

Cruising the Coast of Connecticut
Mystic & Essex
July 19 (Fri) - 21 (Sun), 2019
3 Day Tour

Day 1 Friday

6:00am Depart Allentown, PA (Green Hills Commerce Center)
6:20am Depart Bethlehem, PA (L.V.I.P)
6:50am Depart Phillipsburg, NJ (Phillipsburg Mall/Rear)
 Arrive Mystic, CT
Mystic Seaport - lunch and time on own

Mystic Seaport is the nation's leading maritime museum. Founded in 1929, the museum is home to four National Historic Landmark vessels, including the *Charles W. Morgan*, the last wooden whaleship in the world. Mystic Seaport features a working preservation shipyard, a re-created 19th-century seafaring village, exhilarating exhibits, a planetarium, historic gardens, and a children's museum.

Cruise the Mystic River aboard the Sabino

Sabino was built in 1908 in East Boothbay, Maine, and spent most of her career ferrying passengers and cargo between Maine towns and islands. She is 57 feet long and has a beam of 23 feet. Her hull is constructed of wood and she is powered by a 75-horsepower two-cylinder compound steam engine. The engine is the original power plant that was installed in 1908 and was manufactured by the J. H. Paine & Son Co. in nearby Noank, Connecticut. Steam is generated by a coal-fired boiler. Sabino came to Mystic Seaport in 1973 and she was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1992. Sabino has been in the Museum's Henry B. duPont Preservation Shipyard since late 2014 for an extensive restoration. She returned to service August 2, 2017.

Check into hotel - Two (2) Nights

Quality Inn

Dinner on own at **Olde Mistick Village**

Day 2 Saturday (B, L)

Breakfast at hotel

Tour of the United States Coast Guard Academy

Take a tour of the United Coast Guard Academy ranked among the nation's most prestigious institutions of higher learning, the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut, is proud to educate future leaders of America's multi-mission, maritime military force. Each year, approximately 200 graduates are commissioned as Coast Guard officers to help ensure the safety, security and stewardship of our nation's waters.

Lunch included at Sonoma Bistro

Rhode Island Bay Lighthouse Cruise

This 90-minute cruise showcases some of Rhode Island's most beautiful lighthouses. The captain will take you throughout Narragansett Bay bringing you up close and personal to these historic landmarks; this truly is a one-of-a-kind cruise that you will remember forever.

Return to hotel
Depart for Mohegan Sun Casino
Dinner & time on own at **Mohegan Sun Casino**

Day 3 Sunday (B)

Breakfast at hotel
USS Nautilus Museum

The Submarine Force Museum, located on the Thames River in Groton, Connecticut, maintains the world's finest collection of submarine artifacts. It is the only submarine museum operated by the United States Navy, and as such is the primary repository for artifacts, documents and photographs relating to U.S. Submarine Force history. The museum's collections include more than 33,000 artifacts, 20,000 significant documents and 30,000 photographs.

Gillette Castle Viewing Cruise aboard eco-tour vessel, River Quest

Set sail on the RiverQuest, a 64' eco-tourism boat that travels the scenic lower Connecticut River, and experience an area that has been labeled by The Nature Conservancy as *"One of the Last Great Places"*. You will see Gillette Castle, one of Connecticut's main tourist attractions from the water, the Chester/Hadlyme Ferry, the second oldest operating ferry in Connecticut and Mount Saint John's School for Boys in Deep River. Captain Mark and/or crew will tell you all about the castle, William Gillette, the ferry and Mount Saint John's.

7:00pm Lunch on own in Essex, CT
Approximate arrival in Phillipsburg, NJ

Price Per Person:	<u>Single</u>	<u>Double</u>	<u>Triple</u>	<u>Quad</u>
	\$605	\$471	\$430	\$405

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