

# Visit NORTH of BOSTON

A STORY IN EVERY MILE



Paddle Boards in Marblehead © Victoria Dosch/Little Harbor Boathouse

Salem Witch Museum & Salem Trolley

Whale Watching in Gloucester © 7 Seas Whale Watch

Salisbury Beach © Gary Miles

The area located between the city of Boston and New Hampshire is known as Essex County or the North of Boston region. Well-known cities such as Salem, home of the infamous Witch Trials and Gloucester, America's oldest seaport, are located here. Within our 34 cities and towns, visit farms, museums, cultural and historic sites, state parks, and performing arts venues. Enjoy boutique shopping, plenty of fresh seafood and local artisan breweries, cider houses, distilleries, meaderies and wineries. Explore 200 miles of coastline, 12 lighthouses and go on a whale watch, harbor cruise or schooner sail. Visit NorthofBoston.org for a free travel guide & map.

## Where to Start & How to Get There

North of Boston begins less than 12 miles and 30 minutes from downtown Boston and extends to the New Hampshire border. Area airports include Logan International Airport and Manchester-Boston Regional Airport. Visitors can travel around via car, train (mbta.com) or seasonally ferry between Boston and Salem (bostonharborcruises.com).

### Start at NorthofBoston.org!

There you can find itineraries for one day, two days or a whole week of activities that you can do when visiting an area venue.

**From Boston:** Take I-93 North, I-95 or Route 1 to travel the length of the North of Boston region. Route 1A North follows the coast from Logan Airport to Salisbury.

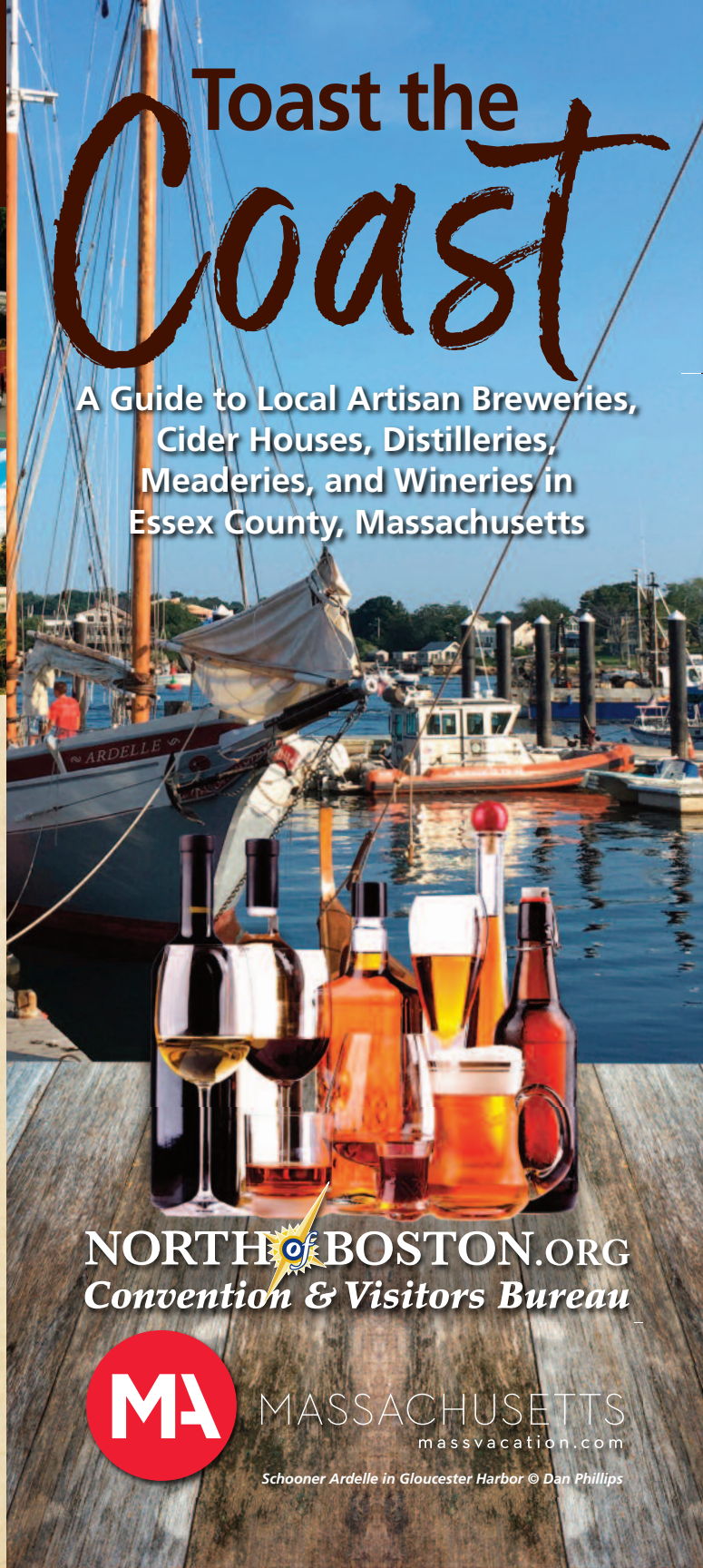
**From the West:** Take the Massachusetts Turnpike to Interstate 95 North and Route 128 North towards Gloucester.

**From the North:** Interstate 495 South will bring you along the Merrimack River through Haverhill, Amesbury, Newburyport and Salisbury.

Enjoy your visit to North of Boston, and please drink responsibly.

# Toast the Coast

A Guide to Local Artisan Breweries, Cider Houses, Distilleries, Meaderies, and Wineries in Essex County, Massachusetts



**NORTH of BOSTON.ORG**  
Convention & Visitors Bureau



MASSACHUSETTS  
massvacation.com

Schooner Ardelle in Gloucester Harbor © Dan Phillips



Tap Truck at Ipswich Ale, Ipswich

Fruited Wines at Russell Orchards, Ipswich

Taproom at Bent Water Brewing, Lynn

Taproom at Gentile Brewing, Beverly

Transferring Wort to Kettle, True North Brewing, Ipswich

Cheers Cider Hill Farm, Amesbury

Cider to Go at Far from the Tree, Salem

Touring Ryan & Wood Distillery, Gloucester

Tasting Time at 1634 Meadery, Ipswich

Tasting Room Privateer Rum Distillery, Ipswich

On the Deck at The Tap Brewing, Haverhill

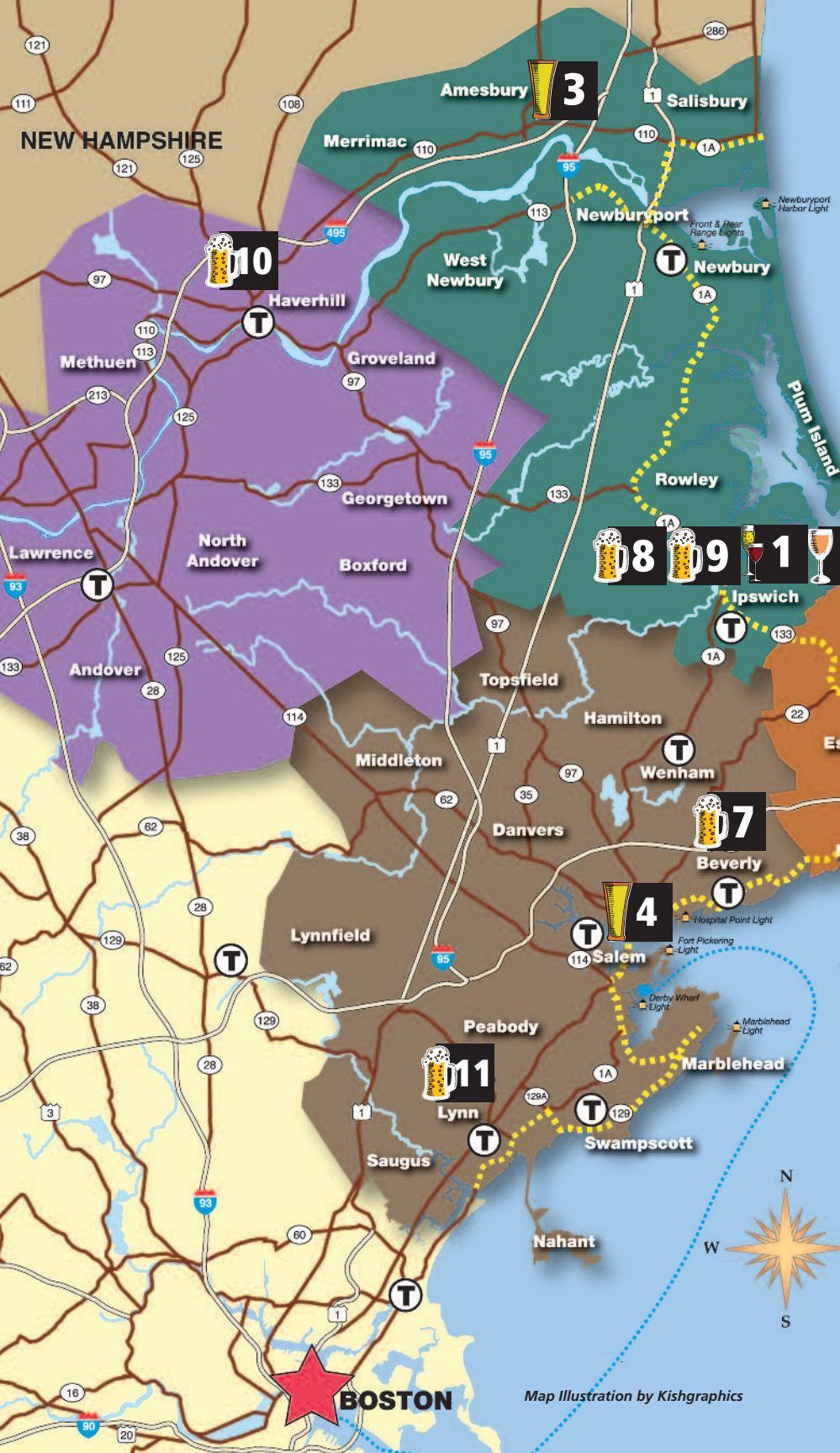
# Get in the Spirit!

In 1637, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts proclaimed that no person should be in a tavern "longer than necessary occasions." There was no clarity on length or what "necessary occasions" were, and the region has since gone through various bans and prohibitions.

Some bans were self-imposed. Rockport until the year 2005 was a "dry" town. The fishing village was suddenly disrupted when a group of hatchet wielding women, led by local spinster Hannah Jumper, took it upon themselves to rid the town of its "demon rum." On July 8, 1856, the Hatchet Gang destroyed every bottle, jug, keg, and cask they could find, to the upset of local tavern and restaurant owners.

Today, local brewers, cider houses, distilleries meaderies, and wineries are resurrecting and reinventing old recipes into new ones, making their mark in the world of craft-style drinks. These businesses will be happy to share ideas to pair with your meal! Visit our website to learn more about local tours and tastings. ♦

**NorthofBoston.org/Toast**




# Visit NORTH of BOSTON.ORG

A STORY IN EVERY MILE

Map Illustration by Kishgraphics

## Wineries • Meaderies

- 
**1 Russell Orchards Farm & Winery**  
 143 Argilla Rd. • Ipswich, MA 01938  
 (978) 356-5366 • [russellorchards.com](http://russellorchards.com)  
 This farm winery is unique and treasured on the North Shore. 30+ years of crafting fine fruit wines & hard ciders with dozens of awards & medals. Tastings available Fri-Sun from 12-5pm. Open daily from May-Nov. Apples and Wine Festival first weekend of November
- 2 1634 Meadery**  
 3 Short St • Ipswich, MA 01938  
 (978) 325-6215  
[1634Meadery.com](http://1634Meadery.com)  
 Carefully hand-crafted artisan style meads made with local honey, fruits and herbs. Viking Style! Open for Tasting Thursday and Friday 1pm-6pm, Saturday Noon-6pm and Sunday Noon-5pm

## Cider Houses

- 
**3 Cider Hill Farm & Cider House**  
 45 Fern Ave • Amesbury, MA 01913  
 (978) 388-5525 • [ciderhill.com](http://ciderhill.com)  
 An orchard to bottle hard cider which won Best In Class at GLINT-CAP 2018. For sale at Cider Hill's Farm 8 am-6 pm from May - Dec. 16th. Tastings Friday, Saturday & Sundays from 12-4:30pm
- 
**4 Far From The Tree Cider**  
 108 Jackson St. • Salem, MA 01970  
 (978)-224-2904  
[farfromthetreecider.com](http://farfromthetreecider.com)  
 Distinctive craft hard cider made from local ingredients. Rooted in Tradition, Unique to the Core.

## Distilleries

- 
**5 Privateer Rum Distillery**  
 11 Brady Drive • Ipswich, MA 01938  
 (978) 356-0477  
[privateerrum.com](http://privateerrum.com)  
 A True American craft rum distillery offering weekly 1 hour tours on Saturday. Please reserve through our website.
- 
**6 Ryan & Wood Distillery**  
 15 Great Republic Drive  
 Gloucester, MA 01930 • (978) 281-2282  
[ryanandwood.com](http://ryanandwood.com)  
 Offering Free Tours and Tastings. Family Owned Craft Distillery Producing Whiskies, Gins, Rums and Vodkas.

## Breweries

- 
**7 Gentile Brewing Company**  
 59 Park St, Unit 1 • Beverly MA 01915  
 (978) 969-6946  
[gentilebrewing.com](http://gentilebrewing.com)  
 Family-owned and operated nano craft brewery providing quality, fresh beer. Monday 4pm-9pm, Thurs and Friday 4pm-10pm, Saturday Noon-10pm
- 
**8 Ipswich Ale Brewery**  
 2 Brewery Place • Ipswich, MA 01938  
 (978) 356-3329  
[ipswichalebrewery.com](http://ipswichalebrewery.com)  
 Brewing craft beer since 1991. Visit our on-site restaurant-open daily, or enjoy a weekend tour and tasting.
- 
**9 True North Brewing Company**  
 116 County Rd • Ipswich, MA 01938  
 978) 312.6948  
[truenorthales.com](http://truenorthales.com)  
 Offering award winning beers . German, Belgian, American & English, style ales & lagers are on tap and in cans for take-away. Bring your own food or sample from a gourmet food truck.
- 
**10 The Tap Brewing Company**  
 100 Washington St.  
 Haverhill, MA 01832  
 (978) 374-1117  
[tapbrewingcompany.com](http://tapbrewingcompany.com)  
 Proudly produces award-winning ales & lagers since 2003. With a focus on quality and consistency, American pub food. Large windows allow view of beer brewing before fermentation tank.

- 
**11 Bent Water Brewing Company**  
 180 Commercial St. • Lynn, MA  
 Right off Rt. 1A (The Lynnway)  
 (781) 780-9948  
[bentwaterbrewing.com](http://bentwaterbrewing.com)  
 Self canning & distributing brewery with onsite taproom. In addition to steel fermenters, we are the first brewery east of Mississippi River to use concrete vintner tanks for fermentation. Proud to be in a city with rich industrial history. Join us for a delicious journey!



For more information go to [NorthofBoston.org/Toast](http://NorthofBoston.org/Toast)

-  Breweries
-  Cider Houses
-  Distilleries
-  Meaderies
-  Wineries