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# Ultimate Cannabis Vacation Planning Guide



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## Introduction

The Ultimate Cannabis Vacation Planning Guide visits the historical and contemporary Cannabis story in the United States. We're going to discuss highlights on the timeline of cannabis legalization and visit important historical locations to talk about the history of Hemp (and Cannabis) in the United States.

We hope this Guide inspires you to plan your own Ultimate Cannabis Vacation – we'll see you on Route 420!

## Section One: Things to Consider

In order to provide meaningful planning information, we've put together a list of things to consider when planning your Ultimate Cannabis Vacation:

### TIMELINE OF CANNABIS LEGALIZATION

We recognize California as the pioneering leader of medical cannabis and Colorado is cited as leading the way with recreational legalization, however, did you know Alaska beat them both to the punch in 1975?

Unfortunately, [Alaska](#) recriminalized cannabis in 1990 before recreational use was once again made legal in 2015. Before 1975, cannabis and hemp had been illegal in the United States since the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

When the United States gained independence from Britain, we were a sea-faring nation. Up until the end of the 19th century, farmers were required by law to grow hemp, which was used for: rope, sails and lamp oil.

### HISTORICAL POINTS OF INTEREST

Starting on the East Coast and working West, let us begin with [New York](#). New York's history is steeped in hemp, Boston Massachusetts has 'Old Ironsides', the USS Constitution, which has 44 tons of hemp rope used for rigging. The historic [Ropewalk](#) at the Boston Naval yards have been converted into apartments.

Did you know Pennsylvania was established with the goal to become the leader in [hemp production](#) in the new world? And, in Ohio you can see the history of hemp in America in the rural farmland and towns like 'Hempstead'.

In both [Illinois](#) and Missouri, you are deep in [Hemp History](#) and, when you are in Illinois, recreational cannabis is legal! The most detailed history of hemp, however, might just be the [Hemp Highway of Kentucky](#).

The Hemp Highway of Kentucky is a self-guided tour taking the adventurer through the entwined threads of Kentucky's Hempstory. Building upon 14 roadside historical markers discussing hemp history in Kentucky, the Hemp Highway augments the narratives on the markers and finds additional hemp related adventures in each county.

Supported by a network of partner businesses, guests can explore Kentucky hemp on many different levels, from aerial adventures and historic homes to gastrointestinal delights the Hemp Highway of Kentucky has something for everybody.

For example, the zipline canopy tour at [Boone Creek Outdoors](#) is set in a historic gorge among the ruins of a hemp mill built in the 1790's. While



the community of Winchester features several opportunities to explore the world of [Mt Folly Farm](#). You can actually visit the working organic farm that produces hemp, beans, corn, and cattle. For the truly adventurous the farm features a pioneer era log cabin that has been restored and updated with modern amenities making among the most unique bed and breakfast stops you will encounter. If you can't spend the night, then eat at their restaurant [Wildcat Willie's](#) in historic downtown Winchester. The menu features a Kentucky Proud menu comprised of organic ingredients grown on the farm. After dinner enjoy some sweet potato moonshine on the patio. Or spend the day exploring Kentucky's frontier history in historically bold [Danville, KY](#).

Continuing West, Denver has the oldest Dispensary, the [Sedgwick Alternative Relief](#) and the oldest industry Tour, called, appropriately enough, Colorado Cannabis Tours. In Los Angeles, there's [The Kush Bus](#) where you can be amazed in LA. When you come up to NorCal, you can check out Oaksterdam in Oakland California (and maybe enroll in a course at [Oaksterdam University](#)).

Wine Country SHOULD be known as [Wine-and-Weed Country](#) and the Wine and Weed Tour from Happy Travelers Tours in Sonoma California offers the best of both worlds.

Further up the road in Mendocino County you can visit the [Flow Kana Institute](#) and see the entire cannabis supply chain under one roof.

And, when you get into the Great Northwest, you can visit [Oregon State University](#) and you can catch a [cannabis tour](#) in Washington State.

## DIFFERENT RULES IN DIFFERENT STATES

Seems obvious, but, the only consistent rule is: you can't take cannabis across state lines. So, you can't bring the bag you bought in Colorado into California (not that it would last that long!) and you can't take California cannabis with you on your way to Oregon.

So, smoke what you buy where you buy it, and then move on!

## REGIONAL AND LOCAL STRAINS

Since you can't transport cannabis across state lines, it's fair to say there are regional and local strains which you can only get when you're traveling. Of course, someone can always get seeds to grow, however, for purists, finding a legendary local strain like [OC Kush](#) or [Blue Dream](#) is the whole point of a cannabis vacation.

We've shared some things to consider and, hopefully, you're now interested in creating your Ultimate Cannabis Vacation Itinerary, or, what we like to call: **Adventure on Route 420**.



## Section Two: Adventure on Route 420

Our Adventure on Route 420 map is below!

It doesn't matter where you start, just as long as you get there. So, grab your stuff and let's get your Ultimate Cannabis Vacation Planning going!

### • Adventure on Route 420 Planning Guide Eastern USA

- » NY – [Cornell University](#)
- » MA – Boston [USS Constitution](#)
- » PA – [Lancaster County](#)

### • South and Mid-West

- » KY – [The Hemp Highway](#)
- » MO – [Lexington MO](#)
- » OH – [Ohio State University](#) and [Yellow Springs](#)

### • Western and West Coast

- » CO – Denver: [Sedgwick Alternative Relief](#)
- » CA – Los Angeles: [The Kush Bus](#)
- » CA – Oakland: [Oaksterdam University](#)
- » CA – Wine Country: [Wine-and-Weed Tour](#)
- » CA – Bel Arbres: [Flow Canna Cannabis Institute](#)
- » OR – [The Portland Hempstock Festival](#)
- » WA – Seattle: [The Kush Tour](#)





## Conclusion

We hope this information and points of interest inspires you to plan your Ultimate Cannabis Vacation! When your Adventure on Route 420 brings you to [Wine-and-Weed Country](#), be sure to [Book](#) a Tour with [Happy Travelers Tours](#).

As Sonoma County Natives, we have the relationships and legacy knowledge to ensure your visit to Wine-and-Weed Country is the high-light of your Ultimate Cannabis Vacation.

For information about Group and Individual Tour availability please email [HappyTravelersTours@gmail.com](mailto:HappyTravelersTours@gmail.com) or call **707-386-9859**.

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