



It doesn't get much more quintessential New England than **Cape Cod**. When you're ready to take a break from the games, towering dunes, crisp Atlantic air and some of the freshest seafood in the country await. Just over an hour drive (or 90-minute ferry ride) from Boston, Cape Cod is an easy escape from the chaos of the city. (Just be sure to factor in time for the area's infamous bridge traffic if you're driving—that hour drive can easily turn to hours on the wrong day.)

Cape Cod's allure lies in its diversity; just about anyone can feel welcome here. You'll find stately, old-money homes in Chatham and Hyannis (home to the Kennedy compound). Further up Route 6 (the only road that traverses the Cape from top to bottom) you're met with family-friendly beaches, clam shacks and rustic natural charm. At the very tip of the peninsula, artists and the LGBTQ+ community flock to Provincetown's free spirit and cosmopolitan environment.



Seafood

Lobster, clam chowder, oysters: You'll find all the classic New England seafood here. But the best part about the Cape is how fresh it is, often going from the ocean to your plate in a matter of hours. (On menus across the Cape, you'll find the word "local" before many seafood selections.) For some of the best fruits of the sea, head to **Wellfleet**. Situated on the Outer Cape, this tiny hamlet is home to the famous Wellfleet oyster. You'll find this variety all over the Cape, but grab a seat at **The Wicked Oyster Company** on Main Street to also sample other classic Cape favorites including local scallops and clams. If fried clams are more your thing, **Mac's Seafood** offers a sit-down restaurant (**Mac's On the Pier**) as well as a classic "shack" for on-the-go dining (**Mac's Shack**).