

Bayshore Heritage: New Jersey Scenic Byway



BAYSHORE HERITAGE SCENIC BYWAY

These Scenic Byways are among eight statewide, where you can experience New Jersey's authentic heart and soul—local communities promising open-air adventure, fascinating wildlife, historical treasures and endless natural beauty. Voyage through the Bayshore Heritage Scenic Byway, also a National Scenic Byway, one of the most significant routes in the U.S. Along splendid shoreline habitats, cross over rivers and tributaries and pass rolling farmland and historic villages, guided by our sample itinerary below. For full details, stops and directions, please visit NJScenicByways.com.

DAY 1



Hancock House, Hancock's Bridge

Riveting Views in Pennsville and Hancock's Bridge

With a 122-mile main corridor and spurs adding 20 more miles, the Bayshore Heritage Scenic Byway presents lots of trip options. Embark on this journey from Pennsville in Salem County.

Hike the 2,800-acre <u>Supawna</u>
<u>Meadows National Wildlife Refuge</u>
and see why the Delaware Bay
wetlands are globally recognized as
vital for migrating birds—plus, scope
mammals, reptiles, amphibians and fish.

Wander through the Fort Mott State
Park batteries, built for the SpanishAmerican War. Enjoy Pennsville
Custard Stand, Graystone Café,
Famous Sgt. Bob Smoke BBQ and
Grill or Sang Tong Thai.

In Hancock's Bridge, tour the **Hancock House**, site of a 1778 American Revolution attack by British troops on local militia.

DAY 2



AJ Meerwald, Port Norris

Nautical Quest Around Cumberland County

Drift on to <u>Cumberland County</u> in the <u>Southern Shore</u>. Charter a <u>fishing</u> <u>boat</u> at <u>Fortescue State Marina</u>, or meander peaceful, nearby beaches, spotting mussels, horseshoe crabs, seashells and sea glass.

Another choice: **Bayshore Center at Bivalve** (Port Norris). There,
watch oystermen at work, sail the
1928 schooner **AJ Meerwald** (New
Jersey's official tall ship), soak
up the **Delaware Bay Museum**, and

savor super-fresh seafood at <u>The Red-</u> **Eyed Crab**.

Navigate to Maurice River Township. Tour the quaint, still-active, 1849 **East Point Lighthouse**. In the evening, relax in <u>Cape May</u>, selecting from eclectic <u>accommodations</u> such as <u>La Mer Beachfront Resort</u>, **Beauclaire's Bed & Breakfast** and <u>Elaine's</u> boutique hotel with restaurant, bar and dinner theater.

DAY 3



Cape May MAC Trolley Tour, Cape May

Colorful, Coastal Cape May

Travel through time in <u>Cape May</u> <u>County</u>. Visit <u>Historic Cold Spring</u> <u>Village</u>, a re-created rural town, complete with restaurant, country store and more—even a brewery!

Or, stroll nature trails at <u>Cape May</u>

<u>Point State Park</u>, and climb 199

steps inside the <u>Cape May Lighthouse</u>
for an awe-inspiring panorama.

Bring binoculars to <u>Cape May Bird</u>

<u>Observatory</u>, a National Geographic

World's Best destination for birding.

Close by is the Cape May Historic District, flaunting Victorian flair. Board a themed **Cape May MAC trolley tour** to cruise its streets, which boast over 600 restored buildings, charming shops and delectable <u>cuisine</u>.

Discover the town's <u>Black heritage</u>, including its legacy as an Underground Railroad hub, at sites like the <u>Harriet</u> Tubman Museum.

There's Even More to See and Do

Extend your stay and add these on:

Linger Longer in Local Spots

This good-for-the-soul Scenic Byway boasts many towns and <u>attractions</u>, complemented by great <u>shopping</u> and <u>dining</u>.

Check out <u>Salem</u>. Indulge at <u>Java Dog Coffee & Tea</u> (American, soul food) or <u>Ella's Mama Mia's Family Restaurant</u> (pizza, Italian) and stores ranging from New Age to totally vintage, like <u>A Moment of Zen</u> and <u>Market Street Treasures and Antiques</u>.

Brake for <u>Bridgeton</u>'s <u>Cohanzick Zoo</u>. Treat yourself to homegrown favorites, such as <u>Century Bakery</u>, <u>Golden Pigeon Diner</u>, <u>Los Molcajetes</u> (Mexican) and the <u>Greater Bridgeton Amish Market</u>.



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