

CAPE MAY CHRISTMAS

Candles, Cards, and Candy Canes

Cape May



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DAY ONE

4:00PM Check into The Grand Hotel

5:00PM Dinner at your hotel



6:00PM Holiday Lights Trolley Ride

Who can resist the twinkle of Cape May's beautiful streetscapes and Victorian homes decorated for Christmas? Experience an evening trolley ride through Cape May and enjoy a front row view of Cape May's holiday decorations. 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. **Trolleys are open-air, dress accordingly.**



DAY TWO

9:30AM Combination Trolley, Physick Family Christmas & Carroll Gallery Exhibit

Travel back in time and immerse yourself in the beauty of a Victorian Christmas at the 1879 Physick Estate. The Physick house is adorned in authentic holiday decorations, adding to the festive atmosphere. As you tour the estate, interact with a member of the Physick Family household from the 1890s and gain insight into their lives during this time.

Embark on a trolley excursion through Cape May's Historic District and discover its rich history with an informative guide. Admire iconic landmarks, quaint gingerbread houses, and stunning examples of Victorian architecture, including the well-known Grand Dames of Cape May.

Following your tours, 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!



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DAY TWO CONTINUED



12:00PM Lunch at the Anglesea Pub

Located in historic North Wildwood, NJ, Anglesea Pub offers a fantastic authentic Irish Pub experience. Hailing from Ireland, the McMullan brothers have incorporated their heritage into the pub's atmosphere and strive to provide their customers with the most enjoyable experience.

2:00PM Holiday Inns Tour

(Tuesday-Thursday 1st three weeks in December)

Indulge in the festive season with this delightful daytime **self-guided walking tour**. The Holiday Inns Tour grants you access to four charming Cape May properties adorned with holiday decorations such as garlands, bows, and Christmas trees. Immerse yourself in the holiday spirit as you explore these iconic properties in Cape May.



3:30PM Free Time on the Washington Street Mall

Spend some time shopping at the picturesque Washington Street Mall which serves as Cape May's town square. Enjoy a variety of unique boutiques, shops, fine dining restaurants and bars and enjoy lovely Rotary Park nearby.

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DAY THREE

10:00AM Step on Guide-Cape May Point

Take a scenic journey through West Cape May and reach the very tip of Cape May's peninsula, known as one of the most renowned migratory spots in North America. Upon entering Cape May Point State Park, you'll catch sight of the fully restored Lighthouse, originally built in 1859. Then, make your way to Sunset Beach where you can see the sunken ship, USS Atlantus-part of a collection of twelve concrete ships that ran aground on June 8, 1926, and remains visible today. Take your time exploring the shops, strolling along the beach in search of precious Cape May Diamonds, and capturing stunning photos of the Delaware Bay.



12:00PM Lunch at the Lobster House Restaurant

Enjoy lunch at The Lobster House Restaurant serving the freshest seafood available, often from their fleet of commercial boats. Dine in one of their five unique and picturesque dining rooms overlooking Cape May Harbor.

1:15PM Christmas Traditions Presentation

As you complete your meal, enjoy a Victorian Christmas presentation. The beloved holiday customs we know today have their roots in the Victorian Era, including Christmas trees, cards, and Santa Claus himself. Discover how Prince Albert brought these traditions from Germany to England after marrying Queen Victoria, and how they eventually spread across the Atlantic to America.

2:15PM Depart for Home



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