



British Legends Weekend 2019

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What To Do In Plymouth

Come Early Friday – Leave Later on Monday

There Is Much To Do

Everyone has heard of Plymouth, but many do not know it well or how much it has to offer. It is a major tourist destination that maintains a small seaside town feel despite being the largest town by population and landmass in the Massachusetts. The downtown area and waterfront has received major renovations over the past few years, in part motivated by the upcoming celebration of the founding of Plymouth Plantation in 1620. The downtown area is made up of wonderfully unique shops along its treed main and side streets. Statues and historic venues abound. A beautiful esplanade runs along the harbor that received new landscaping and walkways for 2019. It makes for a lovely stroll along the water's edge past a harbor full of working boats and yachts at moorings and marinas. It is a town with something for everyone to savor and enjoy

Like History?

As most well know, Plymouth is the site of the first successful English Colony in America. It is home to Plymouth Rock, the Plimoth Plantation living history museum and the Mayflower II – a replica of the ship that brought the Pilgrims to our shores. Beyond these well know attractions, there are the many historic homes to tour. Visit burial hill and find the graves of Governor Bradford, William Brewster, James Warren and many of the other luminaries of the early colonial era. Walk Leyden Street, the main avenue of the original plantation. Stop into Pilgrim Hall, a wonderful museum concentrating on the history of the Wampanoag and other Native American tribes of the area in addition to Plymouth Colony itself. Discover the monumental National Monument To The Forefathers. Visit the Jenny Pond Grist Mill. Tour the National Pilgrim Memorial Meetinghouse, located on the site of the original plantation's first church. The current edifice, built in 1889, is a magnificent arts and crafts stone structure with Tiffany glass windows. It houses the oldest continuing congregation in the nation. Check out the 1749 or the 1820 Court Houses. Take a ghost tour at night. Most importantly, all of these attractions and more are within walking distance of one another in the downtown area.

Arts and Music your thing?

Most pubs and restaurants downtown have live music on the weekends ranging from rock to jazz to folk. Listen to the sounds drifting out onto the streets as you stroll along and then find what suits you. See who is performing at Memorial Hall or at the Spire Performing Arts Center. Maybe attend the Philharmonic. Wander into the Plymouth Center for the Arts to see what is new in the public galleries. Catch some live theatre at one of a number of venues or see what independent movies are playing at the Plimoth Cinema at Plimoth Plantation. There is always something happening.

A Shopper?

Plymouth is one of the few towns remaining with two sizable main streets (Court and Water Street) packed with small, independent retailers. Boutique clothing stores, artist workshops, jewelers, antique dealers and unique gift shops, an antique bookstore. Make sure you wander down the side streets as well to see what you might find. And of course, two shopping malls just a 5 minute drive from downtown for the big box stores.



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Are you a foodie?

There are so many restaurants in downtown Plymouth, that it would be impossible not to find something to tempt your palate. In addition to plenty of interesting pub menus, choose from French, Italian, Korean, Chinese, Thai, Tapas, Mexican, a juice bar, Brazilian, vegetarian or Vegan and of course, lots of fresh seafood cuisine. Ice cream stores galore, specialty candy and pastry shops, and bakeries. Dine in everything from high-end elegance to shore side lobster huts. You can't go wrong.

Like beer, wine or spirits?

There are four local microbreweries, a distillery and a wine maker in town as well as a store specializing in nothing but craft beers from around the world. You can discover them all via a brewery tour. The pubs in town each carry a remarkable variety of brews or you can check out one of the wine bars.

More of an outdoors person?

Take a stroll through Brewster Gardens, following the paved paths along town brook past flower beds and statues, the fish ladder by the Grist Mill, up by beautiful Jenny Pond and beyond through woods. End up in Morton Park by the shores of Billington Sea where you could rent a kayak and explore this large inland lake. Or take the level, handicapped accessible walkway along the Seaside Trail from Nelson Park downtown over to historic Cordage Park. This is where the commuter rail to Boston departs. Take a short drive over to Myles Standish State Park, the largest State Park in Massachusetts, with miles of walking, biking and horseback riding trails. Stay at one of their campsites or cabins alongside the many ponds found within the park's boundaries. Or rent a bike or kayak downtown to pedal or paddle the harbor. Go on a whale watch or catch a boat for a day trip out to Provincetown and be back in time for dinner. Take a walk on Plymouth's 3-mile barrier beach, stroll out on the harbor jetty or bring the kids to the playground at Nelson Beach downtown. Grab your fishing gear and try your luck at one of the over 300 ponds and lakes in town. So much to do.

For more information and a calendar of events for the area, try these various websites.

[Destination Plymouth – SeePlymouth.com](#)

[Plymouth 400 - plymouth400inc.org](#)

[Explore Natural Plymouth – explorenaturalplymouth.org](#)