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The Freedom Trail

Boston is the birthplace of the American Revolution, and home to many sites of national significance. In 1951 local journalist William Schofield and Bob Winn, a member of the Old North Church suggested a pedestrian trail to link together important local landmarks. Originally the Freedom Trail was a mile and a fifth long, beginning at Boston Common and ending in the North End. In 1958 the red line was added to clearly mark the trail and in 1972 the trail extended into Charlestown including all 16 of the official Freedom Trail historic sites. The 2.5 mile Freedom Trail tells of how the Patriots and the Colonists fought for freedom and how they succeeded in establishing the United States of America.

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The Boston Freedom Trail Sites

1. Boston Common
2. Massachusetts State House
3. Park Street Church
4. Granary Burying Ground
5. King's Chapel
6. King's Chapel Burying Ground
7. Benjamin Franklin Statue
8. Old Corner Bookstore
9. Old South Meeting House
10. Old State House
11. Boston Massacre Memorial
12. Faneuil Hall
13. Old North Church
14. Paul Revere's House
15. Copp's Hill Burying Ground
16. Bunker Hill Monument
17. USS Constitution