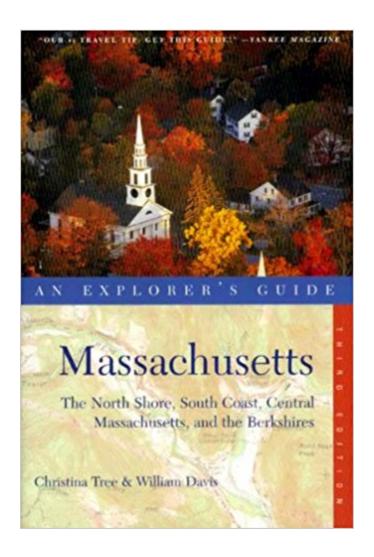


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# Massachusetts: An Explorer's Guide The North Shore, Central Massachusetts, And The Berkshires, 3rd Edition





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Step beyond the heavily travelled tourist trail into the heart of New England with this encyclopaedia guidebook to one of the country's most beautiful - and overlooked - travel destinations.

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It looks like this guide used to be titled "Beyond Boston and Cape Cod" - and that's about right. It's a great guide for the rest of the state, just don't expect to find anything about Boston or the Cape in this book. Once I got beyond that, I found the guide to be informative and useful - the reason I always look for this series when traveling somewhere new. Here's hoping someone is working on the Boston and Cape version.

Even though it is from 2000 it is still filled with current address. My history with travel books goes far. This book is so chocked with information I am impressed.

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