



EASTERN UNITED STATES



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*Follow in the footsteps of our nation's founders when you travel the eastern United States, from the Liberty Bell to Washington's Mount Vernon to historic Revolutionary and Civil War battlegrounds. Become entranced by fall's foliage ablaze throughout the hills of New England. Or soak in the sunny skies and sounds of the South through Memphis, New Orleans and Nashville. Whatever calls you to the East, an engaging journey awaits.*

## HOLIDAYS & FESTIVALS

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<i>January 1</i>	<i>Mummers Parade (Philadelphia)</i>
<i>February</i>	<i>Mardi Gras (New Orleans)</i>
<i>March</i>	<i>Smithsonian Kite Festival (Washington, DC)</i>
<i>March 17</i>	<i>St. Patrick's Day Parade (New York City)</i>
<i>March</i>	<i>White House Easter Egg Roll</i>
<i>May</i>	<i>Memphis in May International Festival</i>
<i>May</i>	<i>International Food Fair (New York City)</i>
<i>June</i>	<i>Nantucket Film Festival</i>
<i>June</i>	<i>Sun Fun Festival (Myrtle Beach)</i>
<i>June</i>	<i>CMA Music Festival (Nashville)</i>
<i>July</i>	<i>Harborfest (Boston)</i>
<i>July 4</i>	<i>Fireworks on the National Mall (Washington, DC)</i>
<i>September</i>	<i>Harwich Cranberry Harvest Festival (Cape Cod)</i>
<i>September</i>	<i>Caribbean Day Parade (Brooklyn)</i>
<i>December</i>	<i>Christmas on the River (Savannah)</i>

## BOOKS

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- *Bonfire of the Vanities*, by Tom Wolfe
- *The Great Gatsby*, by F. Scott Fitzgerald
- *The Lost Continent: Travels in Small-Town America*, by Bill Bryson
- *Rise to Rebellion: A Novel of the American Revolution*, by Jeff Shaara
- *Travels with Charley: In Search of America*, by John Steinbeck

## VIDEOS

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- *Johnny Tremain (1957)*
- *West Side Story (1961)*
- *The American President (1995)*
- *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil (1997)*
- *The Patriot (2000)*

# EASTERN UNITED STATES CONTINUED

## LOCAL TOURISM

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### WEB SITES

<i>Boston</i> .....	<i>www.bostonusa.com</i>
<i>Georgia</i> .....	<i>www.georgia.org/travel</i>
<i>New York City</i> .....	<i>www.nyc.com</i>
<i>Tennessee</i> .....	<i>www.tnvacation.com</i>
<i>USA Tourism Sites</i> .....	<i>www.seeamerica.org</i>
<i>Washington, DC</i> .....	<i>www.washington.org</i>

## WEATHER

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*If one weather feature separates the East from the West in the United States, it's humidity. Humidity makes the hot weather a bit stickier and the cool weather a bit sharper. If you're accustomed to a drier climate, be sure to bring along a rain jacket, plenty of layers and an extra helping of hairspray.*

## AVERAGE

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### TEMPERATURES

	January		April		July		October	
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
Boston	34°	15°	58°	35°	82°	60°	62°	39°
Charleston, SC	58°	38°	76°	54°	90°	73°	77°	56°
Chicago	29°	13°	59°	39°	84°	63°	63°	42°
Memphis	45°	28°	73°	51°	92°	71°	74°	50°
New York	38°	26°	59°	43°	84°	68°	65°	50°
Washington, DC	42°	27°	67°	46°	88°	71°	69°	50°

Temperatures are in °F. For specific weather information, visit [www.accuweather.com](http://www.accuweather.com).

## DID YOU KNOW?

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- *Twenty percent of the world's freshwater supply flows over Niagara Falls.*
- *If you ate at a different restaurant in New York City every day, it would take nearly 50 years to sample them all.*
- *The hands of the 19-foot statue of President Lincoln in Washington, DC, are positioned as an "A" and "L" in American Sign Language in honor of his support for the Gallaudet University for the deaf.*
- *Charleston is home to the country's first golf course, built in 1786.*
- *Georgia is the nation's number-one producer of the three Ps—peanuts, pecans and peaches.*
- *Graceland, Elvis Presley's home in Memphis, is the most visited house in the country after the White House.*
- *Philadelphia has the largest collection of impressionist art in the world outside Paris.*