

Ships Docking in Boston and other New England Ports, 17th Century

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Ship	Master	Owner	Size	Date	ports visited	Source
Little James	John Bridges			1624	Plymouth to Pemaquid, then to England	Coldham, 1:16-17
Pilgrim	William Worlich of Surrey		ship	1630	London to Plymouth	Coldham, 1:25
Richard of London		Sir Richard Saltonstall	ship	1634-35	London to New England	Coldham, 1:43
Mayflower	Peter Andrewes			1635	To Virginia	Coldham, 1:45
Truelove of London	John Gibbs, master			1635	London to New England and Newfoundland to the straits	Coldham, 1:54
Hopewell	Richard French			1635-36	London to New Plymouth to Virginia	Coldham, 1:63
Little Neptune	Edward Barnes			1637/38	London to New England to Canary Islands	Coldham, 1:70
Africa			ship	1639-42	London? to Nova Scotia to New England to Virginia (trade: goods for corn to NE and Nova Scotia, traded for hogs from New England and Nova Scotia? to Virginia)	Coldham, 1:101-102
Hope from Ipswich, England	Mr. Gurling			1640	Ipswich to New England, Isle of May (but forced to Barbadoes), London	Coldham, 1:105
Providence	Mr. Pinkard			1640/41	Providence Island to New England to Galway, Ireland (with tobacco)	Coldham, 1:109

Mary Constance			350 tons	1641	London to Boston	Coldham, 1:109
Mary	John Gwyn			1644	Bristol to New England (with coal, nails, other goods) to Bilbao, Cadiz, Mallaga (with fish [poor John], tobacco, wax) to Bristol	Coldham, 1:114
Rupert, built in Plymouth, New England	John Cutting, John Vaughan	Edward Gibbons, Valentine Hill, David Yale, Thomas Fowle	50 tons	1645	New England to Glasgow, seized, to Ireland to France, to Ireland	Coldham, 1:115
Ship Unicorn of London				March 1647 to Feb. 1650	London to Mallaga, Isle of Wight, New England	RSL
Pilgrim alias Peregrine	Thomas Hawkins			1650	London to New England, Naples, Messina, Alexandria, London	Coldham, 1:118
Eagle	George Reymond			1650	London to Lisbon (salt loaded) to New England to Virginia (tobacco loaded) to London	Coldham, 1:118-119
Diligence, built in Salem, 1640		Robert Henfield, Joseph Grafton, William Andrewes, all of New England	New England coastal trader	1650/51	captured by French	Coldham, 1:126
Speedwell	Diggory Curwithie	Percival Weston & Co.		1650/51	London to Canary Islands to New England	Coldham, 1:127
Constant Luke	John Gibbs	Luke Lucye, Philip Allen		1650/51	London to West Indies to New England to Barbadoes to Dublin to London	Coldham, 1:27
Chapman	Nicholas Trevize (Twisse)	Robert Rich of London		1651	New England (with pipestaves) to Madeira to New England	Coldham, 1:128
Eagle	William Stevenson			1651	River Orwell to Nantes (goods loaded for New England, fish for Bilbao)	Coldham, 1:131

Adventure of New England	Thomas Graves	Francis Willoughby of New England	40 crew, 80 passengers	1652	Boston to London	Coldham, 1:141
Sarah of Boston	Isaac Addington		ship	1652	Boston to Virginia	RSL
Mayflower (built in New England)	Peter Butler	Peter Butler, David Sullick, Thomas Kimbold, Capt. Davenford, Mr. Allen, John Hardy and others		1653	New England to Virginia (for tobacco)	Coldham, 1:142
New England Merchant	Mr. Carwithy, James Garrett			1653	London to Boston (attacked by Dutch, seaman wounded, died 4 days later)	Coldham, 1:144
Unity of New England	Thomas Browne	Samuel Andrewes and Samuel Yeo of Charlestown, New England		1654	New England to Bilbao (iron hoops, other goods loaded for West Indies) to West Indies	Coldham, 1:145
John's Adventure of New England	Richard Thurstone	Roger Kilvert & Co.		1654	London to New England	Coldham, 1:145
Edward	Robert Young			1654	London to Fyall (for wines) to New England to Virginia (for tobacco) to London	Coldham, 1:150
Providence	George Swanley			1655/56	London to Virginia (tobacco loaded) to New England to home	Coldham, 1:147
Small Mallaga Merchant		John Thompson & Co.		1655	West Indies to New England (pillaged by French)	Coldham, 1:149
John's Adventure	John Cutting			1656	New England to Nantasket to London	Coldham, 1:151
Unity	Jacob Moulson			1657	London to Dublin to Barbadoes (but landed in Antigua)	Coldham, 1:163
Negro	John Lockier			1657	Ireland to St. Christopher's to Jamaica to New England to Madeira to London	Coldham, 1:160

Adventure	Stephen Talby of Boston			1657	Boston (loaded with sugar, oil, fish, skins) to London, taken by Ostend man of war	Coldham, 1:164-65
Success	William Goodlad		260 tons	1657	London to Canaries (with wine) to New England to Canaries to London	Coldham, 2:2-3
Two Sisters	Henry Thompson	Simon Messinger, Robert Hooker, Samuel Hill, Thomas Thompson, William Thompson, John Gre---, Peter Crumpton, Edward Thompson, Henry Reynolds	28 mariners in company	1658	London to New England (loaded with pease, pipe staves) to Barbadoes (loaded with sugar)	Coldham, 1:165
White Rock of London	Solomon Clarke			1658	London to Barbados and Jamaica to New England (masted and money loaded at Piscataqua) to London, capture by Spanish en route	Coldham, 1:166
Success				1658	London to Canary Islands to New England to Canaries to England (taken by Dutch)	Coldham, 2:2
Plain Dealing	William Browning	William Browning (part)		1658/59	London (with goods) to New England (loaded pipe staves, tobacco) to Portugal (Faro, as Malaga considered unsafe) (loaded figs, almonds, oils, other goods) to London	Coldham, 1:158-59
The Beaver	Capt. Scarlet			Nov. 1659 to Aug. 1661	Boston to Barbados, Fyall, Barbados, Virginia	RGBR
Wellcome				27 Oct. 1664		RGBR
Elianor & Christian				1660s		RGBR

Orion of Plymouth	Leondard Randell		60 ton	1660	Plymouth, England to New England, Leghorn, to Newfoundland (for fish) to Barbadoes (for sugar), to London (seized by Spanish en route)	Coldham, 1:170
Gift of God of New England	John Thompson			1660		Coldham, 1:173
Edward and Anne				1660	New England to Lisbon	Coldham, 2:1
Charles of London	Capt. Robt Lord	Mr. Thomas Kellond	90 tons	6 Aug 1661	London to Boston to London	MAC, 60:33
Bevar of Boston	Humphry Warren	Mr. Miles Standish	80 tons	6 Aug. 1661	Boston to Virginia	MAC, 60:33
Golden Sonne of London	And Andrson	Andr Shan	150 tons	Aug 1661	London to Boston to Canaries "with fishes"	MAC, 60:33
Robert of Dartmouth	Tho Wills	Tho Wills	90 tons	Aug 1661	Boston to Madeira "wth fish & imprstanes"	MAC, 60:33
Agnes of London	George Trad	Rich Feildstred	90 tons	20 Sept 1661	London to Boston to Bilbao	MAC, 60:33
Wm Operher of London		Roger Frakes	90 tons	6 Sept 1661	London to Boston to Bilbao	MAC, 60:33
Batchelers Delight of London		Francis Lothenigton	150 tons	5 Sept 1661	London to Boston to Malligo [Malaga]	MAC, 60:33
Barque, Wms Adventure of Biddiford		Nathaniel Andson	30 tons	5 Sept 1661	Boston to Fyall	MAC, 60:33
Barque, The Hope of Poole		James Fend	40 tons	6 Sept 1661	Boston to Jamaica	MAC, 60:33
Unity of Boston		Jn Cresh? Mr? R Rich Crle?	50 tons	10 Sept 1661	Boston to Bilbao or Bredzane?	MAC, 60:33

Tryall of Boston	Jos. Sweet, Mr		ketch, 20 tons	10 Sept 1661	Boston to Maryland in Virginia	MAC, 60:33
Robert of Plimouth	Jos Enwil?	George Hobman	frigate, 60 tons	12 Sept 1661	Boston to Barbadoes	MAC, 60:33
Charles of Boston		Crickam?	80 tons	19 Sept 1661	Boston to Barbadoes	MAC, 60:33
Mary of London		Jo?	60 tons	5 Oct 1661	London to Boston to Newfoundland to Truro	MAC, 60:33
Diligence of Boston		Jo?	pink, 30 tons	10 Oct 1661	Boston to Virginia to London	MAC, 60:33
Freindship of Boston		Sam Moor	ketch, 16 tons	10 Oct 1661	Boston to Virginia	MAC, 60:33
Turtle Dove of Boston		Robert Gibb	ketch, 30 tons	15 Nov 1661	Boston to Virginia	MAC, 60:33
Blessing of Boston	Jonas Clark	Thomas Lake	50 tons	11 Dec 1661	Boston to London	MAC, 60:33
The Jane of London	Jno Webbe	Wm Semple	100 tons	12 Dec 1661	London to Boston to Barbadoes	MAC, 60:33
Salamander of Boston	Jno Horsam	Tho Genis	ship, 70 tons	16 Dec 1661	Boston to London	MAC, 60:33
Hope of Boston	Tmo Peach	R Cook	ship, 100 tons	24 Dec 1661	Boston to Barbadoes	MAC, 60:33
Freindship of London		Ralph Goldsmith	80 tons	25 Dec 1661	London to Boston to Barbadoes	MAC, 60:33
Hopewell of Barbadoes			40 tons	31 Dec 1661	Barbadoes to Boston to Madeira to Barbadoes	MAC, 60:33
Society of Boston	? Clark	Mr Usher, James ?	150 tons	10 Jan 1661/2	Boston to London	MAC, 60:33
Golden Falcon of London	Thom Kirk	?	100 tons	6 Feb 1661/62	London to Boston to Truro	MAC, 60:33

The Blossome of Boston	Jno Temble	?	60 tons	24 Feb 1661/2	Boston to Barbadoes	MAC, 60:33
Surcease of Boston	Capt. Woodgreen Yt Fifield?	Wm Seamons	60 tons	25 Feb 1661/2	Boston to Barbados	MAC, 60:33
Desire		John Pynchon part owner		8 May 1663	to Barbados	PP, 1:40-44
Companion	John Tomson			June 1663	Gravesend to Barbadoes to New England	Coldham, 2:5
Recovery	William Whiteing		140 tons	1663-68	London to Barbadoes to Bermuda to New England to St. Christophers	Coldham, 2:7
Thomas and Lewis	Richard Sicklemore	Richard Sicklemore (part)		1664/65	London to France to New England, to Barbadoes to London	Coldham, 2:4
John and Sarah	John Payne			1663/1665	Boston to Surinam to Barbadoes to London	Coldham, 2:6
Nathaniell and Elianor	Capt. Drew			1665		RGBR
<i>Magistrates report to Royal Commissioners on colony ships, May 1665</i>			<i>80 of 20-40 tons; 40 of 40-100 tons; 12 over 100 tons</i>	<i>16 May 1665</i>		<i>MCR, 4, part 2:203</i>
Speaker	Robert Gourden		ship, "above three hundred persons" (refugees)	3 June 1665	St. Christopher's to Boston	MCR, 4 part 2: 309-311
Nathaniell	John Frost, commander			1666	Barbados	RGBR

Hopewell			ketch	1666	Barbados	RGBR
Welcome				1666		RGBR
Increase	William Grenough			1666	From Barbados	RGBR
Elinar & Christian				1666	Barbados	RGBR
Susanna of London	William Rock			1666/67	Virginia to New England to London	Coldham, 2:5
Ellinor and Christian	Joseph Cock [Cook]			1667	To Barbados	RGBR
William				1667	Barbados? [goods lost in hurricane]	RGBR
Nathaniel	Mr John Frost?			1669		RGBR
Hope	Capt. Thomas Blackman of Stepney, Mdsx		50 tons	1670/71	London to Barbados to Virginia to Barbados (forced to Martinique)	Coldham, 2:12-13
	John Alden	John Hull		1671	Boston to Virginia or Ireland	JHLB
	John Harris	John Hull		1671	Boston to West Indies	JHLB
Seaflower	Thomas Smith	Samuel Sewall, 1/8 owner		1671		SSL
Hopewell				1671	Boston to [Merrant?]	SSL
Increase?	Mr Greenough	John Hull		9 Feb. 1671		JHLB
privateer	Mr. Cutts		40 tons	23 March 1671	to Piscataqua	Pynchon, 1:85
<i>George Cartwright's report</i>			<i>200 New England ships, 8-10 over 200 tons</i>	<i>21 June 1671</i>		<i>CSPC, 7: #566</i>
Dove	Thomas Downes		ketch	7 Dec. 1671	Boston to Nevis	SSL

Society?	Josiah Roots		ketch	27 Feb. 1671	Boston to Jamaica	SSL
Dove	Thomas Downes		ketch	12 April 1672		SSL
Lenham	Jno Daving and Robt Marshall		pink	1672		SSL
Lanham	Robt Marshall		pink	1673		SSL
Providence (of Scotland)	Andrew Masson			13-14 Nov. 1673	in Salem	MHS Photostats, 21 Nov. 1673, MHS
Little Bartlett	Nicholas Prinn			1673/4	London to Virginia, attacked by Dutch, goods and master seized and taken to New England, later allowed to proceed to Virginia	Coldham, 2:15
Dove?	Thomas Downes		ketch	1674		SSL
	John Harris	John Hull		4 March 1674	Boston to Barbadoes to England (if news encouraging)	JHLB, 163
Society	Josiah Rootes	John Hull	ketch	March 1674	Boston to Bristol and back	JHLB, 164
Seaflower	Thomas Smith			April 1674	Boston to England?	JHLB, 167
Society	Josiah Rootes		ketch	April 1674	Boston? to Bristol	JHLB, 164
Swann	William Foster			April 1674	Boston to Barbadoes to England	JHLB, 167
John's Adventure	Capt. Wooley/Walley			1675	Boston to London	Lodge to J Williamson , 17 Nov. 1675, YIPP

<i>Notes about New England taken by Sir Wm Petty and Dr. Taylor from Mr Frost and Bartholomew</i>			<i>"In all New-England there is about 14000 Tuns of Ships & Boats"</i>	4 Feb. 1675		PP
Sampson	Richard Sprague?		220 tons	4 Feb. 1675		PP
Sea Flower	Thomas Smith?		180 tons	4 Feb. 1675		PP
Blessing	James Elson?		180 tons	4 Feb. 1675		PP
Sto			220 tons	4 Feb. 1675		PP
Industry Cutts			100 tons	4 Feb. 1675		PP
John Gillam's ship			160 tons	4 Feb. 1675		PP
Edwards's ship			130 tons	4 Feb. 1675		PP
Jeremiah Cushin's ship			150 tons	4 Feb. 1675		PP
Hayton's ship, one			150 tons	4 Feb. 1675		PP
Hayton's ship, the other			100 tons	4 Feb. 1675		PP
John Fones's ship			120 tons	4 Feb. 1675		PP
Greenway			100 tons	4 Feb. 1675		PP

Swan?	William Foster	John Hull		7 July 1675	Boston to Barbados to London	JHLB, 267
Lenham	John Hull	John Hull (no relation)		7 July 1675	Boston to London	JHLB, 268
Samson	Mr. Sprague			summer 1675	Boston to Cadiz and Malaga	JHLB, 272
John's Adventure	Mr. Walley			summer 1675		JHLB, 272
"a Bostoner of 100 tuns"			100 tons	17 June 1676	Nantes to Boston	CO 1/37, No. 7, TNA
a ship from France				17 June 1676	France to Boston	CO 1/37, No. 7, TNA
a ship from the Canaries				17 June 1676	Canaries to Boston	CO 1/37, No. 7, TNA
a ship from the Canaries				17 June 1676	Canaries to Boston	CO 1/37, No. 7, TNA
Nevis		Pilot and carpenter's wages reported		28 Aug. 1676		<i>MCAR</i> , 1:63-64
	Mr. Anderson			Oct. 20, 1676	Boston to London	JHLB, 317
	John Foy, master			Jan. 15, 1676/77	Boston to London	JHLB, 326
Blessing	James Elson?	1/16 part sold by Daniel Denison	140 tons	Feb. 11, 1677		Accounts of a Boston, Mass. Merchant 1677, MHS
	Mr. Tanner?			May 1677	London to Boston	JHLB, 341

	Mr. Saxton?			25 May 1677	Boston to London	JHLB, 341
	Mr. Ballston?			20 June 1677	Boston to London	JHLB, 347
	Charles Lidget?			12 July 1677	Boston to London	JHLB, 348
Gabriel	Mr. Sam Davis?			Aug. 1677	Boston to London	JHLB, 348, 351
Lixborn (of Lisbon)		4 crewmen's wages reported				<i>MCAR</i> , 1:92-93
Sea Flower	Mr. John Harris		ketch	18 Sept. 1677	Boston to Jamaica, logwood and other cargo, to procure goods to best advantage	JHLB, 355
	Mr. Peter Butler?			20 Sept. 1677	Boston to London	JHLB, 357
Nevis Factor				13 Oct. 1677	RI to Boston to Jamaica	<i>CSPC</i> , 10: #1641
	Mr. Peter Welcom?			15 Oct. 1677	Boston to London	JHLB, 359
	Mr. Downes			6 Nov. 1677 (orders)	Boston to Nevis to London [there to sell ship]	JHLB, 361
	Mr. Eliaz Davint [Davenport]			12 Nov. 1677	Boston to ?	JHLB, 361
Blessing	Mr. James Elson [1/8 cargo is Hull's]			30 Nov. 1677	Boston to Barbados to London	JHLB, 361
<i>Gov. Andros's report to Committee of</i>			<i>"very many and good ships of</i>	<i>10 April 1678</i>		<i>NYCD</i> , 3:260-261

<i>Trade and Plantation</i>			<i>burthen, some 2 or 300 tunns, most built in their owne Collony."</i>			
Teble Crowne	Wm Sterry			24 May 1678		<i>MCAR, 1:119</i>
James			frigate	13 Jan. 1679		<i>MCAR, 1:128</i>
Apollow	Henry Holloway	11 in crew		25 Oct. 1679	Jamaica to Campeche to Boston	<i>MCAR, 1:132</i>
Herron				1680	10-month voyage	<i>MCAR, 1:160</i>
<i>Gov. Bradstreet's report to Committee of Trade and Plantation</i>			<i>100-120 ships trade to Boston, 6-8 from England per year</i>	<i>18 May 1680</i>		<i>CSPC, 10: #1360</i>
Ann and Hester of London				Nov. 1680		<i>MCAR, 1:172</i>
Blessing of Boston	David East	John Parmeter of Boston, shipwright, owner	40 tons (6 aboard)	1682/3	Barbadoes to Boston with cargo of cotton, sugar, molasses	<i>Coldham, 2:25-26</i>
Adventure	John Balstone of New England			1683	New England to Nevis, in Boston harbor August 1684-13 Nov 1684, to Plymouth, Isle of Wight, London	<i>Coldham 2:26-27</i>
Adventure	Elisha Hedge of Yarmouth in New Plymouth	Elisha Hedge (part)	sloop, 35 tons	1683	Leased to Walley (for 10L/mo) for journeys from Boston to any free port in West Indies or Virginia	<i>JWP</i>

Dolphin	John Foye			1687	London to Boston	JFAB
Bristol Merchant	Samuel Woodbury, cmdr			Sept. 1689	Surinam to Boston	JWP
Blossom			brigantine, 5 in crew	Oct. 1690	Boston to Jamaica and back	JWP
Europian	John Foye			1695	Boston to Jamaica and back	JWP
Patience and Judith	Thomas Stringer, Master			Sept. 1714	England? to Boston	JWP

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