

MARSDEN HARTLEY INSPIRED TRIP IDEAS



Shady Brook Trip Idea

Lewiston to Lovell and Kezar Lake

Maine Lakes and Mountains Region

“And if there is a finer view anywhere in the country, I should like to see it.” Marsden Hartley on Kezar Lake and Specked Mountain, 1906

Start your day in downtown Lewiston, the birthplace of Marsden Hartley.

Visit the [Bates College Museum of Art](#). **At Home and Abroad: Works from the Marsden Hartley Memorial Collection**, June 9 – October 7, 2017

Hours: Monday through Saturday, 10 am – 5 pm

Peek into the Lewiston Public Library and you will see Shady Brook; Hartley himself donated this work to the library. The piece was painted during the summertime while visiting Lovell, near the mountains and lakes of western Maine.

p.s. Shady Brook notecards can be purchased at the library.

Grab lunch at [Forage Market](#) to get a taste of the local food scene.

Drive to Lovell, approximately 45 miles.

Take in the [views](#) that inspired Marsden Hartley. This is where the artist painted *Sundown, Kezar Lake* in 1910.

Stay at the [Center Lovell Inn](#).



The North Maine Woods Trip Idea

Bangor to Mt. Katahdin and the Maine Woods

The Maine Highlands Region

"I have achieved the 'sacred' pilgrimage to Ktaadn MT - exceeding all my expectations so far that I am sort of helpless with words. I feel as if I have seen God for the first time, and find him so nonchalantly solemn."

Marsden Hartley, 1939

Begin the day in historic downtown Bangor; grab a coffee and breakfast at [Giacomo's](#) on Central Street.

See an exhibit at the [UMaine Art Museum](#) located in Norumbega Hall in downtown Bangor.

Take a road trip to view the iconic Mt Katahdin. Marsden Hartley drew deep inspiration from this majestic peak.

Travel on I-95 to Medway (1 hour, 60 miles).

Follow the [Katahdin Woods and Water Scenic Byway](#) to Millinocket (15 minutes) and on to New England Outdoor Center.

Check in and spend the afternoon and evening at [New England Outdoor Center](#) where you can take in the spectacular view of Mt Katahdin.

More

[North Light Gallery](#) in downtown Millinocket features the work of artists inspired by the north woods' landscape and light. Discover the artist in you; sign up for one of the many watercolor classes offered.



Colby Museum Trip Idea

Waterville

Kennebec Valley Region

“My work embodies little visions of the great intangible.” Marsden Hartley, 1908

Begin your day with lunch at [Lebanese Cuisine](#) on Temple Street. Don't be fooled by the not-too-fancy exterior. This place is a local favorite.

Spend the afternoon at the [Colby College Museum of Art](#). On exhibit from July 8, 2017– November 12, 2017 is the extraordinary Marsden Hartley's *Maine*. This exhibit explores the artist's relationship with his native state. The show comes to Maine from the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Bonus: free admission, but we suggest a donation!

Sip afternoon tea at [Selah Tea Café](#). If you are passionate about teatime, this is the place for you.

Keep it local; stay at the charming [Pleasant Street Inn](#), close to downtown.

While in town, check out [Railroad Square Cinema](#) and the [Waterville Opera House](#). You never know what's happening in this bustling college town.

P.S. If you happen to be in Waterville in **July**, check out the [Maine International Film Festival](#).



The Peninsula that Inspired Marsden Hartley Trip Idea Georgetown and Robinhood Cove Maine's MidCoast Region

"It is never difficult to see images – when the principle of the image is embedded in the soul." Marsden Hartley, 1932

Take your time exploring the magnificent peninsula of Georgetown. This was a place that inspired many of Hartley's famous paintings.

Relax and take in the beauty of one of Maine's finest coastal destinations and first state-owned saltwater beach, [Reid State Park](#).

Eat a late lunch at [Five Islands Lobster](#), located in a working harbor, or the [Osprey Restaurant](#), in Robinhood Marina. Both offer breathtaking views.

Walk along the trails of [Maine Audubon's Josephine Newman Preserve](#); this hidden gem is bounded on two sides by salt marsh.

Pick one of many quintessential Maine lodging options, including [Grey Havens Inn](#) and the lovely [Coveside B&B](#).



Portland Museum of Art Trip Idea

Portland

Greater Portland/Casco Bay Region

“What I have to express is not handled with words.” Marsden Hartley

Sip a great cup of coffee at [Tandem Coffee](#). There are breakfast goodies here, too.

Spend the day and browse the exceptional collections and exhibitions at the [Portland Museum of Art](#). You will find several stunning pieces by Marsden Hartley in the permanent collection.

Book a tour to the Winslow Homer Studio at Prouts Neck. This is one of the most significant locations in the history of American art. Get ready to fall in love with the natural beauty of this seaside studio and place of inspiration.

Grab a delicious afternoon snack in the Portland Museum of Art (PMA) Café. A Portland favorite, Aurora Provisions, supplies visitors with locally sourced food and drink.

Create a masterpiece or just have some fun in the PMA Workshop. The workshop is a hands-on, interactive space.

Shop in the PMA gift store. Take home a piece of Maine.

Check into the historic [Press Hotel](#), and **check out** the work of contemporary Maine artists.

Top off this day of art with a Maine-made cocktail in the Union Bar at the hotel.

Note: Be sure to check the PMA calendar of events. You may just catch a noontime lecture, a First Friday Art Walk or another cool event.



Art and Light Trip Idea Rockland Maine's MidCoast Region

"I have always said that you do not see a thing until you look away from it." Marsden Hartley

Eat a hearty breakfast at [Home Kitchen Café](#). It's a fun local spot with great food.

Visit the [Farnsworth Art Museum](#) and view works by Marsden Hartley. And throughout 2017, the museum will be celebrating Andrew Wyeth at 100. It's a great year of art in Maine.

Spend time exploring historic Rockland. There is plenty of good shopping and great food.

Make a stop at the [Caldbeck Gallery](#), a longtime Rockland gallery representing Maine artists since 1982.

Walk the Rockland Breakwater Lighthouse. Nearly 700,000 tons of granite quarried from nearby Vinalhaven Island were used to build this famous breakwater.

Say WOW! Check out the new [Center for Maine Contemporary Art](#) located in the heart of the arts district.

Stay at [250 Main](#), a boutique hotel overlooking Rockland Harbor and filled with Maine art.



Day of Art in Ogunquit

Ogunquit

Beaches Region

"I harp always on the 'idea' of life as I dwell perpetually on the existence of the moment." Marsden Hartley

Start your day at the [Backyard Coffeehouse](#), for locally roasted coffee and delicious fresh made treats.

Visit the [Ogunquit Museum of American Art](#), one of Maine's most cherished museums. You will truly want to slow down and take in the impressive collections and stunning views.

Take a walk along the historic Marginal Way, 1.25 miles connecting Perkins Cove to Ogunquit Beach. This is one of New England's only paved, public footpaths with sweeping views of the Atlantic Ocean.

Browse around the quaint village of Ogunquit, there are many galleries to explore. Don't miss the [Barn Gallery](#), the longtime home of the Ogunquit Art Association.

Check in to one of many superb properties including the classic [Beachmere Inn](#) with direct access to Marginal Way, or the beautifully renovated [Colonial Inn](#), in the heart of town.

Wrap up your day with a show at the historic [Ogunquit Playhouse](#), listed in the National Register of Historic Places. 2017 marks the theatre's 85th season of presenting world-class theater to summer audiences.