

CAPE MAY HOLIDAY TOURS

Cape May



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Combination Trolley, Physick Family Christmas & Carroll Gallery Exhibit

This 1879 Victorian house museum sparkles for the holidays with authentic Victorian decorations that invite you to step back into Christmas past! Visit the Physick Estate for a unique living history experience with a member of the Physick Family household of the 1890s. Then visit Cape May on board our quaint trolley and travel through the Historic District as a knowledgeable guide presents entertaining and educational stories about the nation's oldest seashore resort. See the oldest residential streets in town, landmark buildings, gingerbread houses, Victorian architectural features and the Grande Dames of Cape May. Following the tour, your group will visit the Carroll Gallery at the Physick Estate which becomes a Christmas wonderland this time of year. It's all about the wonder of Christmas morning with model trains and a Dept. 56 Dickens Village beneath the boughs of a giant tree. Stand under our tree and feel like a kid on Christmas morning!



A Dr. Physick Christmas Tour

Dr. Physick welcomes you to his home. Christmas is a wonderful time of year to come to Cape May and the Emlen Physick Estate is decorated to the nines! In this first-person tour, Dr. Physick walks guests through his home, pointing out Victorian decorations and telling stories of his family and friends at Christmas.



Physick Family Christmas House Tour & Carroll Gallery Exhibit

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Ghosts of Christmas Past Trolley Ride

Enjoy an evening trolley ride through Cape May's festively decorated Historic District with a member of the East Lynne Theater Company as she entertains you with a Victorian holiday ghost tale.



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Holiday Inns House Tour (self-guided daytime walking tour)

Visit four Inns complete with Christmas decorations and enjoy a delightful tour. A trolley shuttle will run a continuous loop during the tour.



Evening Yuletide House Tour & Carroll Gallery Exhibit

Enjoy a 30-minute guided tour of the first floor of Cape May's 1879 Emlen Physick Estate, decorated in authentic style for a Victorian Christmas. See how the Physick family would have entertained for the holidays. Following the tour, your group will be escorted to the Carroll Gallery at the Physick Estate which becomes a Christmas wonderland this time of year. It's all about the wonder of Christmas morning with model trains and a Dept. 56 Dickens Village beneath the boughs of a giant tree. You can stand under our tree and feel like a kid on Christmas morning!



'Tis the Season: The Forgotten Caroler (2022 performance; 2023 TBA)

An unexpected winter storm brings all of the Bennett Family's plans to a crashing halt! It seems that not even a joyful troupe of carolers can help restore the family's holiday spirit. Is all hop lost? This original play written by Jennifer Hickok brings the audience along as the drama of a Victorian Christmas gone wrong unfold from room to room on the first floor of the 1879 Physick House Museum. Immerse yourself in this delightful and inspiring Victorian Christmas story that revels in the magic of the season.



Holiday Lights Trolley Ride

Board our trolley and enjoy a front row view of Cape May's holiday decorations as our trolley winds its way through town. Listen to your guide and learn about exterior holiday decorations, wassailing/ caroling, the evolution of Santa, traditions of gift givers and the history of Christmas.

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Santa's Trolley Ride

Bring your family and friends for a trolley ride along the decorated streets of Cape May. Listen to holiday stories and songs presented by Mrs. Claus. Following your tour, visit the Carroll Gallery Exhibit at the Physick Estate. It's all about the wonder of Christmas morning with model trains and a Dept. 56 Dickens Village beneath the boughs of a giant tree. You can actually stand under our tree and feel like a kid on Christmas morning!



Physick Estate House Tour & Carroll Gallery Exhibit

Return to the era of Victorian opulence and experience the feeling of Christmas in the 1890s. Take a guided tour of Cape May's 1879 Emlen Physick Estate, decorated in authentic style for a Victorian Christmas. See how the Physick family would have entertained for the holidays. This tour also provides a look back at our Victorian past as evidenced by its architecture, decorative arts, customs, and the lives of one particular Cape May family, the Physicks. Emlen Physick Jr., his widowed mother, Frances Ralston, and his maiden aunt Emilie Parmentier moved into their home when it was completed in 1879. Following the tour, your group will be escorted to the Carroll Gallery at the Physick Estate which becomes a Christmas wonderland this time of year. It's all about the wonder of Christmas morning with model trains and a Dept. 56 Dickens Village beneath the boughs of a giant tree. You can stand under our tree and feel like a kid on Christmas morning!



Lamplighter Christmas Walking Tour

Enjoy a guided walk through the beautifully decorated streets of Cape May and visit three inns/private homes with holiday themed presentations. Following your tour, travel on your own and see the Carroll Gallery at the Physick Estate which becomes a Christmas wonderland this time of year. It's all about the wonder of Christmas morning with model trains and a Dept. 56 Dickens Village beneath the boughs of a giant tree. Stand under our tree and feel like a kid again!



Christmas Candlelight House Tour (self-guided evening walking tour)

The main attraction of Cape May's festive holiday season, features homes, inns, hotels and churches decorated for the holidays, plus caroling, strolling musicians and good old-fashioned cheer. Hospitality centers offer warm beverages and traditional treats. The Tour includes admission to the Physick Estate, the Carriage House Gallery and continuous trolley shuttle service.