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THE MAYFLOWER AND THE ATLANTIC COLONIES

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VIRGINIA – NORTH CAROLINA – SOUTH CAROLINA – GEORGIA

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Boston, Massachusetts to Portland, Maine	2 hours and 15 minutes/180 kilometres
Portland, Maine to Portsmouth, New Hampshire	1 hour/84 kilometres
Portsmouth, New Hampshire to Plymouth, Massachusetts	2 hours and 15 minutes/156 kilometres
Plymouth, Massachusetts to Newport, Rhode Island	1 hour and 30 minutes/106 kilometres
Newport, Rhode Island to New York, New York	4 hours/293 kilometres
New York City, New York to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	2 hours/153 kilometres
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Richmond, Virginia	4 hours and 45 minutes/410 kilometres
Richmond, Virginia to Virginia Beach, Virginia	2 hours/172 kilometres
Virginia Beach, Virginia to Wilmington, North Carolina	4 hours and 30 minutes/465 kilometres
Wilmington, North Carolina to Charleston, South Carolina	3 hours and 30 minutes/283 kilometres
Charleston, South Carolina to Savannah, Georgia	2 hours and 15 minutes/174 kilometres
Savannah, Georgia to Charlotte, North Carolina	3 hours and 45 minutes/406 kilometres





Portland Head Light, Maine

PORTLAND, MAINE TO PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

● ● ● 1 hour/84 kilometres

Day 3

Returning south today, drive along the spectacular **Maine** coast and visit towns and villages that were once fishing stations and settlements born in the 1600s to harvest the vast seafood stocks. **Old Orchard Beach** and the **Harmon Museum** are great places to stop to explore the history of the town. Farther south is **Cape Porpoise**, a small fishing village that once serviced fleets of fishing vessels along the Maine coast. At the **Brickstore Museum** in downtown **Kennebunk**, explore the town's storied history, then visit Dock Square in the heart of **Kennebunkport**. Shop at boutiques and galleries and enjoy lunch at one of the patio cafes before heading

south to **Portsmouth, New Hampshire**. At what was once Puddle Dock at the original seaport site is **Strawbery Banke Museum**, an outdoor museum with over 30 buildings that encompass historic homes, displays, and activities of the region. Explore downtown Portsmouth, strolling **Congress and Daniel streets** before dining at **Black Trumpet**, a waterfront bistro in the historic port.

Accommodation: Portsmouth, New Hampshire

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RICHMOND, VIRGINIA TO VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA

● ● ● ● ● 2 hours/172 kilometres

Day 11

About an hour from **Richmond** are **Williamsburg** and **Jamestown**, towns that were earlier capitals of **Virginia**. In Jamestown, the first English settlement in the country, visit the **Cape Henry Memorial**, which commemorates where the early colonists arrived. Learn about the settlers' lives at the **Jamestown Settlement**, a living history museum. Take the **Colonial Parkway**, a scenic byway linking Jamestown and **Yorktown** to Williamsburg, which was founded as the capital in 1699. In Williamsburg, chat with people in period costume as you explore beautifully restored buildings, including the **Governor's Palace**. Take the **Colonial Parkway**

to Yorktown, where a battle effectively ended the war for independence. Explore the **American Revolution Museum**, home to an army encampment and other historical exhibits. Depart to Cape Henry, now part of **Virginia Beach**, where the first settlers made landfall. At the Cape Henry Memorial Cross, see the historic site where they came ashore. Take a relaxing walk along the Virginia Beach boardwalk before dinner.

Accommodation: Virginia Beach, Virginia

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Jamestown Settlement, Virginia



Charleston, South Carolina

CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Day 14

Explore **Charleston's Waterfront Park** and **Historic District**, starting by viewing artifacts and exhibits at the **South Carolina Historical Society Museum**. The **Old Slave Mart Museum**, in a historic building that was the site of slave auctions, tells the slaves' story and how they figured in the South's growth and wealth. One of Charleston's oldest buildings is the **Old Exchange and Provost Dungeon**, rumored haunted and now a museum featuring tales of pirates, slaves and

Southern women. After lunch, drive to **Middleton Place National Historic Landmark House and Museum**; the former rice plantation is home to the oldest landscaped gardens in the USA. Enjoy dinner at **Husk Restaurant** and experience authentic Southern food.

Accommodation: Charleston, South Carolina

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