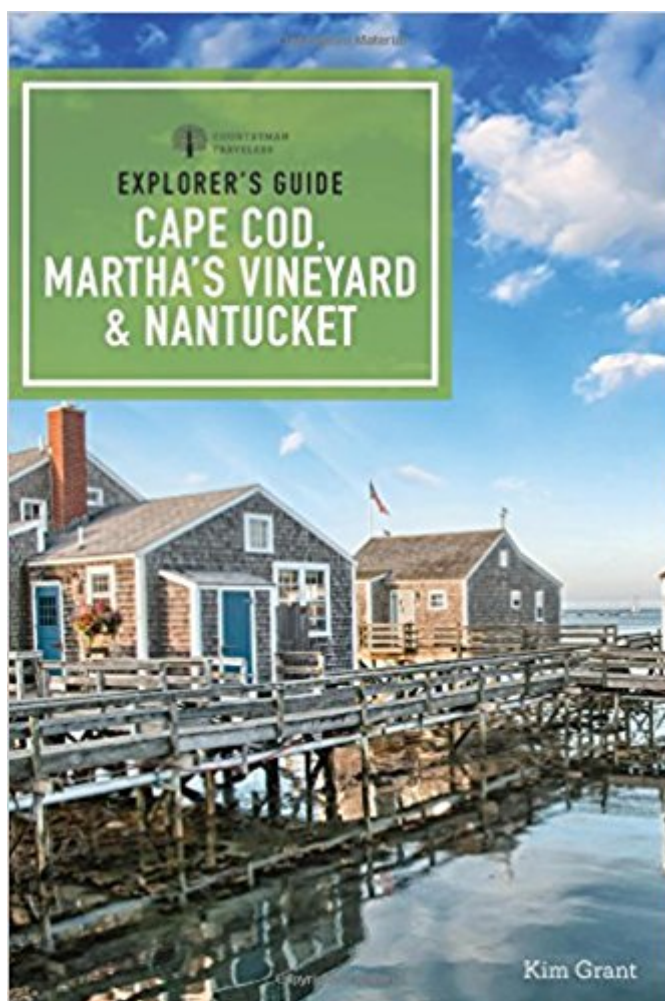


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# Explorer's Guide Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard, & Nantucket (11th Edition) (Explorer's Complete)



## Synopsis

The bestselling guide to the Cape with a brand-new look The most detailed and trusted guide to Cape Cod is back in its eleventh edition. Sporting a fresh and vibrant new design, Explorer's Guide Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard, & Nantucket offers travelers helpful and intelligently organized information on all the natural beauty and fun attractions the Cape and its islands have to offer, no matter your taste or budget. Read hundreds of dining reviews ranging from America's best clam shacks to elegant four-star bistros. Plan an unforgettable whale-watching excursion, satisfy your nostalgia at an old drive-in theater, or simply find the perfect beach spot to enjoy that local Cabernet. Each section features must-see sites and curated day-trip itineraries to meet the hopes of any Cape journey. Whether interested in a serene retreat, an outdoor adventure, or local culture, the Explorer's Guide series is unparalleled in its tradition of giving travelers the tools and information they need to discover every corner of their next destination. 100 color photographs and 10 maps

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Kim Grant is a travel writer and photographer. Her photography appears in Explorer's Guides to Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, the Berkshire Hills and Pioneer Valley of Western Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and New York City, as well as other travel guides and national magazines. She is the author of Explorer's Guide Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard & Nantucket and Explorer's Guide Hawaii, plus several Lonely Planet guides. She divides her time

between Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Sausalito, California.

Helpful for trip to MV. Great detailed tips

I'm biased. I was hired by the author to fact-check this edition. I authored the following essay, that follows the introduction to this edition: Why buy this book? BECAUSE it will be a profoundly rewarding and sound investment in making the most of your time on Cape Cod for you and your travel companions for years to come! It certainly has for me.\* Read on to see why it will enhance your vacation time immeasurably for you, too.

1. Believe it or not, even in 2017, not every business and resource has a website. Many special places and businesses have eschewed the internet altogether or have decided that maintaining a website is not worth the expense. Trust me, you don't want to miss out on hidden gems whose quality, uniqueness and hospitality provide more than enough repeat customers and word-of-mouth referrals to opt out of cyber advertising. You will find them here.
2. Do you really want to spend hours of screen time curating your vacation plans? The author of this guide has done that for you, and then some (as have I, her #1 fan and diligent assistant). This guide is masterfully organized to make it easy for you to find what interests you and every member of your party, with descriptions that succinctly provide discerning highlights to aid efficient decision-making (so planning is minimal and enjoying is maximal). From the more usual Cape Cod wish fulfillments (beaches, seafood, splurge dining and good cheap eats), to wide-ranging recreational resources (golf, tennis, bicycling, water sports, fishing, boating, nature trails), cultural activities (bookstores and libraries, town concerts, historic sites and museums, theatre, art galleries) and worthwhile places to spend money and bring home some treasures (selected thrift shops, upscale boutiques, one-of-a-kind businesses and unexpected finds) Kim's recommendations will steer you to the best of the Cape (and the wise will note and avoid her omissions as well).
3. Want to call for information and speak to a live person? Many websites have omitted phone numbers in favor of email contact; provide numbers answered by automated menus; or provide phone contact info for those with exceptional web navigation skills. Many of the numbers listed here pre-date the internet and still work!
4. Read any one chapter and I dare you not to find at least one activity, shop, resource, or event that would never have occurred to you to include on your itinerary but now that you've been informed about it, you just might. And if you do, your Cape Cod experience will benefit from an additional dimension less fortunate folks will miss out on. Such as? --an exceptional High Tea; a breathtaking scenic drive; a Friday night lobster roll dinner at a local historic church; this guide is filled with off-the-beaten-path

temptations to add depth and flavor to your Cape Cod experience unlikely to be discovered through generic brochures and cyber-searches.<sup>5</sup> Kim Grant is the author and photographer. Her introductory narratives to each town and reviews of accommodations and restaurants are highly instructive, succinctly providing points of information that give the reader essentials for making satisfying, discerning choices. On top of that, she is also witty and entertaining. Her lauded photographer's eye provides the viewer with the additional bonus of an art book to whet your appetite for Cape Cod's wide-ranging visual delights. Kim enjoys ongoing relationships with longstanding locals, who keep her informed of what's best and what's not, resulting in a guide permeated with the inside scoop.<sup>6</sup> There is something for every budget. Kim knows value and she knows quality for every price point. A long established and highly regarded travel writer, her recommendations are proudly featured by proprietors who appreciate her prized seal of approval. Having used her guides extensively for over 20 years, I am amazed at how consistently infallible her suggestions prove to be. Happiest. Cape Cod. Vacation. Ever.<sup>7</sup> This guide is so jam-packed with places to go and things to do it would take a lifetime to explore them all. You can stick to a town or two or follow an interest "antiques, historic houses, book stores, nature trails" from Sandwich to Provincetown and the Islands. Spend more time doing and less time clicking! If you have decided to buy this book, I am happy for you! Use it in good health and may you enjoy the Cape and Islands to the hilt.<sup>8</sup> Laurie Yankowitz I contacted the author years ago through social media to express her gratitude for the countless ways use of the guide enhanced her enjoyment of the Cape. Following a meet-up in NYC when Kim was in town for a travel writers convention and many subsequent correspondences, I was hired to update this edition. I tackled this assignment with a degree of diligence borne of great loyalty to the admirable high standards set by Kim. Every phone number, web site, address and name mentioned was verified as close to the publication date as possible.

I've gotten each of Kim Grant's Explorer's Guides as they came out. Very helpful and up to date with information .And I'll get the Next!

Very helpful

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