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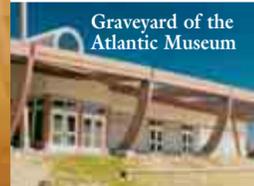


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Historic Albemarle Tour

AURORA FOSSIL MUSEUM teaches about the geologic forces over millions of years that created the Coastal Plain. Explore three buildings of shark teeth, marine mammals and minerals. Take your picture inside the jaws of a shark. Dig for your own fossils. Complete gift shop available. Donations welcome. 252-322-4238 aurfosmus@yahoo.com aurorafossilmuseum.com



BELHAVEN MEMORIAL MUSEUM is like spending a day in your grandmother's attic! The City Hall, on the National Register, houses this museum that began as a private collection of Mrs. Eva Blount Way around the turn of the century. What began as a collection of buttons grew to include old coins, shells, early American kitchenware, coffee mills, furniture, old farming tools, Civil War guns, World War helmets, boots, and more to explore. We are closed on Sunday and Wednesday. 252-943-6817 beaufort-county.com/Belhaven/museum/Belhaven.htm

CHICAMACOMICO LIFE-SAVING STATION HISTORIC SITE (predecessor of the US Coast Guard) is the nation's largest, most complete United States Life-Saving Service complex. The seven acre site contains eight original buildings full of artifacts and displays. Fascinating little-known history of incredible heroes. Scene of the most highly-awarded maritime rescue in American history (Aug. 16, 1918). Self-guided tours. Beach Drill reenactment and programs presented during summer months. Admission charged. 252-987-1552 class@embarqmail.com chicamacomico.net

ROANOKE ISLAND FESTIVAL PARK
HOME OF ELIZABETH II - Twenty-three years before Jamestown, there was Roanoke Island. The settlement didn't survive, but the history, adventure and family fun did. Today, Roanoke Island Festival Park examines the history and adventure of America's first English settlers with several venues including the representative 16th century sailing ship the *Elizabeth II*; the American Indian Town; a Settlement Site; Museum and more! 252-475-1500 festivalparkinformation@ncdcr.gov roanokeisland.com

FRISCO NATIVE AMERICAN MUSEUM & NATURAL HISTORY CENTER features a nationally recognized collection of artifacts and exhibits related to Native Americans across the United States as well as the original inhabitants of Hatteras Island. The Natural History Center includes displays, live exhibits, an observation room overlooking a bird garden, and beautiful maritime forest trails. Annual Inter-Tribal Powwow in April. Special programs available for students, scouts, seniors, and visually impaired. Admission. 252-995-4440 admin@nativeamericanmuseum.org nativeamericanmuseum.org

GRAVEYARD OF THE ATLANTIC MUSEUM in Hatteras is dedicated to preserving and interpreting the rich maritime history and culture of NC's Outer Banks. Along these shores, at the confluence of the Labrador Current and the Gulf Stream, rest two thousand shipwrecks; the North Atlantic Coast's largest concentration of German U-Boats, hundreds of passenger and cargo vessels, and thousands of tons of Allied shipping, all attesting to the vital and turbulent role seafaring has played in the development of the US. The 19,000 sq. ft. building is a stunning structure derived from ship's curves and principles of naval architecture. Located next to the Hatteras ferry landing, it is easily accessible to visitors. 252-986-2995 friends@graveyardoftheatlantic.com graveyardoftheatlantic.com

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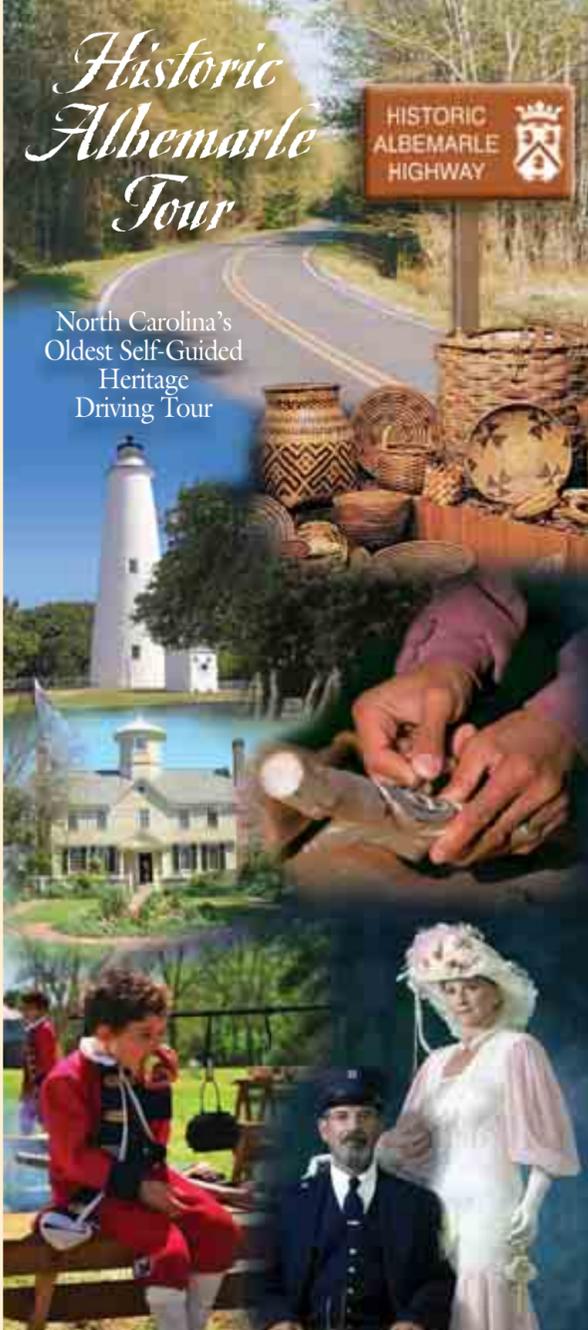
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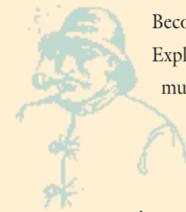
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Historic Albemarle Tour

North Carolina's
Oldest Self-Guided
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Driving Tour

Traveling through time...



Become alive to history!

Explore a world of artifacts in a multitude of museums. Learn about the Native American lifestyle.

See Civil War memorabilia. Rediscover long-forgotten Colonial treasures.

Stand inside 18th century buildings. Stroll through Colonial gardens. Board a replica of a 16th century sailing ship. Experience life on a southern plantation.

Visit one of America's first lifesaving stations – now more than 125 years old – and climb a lighthouse that's still "beaming."

Let the kids pick up starfish, pet skates and peer at sharks swimming in an overhead aquarium. Show them fossils that are billions of years old and dig for coral, shells and shark's teeth.

Spend an afternoon walking through 400 years of interactive history exhibited in one building. See an animated pirate, "shoot" ducks from a blind and climb into the hold of a creaking "old" ship.

Taking the Historic Albemarle Tour, which winds through northeast North Carolina, is like encountering pages from a history book that teach us volumes about the present. It's a story of growth and change... of wilderness walks and uncharted horizons...a multi-dimensional register of mankind that adds to our sense of place. It shows us who we are, where we came from and where we're going.

Since 1975, the tour has helped thousands of people follow in the footsteps of Indians and colonists, soldiers and slaves, sea captains and pirates.

You, too, can study North Carolina's history by seeing it. To travel through time, just follow the signs. See you on the HAT...



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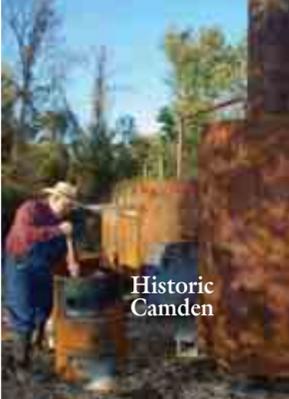


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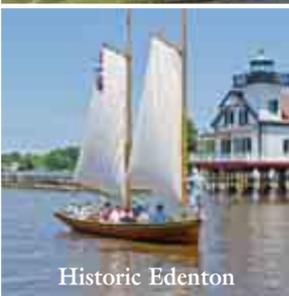
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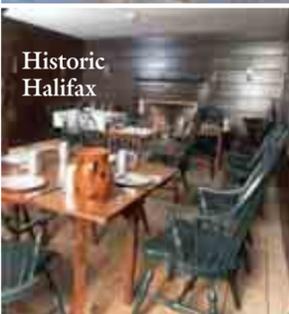


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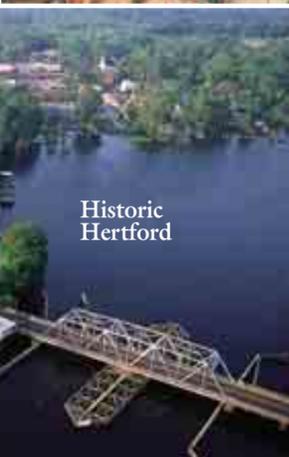


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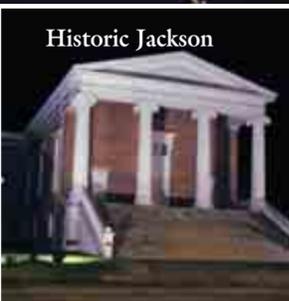
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Historic Jackson

Historic Murfreesboro



Historic Ocracoke



Historic Plymouth

HISTORIC BATH is NC's first town, incorporated in 1705. The explorer John Lawson, several royal governors, and the notorious pirate Blackbeard are among the names found in Bath's early records. The historic district includes the state's oldest church, St. Thomas Episcopal, and three restored historic house museums from the 18th and 19th centuries. Visitor Center, orientation film, and guided tours. 252-923-3971 bath@ncdcr.gov bath.nchistoricsites.org

HISTORIC CAMDEN COUNTY features numerous historic sites and structures dating from its founding in 1777. Rebuilt in 1910 after a fire, the historic Camden Jailhouse now serves as the county museum. The Camden Courthouse (1856) is a beautiful example of Greek Revival architecture. Designated as part of the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom, the Dismal Swamp once provided a formidable refuge for runaway slaves and later notorious moonshiners. The Dismal Swamp State Park on the Dismal Swamp Canal provides interactive exhibits and Ranger led programs to educate the public about its colorful past. 252-771-8333 dswelcome@camdencountync.gov camdencountync.gov

HISTORIC COLUMBIA is reflected in a variety of architectural styles and historic periods as you traverse around the tree-lined streets of this quaint coastal community on the "Columbia on the Scuppernong Walking Tour." Visit unique shops and see unusual sights along the way. Stop at the Columbia Theater Cultural Resources Center to learn how people have lived with and utilized the great forests and waters of this pocosin region for thousands of years. 252-796-0723 visitrcc@embarqmail.com visityrrellcounty.com

HISTORIC COROLLA invites you to the Currituck Beach Lighthouse and Whalehead, both located within Currituck Heritage Park. Climb 214 lighthouse steps for a panoramic view or tour the Whalehead Club - the 1925 residence of Mr. & Mrs. Knight, featuring art nouveau architecture and Tiffany lighting. Ample parking, restrooms and boathouse, launch and footbridge all a short walk from the historic village. Great place to spend a day! 252-453-8152 info@currituckbeachlight.com currituckbeachlight.com 252-453-9040 info@visitwhalehead.com visitwhalehead.com

THE 1758 CUPOLA HOUSE is a house museum with quite old, by American standards, furnishings, furniture, and artifacts. Many are from the Dickinson-Bond family who occupied the house from 1777 to 1918. The magnificent moldings and paneling earn the praise as "North Carolina's most significant early dwelling." 252-482-2637 cupolahouse.org cupolahouse1@gmail.com

HISTORIC EDENTON is NC's second oldest town (incorporated 1722) and often called the South's 'prettiest small town.' From the Historic Edenton Visitor Center embark upon a guided tour of the historic district that includes the interiors of: St. Paul's Church (1736), home of an active Episcopal congregation; two National Historic Landmarks; the Cupola House (1758) and Chowan County Courthouse (1767), with the nation's most intact colonial courtroom; and the James Ireddell House State Historic Site (1800/1827), home of a U. S. Supreme Court Justice. Guided trolley tours also available. 252-482-2637 edenton@ncdcr.gov edenton.nchistoricsites.org

HISTORIC ELIZABETH CITY - Located on the Pasquotank River, Elizabeth City is widely-known for its reputation as the "Harbor of Hospitality" and excellent travel offerings that bring the past to life. Visit the Museum of the Albemarle, where more than 750 artifacts tell the story of Albemarle area watermen, farm life, the Civil War, the Coast Guard and more. Free copies of the "Elizabeth City Historic Walking Tour" available at the visitors bureau, and downloads of "Civil War Trails" and National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom sites are available on our website. 252-335-5330 info@discoverelizabethcity.com discoverelizabethcity.com

HISTORIC HALIFAX represents an early Roanoke River port, trading market, and political center during the American Revolution. NC's 4th Provincial Congress met here to call for independence from England. Seven restored historic structures include public buildings, a plantation house, and an exhibit over an archaeological dig. A Visitor Center, guided tours, and a picnic area are available. 252-583-7191 halifax@ncdcr.gov halifax.nchistoricsites.org

HISTORIC HERTFORD chartered in 1758, is a Main Street Community listed in the National Register of Historic Places. This picturesque community of just over 2000 is nestled alongside the Perquimans River and can be reached by traveling over the only 'S' shaped swing bridge in the nation. Take the self-guided walking/driving tour, starting with the museum at the Visitors Center honoring Baseball Hall of Famer Jim 'Catfish' Hunter and then go down tree-lined streets where you will see the 1825 Federal style courthouse located in the heart of downtown as well as late 18th to early 20th century homes nearby. The historic site Newbold-White House, built 1730 by Quakers, is the oldest brick house in NC open to the public in NC, open Thurs - Sat. Southern hospitality abounds in this small town which provides a quiet haven in a busy world. 252-426-5657 chamber@visiterquimans.com visiterquimans.com historichertfordinc.org

HISTORIC JACKSON is the center of a county that supported a plantation society in the mid-18th century. The Northampton County Courthouse, built in 1858, is one of the finest Greek Revival Temple-form structures to be found in the South. A walking tour through the National Register Historic District encompasses the Courthouse Square, Northampton County Museum and stately old homes that whisper of the rich and romantic days of the Antebellum South. 252-534-0331 historicjacksonnc.com visitnorthamptonnc.com

HISTORIC MURFREESBORO enjoys the quaintness of a colonial river port and offers a wide variety of early American architecture through its 12-block National Register Historic District. From the Roberts-Vaughan Village Center, embark on a guided tour, which includes excellent examples of interiors from the 18th and 19th centuries. The Brady C. Jefcoat Museum of Americana is our newest addition, housing the largest collection of irons, washing machines and dairy items in the US. 252-398-5922 mha@murfreesboronc.org murfreesboronc.org

HISTORIC OCRACOKE is an island community dating back to the early 1700s. Visit Ocracoke's lighthouse built in 1823, bicycle through the village with over 200 National Register historic structures, stroll down Howard Street under centuries-old live oaks and past many family graveyards, visit the British Cemetery, learn about Ocracoke's history and culture at the Ocracoke Preservation Society Museum, visit the nearby Civil War monument, and walk through Springer's Point, a maritime forest along Teach's Hole, Blackbeard's favored mooring. 252-928-7375 info@ocracokepreservation.org ocracokepreservation.org

HISTORIC PLYMOUTH is located on the Roanoke River Delta with over 50 miles of shoreline within 5 miles of Plymouth! It also has the unique distinction of having 3 museums in 3 blocks on the waterfront - The

Roanoke River Maritime Museum and Lighthouse, God's Creation Wildlife Museum and the Port of Plymouth Museum. Here was the site of NC's 2nd largest Civil War battle - fought April 17-20, 1864. The site includes a 63' replica of the most successful ironclad of the war that was featured in the History Channel film, "The Most Daring Mission of the Civil War". See antebellum buildings which bear the scars of war and historic churches and cemeteries. Take a historic walking tour and stroll the scenic boardwalks and the Rail Switch Birding Trail along the river. 252-793-4804 tourism@washconc.org gowildnc.com

HISTORIC TARBORO - incorporated in 1760, it retains a close tie with its past through magnificently preserved homes and buildings ranging from Colonial to Victorian. The Tarboro Historic District National Recreation Trail winds through the 45 block historic area and features the 1760 Town Common, 1840 Cotton Press, 1858 Calvary Parish and churchyard, 1808 Blount-Bridgers House, Hobson Pittman Memorial Gallery and the 1808 Pender Museum. The Tarboro-Edgecombe Chamber of Commerce and Visitors' Center is on the corner of Saint John and Trade Streets, downtown Tarboro. 252-823-4159 edgecombears@embarqmail.com edgecombears.org

HISTORIC WASHINGTON - the first to be named for General George Washington, offers an authentic and enjoyable setting for a day, weekend, or a lifetime. The City located on the Pamlico & Tar Rivers features a self-guided walking tour through the vast historic district. The walking tour also leads visitors through the Harbor District where galleries, boutiques, and restaurants allow you to pick your pleasure. Don't miss the North Carolina Estuarium where the Pamlico-Tar estuary system is celebrated as the spectacular natural resource it is. More than 200 hands on exhibits provide education and entertainment for the young and old. 800-999-3857 www.partnershipforthesounds.org visitwashingtonnc.com lynn@originalwashington.com

HISTORIC WILLIAMSTON was an important trade center and Roanoke River port from the 1730's. After 1882, the railroad and tobacco planting revitalized the town as a commercial market. The 1885 former Martin County Courthouse is notable for Italianate design. Historic Williamston features the Asa Biggs House, Fort Branch, and Morotac Park as well as two National Register Historic Districts highlighting 19th and early 20th century life. The visitor center is located in the NC TeleCenter, 415 E. Blvd. 800-766-8566 or 252-792-6605 tourism@visitmartincounty.com visitmartincounty.com

HISTORIC WINDSOR, created by the Colonial Assembly in 1768, was established on the Gray's Landing site where William Gray had offered 100 acres for a town. The National Register Historic District encompasses that same area. A boardwalk from the Roanoke/Cashie River Center to the Cashie River Bridge borders a once busy port waterfront that boasted a customs house and branch of the State Bank serving West Indies and Coastal Water Trade. 252-794-4277 windsorbortie@gmail.com windsornc.com

HOPE PLANTATION features two National Register listed houses; the restored 1803 home of Governor David Stone and the 1763 King Bazemore House, both with outstanding furnishings that include regional pieces. The Roanoke-Chowan Heritage Center features regional exhibits and an annual celebration of African-American Heritage. Guided tours of both homes available. 252-794-3140 hopeplantation@coastalnet.com hopeplantation.org

MATTAMUSKEET LODGE was completed in 1916 as the world's largest pumping station to drain the fertile lakebed of Lake Mattamuskeet so it could be farmed. In 1934 the Civilian Conservation Corps converted it into a rustic hunting lodge. Placed on the National Register in 1981, it was recently deeded to the State of NC and is undergoing renovations aimed at restoring it as one of America's greatest heritage treasures. 252-926-9171 hydecoc@embarqmail.com hydecountychamber.org

MUSEUM OF THE ALBEMARLE - Located in the historic downtown area of Elizabeth City, the Museum of the Albemarle interprets the cultural history of 13 northeastern North Carolina counties. Its feature exhibit "Our Story" offers visitors the opportunity to view the unique history of the people and the land of the Albemarle region. Entrance to the Museum is free along with the touring of most exhibits; special exhibits may require a nominal entrance fee. Tuesday-Saturday 10am-4pm 252-335-1453 museumofthealbemarle.com

NORTH CAROLINA AQUARIUM ON ROANOKE ISLAND - Explore the "Waters of the Outer Banks" through aquariums and interactive exhibits. Visit our 285,000-gallon Graveyard of the Atlantic exhibit with the largest shark collection in NC; touch rays and invertebrates in our "Close Encounters" gallery. See dive shows, alligators, otters and our newest exhibit Operation: Sea Turtle Rescue. Make your family's island experience truly "fin-tastic!" GPS N35 91 850, W75 70 374 252-473-3494 800-832-3474 ext. 4 ncaquariums.com

POCOSIN FOLK ARTS SCHOOL - Eastern North Carolina's premiere hand craft center, located in historic downtown Columbia, offers workshops, classes and concentrations in art and fine crafts for adults and children. Throughout the year there are creative opportunities in pottery, metalsmithing, painting and drawing, wood design, bookmaking, fiber arts, glass, printmaking, blacksmithing, storytelling, dance, roots music and more, both on and off site. Instruction by local, nationally, and internationally recognized artists. Teacher certification renewal credit is available. Regional art and fine crafts are a highlight of our gallery. Studio visitors always welcome. We invite you to tour our site, learn more about our activities and get involved! 252-796-2787 info@pocosinarts.org pocosinarts.org

SOMERSET PLACE - an 18th century plantation, located in Washington County was one of only four wealthy planter estates in NC with over 300 enslaved people living on one property. The plantation was owned by three generations of Josiah Collins family. Today, this unique historical attraction is preserved as a state historic site and is open to the visiting public. Visitors tour the Collins Family Home and related domestic dependencies. Reconstructed buildings in the former enslaved community that enriches the African American aspect of the plantation's history can also be explored. Admission is free. 252-797-4560 somerset@ncdcr.gov somersetplace.nchistoricsites.org

STONEWALL MANOR - Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, Stonewall takes its name from the heavy granite wall that borders the front lawn along US 64 Bypass. Set in a superb oak grove, Stonewall was the center of a large Antebellum Plantation built by Bennett Bunn circa 1830. Its scale and sophistication of design, including one of the last fully intact Wishbone Staircases in the Southeast, make it one of the truly elegant plantation houses in North Carolina. 252-442-0063 stonewallf@embarqmail.com stonewallmanornc.org

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