

Plymouth, fondly nicknamed "America's Hometown", is a town with a historical culture and folklore that is unmatched anywhere else in the country. In fact, it is one of the most historically prominent towns in the Commonwealth, as well as, the country overall. Currently, happens to be largest municipality in Massachusetts bay area. From the thriving economy, to the never-ending collection of attractions and events that take place all year long, Plymouth is truly one of the greatest American towns to visit and call home.

History

Plymouth is home to one of the most historical sites in United States history. in 1620 the pilgrims of the Mayflower voyage landed upon Plymouth rock. The following December the English separatist Puritans attempting to flee the Church of England after believing that the church had failed to complete the work of the Protestant Reformation. The following year, Plymouth was the site of the very first Thanksgiving.

Since its inception, the city has continued to grow and expand in population and industry while retaining the integrity of its historical importance. Over the last 30 years, Plymouth has seen more development and rapid growth than ever before, demonstrating the strength of its economy. One thing is for sure, no matter how much the town of Plymouth grows, its commitment to upholding the integrity of its rich historical origins will never waiver.

Points of Interest

Plymouth is home to a rich historical culture and many fun and interesting points of interest that contribute to the strength of the tourism industry of the town. Below are some of the best-known attractions and events that help to make Plymouth a great place to visit and amazing place to live.

Plymouth Rock - Plymouth Rock is one of the most famous attractions of Plymouth as it symbolizes the original landing site of the Mayflower in 1620.

Plymouth Plantation - Plymoth Plantation is a living history museum located south of Plymouth Center. Visitors can witness a re-creation of the Plymouth settlement in 1627 where museum staff engage in role playing to help make history come alive. There is also a replica of a 17th-century Wampanoag home-site and the Nye Barn, a replica of a 1927 farming homestead that was in Plymouth. The farm is home to various animals that would have lived in the original Plymouth Colony, but are very rare now.

Mayflower II - Located at the State Pier in Plymouth Center the country's first settlers to the New World in 1620. It is located at the State Pier in Plymouth Center. The ship is open to visitors and tourists as a museum about the Pilgrims' historic voyage from Plymouth , England.

Parks and Recreation - Plymouth is also home to Myles Standish State Forest , the second largest

forest in the state. With 16 freshwater lakes and ponds, the park draws thousands of people that enjoy hiking, fishing, and camping. Ellisville Harbor State Park , features a natural beach along the bay of Cape Cod. Plymouth is also boasts 11 public and private golf courses, including Squirrel Run, Pinehills , Plymouth Country Club , and Southers Marsh.

Entertainment - Plymouth hosts the Old Colony Club , which happens to be one of the oldest Gentleman's clubs in the world. Plymouth also features a vibrant music and arts community, including the Plymouth Center for the Arts ,the Driftwood Folk Cafe , and frequent concert series that are usually free of charge.

Events - Throughout the year, Plymouth hosts a variety of family-friendly fun and educational events that help to keep the entire community engaged. From the Forefathers Day Parade every December, to the cranberry harvest tours every fall, and everything in between, there is always a variety of ways for the whole family to get out and enjoy Plymouth.

Transportation Options

Plymouth, along with many other South Shore towns, made serious strides in the 1970's to improve upon it's transportation system. Today, commuters are able to enjoy a variety of transportation options within the town, as well as, to and from Boston. Here are some of the transportation options in Plymouth according to various sources :

Rail - Plymouth is one of two termini of the Kingston/Plymouth Old Colony Line of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority 's commuter rail, providing non-peak service to Braintree and as far north as Boston's South Station . The Plymouth MBTA station is near Cordage Park in North Plymouth , along Route 3A.

Ferry -There is a seasonal ferry to Provincetown and several other excursion lines that offer cruises of Plymouth Bay and Cape Cod Bay . The ferry is operated by Capt. John Boats and offers one round trip daily from June to September. The ferry leaves from the State Wharf in Plymouth Center. In addition to the ferry, Plymouth Harbor offers service for harbor excursions, whale watching tours, and deep sea fishing.

Bus - The Plymouth & Brockton Street Railway Company offers scheduled service to Logan Airport, downtown Boston, Hyannis, and Provincetown. Buses can be boarded at the commuter parking lot at exit 5 off Route 3 , behind the McDonald's rest stop. The Greater Attleboro Taunton Regional Transit Authority (GATRA) operates public transportation buses known as the Plymouth Area Link (PAL) throughout much of Plymouth and Kingston.

Air - The town is home to the Plymouth Municipal Airport , which lies on the border between Plymouth and Carver . Founded in 1931, it offers scheduled service to Nantucket , as well as private service. The airport features a local restaurant and gift shop.

Local Economy

Plymouth holds one of the strongest economies in the entire state and is considered to be the tourism and economic center of the South Shore. Tourism is the largest industry of the area,

followed by healthcare, scientific and technical research, telecommunications and real estate. Plymouth enjoys both strong industrial and commercial success. Due to all of these thriving industries, the job market has been and will remain strong.

Learn, Live, Love Plymouth

With all of these features, it is no surprise that the Plymouth population has continued to grow over the years. Residents are grateful for the many attractions and annual events that help to make their town so entertaining to live in. They also enjoy the benefit of a strong housing market with competitively priced real estate and low tax rates. Families love Plymouth for this exceedingly rich culture and excellent educational opportunities available for students of all ages. For anyone searching for the quintessential charm of an all-American town with all of the features and conveniences of a big city, Plymouth is the mecca.



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