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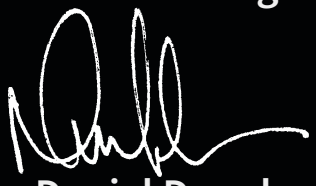
Welcome to The Lenox! We are truly thrilled that you chose to stay with us while here in Boston.

I have long said that, while you, our guest, may not remember exactly what we did for you while you were with us, we are confident that you will long remember how we made you feel when you were here – looked after and safe! To that end, if there is anything we can do to make your stay more comfortable and enjoyable, we are here to help.

Warmest Regards,



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President

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Your Stay

You’re finally here! Now what?

You’ve taken care of getting here,
now let us take care of you.

Fine Print

The little details matter, so we've got you covered.

Fitness Center

Down in our lower lobby and open 24/7, our fitness center features Peletons, free-weights, treadmills, and more, so there's no excuse to skip your daily workout, although we won't tell your trainer if you do.

WiFi

Complimentary and blazing fast, connect to the Lenox_Guest network and boot up your web browser.

Parking

Did you drive in? Then you already know that our incredible valets have taken care of your car. Give us a little notice before you need your vehicle so we can have it ready and waiting when you are!

Business Center

We have a small business center, perfect for a quick stop to check your emails or print your boarding passes, right down in our lobby near the entrance to City Table.

Laundry

Check with our front desk for our latest dry cleaning and wash & fold services.

Coffee & Tea

Right down in our lobby outside the elevators each morning, our coffee & tea service features locally roasted coffee from Share Coffee Roasters in Hadley, MA, and whole-leaf tea from MEM Tea in Cambridge, MA.

Where's the in-room coffee maker?

We hold ourselves to a pretty high standard, from cleanliness to service, and that applies to making your morning beverages, too. To achieve both, we've partnered with Share Coffee Roasters & MEM Tea to provide a truly cafe-level experience right in our lobby. We freshly grind & brew each batch of our Lobby Roast coffee and all of MEM's teas are whole-leaf for the best beverages around.

Take a look at nearly any of the great cafés in the area and you'll find them serving up MEM Tea, and Share Coffee is carried in high-end cafés from Western MA to NYC and beyond, plus our lobby!

Food + Drink

With three on-site dining options & 24/7 in-room dining, we've got something delightful & delicious for everyone.

Dining In

Dine out without going out!

Willow & Ivy

Be part of our neighborhood charm. Welcome to Willow & Ivy, a neighborhood eatery anchoring our food & beverage options. Our newly renovated space is full of energy, enhanced by lush greenery and beautiful vaulted windows that fill the room with warm, natural light. Inside, you'll be greeted by our smiling staff and the enticing aromas of our locally curated menu. We are so excited to welcome you!

Breakfast
Mon-Fri, 7am - 11am

Brunch
Sat & Sun, 7am - 3pm

Dinner
Sun-Wed, 5pm - 9pm
Thurs-Sat, 5pm-10pm

Sweeney's on Boylston

Welcome to Sweeney's. We're known for a lively good time and authentic Irish classics served up alongside Lenox favorites. Whenever you amble through our doors, you'll find us spirited as ever - so sit and stay a while!

Daily, 11am - 2am

The Irving

Our intimate lobby cocktail bar, The Irving cultivates a sense of intrigue and ambiance, harkening back to the heydey of our turn-of-the-century opening. Step inside, and our love for creating well-crafted cocktails becomes instantly apparent.

Daily, 4pm - 2am

In-Room Dining

Our in-room dining menu has options available for every craving, 24/7. Bed too cozy to leave? We don't blame you! Let us bring the meal to you so you can enjoy a cozy night in.

24 hours/day

Meet Our Team

Just a few of the faces you might see around our building, and some who work behind the scenes!

Brendan O'Dell
Valet
2.5 years

Kimberly Saldana
Guest Specialist
1 year

Jacob Blair
F&B Supervisor
2 months

Arghel Bell
Hotel Chef
1 year

Melissa Villalobos
VP of Hotel Administration
10 years

Charlie Crovo
House Driver
2.5 years

Fall Reading List

Lisa Burns, Marketing & Branding

The Academy – Elin Hilderbrand

The Academy is a scandal-fueled tale set at Tiffin Academy, a prestigious New England boarding school that leaps from 19th to 2nd place in the national rankings overnight. Through the eyes of students, a young history teacher, and school administrators, the novel unravels a web of secrets—each revealed in turn by a notorious gossip app. Part one of a two book series!

The Lion Women of Tehran – Marjan Kamali

The Lion Women of Tehran tells the story of Ellie and Homa, whose friendship begins in 1950s Tehran and endures through decades of sweeping political and personal change. As Iran's revolution reshapes the nation, Ellie settles into a life of privilege while Homa dedicates herself to activism, their bond strained by betrayal, destiny, and the relentless forces of history.

My Friends – Fredrik Backman

Backman's dual-timeline novel follows Louisa, an 18-year-old grieving in the present, and a pivotal summer 25 years earlier, when four teens forged a lasting bond while creating a now-famous painting. Louisa's discovery of the artwork sparks a journey that intertwines their past and her present.

The River is Waiting – Wally Lamb

Corby Ledbetter, an unemployed father battling alcohol and prescription drug addiction, accidentally causes the death of his young son, Niko. Sentenced to three years for involuntary manslaughter, he navigates prison life, encountering both harsh brutality and surprising moments of compassion.

Explore Boston

Local Leaf Peeping

Joanna Chan, Conference Services Manager

Fall in Boston is pure magic. The city's historic streets and green spaces transform into a painter's palette of reds, golds, and fiery oranges. The best part? You don't have to drive hours into the countryside to enjoy peak foliage, Boston's parks, riverside paths, and hidden corners deliver all the autumn beauty you could hope for, right in our backyard.

Boston Public Garden & Common

Our city's crown jewels shine brightest in the fall. The Public Garden's iconic willow trees sway over the pond while the other tress slowly change orange and red as fall progesses. Bring a hot cider, stroll the paths, and watch the Swan Boats' float around.

Charles River Esplanade

With over 1,700 trees lining the water's edge, the Esplanade offers one of the most scenic leaf-peeping strolls in Boston. Start near the Hatch Shell and walk west along the river as to get the most colorful experience. For an extra treat, visit at golden hour when the leaves glow in the sunlight.

Commonwealth Avenue Mall

This historic, tree-lined boulevard in Back Bay feels like stepping into a postcard. The towering elms create a beautiful overhead canopy. It's a perfect spot for a leisurely walk or a break from Newbury street just one block over/

Arnold Arboretum

Harvard's Arnold Arboretum in Jamaica Plain is a fall wonderland. Spanning 281 acres, it's home to thousands of trees from around the world. The maple collection is a must-see in October, and Peters Hill offers sweeping views of Boston's skyline.

Mount Auburn Cemetery

Don't let the name fool you, Mount Auburn is part cemetery, part arboretum, and 100% stunning in the fall. Located in Cambridge, it boasts more than 5,000 trees, winding paths, and quiet ponds. It's an ideal spot for peaceful reflection among the changing leaves.

Emerald Necklace

Designed by Frederick Law Olmsted, Boston's Emerald Necklace links a series of parks and waterways into a lush green corridor. In fall, Jamaica Pond becomes a shimmering autumn mirror, while the tree-lined paths of the Back Bay Fens show autumn their colors, perfect for an afternoon picnic or post work walk!

Explore Boston

Oktoberfest!

Mara Payne, Catering Services Manager

The chilly weather brings some great Oktoberfest celebrations that highlight Bavarian culture in the heart of New England. Whether you're a beer aficionado, a fan of German cuisine, or just looking for a lively time with friends, Boston's Oktoberfest events have something for everyone. Here's your guide to the best Oktoberfest happenings in the city this fall.

Harpoon Oktoberfest

Harpoon's annual Oktoberfest is a must-visit event for anyone looking to dive into the Bavarian spirit! Typically the last week of September at Harpoon Brewery, the event will feature German-style beer brewed on-site, lively Oompah bands, and traditional German fare like bratwurst and pretzels, this festival captures the essence of Oktoberfest. The event also features keg bowling, chicken dancing, and stein-hoisting competitions. Don't miss out on their limited-edition seasonal beers!

Oktoberfest at The Lawn on D

Promptly following Harpoon's Oktoberfest, Lawn on D will host one of their own. Known for its vibrant outdoor space, The Lawn on D transforms into a traditional wonderland for Oktoberfest. This family-friendly event offers a blend of traditional and contemporary entertainment, including live music, lawn games, and a selection of craft beers. Food trucks serve up German-inspired dishes, and the iconic LED swings add a touch of whimsy to the festivities.

Cambridge Oktoberfest and Honk! Parade

A unique twist on the traditional Oktoberfest, this event combines the best of German culture with the spirited Honk! Parade, featuring street bands from around the world. The streets of Harvard Square are filled with music, dance, and a variety of vendors offering German food, beer, and crafts. It's a perfect spot for those who appreciate a fusion of cultures and a lively atmosphere.

Oktoberfest at City Tap House

City Tap House throws a laid-back yet festive Oktoberfest celebration. With an impressive selection of German and local beers, including Oktoberfest-style brews, this event is perfect for beer lovers. The restaurant's outdoor patio is adorned with festive decorations, and the menu features hearty German dishes like schnitzel and sausages. Live music and stein-hoisting competitions add to the fun.

South End Oktoberfest at SoWa Open Market

A perfect blend of food, art, and beer. This event features local breweries offering seasonal beers, food trucks serving up German classics, and artisan vendors selling handmade goods. With live music, games, and a bustling market atmosphere, this Oktoberfest celebration is perfect for those who want to enjoy the spirit of the season while supporting local businesses.

Partner Spotlight

Brown & Coconut

Lewis Ware, Director of Housekeeping

Brown and Coconut is a Boston-based skincare brand that's redefining clean beauty with a focus on nature-inspired ingredients and holistic wellness. Founded by two sisters, Letisha and Zeena, this company is driven by a shared passion for creating products that nurture the skin without compromising on health or the environment.

My daughter, Olivia, discovered Brown and Coconut at a holiday market and fell in love with their products. While living in Boston, sisters Letisha and Zeena started Brown and Coconut as a lifestyle blog in 2013. A few years later in 2016, they started looking for skincare products that threaded the fine line between affordability and being good for their skin.

They developed their own range of holistic, plant-based products to treat their acne. After identifying the ingredients they found effective in healing their skin, they began crafting entirely unique formulas. Countless hours of research, cosmetic chemist expertise, trial, and error led to the creation of their line of plant-based powerhouse products that not only do what they say they do, but that feel incredible to use.

What sets Brown and Coconut apart is their dedication to education and community. The sisters not only provide products but also share skincare tips and insights to help customers make informed decisions about their routines. Whether you're seeking solutions for sensitive skin or simply looking to embrace a more natural approach to beauty, Brown and Coconut is a brand worth exploring. Their philosophy? Healthy skin starts with mindful care—and a little help from nature.

You can check them out right here in our lobby Mercantile!

Fall Recipe

Muhammara Dip

Arghel Bell , Hotel Chef

Fall flavors are often dominated by root vegetables & apples, but fire-roasted muhammara made with toasty Middle Eastern spices & roasted red peppers is a unique way to bring on the warmth this autumn. Akin to a twist on hummus, muhammara is sure to delight your guests and families!

Ingredients

- 7 whole red bell peppers
- 4 tbsp Extra Virgin Olive Oil, divided
- 5 plum tomatoes, roughly chopped
- 1 cup shelled walnuts, toasted
- 4 cloves of garlic, roughly chopped
- 3.5 tbsp tomato paste
- 3/4 cup bread crumbs, toasted
- 2 tbsp pomegranate molasses
- 1.5 tsp Aleppo pepper
- 1/2 tsp sugar
- 1 tsp sumac or zaatar
- 1/2 tsp sea salt
- 1/2 tsp cayenne pepper (optional)

Method

1. Preheat oven to 425 F
2. Brush bell peppers with 1 tbsp of olive oil and place in a lightly oiled pan
3. Roast in oven for 30 minutes, rotating once or twice, until the skins are starting to blacken
4. Remove peppers from oven & place in a bowl covered with plastic wrap, set aside. When cool enough to handle, peel the skin off the peppers, remove seeds, and slice peppers into strips
5. In a large food processor, combine roasted red pepper, remaining 3 tbsp olive oil, and all other ingredients, blending until smooth
6. Transfer to a serving bowl to enjoy immediately, or chill for later. Make sure to allow the muhammara to return to room temperature before serving
7. Drizzle with olive oil, chopped walnuts, fresh pomegranate seeds, pitted olives, & zaatar to serve! Enjoy with your favorite dipping bread - we like to use toasted Syrian flat bread or pita!

Explore Boston

Fall Farms and Festivals

Deborah Foley, Reservations Agent

Fall is one of the most exciting times to visit Boston. Crisp air and colorful foliage set the scene for a season filled with special events, festivals, and traditions that bring both locals and visitors together. Boston and the surrounding towns host a variety of autumn festivals and farmhouse fun that highlight everything from live music and seasonal foods to classic fall activities. Visitors can enjoy pumpkin carving, hayrides, and apple cider tastings, or stroll through local markets featuring handmade goods and fresh produce. Oktoberfest celebrations are another seasonal favorite, bringing together local breweries, food vendors, and live entertainment. These farms and festivals are a wonderful way to embrace New England's autumn charm while spending time outdoors.

Salem Haunted Happenings

Salem, known for its spooky history definitely comes alive during the Fall and this is the largest celebration of Halloween in the world! From haunted houses, family film nights, costume balls, and ghost tours this is such a fun way to learn about Salem's history and embrace the Halloween Holiday.

Topsfield Fair

October 3rd-13th

One of the most popular fairs in Massachusetts, the Topsfield Fair, is know for its annual giant pumpkin weigh off, fun rides, and the demolition derby. If you're looking for a day of family fun, nothing can beat the Topsfield Fair.

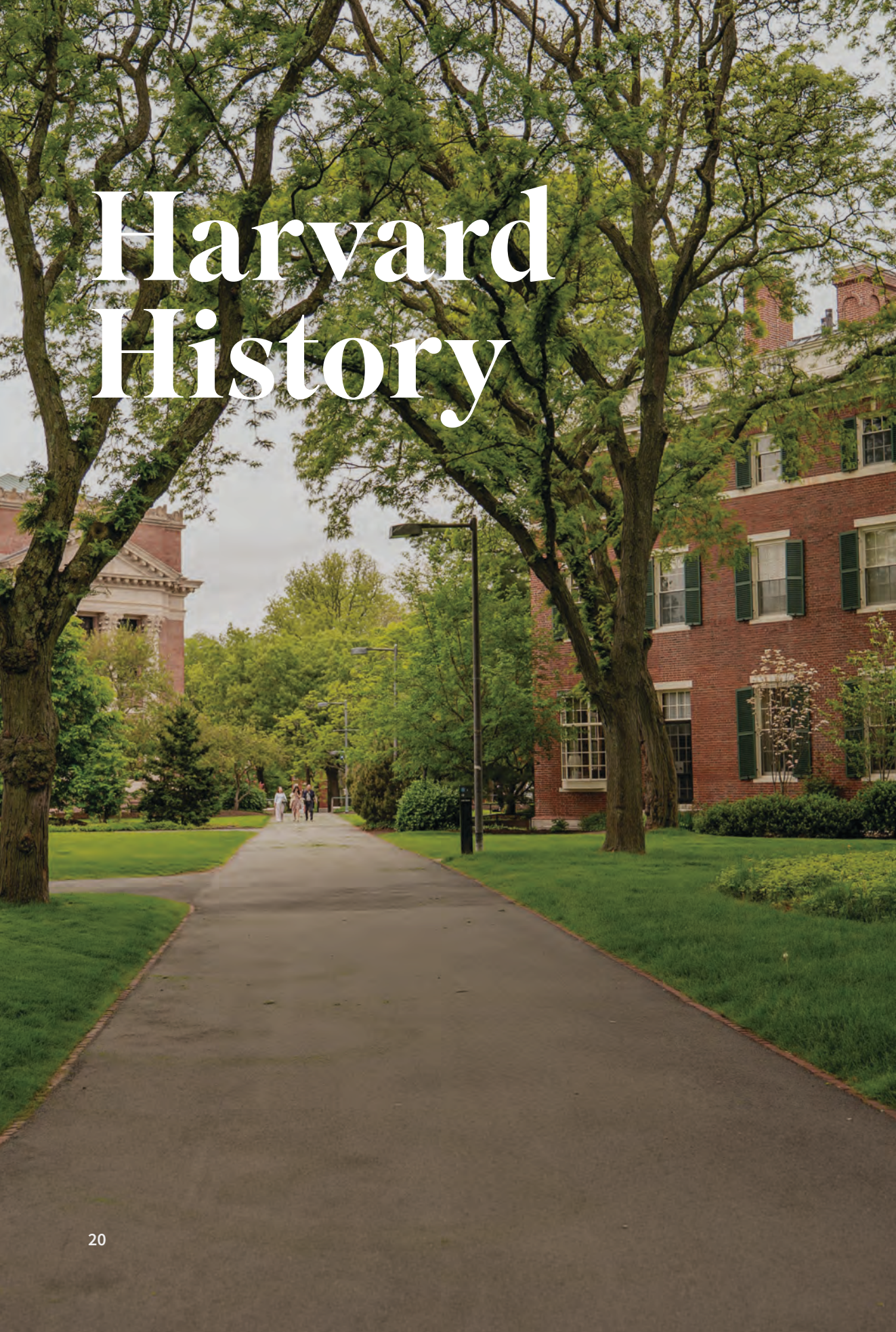
Head of the Charles Regatta

October 17th-19th

One of the most well-known highlights is the Head of the Charles Regatta. Every October along the Charles River, this world-class rowing event draws athletes and spectators from around the globe. Guests can enjoy watching hundreds of races unfold against a backdrop of stunning fall colors while exploring food stands and viewing spots along the riverbanks. Even for those unfamiliar with rowing, the regatta is a lively and memorable experience that has become a true Boston tradition.

Wilson Farm

Just on the Outskirts of Boston in Lexington, MA is Wilson Farm. They grow delicious fresh produce and every weekend until October 26th sell their own apple cider donuts, hand-spun caramel apples, and local apple cider. They also offer dinner in the field and pop up beer gardens throughout the season.



Harvard History

A Prestigious Past

Lorna McHale, Director of Sales

Founded in 1636, Harvard University is not only the oldest institution of higher learning in the United States but also one of the most influential and prestigious universities in the world. Established by the Great and General Court of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, the college was created to ensure that the new Puritan settlement in New England would have an educated clergy. Just three years later, in 1639, it was named in honor of John Harvard, a young minister who, upon his death, left his personal library of over 400 books and half of his estate to the fledgling school. His gift provided the foundation for the college's growth and secured his legacy as the institution's first major benefactor.

In its early years, Harvard focused primarily on training ministers and leaders for the colony, offering a curriculum rooted in classical studies, theology, and moral philosophy. Classes were taught in Latin, and students were expected to follow a strict moral code. Over the centuries, Harvard gradually broadened its academic focus, expanding into the sciences, law, medicine, business, and the arts. By the 19th century, it had evolved from a small colonial college into a modern research university, attracting students and faculty from around the world.

Situated in the heart of Cambridge, Massachusetts, Harvard's campus blends historic charm with modern innovation. Iconic buildings such as Massachusetts Hall (built in 1720) and University Hall stand alongside cutting-edge research centers and libraries, including the vast Widener Library, which houses millions of volumes. The university now comprises twelve degree-granting schools, among them Harvard Law School, Harvard Medical School, Harvard Divinity School, and Harvard Business School, each internationally recognized for excellence in its field.

Harvard's alumni list is as impressive as its history. Eight U.S. presidents, including John Adams, Franklin D. Roosevelt, and John F. Kennedy, studied here, as did numerous Nobel Prize winners, Pulitzer Prize recipients, and global leaders in science, literature, politics, and the arts. The university has been at the forefront of major historical moments, from fostering revolutionary ideas during America's founding to driving groundbreaking research in medicine, technology, and climate science today.

Throughout its nearly four centuries, Harvard has maintained its commitment to intellectual rigor, innovation, and public service. While the world has changed dramatically since its founding, the university's mission to educate leaders who will make a difference in the world remains as strong as ever. With its storied past, vibrant academic community, and enduring spirit of curiosity, Harvard University continues to shape the course of history while inspiring future generations.

Getting Outside

Apple Picking and Cider Sipping

Christopher Smith, Director of Marketing and Branding

As fall approaches, so does the opening of some of our favorite apple orchards and pumpkin patches in and around the city of Boston! Fall is one of the most wonderful times of year in New England, with vibrant leaves of red and orange being blown about by the crisp fall air, it's the perfect season to get outside and visit some local farms.

There are several fantastic spots nearby to pick your own apples, find the perfect pumpkin, and enjoy the charm of the season.

Boston Hill Farm Andover, MA

A family owned farm in North Andover, MA open all year long selling seasonal produce, baked goods, and made to order deli sandwiches. For twelve generations Boston Hill Farm has been going strong and is a wonderful way to spend the day in their 'pick it yourself' orchards and pumpkin patches or for a visit to their farm stand which has a selection of jams, jellies, and baked goods. Boston Hill Farm is also a great spot for kids! As they have a variety of friendly farm animals that would love to meet you. One major plus of Boston Hill Farm is that they are dog friendly too!

Russel Orchards Ipswich, MA

Requires a bit further of a drive but offers a day packed with activities and memorable experiences. Just an hour away, Russel Orchard is a perfect fall day trip. Best known for its wide variety of apples and on-site winery that produces apple and berry wines from their own produce. After picking apples, you can explore the pumpkin patches to find the perfect carving pumpkin for the spooky season ahead. Of course, don't miss out on their famous apple cider donuts made fresh daily!

Belkin Family Lookout Farm Natick, MA

Located about 15 miles from The Lenox, Lookout Farm is one of the oldest, continuous working farms in the country. This farm offers a unique experience with both apple picking and pumpkin picking, as well as a variety of fun activities for the whole family. From train rides to a children's play area to hayrides and even a farmhouse with indoor space housing farm animals and serving hard apple cider just around the corner, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Honey Pot Hill Orchards Stow, MA

A family-favorite for apple picking, Honey Pot Hill grows more than 30 varieties of apples on around 200 acres and is home to some of the best apple cider donuts around.