoy a harbor cruise while feasting on a lobster lunch buffet. Visit the JFK Library and Museum and take a guided tour of Old Ironside- the USS Constitution, the nation's oldest commissioned ship in the United States.

The highlight of the trip will be the July 3rd Boston Pops concert under the stars, celebrating the birth of our nation. Keith Lockhart brings his signature style and energy to champion great American music, while the orchestra and guest performers shine brightly on the stage of the Hatch Shell on the Charles River Esplanade. A magical and awe-inspiring evening.

Each summer since 1929, orchestral concerts on the Esplanade have offered a wide range of music along the scenic Charles River. A life-long dream of legendary Boston Pops Conductor Arthur Fiedler, the open-air Boston Pops concerts are now a beloved summer Boston tradition. The concerts take place at the Hatch Shell on the Esplanade. Folks of all ages gather on the banks of the Charles River to enjoy the evening's concert. The concert on the 3rd of July is a full dress rehearsal of the 4th of July concert and is only available to a limited audience. This is the BEST way to actually see the Boston Pops during the celebration.



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Boston Pops and the 4th of July

\$2199 Per person, double occupancy

\$2599 single occupancy

Highlights:

- Roundtrip air
- Luxury motor coach transportation
- Accommodations - 3 nights at the Hyatt Regency
- 7 meals including
 - 3 full breakfast, as outlined
 - 1 lunch aboard the Spirit of Boston
 - 3 dinners, including the Chart House
- Guided services as outlined in itinerary
- 3rd of July Boston Pops Rehearsal Concert, outdoors
- 4th of July Fireworks
- Boston Tour
- Harvard University and Yard Tour
- USS Constitution Lobster-Luncheon Cruise aboard the Spirit of Boston
- Old North Church
- Faneuil Hall
- Quincy Market
- USS Constitution Tour
- USS Cason Young self-guided
- USS Constitution Museum
- USS Constitution Visitor's Center
- JFK Library and Museum
- Chair-in-a-bag rental for July 3 and 4
- Round Trip Baggage Handling
- All taxes and gratuities for driver, guides and escort
- Group Insurance

Day 1: Monday, July 2, 2012

Today you depart from Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport for Boston, MA. Upon your arrival at Logan International Airport you will be met by your tour guide and transferred to the Hyatt Regency, Cambridge. Dinner this evening will be at the Chart House on Long Wharf in the Boston Harbor. (D)

Day 2: Tuesday, July 3, 2012

Today you will start your day with a full breakfast. Following breakfast you will embark upon an historic Boston, North End tour including parts of the Freedom Trail and a visit to Old North Church. Lunch today is on your own at the Prudential Center where there are choices of restaurants including Legal Seafood and Au Bon Pain. You will have time to shop and browse in the many stores located here too! After lunch you will go across the Charles River to the city of Cambridge and see Harvard University and Harvard Yard, or *Hahvahd Yahd* as the locals say it! In the late afternoon you will go to the esplanade for the BOSTON POPS REHEARSAL CONCERT. You will receive a wrist band which gives you entrance to the hatch shell stage. The concert is located in the oval, a space of lawn, in front of the stage. After settling in you will enjoy a summer barbeque dinner. After dinner you can sit, relax, talk and wait for the music to begin! At 8:30 pm the BOSTON POPS 4TH OF JULY REHEARSAL CONCERT begins!!! This is the BEST way to actually see the Boston Pops. There are only about 30,000 people in attendance on this night versus upwards of 750,000 on the night of July 4th. The concert is over at around 10:00 pm. Special arrangements and portable, folding chairs will be provided for this unique tour. (B,D)

Day 3: Wednesday, July 4, 2012

You begin your day with a full breakfast. You will then travel to the Boston Harbor to board your ship for the Boston Harbor Cruise. On this 2 ½ hour tour you will see the USS Constitution aka "Old Ironsides" for a special photo opportunity. Next it's a tour of the harbor, while enjoying a bountiful buffet lunch including boiled lobster for each guest. There is also musical entertainment included.

Your next stop will be the JFK Library and Museum. The museum at the Kennedy Library captures the powerful story of the Kennedy years, giving visitors of all ages an uplifting, "first – hand" experience of President Kennedy's life, leadership and legacy. A light dinner is included tonight. You have the choice of watching the concert on the televisions in your room and then going out front of the hotel to stake a claim on a patch of grass and watch the fireworks or walk to the Massachusetts Avenue Bridge. At 10:30 pm the fireworks spectacular gets underway. The fireworks last about 25 minutes creating a magical light show in the summer night sky! (B,L,D)

Day 4: July 5, 2012

Enjoy a full breakfast at your leisure at the hotel. This morning you will visit the Charlestown Navy Yard run by the *National Parks Service* where you will see the USS CONSTITUTION OLD IRONSIDES. "Located in the Charlestown Navy Yard, the USS *Constitution* was launched in Boston on October 21st, 1797 and is the oldest commissioned warship afloat in the world. In 2008 the US Navy started major construction on the ship. Today, she is manned by an active duty U.S. Navy Crew. You can take a guided tour of Old Ironsides which will take you down three decks and back up. There is also a Constitution Visitor's Center with memorabilia and gifts. There is also the USS Constitution Museum, a private, non-profit museum which includes a theatre, over 3,000 historical artifacts, interactive exhibits and a gift shop. You will also have time to visit the USS Cason Young, a World War II Navy destroyer. Enjoy lunch on your own at Quincy Market. For over 250 years the marketplace has played an integral role in the life of Boston's residents. You will feel the cobblestones beneath your feet, see roaming performers and be able to taste the wonderfully diverse ethnic foods available to you. There are 100 shops, carts and artisans to offer treasures to take home with you! You will head home today with memories to last a lifetime. (B)



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Deposit amount: \$ _____

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Name of card holder _____

Card number _____ Expiration date _____ Security code _____

Signature of card holder _____

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