

CAPE MAY TROLLEY TOURS

Cape May



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Spirits & Oddities Trolley Tour (30 minutes)

They Did What??!! Headless Photography? Electric Corsets? Coffin Torpedoes? Explore some of the strange beliefs, superstitions, oddities, fads, curiosities and mysteries from the end of the 19th century – the Victorian era – in this half hour trolley tour through the streets of Cape May. Hear stories from Cape May's history that are bizarre, unexplained or just downright weird!



Historic District Trolley Tour (45 minutes)

Board our quaint trolley and travel through Cape May's Historic District as our knowledgeable guide presents entertaining and educational stories about the nation's oldest seashore resort. See the oldest residential street in town, landmark buildings, gingerbread houses, Victorian architectural features and the Grand Dames of Cape May.



Mansions by the Sea Trolley Tour (45 minutes)

Don't be green with envy on this trolley tour when you see how well the rich lived in the early 1900s in the most elegant part of town. You'll see the broad streets and summer "mansions" of Cape May's east side on this trolley tour – an area marketed as "New Cape May" at the turn of the 20th Century. Today, new, beachfront second homeowners have continued the tradition, running the gamut from the mere wealthy to the fabulously rich.



History of Cape Island Trolley Tour (45 minutes)

Many stories of Cape Island and the surrounding area's economy are in whaling and farming and while new industries have evolved since then, that heritage is celebrated today. Hear how whalers centuries ago eked out a dangerous but lucrative living near Town Bank and how the area's rich farming heritage continues to be a source of tremendous community pride. Learn about the Union Bethel community in 1831 in which Black residents thrived and the diverse community that continues to contribute to the vibrancy of island life today.

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Welcome to Cape May Trolley Tour (45 minutes)

See some of Cape May's most famous streets and landmarks in the Historic District and beyond. You will learn why Cape May is a National Historic Landmark City and why architectural and historic preservation is so important here. See hidden gems and little-known treasures of this glorious seaside town. The perfect tour for a first-time visitor!



Black Legacy in Historic Cape May Trolley Tour (45 minutes)

Celebrate Cape May's Black history, highlighting the many varied contributions by African Americans from 1846 through the mid-20th century. In 2024, this documentation of the Black community led to approval and entry into the New Jersey Register of Historic Places and into the National Register of Historic Places. Hear these newly documented stories and see the homes, businesses, churches and schools that showcase the community's innovation and resilience.



Natural Habitats Trolley Tour (1.5 hours)

Beyond the charming Victorian homes and sandy beaches, Cape May is world famous for its birdwatching, monarch migration, and natural history. Join our knowledgeable guide on a trolley tour to local "natural habitats", learning about the beauty, diversity, abundance (millions of birds, butterflies, and dragonflies pass through each year), geography, and extensive history of this amazing spectacle. Relax and be entertained in the birding capital of North America!



Cape May's Maritime Trolley Tour (45 minutes)

Whaling, wartime, and wild weather. The remarkable maritime history of our seaside town has long defined the Cape May story. 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.

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Ghosts of Cape May Trolley Tour (30-minutes)

What was that shadow? Was it the undead of Cape May's past wandering their beloved haunts? You might scoff, you might shudder but rest assured: on board a trolley with an experienced guide you will begin to wonder what's beyond when you hear the tales of hauntings unearthed in Cape May by renowned psychic medium and author Craig McManus.



Picture This Selfie Trolley Tour (90 minutes)

Unwind aboard a leisurely trolley ride through Cape May's charming streets, take in beautiful Victorian architecture and picturesque beachfront. The trolley pauses at three special locations, allowing you moments to disembark and preserve the scenery through your lens. Throughout your excursion, your knowledgeable guide will share interesting stories about, America's First Seaside Resort.

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