

Family Friendly Itinerary Pioneer Valley of Massachusetts

Day One

Depart Amsterdam at 1:30 p.m. and arrive at Bradley International Airport at 3:30 p.m.

Breeze through Bradley's quick and easy customs and immigration and choose from Alamo, Avis, Budget, Enterprise or Hertz car rentals, to travel with ease throughout New England.

Once you pick up your rental car, you have a variety of hotels to choose from. For a complete list, go to www.valleyvisitor.com, or try the Hilton Garden Inn Springfield, only a short drive away from the airport.

After checking into the hotel, explore the Dr. Seuss Memorial Sculpture Garden at the Springfield Museums. Walk through sculpture of Dr. Seuss' famous storybook characters, such as the Cat in the Hat. Or, stop by Tower Square and downtown Springfield and enjoy dinner at the family-owned, Student Prince & Fort Restaurant, a Springfield landmark.

Day Two

Enjoy breakfast at the Hilton Garden Inn and pack up the family to drive just 10 minutes to Six Flags New England. Located in Agawam, MA, Six Flags is New England's largest theme and water park. Six Flags is home to Wiggles World, Thomas Town, where you can find Thomas The Tank Engine and friends, and the Superman Ride of Steel, which is ranked the "#1 steel

Cartoon characters at Six
Flags New England



Blizzard River Ride at Six
Flags New England

coaster on the planet." Enjoy live entertainment and Looney Tunes Movie Town. Six Flags is seasonal, open weekends in April-June, daily June-August and weekends through October Fright Fest.

Check website for details: <http://www.sixflags.com/newengland/>

Before heading back to the Hilton Garden Inn, try dinner next door at Uno Chicago Grill located on the riverfront in Springfield. Uno's offers steaks, pastas, sandwiches and the original Deep Dish Pizza. Your whole family will have a great time!

Day Three

In the morning, check out of the Hilton and travel to Jiminy Peak Mountain Resort, a family-friendly ski resort in Hancock, MA just an hour from downtown Springfield. At Jiminy Peak guests can enjoy shopping, fine dining and the Mountain Adventure Park, as well as traditional skiing and snowboarding in the winter. It even offers a children's ski program. In the summer enjoy hiking, biking, the climbing wall and miniature golf.

Maple Syrup Products from Ioka Valley Farm



After a day of outdoor activity, explore local favorites, such as Ioka Valley Farm. In the spring, see how maple syrup is made and enjoy the petting zoo or go horseback riding at Harmony Trails. Dine at Jiminy Peak's own John Harvard's Restaurant & Brewery or nearby at favorites such as the Gateways Inn & Restaurant or Gramercy Bistro.

Spend the night at the Williams Inn, located in nearby Williamstown, only a 20 minute drive from Jiminy Peak. Priding itself in its friendly staff, the Williams Inn is a great place for families to stay.

Day Four

Check out of the Williams Inn and travel down the 45-mile scenic drive on Route Two/The Mohawk Trail. Stop at Magic Wings Butterfly Conservatory, located in South Deerfield, MA. The indoor 8,000 sq. ft. conservatory is filled with nearly 4,000 live butterflies from all over the world. Visitors can tour exhibits and displays, while taking part in educational programs.

Magic Wings Butterfly Conservatory.



Continue on to the Yankee Candle Flagship Store, also located just 3 minutes down the road in South Deerfield. The store has over two million visitors a year, and offers over 160 scents to choose from in the Sampler Emporium. Tour the Candlemaking Museum and later experience Chandler's Restaurant at Yankee Candle Village, voted best kids menu at www.valleyvisitor.com and awarded "New England's Most Fulfilling Dining Experience" by *The New York Post*.

Visit Dr. Spooky's Animal Museum, an educational exhibit filled with live animals, facts and displays. You can explore rooms made to look like dinosaur caves, view fossils and hear the sounds of a Jurassic night. Open year-round, Dr. Spooky's is an exciting experience for all ages.

Finish your day at Richardson's Candy Kitchen. For over 50 years Richardson's has been serving its customers delicious handmade chocolates.

Drive back to West Springfield and check into the Clarion Hotel & Conference Center. With an indoor heated pool and restaurant on-site, the Clarion is perfect for families. Enjoy dinner at Cal's Wood-Fired Grill & Bar. Choose from a variety of soups, salads fresh seafood, homemade pizzas and pastas and daily specialties. Cal's offers something for your whole family.

Day Five

Start off the day by visiting Museums10, a collaboration of museums in the Northampton/Amherst area, only a 20 minute drive from Springfield! Visit the Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art, and learn more about the renowned American author of *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. Additionally, visit Emily Dickinson's Homestead or view masterworks by John Singer Sargent or the ancient Greeks, contemporary art and even see some of the world's largest dinosaur tracks! Museums10 has it all!



On the way back to Bradley International Airport visit the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame located right in Springfield! Featuring exhibits, memorabilia and interactive areas, guests can spend the day touring and playing at the Hall of Fame. Refuel at Max's Tavern or Pazzo Ristorante, which are both located at the Hall of Fame. Enjoy seasonal events and guest speakers.

Arrive at Bradley International Airport at 3:45 p.m. and depart for Schiphol Airport at 5:45 p.m.

Photograph from Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame

Contacts for businesses listed throughout Family Friendly Itinerary. For a full selection of hotel properties, restaurants, activities and much more please visit www.valleyvisitor.com

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Springfield, MA 01105
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www.springfield.gardeninn.com

Springfield Museums and the Dr. Seuss National Memorial
Edwards Street off Chestnut Street
Springfield, MA 01103
Tel: (413) 263-6800
www.springfieldmuseums.org

Tower Square
1500 Main Street
Springfield, MA 01115
Tel: (413) 733-2171
www.VisitTowerSquare.com

The Student Prince & Fort Restaurant
8 Fort Street
Springfield, MA 01103
Tel: (413) 788-6628
www.studentprince.com

Six Flags New England
1623 Main Street, Route 159
Agawam, MA 01101
Tel: (413) 786-9300
www.sixflags.com

Uno Chicago Grill
820 West Columbus Avenue
Springfield, MA 01105
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<http://www.unos.com/index.html>

Jiminy Peak Mountain Resort
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Hancock, MA 01237
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www.jiminypeak.com

Ioka Valley Farm
Route 43
Hancock, MA
Tel: (413) 738-5915
<http://www.taconic.net/~iokavalleyfarm>

Harmony Trails Horseback Riding
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www.harmonytrails.biz

Gateways Inn & Restaurant
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<http://www.gatewaysinn.com/index.html>

Gramercy Bistro
24 Marshall Street
North Adams, MA 01247
Tel: (413) 663-5300
<http://gramercybistro.com/>

Williams Inn
Junction Routes 2 & 7
Williamstown, MA 01267
Tel: (413) 458-9371
www.williamsinn.com

The Mohawk Trail
<http://www.mohawktrail.com/>

Magic Wings Butterfly Conservatory & Gardens
281 Greenfield Road
South Deerfield, MA 01373
Tel: (413) 665-2805
www.magicwings.com

Yankee Candle Village
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South Deerfield, MA 01373
Tel: (413) 665-8306
www.yankeecandle.com

Dr Spooky's Animal Museum
220 Greenfield Road
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www.drspookys.com

Richardson's Candy Kitchen
Routes 5 & 10
Deerfield, MA 01342
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Clarion Hotel and Conference Center
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