
destination *new bedford* – Cod, Cobblestones and Culture

From seafood to history to diverse art and culture, New Bedford has something for you!

Seafood from the Port of New Bedford is the most sustainably caught seafood in the world. From fine dining to informal fish market stands to a walk along our working waterfront, you cannot go wrong with seafood choices in New Bedford, America's #1 Fishing Port.



The district's old cobblestone-lined streets lead to the New Bedford Whaling National Park and the Whaling Museum, the heart of the historical heritage of the city, filled with stories of whaling days, the Underground Railroad, and the legendary white whale, which inspired Herman Melville to sail from New Bedford and to write *Moby Dick*. Here you can also learn out about the famous orator and abolitionist Frederick Douglass by visiting the Nathan and Polly Johnson House, the first free home of Douglass after he escaped slavery.

Find out why New Bedford was named the 7th Most Artistic City in America (Richard Florida, *Atlantic Magazine*). Take a stroll through the Seaport Cultural District to discover charming boutique shops, wineries and restaurants with mouth watering dining options including a variety of seafood and international cuisine choices. Indulge your eyes and soul in a variety of artwork in all media including painting, ceramics, sculpture, fiber arts, metals, puppetry, installation, mixed media, and much more! Visit the many Art Galleries and Open Studios, and support the artists by buying uniquely-made local artwork.

Now, get ready to explore!

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Breakfast

Cobblestone Restaurant

7 S. 6th Street
508-999-5486

Homey Portuguese & American breakfasts & lunches in a quaint, historic building built in 1892. Daily specials, alcohol service, and reasonable prices.

Stop #1

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park

33 William Street
508-996-4095

www.nps.gov/nebe

New Bedford has a fascinating history, filled with stories of whalemens going to sea, escaped slaves seeking freedom, and connections to the sea that span for centuries. Inside the NBWNHP Visitor Center you can browse the park's exhibits, bookstore, interactive kiosks, and view the orientation film. In addition, NBWNHP provides free guided tours that start from the national park visitor center. Groups of 10 or more should complete a group reservations request form with the park service.

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Stop #2

New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center

38 Bethel Street

508-993-8894

The New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center is dedicated to preserving and presenting the story of the fishing industry past, present, and future through exhibits, programs, and archives.

Stop #3

Harbor Tour - Whaling City Expeditions

City Pier 3, 228 MacArthur Drive

508-984-4979

www.whalingcityexpeditions.com

Experienced captains take visitors on a relaxing, narrated 60-minute cruise around historic New Bedford Harbor: Palmer's Island Lighthouse, Fort Phoenix, the largest Hurricane Barrier on the East Coast, No. 1 Fishing Fleet in U.S., Schooner Ernestina, Joshua Slocum Memorial, and lots of Whaling History!

Lunch

Tia Maria's European Cafe

42 N. Water Street

508-993-8900

www.tiamariaseuropeancafe.com

Located along the cobblestone streets of historic downtown New Bedford, all of Tia Maria's dishes are made to order using local and organic ingredients whenever possible.

Shopping:

TL6

100 William Street

508-992-8100

<https://www.facebook.com/TL6theGallery>

TL6 The Gallery is a one-of-a-kind shop, specializing in handmade, unique and custom designs. The artists exhibiting at TL6 make everything from jewelry and pottery, to handmade t-shirts and knits, to fine art paintings and photography.

Gallery X

169 William St.

508-992-2675

<https://www.facebook.com/GalleryXNewBedford/>

Gallery X is a contemporary, cooperative art gallery of visual, performing and literary artist members that promotes cultural outreach through community partnerships, educational programs, and monthly exhibits.

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Arthur Moniz Gallery

22 William Street

508-992-6050

<http://www.arthurmonizgallery.com/>

This gallery focuses on the works of art depicting natural and rural scenes in graphite and watercolor by Arthur Moniz. The gallery also includes local artisan crafts, antiques and art.



Alison Wells Fine Art Studio & Gallery

106 William Street

774-526-6550

<http://www.alisonwells.com/>

Alison Wells is a Trinidadian artist whose paintings have been exhibited in solo and group exhibitions in galleries and museums in the United States, the Caribbean and Europe.

Intarawut Southeast Asian Gallery

65 William Street

508-996-8888

<http://www.intarawut.com/home.html>

Fine Southeast Asian textiles and decorative arts.

Stop #4

New Bedford Whaling Museum

18 Johnny Cake Hill

508-997-0046

www.whalingmuseum.org

Devoted to the global story of whales, whaling, and the cultural history of the region, the museum's 20 galleries of maritime art and science exhibits include five whale skeletons and the world's largest ship model, Lagoda, which visitors may climb aboard. The Museum's collections number in excess of 750,000 items, including the world's largest collections of scrimshaw, whaling logbooks, and journals.



Stop #5

New Bedford Art Museum

608 Pleasant Street

508-961-3072

www.newbedfordart.org

Located in historic New Bedford's Seaport Cultural District, New Bedford Art Museum/ArtWorks! offers changing exhibitions of contemporary and traditional art from across the region and around the world.

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Dinner

The Black Whale

106 Pier 3/Fisherman's Wharf

508-990-7100

www.theblackwhale.com

Specializing in the freshest seafood from boat to restaurant plus a sushi bar.

Entertainment & Recreation:

Zeiterion Performing Arts Center

684 Purchase Street

508-994-2900

www.zeiterion.org

1920's Georgian Revival style adaptation theater hosting a variety of world class performances each year including jazz, dance, musicals, comedy, blues, and family programs.

The Blue Lane

Rodney French Boulevard

508-979-1745

<http://destinationnewbedford.org/lining/the-blue-lane/>

Walkway atop the City's hurricane barrier looking out upon Buzzards Bay, Fort Taber, Butler Flats Lighthouse, West Island, and Fort Phoenix.

Hotel Accommodations:

New Bedford Harbor Hotel

222 Union Street

508-999-1292

www.newbedfordharborhotel.com

Close to the business district and landmark attractions in historic New Bedford, MA, the New Bedford Harbor Hotel is the newest hotel in this vibrant and culturally rich city.

Fairfield Inn & Suites New Bedford by Marriot

185 MacArthur Boulevard

774-634-2000

www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/wbfi-fairfield-inn-and-suites-new-bedford/

Located on the beautiful Historic New Bedford Harbor, the newly built Fairfield Inn & Suites is the perfect location for both business and leisure traveler.