

GROUP TOUR PRESENTATIONS

Cape May



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Christmas Traditions

When Queen Victoria's German husband Albert arrived at Buckingham Palace, he carried with him the festive customs of his homeland—decorated firs, printed greetings, and a gift-bearing Saint Nicholas. These once-foreign rituals, embraced by the royal family, captivated the British imagination before sailing westward to transform American Christmases into the celebrations we cherish today.

Secret Language of Victorians

Explore the two popular means of communication utilized during the Victorian Era, Floriography, and Visiting Cards. Victorians used symbolism extensively, with a flower or card for every occasion. Learn their secret meanings and how they enriched this complex and creative society.



Hats!

The accessory for men and women that's been used for everything from safety to military to fashion statement. Can you guess who wore what and when? Journey back in time to see the evolution of Hats! Courtesy of Bollman Hat Company, enjoy a collection of hats from each decade since 1868 and learn a little bit of history along the way.



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.



"Twas the Night Before Christmas"

As you complete your dining experience, a special Cape May tradition awaits - a costumed interpreter will greet your party with a special recitation of Clement C. Moore's beloved holiday classic "Twas the Night Before Christmas," first published in 1870.

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