APOGEE ADVENTURES 2023 Maine Coast Photo Summarized Itinerary

Trip Begins:Brunswick, Maine (flights into Portland, ME)Trip Ends:Brunswick, Maine (flights out of Portland, ME)

- **Day 1:** Our group will meet in Freeport this afternoon. After everyone has arrived, we will make the short trip over to our accommodations for the next nine days. Our first afternoon and evening will be spent getting to know one another, playing games, and sharing our goals for the coming week.
- Day 2: On our first morning together, we will meet our photography instructor and dive into learning! We'll talk about photography basics, some keys to photo editing, and we'll begin to talk and think about how to capture our surroundings through the camera lens. We'll enjoy Maine's summertime beauty as we spend the afternoon out on a hike, where we will put the new practices we learned during our morning session to work. Dessert, or maybe an evening stroll, will give us the perfect opportunity to discuss our interests, passions, and how we're feeling about our photos so far.
- **Days 3-7:** For the next several days, we'll work towards a heightened understanding of what we'd like our photos to look like and fine-tune our knowledge about how our cameras work. We'll spend much of our time on a variety of adventures we'll go for long nature walks and hikes, experiment with peer portraits, seek out sunrises and sunsets, and have plenty of time for bonding games and collaborative meals. Some of our highlight activities include riding a ferry to an island off the Maine coast, exploring the exquisite Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, and sea kayaking with professional guides for a day on the water. And, of course, we'll always have the opportunity to capture the moment through our camera lenses as we go! Additionally, we'll give back to Maine's coastal communities while working on a service project aimed to protect and preserve the area's ecological health through the local land trust. Our evenings will be filled with delicious meals, laughter, sharing, and feedback and photo editing.
- Day 8: During our last full day together, we'll present a curation of our final photos in an art exhibition at the local library to showcase our work with the community. We'll each have our photo of choice printed and matted for display. After our presentation, we'll enjoy a celebratory dinner at a local restaurant a great ending to a wonderful week!
- **Day 9:** Our final morning will be spent packing up and saying goodbye to new friends, promising to stay in touch and share our photos as life takes us to new places!

Please note that all itineraries are subject to change.

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