



Cape May Hawkwatch

The Bayshore Heritage Scenic Byway is one of New Jersey's eight scenic byways, transportation corridors that have outstanding scenic, natural, recreational, cultural, historic or archaeological significance. Together, the byways tell stories about New Jersey's history, natural features, recreational opportunities and beauty.

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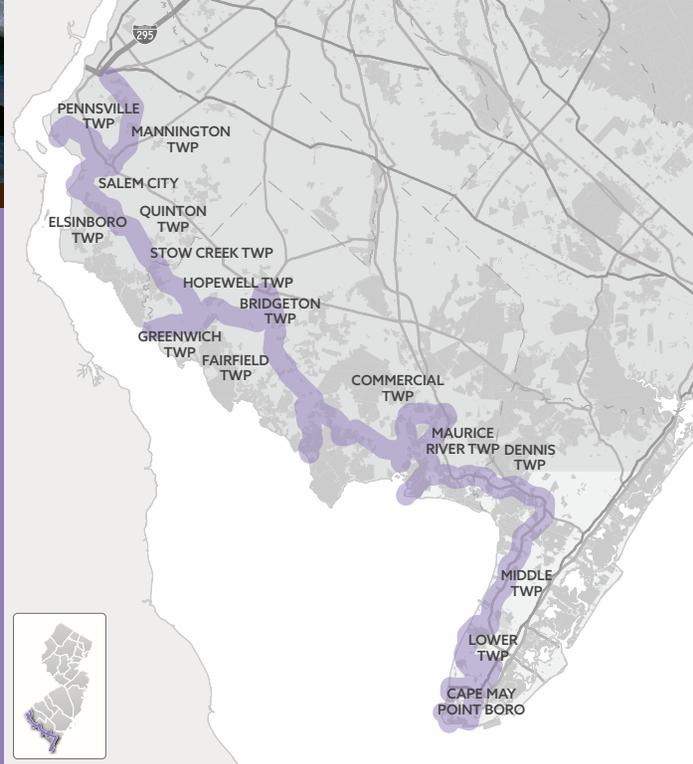
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A Voyage Through History



A journey to natural serenity, where shorebirds and other wildlife abound, alongside historic gems and great family experiences. Right here in New Jersey.



Just imagine the discoveries you can make along the byway

An abundance of natural and cultural history accented by scenic views

Visitors say that it's like stepping back in time, when they find themselves in the extraordinary landscape of the Bayshore Heritage Scenic Byway. Once visitors see what the byway has to offer they want to come back again and again.

Enjoy New Jersey's western bayshore

Explore three counties—Salem, Cumberland and Cape May—and several rivers and streams, including the Wild and Scenic* Maurice River. The beautiful sand dunes, coastal marshes and forested swaths make it a key habitat for the international migratory shorebirds and preserves for endangered species.

Enjoy vast networks of trails and experience views from wildlife observation platforms. You'll see all that the marshes, swamps and Bayshore beaches have to offer. Here are the natural habitats for 317 bird species, 42 mammal species, 55 reptile and amphibian species... and more.

Views from the water

A special way to enjoy the scenery is from the water. Cross the Delaware Bay with a backdrop of historic lighthouses, picturesque harbors and local wildlife, and sometimes a dolphin pod or whale escort. Take the Cape May-Lewes Ferry and you'll pass lovely meadows and spot local wildlife.

* The US Forest Service has designated this as a waterway in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, signifying that it has remarkable scenic, recreational, geologic, fish and wildlife, historic or other similar values.

Fun that's made for families

Whether you are exploring history or the local landscape, you'll take a family-friendly journey along the Bayshore Heritage Scenic Byway.

Something fun for everyone

Visit Bridgeton City Park, the oldest continuously operating city park in the state. It offers 1,100 acres of walking and nature trails and picnic areas; playgrounds, playing fields, tennis and basketball courts; the free-admission Cohanzick Zoo; and a 7,500-square-foot splash park, all along the Cohansy River. You can also enjoy Sunset Beach's outdoor amphitheater or swimming beach, local museums and history displays.

Local fare for the whole family

Restaurants along the byway have a distinctly local flair and comfortable atmosphere that is perfect for families. Many reflect the region's maritime and agrarian heritage specializing in seafood and local farm-to-table cuisine.

For information on local restaurants, go to visitnj.org.

East Point Lighthouse



History you can find only here

You will find a historic district in 11 of the communities along the byway, with everything from indigenous artifacts to revolutionary war sites. It's a roadway through time.

Monuments and artifacts galore

On your byway voyage, stop at the Greenwich Tea Burning Monument commemorating the Greenwich Tea Burning of 1774, one of the major "tea incidents" in pre-Revolutionary America.

As you explore Greenwich, know that you are in an area of significant historical importance. In the 19th century, Greenwich played a role in the operation of the Underground Railroad. Crossing from Delaware to Greenwich was a favored route of abolitionists.

Go to the Cumberland County Prehistorical Museum to discover a large collection of arrowheads, Native American tools, pottery and over one thousand fossils.

Calling all history enthusiasts

Take off to Millville Army Air Field, "America's First Defense Airport," for museum tours and airshows. This airport opened in 1943 and about 1,500 pilots received their advanced fighter training for the Republic P-47 "Thunderbolt" here. You can turn your attention from the sky to the water by visiting Fort Mott, part of an 19th-century coastal defense system designed for the Delaware River in Pennsville. Wander through the fortifications that were erected in 1896 in anticipation of the Spanish-American War.

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