Things to do in Boston

Boston is a unique city and offers travelers a variety of sights and attractions. If you have some extra time while in Boston, check out some of the locations listed below!

If you are ...

- Interested in History
  Faneuil Hall Marketplace and Quincy Market
  Freedom Trail
  Cheers
  Public Garden and Boston Common

- A Sports Fan
  Fenway Park

- A Shopaholic
  Newbury Street
  Copley and Prudential Center
  Harvard Square

- Traveling with Children or Family
  Museum of Science
  New England Aquarium
  Duck Tour

- A Patron of the Arts
  Museum of Fine Arts
  Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum
  Institute of Contemporary Art

If you are interested in history, you should consider visiting...
- Faneuil Hall Marketplace and Quincy Market
  This marketplace consists of five buildings set upon brick and stone plazas that are full of crowds shopping, eating, performing, watching performers and just people-watching. The central corridor of Quincy Market is the food court, where you can find anything from a cream puff to a full Greek dinner, a slice of pizza to a fresh-shucked oyster. The marketplace also offers many traditional stores, in addition to several pushcarts with crafts and souvenirs.

Take the Blue or Green Line to the Government Center Station
http://www.faneuilhallmarketplace.com/

- Freedom Trail
  The Freedom Trail is a 2.5-mile journey throughout the city of Boston, marking 16 historical sites by red bricks or painted lines. Visitors are able to take a guided tour, or simply walk the trail on their own. Stops along the tour include the Old State House, Faneuil Hall, the Old North Church and Paul Revere’s house. Over the course of two or three hours, visitors cover over two centuries of significant American history.

http://www.thefreedomtrail.org/

- Cheers and Beacon Hill
Many will recognize the façade of this traditional pub as the inspiration for the television show “Cheers.” This restaurant is one of the most visited tourist attractions in the city.

Located at 84 Beacon Street, across the street from the Public Garden
http://www.cheersboston.com/

- Public Garden and Boston Common
  The Public Garden and Boston Common are only a few blocks away from the Dental School. The Common buzzes with activity all day: you might see a demonstration, musical performance, a picnic lunch or a game of tag. The Public Garden was America’s first public garden and also provides a nice escape for visitors and residents.

Take the Green or Red Line to the Park Street Station

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**If you are a sports fan, you should consider visiting...**

- Fenway Park
  “America’s Most Beloved Ballpark” provides tours of the facilities throughout the year. Fenway Park is the oldest Major League Baseball Park in the United States. Its small, intimate atmosphere really allows you to feel like you are in the game.

Take the Green Line to the Kenmore Square Station or Fenway Station
http://boston.redsox.mlb.com/bos/ballpark/tour.jsp

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**If you are a shopaholic, you should consider visiting...**

- Newbury Street
  Boston’s most legendary shopping destination, Newbury Street is 8 blocks of pure temptation: galleries, boutiques, jewelry, gift shops and more. The shopping district ranges from Arlington Street to Massachusetts Avenue. Fortunately, window-shopping is free!

A block away from the Arlington, Boylston or Copley Stations on the Green Line
http://www.newbury-st.com/

- Copley Place and Prudential Center
  Copley Place and the Prudential Center are only a few blocks from Newbury Street, and contain two fantastic shopping centers linked by a glass walkway. This shopping and dining destination features over 75 shops and restaurants. Visitors to Boston can also visit the Top of the Hub restaurant or the Skywalk Observatory for a 360 degree view of Boston.

Take the Green Line to the Copley Station or the Orange Line to the Back Bay Station
http://www.shopcopleyplace.com/
http://www.prudentialcenter.com/

- Harvard Square
  This historic and always-active square is located across the river in the city of Cambridge. Take a tour of Harvard Yard, shop around or grab a bite to eat. Resembling an outdoor mall, Harvard Square is home to big retailers like the Gap, as well as trendy, locally-owned boutiques.

Take the Red Line to the Harvard Square Station
If you are with a family, you should consider visiting...
- Museum of Science
  For the ultimate pain-free educational experience, head to the Museum of Science. The demonstrations, experiments and interactive displays introduce facts and concepts so effortlessly that everyone winds up learning something. Visit the Mugar Omni Theater which shows IMAX movies, or the Charles Hayden Planetarium for a spectacular daily star show.

Take the Green Line to the Science Park Station
http://www.mos.org

- New England Aquarium
  Located on the harbor the New England Aquarium offers visitors the chance to explore local and tropical marine life. Visit with the Atlantic Harbor seals, wind your way up the four story coral reef exhibit or catch an educational show at the Simons IMAX theatre.

Take the Blue Line to the Aquarium Station
www.neaq.org

- Duck Tour
  Part bus tour and part amusement ride, this 80-minute amphibious trip offers a thorough overview of the city. The "ducks" travel through historic sites in Back Bay, Beacon Hill, downtown Boston, the North End and splashdown into the Charles River. Duck Tours operate until the end of November.

Tours leave from the Prudential Center or the Museum of Science. To find the Prudential Center take either the Green Line to the Copley Station or the Orange Line to the Back Bay Station. To find the Museum of Science, take the Green Line to the Science Park Station.
http://www.bostonducktours.com/

If you are a patron of the arts, you should consider visiting...

Museum of Fine Arts
First opened in 1876, this art museum is one of the best in the United States and has sponsored impressive shows on Monet and John Singer Sargent. The MFA has outstanding collections of Impressionist art, early American art and artifacts and Asian Egyptian art.

Take the Green Line, E Train to the Museum of Fine Arts Station
http://www.mfa.org/

Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum
  The Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in the Fenway area of Boston features a fine art collection housed in a building that is a work of art itself.

Take the Green Line, E Train to the Museum of Fine Arts Station
http://www.gardnermuseum.org/

Institute of Contemporary Art
For more than a half century, the ICA has presented contemporary art in all media - visual arts, film, and video, performance and literature – and created educational programs that encourage an appreciation for contemporary culture.

Take the Red Line to South Station, and transfer to the Silver Line Waterfront. The ICA is a quick walk from the World Trade Center and Courthouse Stations.
http://www.icaboston.org
BOSTON ATTRACTIONS

Tufts University School of Dental Medicine
Art Museums
Copley and Prudential Shopping Centers
Newbury Street
Fenway Park
Museum of Science
Faneuil Hall
Boston Common and Public Garden
Harvard Square

T STATION

New England Medical Center, Orange Line
Museum of Fine Arts, Orange Line
Green Line or Back Bay, Orange Line
Arlington or Copley, Green Line
Kenmore or Fenway, Green Line
Science Park, Green Line
Government Center, Green & Blue Lines
Park Street, Green & Red Lines
Harvard Square, Red Line