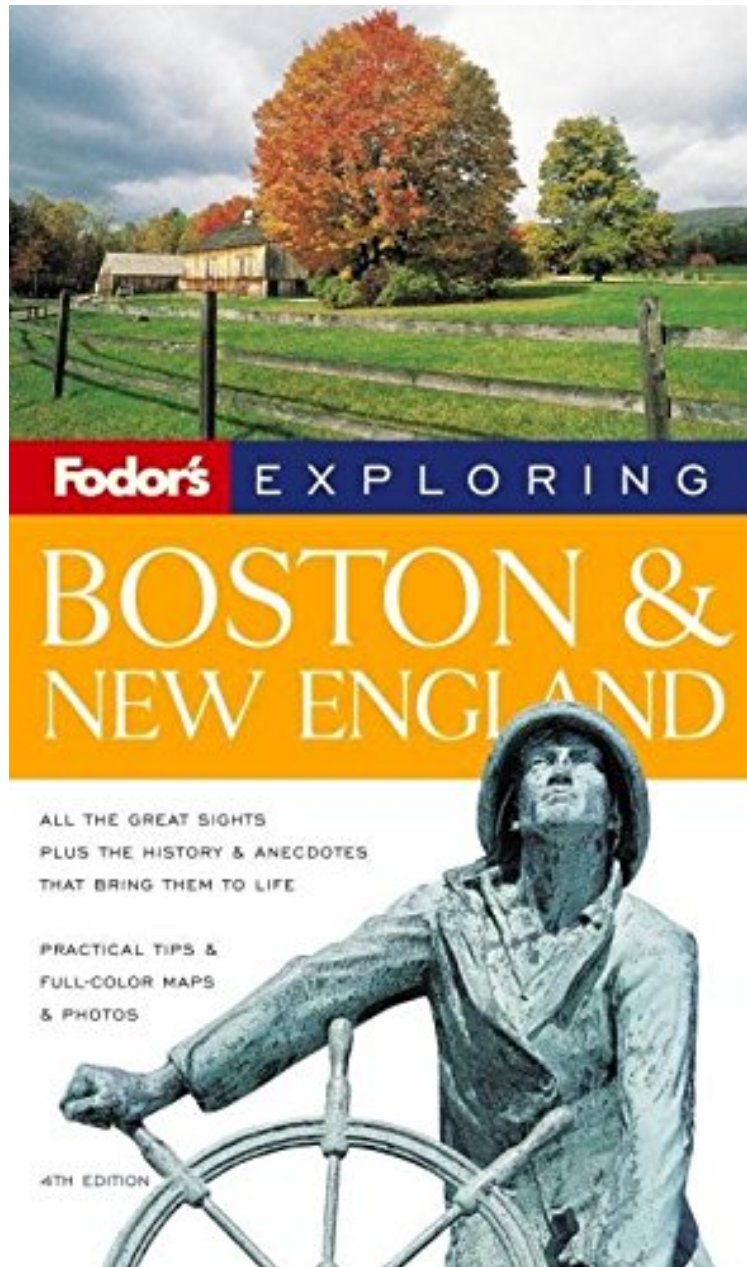


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moved westward over the continent, New England's farmlands were gradually abandoned, and the trees, once cleared by the farmers, reestablished themselves. Today, some 80 percent of New England is forested, and much of Vermont, New Hampshire, and inland Maine is also hilly or mountainous and sparsely settled. Visiting the Region Boston is by far the largest city, and one that every visitor to the region should see. The Freedom Trail wends an intricate route past the city's historic sites. This is a city of superb museums, excitingly contrasting neighborhoods, and striking architecture. Visitors without a car can find plenty of rewarding excursions by public transportation. New England's thick tree cover can mean that sweeping panoramic views are hard to come by, at least from a car. For the most spectacular views, however, you can take high-level walks in the White Mountains or Acadia National Park, or explore the coast by boat. Outdoor pursuits in the hills and mountains of northern New England are well developed and include winter sports, water sports, hiking, and fishing. The region's southern states -- Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut -- are more densely populated and have more historic sights. The long and complex seaboard has a lasting appeal, with the sandy beaches of Cape Cod, the islands, and southern Maine among the most popular. There are many opportunities for cruises and sailing, and a number of museums commemorate New England's maritime heritage, including the vanished whaling industry. Today, whale-watching cruises are big business, and no visitor should miss the chance to join an exhilarating tour to the feeding grounds of the humpback whales. New England's charms change with the seasons. Spring brings freshness and greenery. In summer, delicious Atlantic breezes make the coast a pleasant retreat from the heat, while fall's foliage is deservedly famous. Winters are harsh but bring photogenic snowfalls and a Christmas-card look as sports enthusiasts put on their skis.