

# Walking in Massachusetts



## Freedom Trail, Boston, MA

### Special tips for this location:

- **Transportation/Parking:** Take the train, T or park at the Boston Common Garage and head to the start of the trail at the Boston Common Visitor Center.
- **Distance:** Walking the full route, there and back, is about 5 miles. If you only plan to walk one way, make sure you have transportation arranged to return to your starting point.

**Highlights:** The Freedom Trail is a 2.5-mile path marked by a red brick line that connects 16 historic sites key to the American Revolution. Highlights include the Massachusetts State House, Paul Revere's House, the Old North Church, and the site of the Boston Massacre.

### Hike idea:

- **Guided Tour:** Consider taking a 90-minute, one-mile paid tour that covers 11 of the 16 highlights.
- **Self-Guided:** Alternatively, you can walk and read the history on your own using a map. A guide and history lesson for each stop is available.

Leash up your dog for the walk!

**“Being able to smell the fresh air  
and disconnect from the news  
and your phone—  
there’s nothing like it.”**

— Jason Ward

See [Boston Freedom Trail](#) for more [information](#) and to view a [map](#).

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