

SPORTS, SUNDAES AND SHOPPING – CAPE MAY

APRIL 12, 2024 – NOVEMBER 3, 2024

Cape May



Museums. Arts. Culture.

DAY ONE

10:00AM

Combination Cape May's Sports History Trolley, Physick Estate & Carroll Gallery Exhibit

Cape May's past is filled with intriguing stories of athletics, including baseball, tennis, and golf during the 19th and early 20th centuries. Hop on this trolley tour of Cape May and see where enthusiastic crowds once rooted for their beloved players of the past. Discover the history of the teams, ballfields, courts, and greens that were integral parts of America's First Seaside Resort.

Emlen Physick Estate House Tour Theme

Down the Shore: Summers in Victorian Cape May

Take a glimpse into the diverse array of activities that entertained visitors and the Physick family during the Victorian era. Discover their favorite pastimes, including dancing, fishing, golfing, and concerts. Find out how they stayed cool during hot summers with ocean bathing and indulging in ice cream. Plus, get an insider's look at the architectural features of the house specifically designed to combat high temperatures, showcasing the resourcefulness of the past.

WE ALL SCREAM FOR ICE CREAM: A HISTORY OF SUMMER'S FAVORITE TREAT

At the beginning of the 1800s, ice cream was an elite and expensive dish in flavors like Parmigiano and asparagus. By the end of the 1800s, ice cream was adored by everyone in flavors like vanilla, chocolate, and strawberry. Some of our favorite dishes, like the ice cream cone, the ice cream sundae and the banana split are Victorian inventions. This exhibit celebrates summer's favorite treat. See an authentic 1898 ice cream maker and other artifacts, and a reproduction Victorian ice cream wagon. Discover the diverse innovators and pioneers of ice cream, and the development of the ice cream scoop and commercial ice cream freezer, including Augustus Jackson, Nancy Johnson, Bassett's of Philadelphia, and more.



12:30PM

Free Time for Lunch, an ice cream sundae and shopping on the Washington Street Mall

Take advantage of a midday break to savor lunch and browse through the charming Washington Street Mall, which acts as the central hub of Cape May. Explore an array of one-of-a-kind boutiques and shops, indulge in fine dining options, and relax at nearby Rotary Park for a delightful experience.

4:00PM

Check into your hotel



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6:30PM

Sunset Dinner Cruise (5:30pm in September/October)

End your day with the perfect excursion aboard the Spirit of Cape May dinner cruise. Take in unparalleled bay views, including a breathtaking sunset and potential dolphin sightings, all while enjoying top-quality food. Experience America's Oldest Seaside Resort, Cape May, from a unique perspective as our naturalist guides you through historical landmarks such as the Cape May Point Lighthouse and Science Center, Congress Hall, and Sunset Beach. Keep an eye out for local dolphins in their natural habitat and learn about their behaviors and homes. The Cape May Whale Watcher provides excellent dining options with cuisine prepared by Homestyle to Go and Tonys Catering on their spacious and well-maintained vessel.



DAY TWO

9:30AM

Cape May's Maritime Combo Tour

Whaling, wartime, and wild weather. The remarkable maritime history of our seaside town has long defined the Cape May story. Travel on our trolley and rediscover our most remarkable maritime moments. Learn about people, places, and natural phenomenon that have made an impact and shaped, literally, and figuratively, the Cape May we know today.

Enjoy a guided tour of Fisherman's Wharf, home of Cape May's commercial fishing fleet. Learn about the history of the harbor, the fishing industry and life at sea. Discover how seafood gets from the sea to your table.



12:00PM

Lunch at South 9 Bar & Grille

Discover the distinctive charm of one of Cape May County's premier bars, where you can indulge in a variety of timeless American cuisine. Unwind and enjoy yourself within their large, tastefully designed interior.

2:30PM

Head back to your hotel

Take some time to unwind in the afternoon. Enjoy a leisurely walk along Cape May's promenade, lounge on the beach and bask in the warm sun as you read your favorite book or grab a seat at the bar and savor a refreshing beverage.



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6:00PM

Dinner at Hemingway's Restaurant at The Grand Hotel

There is something for everyone at Hemingway's Steak and Seafood Restaurant located within the Grand Hotel of Cape May. This Cape May restaurant features modern American cuisine with a variety of delectable culinary creations including fresh locally sourced seafood and much more.



7:15PM

Temperance Debate

During the late Victorian Period, the issues of temperance and prohibition were as much "hot topics" in Cape

May as they were in the rest of the country.

This interactive living history program presents a debate between a local saloonkeeper and a representative of the Women's Rights Movement and other reform efforts.



DAY THREE

8:00AM

Breakfast at your hotel.

10:00 AM

Depart for home.

Options to include on Day Three:

- Indulge in a round of golf at one of the many prestigious golf courses situated throughout the Cape May area.
- Treat yourself to the newest offering in our entertainment lineup - **Cape Square Entertainment**. Featuring 8 modern movie theaters, 16 stylish bowling lanes, three fully stocked bars, two highly rated restaurants and a state-of-the-art golf simulator for your enjoyment.
- Take a break at one of the numerous wineries, breweries, or distilleries in the Cape May region on your journey back home.



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