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BEST TRIPS

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ROAD TRIPS

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For information about the Seacoast National Park Service Commission web site, which is a great resource for planning your trip, visit www.nps.gov/seacoast or call 1-800-NPS-8888.
Caroline Sieg  My relationship with New England began when I briefly lived in Boston. Subsequent trips to the region yielded countless hikes in the Green Mountains, excessive beer and cheese tasting in Vermont, and a profound obsession with blueberry pie and apple-cider doughnuts. I also believe that one of the best ways to embrace the area is to explore its ubiquitous lakes and waterways by boat. These days, I visit New England as often as I can.

My Favorite Trip  Vermont Back-Roads Ramble for the quirky puppet museum, and my favorite beer, brewed up on a hill well off the beaten track.

Paula Hardy  As I’m the British half of an American-British couple, I spend a lot of time hopping across the pond, torn between the bright lights of London town and Boston, where weekending in the New England countryside is a near-weekly activity. Research for this book, though, took me way off the beaten path into Connecticut’s sugar shacks, dairy barns and wine-tasting rooms, and Rhode Island’s tiny East Bay villages, where lasting memories of Allie’s doughnuts aren’t easily forgotten.

My Favorite Trip  Connecticut Wine Trail for the Philip Johnson Glass House, where I’d very much like to live.
Our Story

A beat-up old car, a few dollars in the pocket and a sense of adventure. In 1972 that’s all Tony and Maureen Wheeler needed for the trip of a lifetime – across Europe and Asia overland to Australia. It took several months, and at the end – broke but inspired – they sat at their kitchen table writing and stapling together their first travel guide, Across Asia on the Cheap. Within a week they’d sold 1500 copies. Lonely Planet was born.

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My Favorite Trip # Cape Cod & the Islands for seaside bike trails, secluded swaths of sand and oysters on the half shell.

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Amy C Balfour I fell for the White Mountains during a hut-to-hike 12 years ago when I tromped between Greenleaf and Galehead. Since then I’ve returned to New Hampshire for more hiking, and expanded my horizons to Maine for shopping and lobster-roll testing. On this trip, south of Rangeley, ME, I flipped when I saw my first moose in the wild. I’m sure the moose had a good laugh.

My Favorite Trip # Acadia Byway for its multisport appeal and well-designed roads that complement the surrounding beauty.