

## **BOSTON & CAMBRIDGE DESTINATION OVERVIEW**

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### **ACCOMMODATIONS: MAJOR UPCOMING OPENINGS**

**Hilton Garden Inn Boston-Canton** (Royal Street, Canton) Opened March 2021 Canton, MA 138 Rooms

A brand new Hilton Garden Inn with an onsite restaurant, private dining, an outdoor courtyard and modern event space for corporate and social customers, has opened 18 miles south of Boston at the junction of I-95 and I-93. Amenities include an indoor pool, fitness center, shuttle service, free parking, free wi-fi, and 3,300 square feet of meeting and event space. The hotel is located on the campus of Mutual Life Insurance and Dunkin' Brands, and minutes from the walking and hiking trails of the Blue Hills Reservation. The award-winning Trillium Brewery Company will expand its brewery, restaurant, and event operations into a nearby 140,000-square-foot industrial building.



#### Hilton Garden Inn Boston-Brookline

Opened March 2021 Brookline, MA 174 rooms

The Hilton Garden Inn will feature 174 rooms, a restaurant and lounge area, conference space, fitness center, swimming pool, business center and a 24-hour pavilion pantry. The 111,100 square foot hotel will also house a ground-floor café with outdoor seating.

## Hampton Inn by Hilton and Homewood Suites by Hilton Boston Seaport

Opened April 6, 2021 Seaport District 416 Rooms

Several dual-brand properties have opened in the Boston metro area in the last two years with more to follow in 2021, notably the new Hampton Inn Boston Seaport (standard king and double queen rooms) and Homewood Suites Boston Seaport (spacious studios and king suites with full kitchens), a dual brand property surrounded by rich maritime history in the Raymond L. Flynn Marine Park, a short walk from the Flynn Cruiseport Boston and the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center. Amenities include a prime waterfront location, high-speed Wifi, hot and healthy breakfast, a 24-hour fitness center, indoor pool, and 6,000 sq. ft. of meeting space, which includes a sunlit ballroom with harbor views. The Homewood Suites will offer a complimentary evening social and grocery service.

## The Newbury Boston Hotel (One Newbury Street Boston)

Opened May 2021 211 Rooms

Visitors to the Newbury Boston can check in at one of Boston's best addresses, perfectly poised between the Public Garden and Newbury Street. Although the legacy of this hotel dates back to 1927, 2021 marks its debut as an independent luxury hotel. Custom-made furniture, frette linens and robes, handcrafted woods and marble touches lend the feeling of residential luxury to Boston's poshest shopping street. The full-service hotel will offer 24-hour in-room dining, evening turndown service, housekeeping twice daily, and special touches for shopaholics like clothing steamers in all rooms. For special occasions, The Newbury offers 16,000 square feet of modern event space, including The Assembly grand ballroom with views of the Public Garden.

The food and beverage program at The Newbury has been designed by Major Food Group, which operates notable restaurants in New York, Hong Kong, and Las Vegas. The Street Bar will be open to the public, but hotel guests can reserve priority seating. Guests enjoy exclusive access to The Library, an intimate salon that serves food and drink along with an equally impressive menu of books curated by the Boston Public Library. Signature Afternoon Tea will be served in the Newbury Salon on the second floor overlooking the Boston Public Garden. The top floor houses Contessa, a glass closed four-season restaurant serving a menu of northern Italian cuisine.



## The Langham Boston (250 Franklin Street)

Opened June 2021 312 Rooms

After a thorough and thoughtful transformation, The Langham Boston returns in all its glory in spring of 2021 with elegantly redesigned guest rooms and meeting and event spaces. Renovated guest rooms and suites include the addition of spacious bathrooms with walkin showers and white marble floors and countertops. 13,000 sq. ft. of meeting space includes the new Lincoln Ballroom, which can accommodate.

#### Omni Boston Hotel at the Seaport

Opening September 2021 South Boston Seaport District (450 Summer Street) 1,055 Rooms

When it opens its doors in June 2021 at the corner of Summer and D Streets, the Omni Boston Hotel at the Seaport will be a major complement to the adjoining Boston Convention & Exhibition Center, adding 1,055 guest rooms, including 52 suites, to Boston's booming Seaport District. The hotel tops out at 21 floors with views of Boston Harbor and 100,000 square feet of flexible space. There will be multiple, exciting dining and entertainment options on property, including an all-day restaurant, French Brasserie, lobby lounge and bar, the signature Mokara Spa and fitness center, and an elevated pool deck and bar with the Boston skyline as its backdrop.

# Canopy Hotel by Hilton at Boston Haymarket

Opening Q4 of 2021 212 Rooms

The boutique brand Hilton property is currently under construction on a 1.2-acre site bounded by Hanover Street to the north, Blackstone Street to the west, North Street to the south, and the John Fitzgerald Surface Road and Rose Kennedy Greenway to the east and steps from Faneuil Hall Marketplace and the Boston Public Market. The hotel will include an outdoor terrace, 1,600 sq. ft. of meeting space, a fitness center, restaurant and retail space, and a roof deck amenity.

# Raffles Boston Back Bay Hotel (40 Trinity Place)

Opening 2022

147 Rooms

Joining an impressive collection of 12 unique Raffles properties around the world, Raffles Boston Back Bay Hotel will include 147 guestrooms and 146 residences in a new 33-story building at the corner of Stuart Street and Trinity Place in Boston's Back Bay. The first Raffles hotel in North America will include a mix of signature services such as the Raffles Butler, and elegant and lively public spaces: a two-story sky lobby perched high above Copley Square; five distinct food and beverage venues; a state-of-the-art Raffles Spa with a 20-meter indoor pool; a rooftop garden terrace and lounge, and expansive meeting and pre-function space.



#### **ATTRACTIONS**

# Fenway Sports Group and Live Nation have started construction on The MGM Music Hall at Fenway

A new 5,000-seat concert hall that will be an extension of Fenway Park at the intersection of Lansdowne and Ipswich Streets. Scheduled to open in summer 2022, the Music Hall at Fenway will add 91,500 sq. ft. and four levels of new event space and amenities and host an anticipated 100 to 150 events per year. The construction will add new amenity areas to serve the bleacher and right field grandstands, as well as new bleacher function space for 500 to 600 people.

## **HELIX eSports at Patriot Place**

In reimagining the concept of a traditional LAN center or internet café, HELIX eSports delivers a professional eSports experience. With modern design, high-end gaming equipment, dedicated fiber internet and friendly, expert staff, HELIX creates an inclusive environment for all gamers. **HELIX eSports Patriot Place** will the first gaming center adjacent to a major professional sports venue in the US.

#### Flight Club Boston

Darts for the twenty first century, Flight Club involves a range of fast and exciting multiplayer games, built to bring people together and designed to keep you unexpectedly hooked, insatiably entertained and full of joy. Whether you're an expert darts sniper or a total beginner, everyone has a chance to win when they step up to one of our multiple throw lines. From bespoke cocktails to delicious sharing boards and ridiculous pizzas, the Flight Club Family will always be on hand to keep the fun (and the drinks) flowing.

#### The Embrace Unveiling

The King Boston memorial, The Embrace, will be anchored on Boston Common, where, in 1965, Dr. King called Boston to live by its highest ideals. The Common, America's first public park, has a vibrant 400-year-old history and a tradition of civic gatherings. The new memorial will spark a new public conversation about how to advance racial and social justice in Boston today.

When it is dedicated, currently planned for 2022, the Embrace will provide a living space for conversation, education and reflection on the racial and economic justice ideals of Martin Luther King, Jr. and Coretta Scott King, and serve as a permanent monument to the Kings' time in Boston, a period in which they met and fell in love, and which helped shape their approach to a just and equitable society.



#### FOOD & DRINK

#### Sam Adams Faneuil Hall Taproom

Date of opening: February, 2020

City/Town: Faneuil Hall Marketplace, Boston

Description: The new taproom at 60 State St spans 3 floors and 15,000 square

feet, including an outdoor, rooftop bar with views overlooking Faneuil Hall. Lucie Drink + Dine Opened Summer of 2020 Colonnade Hotel Lucie drink + dine is designed with a spirit of fun and a touch of rock 'n roll. It is a place for everyone with a modern and global menu.

#### **Grand Banks Fish House**

Date of opening: July 2021

City/Town: 406 Stuart Street, Back Bay, Boston

Description: 2 floors of classic and contemporary New England seafood with a 26-seat bar and private dining options. The menu will feature everything from a classic New England Lobster boil to an extensive raw bar and fire places to keep diners cozy year round.

#### **High Street Place**

Date opening: Fall 2021

City/Town: Downtown Boston

Description: Opening in downtown Boston in fall 2020 at 100 High St. in a five-story atrium

that connects to 160 Federal St., High Street Place will take up 20,000 square feet,

accommodating 20 food stalls and 500 seats.

#### **Boston Seafood Week**

September 10-19

Boston Seafood Week supports the Massachusetts Restaurant and Seafood Industry as a nine-day event bringing the best in Massachusetts seafood to help drive commerce to the hospitality and seafood industry.

When: September 10 - 19, 2021 https://www.bostonseafoodfestival.org

## **Back Bay Italian Eatery**

Opening planned for late 2021.

Ken Oringer and Jamie Bissonnette plan to open their latest culinary collaboration in a former retail space between Fairfield and Gloucester streets at 278 Newbury.

#### Ramsay's Kitchen

Date of opening: Late 2021

Gordon Ramsay is entering the Boston restaurant scene with Ramsay's Kitchen opening at the Mandarin Oriental in Back Bay. The restaurant will feature a raw bar, bar and lounge space, two private dining areas, and a seasonal patio in addition to its main dining room.



#### MAJOR UPCOMING EVENTS

**Congressional Medal of Honor** will hold its Annual Convention and Patriot Award Dinner in Boston for an unprecedented fourth time in September 2021.

**Laver Cup:** Boston, one of the greatest sports cities in the world, will host the fourth edition of the Laver Cup at the famous TD Garden from September 24-26, 2021.

125th Boston Marathon, Monday October 11, 2021; 126th Boston Marathon, April 11, 2022

Head of the Charles Regatta, October 22-24, 2021

**Fenway Bowl:** The inaugural Fenway Bowl will take place on Wednesday, December 29, 2021 at 11 a.m. Following its postponement in 2020 due to the coronavirus pandemic, the much-anticipated launch of the Fenway Bowl will mark the first college football bowl game to be played at the historic home of the Boston Red Sox, and the first Division 1 bowl game to be held in New England.

**Embrace Ideas Festival:** As part of the King Boston planning, the inaugural Embrace Ideas Festival is set occur throughout Boston in 2022.

**US Open 2022:** The Country Club in Brookline, one of the USGA's five founding clubs, has hosted the event three times: 1913, 1968, and 1988; the 122nd U.S. Open Championship, June 13-19, 2022, will make four.

Boston will host the following NCAA Events:

- 2022 Division I Men's Frozen Four at TD Garden
- 2024 NCAA Men's Basketball East Regional at TD Garden
- 2025 & 2026 NCAA Men's & Women's Lacrosse Championships at Gillette Stadium

**NAACP 2023:** Originally scheduled to take place in Boston during the summer of 2020, the NAACP National Convention will assemble in Boston in 2023.



## SIGNIFICANT ANNIVERSARIES

May include milestone years for: museums, attractions, events, festivals, cities/towns, and historic figures.

#### **Revolution 250 Commission**

Massachusetts joins seventeen other states in forming a commission to promote the commemoration of the American Revolution. The appropriations bill (H 4000) which Governor Charlie Baker signed yesterday also created the Massachusetts Commission on the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution. The Massachusetts commission's 35 members—leaders in the historical, cultural, tourism, and political sectors—will partner with the other states and with the federal America 250 Commission to commemorate, celebrate and investigate the will and determination of the people 250 years ago who risked their "lives, liberty, and property" for the cause of American Independence.

# **Development**

## **Echelon Seaport**

This new 3.5-acre, 1.3 million sq. ft. mixed-use residential complex in the heart of the Seaport will feature two levels of high-end retail, culinary experiences and recreational opportunities available to Boston's residents and visitors. A 19,000 sq. ft. destination 'piazza' will serve as a central gathering spot between the three residential towers and offer public access to communal events and programming and outdoor seating on multiple levels. Edison Power Plant Redevelopment (Summer Street, South Boston): The city has greenlighted plans to replace the long-dormant Edison Power Plant in South Boston's Point neighborhood with a 1.7 million-sq.-ft. development that will include residences, office and research facilities, 60,000 sq. ft. of retail space, and a 240-room hotel.

## Fenway Boston

In a newly formed joint venture, WS will steward a collaborative effort among Fenway Sports Group Real Estate (FSGRE) and '47 Brand in the redevelopment of multiple sites in the Fenway neighborhood. The project will include approximately 5 acres within close proximity to Fenway Park located on Jersey Street, Brookline Avenue, Van Ness Street, and Lansdowne Street. The project aspires to build community and dynamism beyond the Park via active streetscapes and new uses, while respecting the historic fabric and significance of Fenway Park.

#### The Track at New Balance

The new Boston Landing Track & Field complex features a 200 meter hydraulically banked track, seating for over 5,000 spectators, plus premium facilities for training, events, and recovery. Ground floor retail rounds out Boston's destination location for athletes.



#### **Cambridge Crossing**

The 100,000 square feet of retail space at Cambridge Crossing will be home to esteemed local restaurateurs, makers, retailers and service providers that define CX's unique neighborhood vibe while meeting the needs of residents, tenants, and visitors morning, noon, and night. Sip coffee, brunch with friends, work out, or grab a craft brew or cocktail are just a few of the ways to immerse yourself in this vibrant place.

Of the 100,000 square feet of planned retail space, much is concentrated in the heart of the project along North First Street, steps from the Green Line Lechmere station. At the core is a set of unique standalone retail buildings that will host local leading chefs, distillers, brewers, baristas, and artisans. These structures are being designed along a consistent theme of transparency and connectedness – using metal, glass and cedar to seamlessly blend together the built environment with surrounding green and open spaces. Additional curated retail will line the streets of CX in the ground floors of various commercial and residential buildings and will be central to creating a holistic and connected experience. All of this makes for a welcoming, energetic, and extremely accessible public realm that's effortlessly woven into the existing East Cambridge neighborhood.

Currently under construction is ground floor retail space in 222 Jacobs Street, The Shed, and Parcel Q1, totaling approximately 50,000 square feet. The initial phase of retail is expected to open in Q4 2020.

## Harvard Enterprise Research Center and Science & Engineering Complex

The Science and Engineering Complex (SEC) is most significant new building constructed by Harvard in a generation.

SEAS Administration and the labs and offices of approximately half of the SEAS faculty are housed in this building, along with student- and industry-facing departments, sloped and flexible flat classrooms, maker space and teaching labs, a library, café, dedicated space for student organizations, and extensive common space to encourage interaction and collaboration.

## **Nubian Square Development**

Taylor is partnering with private equity firm Almiranta Capital and the curators of the neighborhood's Black Market retail incubator on a 329,000-square-foot project that would bring market-rate office space, a marketplace, and cultural hall with artists' work space to the square. Food Hall run by Commonwealth Kitchen.

