NEW JERSEY, ROOTED IN HISTORY

From Colonial reenactments to Victorian architecture, scientific breakthroughs to WWI monuments, New Jersey brings U.S. history to life. It is the “Crossroads of the American Revolution,” home of the nation’s oldest continuously operating lighthouse and the birthplace of the motion picture. New Jersey even hosted the very first collegiate football game! (Final score: Rutgers 6, Princeton 4)

Discover New Jersey’s fascinating history. This handbook sorts the state’s historically significant people, places and events into eight categories. You’ll find that historic landmarks, homes, monuments, lighthouses and other points of interest are listed within the category they best represent.

For more information about each attraction, such as hours of operation, please call the telephone numbers provided, or check the listed websites.

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HUNTERDON ART MUSEUM
Enjoy the unique mix of 19th-century architecture and 21st-century art. This arts center is housed in handsome stone structure that served as a grist mill for over a hundred years.
• 7 Lower Center St., Clinton
• 908-735-8415
• www.hunterdonartmuseum.org

LIBERTY SCIENCE CENTER
Get a hands-on experience in science and technology, check out the Nikola Tesla Lightning. Also featuring the world’s largest IMAX Dome Theater.
• 222 Jersey City Blvd., Jersey City
• 201-200-1000
• www.lsc.org

MONMOUTH MUSEUM
Explore changing exhibitions in art, history and science. Founded in 1963 as a Museum of Ideas, the museum is a destination for creative expression and life-long learning.
• 765 Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft
• 732-747-2266
• www.monmouthmuseum.org

MONTCLAIR ART MUSEUM
Visit one of the country’s first museums to exhibit collections of American and Native American art with now over 12,000 pieces, in its original building from 1914.
• 3 S. Mountain Ave., Montclair
• 973-746-5555
• www.montclairartmuseum.org

MORRIS MUSEUM
Explore this Georgian-style mansion, which was designed by the noted architect Stanford White for Peter Frelinghuysen. View the collections of mechanical musical instruments and automata, dinosaurs, and rocks and minerals.
• 6 Normandy Heights Rd., Morristown
• 973-971-3700
• www.morrismuseum.org

Can’t pinpoint your interests to one category? These New Jersey museums showcase exhibits that cover a broader swath of history, as well as art, science and sports. Need ideas for a full-day or family outing? Look no further.

HOBOKEN HISTORICAL MUSEUM
Learn more about the history, architecture and cultural heritage of Hoboken, including the first organized baseball game and the birthplace and life of Frank Sinatra, Stephen Foster and other people from New Jersey’s history.
• 1301 Hudson St., Hoboken
• 201-656-2240
• www.hobokenmuseum.org
MUSEUM OF AMERICAN GLASS AT WHEATON ARTS
Celebrate the creativity and craftsmanship of American glass in the location of the nation’s first glass industry. The Museum, the heart of WheatonArts and Cultural Center, presents a collection of over 20,000 pieces.
- 1501 Glass Town Rd., Millville
- 856-825-6800
- www.wheatonarts.org

MUSEUM OF CAPE MAY COUNTY
See how life in the area progressed from Native American times to the 21st century at this general interest museum, housed in three historic buildings.
- 504 Rt. 9 N., Cape May Court House
- 609-465-3535
- www.cmcmuseum.org

NEWARK MUSEUM
Wander through the state’s largest museum, which features 80 galleries devoted to art and science, a planetarium, sculpture garden and the restored 1885 Ballantine House. Tours and events offered.
- 49 Washington St., Newark
- 973-596-6550
- www.newarkmuseum.org

NEW JERSEY STATE MUSEUM
Uncover the expansive history of New Jersey in this “four-in-one” museum, offering exhibits on fossils, quilts, fine art, Native American tools and much more. Museum café and gift shop.
- 205 W. State St., Trenton
- 609-292-6464
- www.statemuseum.nj.gov

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY ART MUSEUM
View the scope of history through art. The museum holds collections, which number more than 97,000 works in all media, ranging from ancient to contemporary and spanning the globe.
- Elm Dr., Princeton
- 609-258-3788
- www.artmuseum.princeton.edu

USGA GOLF MUSEUM
Play through the nation’s oldest sports museum, featuring a premier collection of golf artifacts and memorabilia. Features the Pynes Putting Course, a historic reproduction inspired by St. Andrews in Scotland.
- 77 Liberty Corner Rd., Liberty Corner
- 908-234-2300
- www.usga.org/museum

YOGI BERRA MUSEUM & LEARNING CENTER
Be inspired by the values that made Yogi a national treasure. Includes photographs and artifacts from this baseball legend. On the campus of Montclair State University.
- 8 Yogi Berra Dr., Little Falls
- 973-655-2378
- www.yogiberramuseum.org

ZIMMERLI ART MUSEUM AT RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
Survey Western art from the 15th century to the present. Zimmerli boasts strong holdings of American art, especially prints, as well as illustrations from American children’s books.
- 71 Hamilton St., New Brunswick
- 848-932-7237
- www.zimmerlimuseum.rutgers.edu

PREHISTORIC HISTORY FOR KIDS!
Go 900 million years back in time, and see over 30 life-sized, realistic dinosaurs come to life at Field Station: Dinosaurs. This interactive, kid-friendly attraction features engineering from the world’s leading roboticists. Learn more at www.fieldstationdinosaurs.com.
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B ox W ood H a ll
Walk through the 1750 home of Elias Boudinot, President of the Continental Congress. He later sold the house to Jonathan Dayton, the youngest signer of the Constitution. Exhibits of 18th- and 19th-century furniture.

• 1073 E. Jersey St., Elizabeth
• 908-282-7617
• www.njparksandforests.org

D ey M a nsion
Visit a 1740 Georgian home that achieved national recognition as General Washington’s Revolutionary War headquarters.

• 199 Totowa Rd., Wayne
• 973-706-6640
• www.passaiccountynj.org

F ort L ee H istoric P ark
Discover Fort Lee’s role during the American Revolutionary War. The 33-acre site features Revolutionary War fortifications, visitor’s center and audiovisual exhibits.

• Hudson Ter., Fort Lee
• 201-461-1776
• www.njpalisades.org

H ancock H ouse
See the site of a British-led massacre that tragically involved members of the Hancock family. Located at Fort Mott State Park, this 1734 house is an excellent example of an English Quaker patterned brick structure.

• 3 Front St., Hancocks Bridge
• 856-935-4373
• www.njparksandforests.org

M onmouth B attlefield S tate P ark, C raig H ouse
Witness the site of one of the largest battles of the American Revolution (June 1778) and the inspiration for the Molly Pitcher legend. Annual reenactment, Craig House (used as field hospital), on-site interpreter, tours and 25 miles of hiking trails.

• 347 Freehold-Englishtown Rd., Manalapan
• 732-462-9616
• www.njparksandforests.org

Revolutionary War
Our Patriot Past

Did you know that George Washington and his main army spent more time in New Jersey during the American Revolutionary War than anywhere else, or that more Revolutionary War battles were fought in New Jersey than any other state? Find out why New Jersey is called “The Crossroads of the American Revolution” as you tour the sites of some of America’s most enduring historic moments.

The Worst Winter in 100 Years (1779–1780)
General Washington’s army braved 26 storms that winter in their huts at Jockey Hollow, now a part of the Morristown National Historical Park.
10 CRUCIAL DAYS
Dec. 25, 1776–Jan. 3, 1777—The Continental Army turned the tides of the war effort with uplifting victories during the Battles of Trenton and Princeton.

MORRISTOWN NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK
Experience what life was like for General Washington’s troops during the hard winter of 1779-1780. The first national historical park preserves the Continental Army winter encampments, General Washington’s headquarters and related Revolutionary War sites.
• 30 Washington Pl., Morristown
• 973-539-2016
• www.nps.gov/morr

OLD BARRACKS MUSEUM
See where British troops were quartered during the American Revolution. Restored 18th-century period rooms. Living history programs.
• 101 Barrack St., Trenton
• 609-396-1776
• www.barracks.org

PRINCETON BATTLEFIELD STATE PARK
Visit the site of the first victory for American troops under General Washington over British regulars, considered the fiercest fight of its size during the American Revolution. This National Historic Landmark includes the Thomas Clarke House Museum, a Quaker meetinghouse, Revolutionary War firearms and swords, the Mercer Oak and the Princeton Battle Monument.
• 500 Mercer Rd., Princeton
• 609-921-0074
• www.njparksandforests.org

RED BANK BATTLEFIELD PARK
See the site of Fort Mercer, part of the defense of Philadelphia, and a Colonial victory over the Hessian troops. Tour Whitall House, which served as a hospital for the wounded and as a patriot headquarters.
• 100 Hessian Ave., National Park
• 856-853-5120
• www.co.gloucester.nj.us

ROCKINGHAM STATE HISTORIC SITE
Explore General Washington’s final wartime headquarters, where he wrote Farewell Orders to the Armies of the United States. A state historic site.
• 84 Laurel Ave., Kingston
• 609-683-7132
• www.rockingham.net

WASHINGTON CROSSING STATE PARK
View the famous spot where General Washington and his army of 2,400 ragged troops crossed the Delaware River on Christmas Day in 1776 before defeating the Hessian troops in the Battle of Trenton. Picnic facilities, interpretive center, trails and the Johnson Ferry House, used after the crossing to launch the final assault on Trenton.
• 355 Washington Crossing-Pennington Rd., Titusville
• 609-737-0623
• www.njparksandforests.org

WALLACE HOUSE & OLD DUTCH PARSONAGE
See General Washington’s headquarters from December 1778 to June 1779 when the Continental Army was stationed at Camp Middlebrook. Built in 1776, the Dutch-framed, Georgian dwelling is a state historic site.
• 71 Somerset St., Somerville
• 908-725-1015
• www.njparksandforests.org

OLD BARRACKS MUSEUM (TRENTON)
**NEW JERSEY’S HEROES**

New Jersey may be known for its Revolutionary War history, but its military contributions didn’t stop there. The state played a significant role in both World Wars and is famous for its military aviation breakthroughs. Learn more about New Jersey patriots across the generations at these historic attractions.

**AIR VICTORY MUSEUM**

View military aircraft, military uniforms from many countries from WWI to the present, aircraft engines and a Wright Brothers wind tunnel.
*68 Stacy Haines Rd., Lumberton
*609-267-4488
*www.airvictorymuseum.com

**AVIATION HALL OF FAME & MUSEUM OF NEW JERSEY**

Take off to experience New Jersey’s two-century history of aviation and space. On display: airplanes, helicopters, piston, jet and rocket engines, a satellite and astronaut uniforms.
*400 Fred Wehran Dr., Teterboro
*201-288-6344
*www.njhof.org

**BATTLESHP NEW JERSEY**

Don’t miss “Big J,” the most decorated battleship in U.S. Navy history, permanently berthed on the Camden waterfront as a floating museum. Offering overnight encampments, 4D flight simulator, guided tours and special events.
*62 Battleship Pl., Camden
*856-966-1652
*www.battleshipnewjersey.org

**EMPTY SKY, 9/11 MEMORIAL**

See the official state memorial to the 749 people from New Jersey who lost their lives at the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. In Liberty State Park.
*1 Audrey Zapp Dr., Jersey City
*201-915-3400
*www.libertystatepark.nj.gov

**FORT DIX, ARMY RESERVE MOBILIZATION MUSEUM**

View exhibits that show the development of an Army Reserve and its involvement in WWI, WWII, the Korean War, Vietnam, Desert Shield/Desert Storm and on into present day. Includes period artifacts, uniforms, equipment, photographs and documents.
*6501 Pennsylvania Ave., Fort Dix
*609-562-2334

**FORT HANCOCK**

Learn the role Fort Hancock played in defending New York Harbor from 1895 to 1974, the history of the first U.S. Army Artillery Proving Ground and the evolution of artillery technology. Historic officer’s quarters and exhibits of military memorabilia. Located at the Sandy Hook Unit, Gateway National Recreation Area.
*26 Hudson Rd., Highlands
*732-872-5970
*www.nps.gov/gate

**INFOAGE SCIENCE HISTORY LEARNING CENTER**

Uncover the scientific and technical innovations made at a former secret laboratory. Located in the Camp Evans Historic District, a National Historic Landmark. InfoAge features exhibits on radio technology, electronic warfare, vintage computers, fallout shelters, military technology and more.
*2201 Marconi Rd., Wall
*732-280-300
*www.infoage.org
NEW JERSEY & WORLD WAR I

Millions of U.S. troops came through New Jersey on their way to the Front. Young recruits, nicknamed “Doughboys,” trained at the newly built Fort Dix before embarking from Hoboken for overseas. Today the state is home to over 160 World War I monuments and memorials.

MILLVILLE ARMY AIRFIELD MUSEUM
Visit “America’s First Defense Airport.” Dedicated in 1941, Millville served as a gunnery school for fighter pilots during WWII. Highlights Millville’s role in aviation history and the famous P-47 Thunderbolt. Special exhibit on the Tuskegee Airmen.
• 1 Leddon St., Millville
• 856-327-2347
• www.p47millville.org

NATIONAL GUARD MILITIA MUSEUM OF NEW JERSEY
Explore memorabilia and military equipment used in conflicts by the militia and National Guard of New Jersey since the American Revolution, including a Civil War submarine. Home to the U.S. War Veterans’ Oral Histories Project. Group tours available.
• Sea Girt Ave. & Camp Dr., Sea Girt
• 732-974-5966
• www.nj.gov/military/museum

NAVAL AIR STATION WILDWOOD (NASW) AVIATION MUSEUM
See where WWII dive-bomber pilots trained. Authentic wood hangar houses Army, Navy, Coast Guard and Soviet aircraft, a model of a V-2 rocket, flight simulators, antique engines, educational exhibits and other memorabilia.
• Cape May Airport, 500 Forrestal Rd., Rio Grande
• 609-886-8787
• www.usnasw.org

NAVY LAKEHURST HERITAGE CENTER
View artifacts, photographs and memorabilia associated with the distinguished heritage of the Naval Air Station and its contributions to naval aviation. NAS Lakehurst was also the site of the Hindenburg disaster. Reservations are by appointment only.
• Joint Base Lakehurst, 264 Hope Chapel Rd., Lakehurst
• 732-818-7520
• www.nlhs.com

NEW JERSEY VIETNAM VETERANS’ MEMORIAL, VIETNAM ERA MUSEUM & EDUCATIONAL CENTER
Honor the New Jersey residents who either died or are MIA as a result of the Vietnam War. Exhibits and resource center offer information about this era. Group tours available.
• 1 Memorial Ln., Holmdel
• 732-335-0033
• www.njwmf.org

WORLD WAR II FIRE CONTROL TOWER
See New Jersey’s last remaining World War II tower, which was part of the harbor defense known as Fort Miles. Listed on the NJ and national register of historic places and located at Cape May Point State Park.
• 536 Sunset Blvd., Cape May Point
• 609-884-5404
• www.capemaymac.org

NINE NOTABLE NJ STATUES & MONUMENTS

Wildwoods Vietnam Memorial Wall, Wildwood
New Jersey Korean War Veterans Memorial, Atlantic City
World War I Memorial, Atlantic City
New Jersey World War II Memorial, Trenton
Trenton Battle Monument, Trenton
9/11 Tear Drop Memorial, Bayonne
Statue of Liberty, Jersey City (Ferry from Liberty State Park)
Thomas Paine Statue, Morristown (Burnham Park)
High Point Monument, Sussex
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1-800-visitnj • www.visitnj.org

B ATSTO V Ill AGE
Stroll around a former bog iron and glassmaking industrial center (1766-1867). Among its 33 historic buildings are Batsto Mansion, gristmill, sawmill, general store, workers’ homes and a post office. At Wharton State Forest.
• 31 Batsto Rd., Hammonton
• 609-561-0024
• www.batstovillage.org

COOPER GRISTMILL
See how flour was made back in the 1800s. This restored 1826 mill, which is on the National Historic Register, still uses 2,000-pound millstones and a six-ton waterwheel to grind wheat, rye and buckwheat. At Black River County Park.
• 66 Rt. 24, Chester
• 908-879-5463
• www.morrisparks.net

DELAWARE & RARITAN CANAL, PRALLSVILLE MILLS
The canal during its peak in was used to delivery of freight depended upon a team of mules or steam tugboats. Nearly 36 miles of the main canal and 22 miles of the feeder canal still exist. Visit 10 historic buildings and expereince life during the Industrial Revolution at the Prallsville Mills.
• 33 Risler St. (Rt. 29 N.), Stockton
• 609-397-3586
• www.prallsvillemills.org

DESERTED VILLAGE OF FELTVILLE-GLENSIDE PARK
Explore the grounds of a village developed to manufacture stationery, pads, journals and paper products before it failed in 1882. Located within Watchung Reservation, one of the nation’s first county parks.
• Cataract Hollow Rd., Berkeley Heights
• 908-527-4900
• www.ucnj.org

EAST JERSEY OLD TOWN VILLAGE
Experience life in farm and merchant communities once found in central New Jersey. Collection includes original, replica and reconstructed 18th- and 19th-century structures, tools and artifacts. Tours, demonstrations, storytelling, workshops and more.
• 1050 River Rd., Piscataway
• 732-745-3030
• www.middlesexcountynj.gov

INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION
ENTERPRISE & INNOVATION

Genius is embedded in New Jersey’s DNA. Throughout two Industrial Revolutions to the latest scientific breakthroughs, New Jersey has always been at the cutting edge of advances in manufacturing, technology and invention. Clay and glass products, iron and steel, and even silk—all were made in New Jersey. Learn more about the state’s movers, shakers and makers at these historic sites.

BATSTO VILLAGE
Stroll around a former bog iron and glassmaking industrial center (1766-1867). Among its 33 historic buildings are Batsto Mansion, gristmill, sawmill, general store, workers’ homes and a post office. At Wharton State Forest.
• 31 Batsto Rd., Hammonton
• 609-561-0024
• www.batstovillage.org
FRANKLIN MINERAL MUSEUM
View thousands of local and worldwide minerals in the “Fluorescent Mineral Capital of the World.” Tour a two-level mine replica, go rock collecting and explore zinc mining as it was done in the early 1800s.
* 32 Evans St., Franklin
  973-827-3481
  www.franklinmineralmuseum.com

HISTORIC SPEEDWELL
See the “birthplace of the telegraph,” where Alfred Vail and Samuel F.B. Morse first publicly demonstrated the telegraph in 1838. The site preserves the Vail Estate and Ironworks.
* 333 Speedwell Ave., Morristown
  973-285-6550
  www.morrisparks.net

HISTORIC VILLAGE AT ALLAIRE
Ride the only steam-driven, narrow gauge railroad in New Jersey at this well-preserved 19th-century bog iron-producing community. Living history village includes general store, blacksmith shop, church, carpenter’s shop and more. At Allaire State Park.
* 4263 Atlantic Ave. ( Rt. 524), Farmingdale
  732-938-2371
  www.allairevillage.org

LONG POND IRONWORKS MUSEUM
See the ruins of a once industrious ironworking community, first built in 1766 by Peter Hasenclever and 500 German ironworkers. Renovated “Old Country Store” is now a museum. Located at Long Pond Ironworks State Park.
* 1334 Greenwood Lake Tpke. (Rt. 511), West Milford
  973-657-1688
  www.longpondironworks.org

MORRIS CANAL, BREAD LOCK PARK
Get a glimpse of life on the canal. See a full-size replica of a Morris Canal boat, scale model of a working canal lock, interactive dioramas and historic displays.
* 2627 Rt. 57, Stewartsville
  908-475-6532
  www.warrenparks.com

PATerson GREAT FALLS NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK
Marvel at the impressive power of the Great Falls on the Passaic River, which inspired Alexander Hamilton to establish the first planned industrial city in the U.S. here in 1792.
* 72 McBride Ave., Paterson
  973-523-2210
  www.nps.gov/pagr

RED MILL MUSEUM VILLAGE
Visit one of New Jersey’s most familiar and photographed landmarks. Features a working blacksmith shop, general store, schoolhouse, log cabin reproduction and herb garden, as well as 40,000 artifacts of Hunterdon County domestic, industrial and commercial history through 1918. Living history reenactments.
* 56 Main St., Clinton
  908-735-4101
  www.theredmill.org

ROEBLING MUSEUM
See the meticulously restored “gateway” to the historic Roebling Mill, where thousands of workers went to work every day. The Roeblings designed and built or erected the cables for the Brooklyn Bridge, George Washington Bridge and the Golden Gate Bridge.
* 100 2nd Ave., Roebling
  609-499-7200
  www.roeblingmuseum.org

STERLING HILL MINING MUSEUM
Dig into the history of a former iron and zinc mine. Underground mine tour includes a walk through the Rainbow Tunnel, where fluorescent zinc glows under ultraviolet light.
* 30 Plant St., Ogdensburg
  973-209-7212
  www.sterlinghillminingmuseum.org

TOUGH TIMES IN SILK CITY
The Great Falls of the Passaic River helped make Paterson an industrial powerhouse. The city was famous for its silk mills, hence the nickname “Silk City.” In 1913, silk mill workers went on strike for six months to get better working conditions and an eight-hour workday. While it failed, the 1913 Silk Strike brought the plight of mill workers to light and eventually helped to advance improved working conditions nationwide.
THOMAS EDISON CENTER AT MENLO PARK
Have your own “light bulb moment” at the world’s first R&D center, where Edison received 400 patents for projects developed at this site. Newly restored Edison Memorial Tower is lit dawn to dusk and plays music during tour hours.
* 37 Christie St., Edison
  * 732-549-3299
  * www.menloparkmuseum.org

THOMAS EDISON NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK
Step into Edison’s home and laboratory, and see where the inventor and his staff researched and invented the products that changed modern life, including the motion picture camera, silent and sound movies, the first light bulb and more.
* 211 Main St., West Orange
  * 973-736-0550
  * www.nps.gov/edis

TUCKERTON SEAPORT & BAYMEN’S MUSEUM
See 17 historic and recreated buildings in a working maritime village. Offering workshops, tours and events, as well as a decoy museum, boatworks and recreated lighthouse.
* 120 W. Main St. (Rt. 9), Tuckerton
  * 609-296-8868
  * www.tuckertonseaport.org

WATERLOO VILLAGE
Tour this living history restoration on the Musconetcong River. Features Victorian homes, blacksmith shop, grist and sawmill, and a recreated Lenape village, as well as festivals and historic programs. At Allamuchy Mountain State Park.
* Waterloo & Waterloo Valley Rds., Byram
  * 973-347-1835
  * www.njparksandforests.org

AGRICULTURE
THE GARDEN STATE LEGACY

Why is New Jersey known as the Garden State?
Abraham Browning of Camden is credited with coining the nickname in 1876, when he compared the state to an immense barrel, filled with good things to eat from both ends. Today, New Jersey is home to 9,000 farms and is a national top-ten producer of eggplant, cranberries, spinach, asparagus, bell peppers, peaches, cucumbers, squash, tomatoes, apples and blueberries. That’s plenty of fresh foods for thought!

ALL ABOARD FOR NJ RAILROAD HISTORY

New Jersey’s manufacturing took off, thanks to a robust network of trains. Get a taste of railroad history at these attractions. All feature train rides for an authentic experience!

Black River & Western Railroad, Flemington
www.blackriverrailroad.com

Delaware River Railroad Excursions, Phillipsburg
www.877trainride.com

New Jersey Museum of Transportation, Wall Township
(At Allaire State Park)
www.njmt.org

Whippany Railway Museum, Whippany
www.whippanyrailwaymuseum.net

BAYSHORE CENTER AT BIVALVE
Sail on the A.J. Meerwald, an authentically restored 1928 Delaware Bay oyster schooner listed on both the National and New Jersey Register of Historic Places. Classes and private sails available.
* 2800 High St., Port Norris
  * 856-785-2060
  * www.bayshorecenter.org
A TOAST TO A GROWING INDUSTRY

New Jersey is home to over 40 wineries, 65 breweries and brewpubs and 10 distilleries. The state is the 10th in wine production, making more than 40 varieties of wine.

DOUBLE TROUBLE VILLAGE
See an original cranberry producing “company town” in the Pine Barrens. Features 14 historic structures, including the packinghouse. Located at Double Trouble State Park.
• Double Trouble Rd., Bayville
  • 732-341-4098
  • www.njparksandforests.org

FOSTERFIELDS LIVING HISTORICAL FARM
Travel back in time a century ago to experience farm living. Visit farm animals, talk to docents in period dress and watch typical farm activities of the time.
• 73 Kahdena Rd., Morristown
  • 973-326-7645
  • www.morrisparks.net

HISTORIC COLD SPRING VILLAGE
Explore a reconstructed Early American rural village, featuring 25 buildings, costumed working craftspeople, living history museum, craft shops, country store, farm animals and restaurant.
• 720 Rt. 9, Cape May
  • 609-898-2300
  • www.hcsv.org

HISTORIC LONGSTREET FARM
Watch costumed interpreters demonstrate domestic and agricultural activities from 100 years ago on a restored nine-acre farm.
• 44 Longstreet Rd., Holmdel
  • 732-946-3758
  • www.monmouthcountyparks.com

HISTORIC WALNFORD
See what life in a prosperous farming community was like in the late 1700s. The Waln family country estate and mill village features an 1870 carriage house, outbuildings and farm structures.
• 62 Walnford Rd., Upper Freehold
  • 609-259-6275
  • www.monmouthcountyparksparks.com

HOWELL LIVING HISTORY FARM
Participate in field, barn and craft programs as you discover for yourself what it was like to work on a farm 100 years ago. Self-guided tours are also available.
• 70 Wooden’s Ln., Lambertville
  • 609-737-3299
  • www.howellfarm.org

MILLBROOK VILLAGE
Capture the feeling of living in a countryside hamlet in the 19th century. Recreated village in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area features a gristmill, sawmill, barn, wheelwright’s shop, cider mill and more.
• Old Mine & Millbrook Rds., Hardwick
  • 908-841-9531
  • www.nps.gov/dewa

MUSEUM OF EARLY TRADES & CRAFTS
View a collection of pre-1860 tools and implements used by workers and craftsmen in factories, shops and on farms and roads. Interactive exhibits, demonstrations, discovery days, treasure hunts and special programs.
• 9 Main St., Madison
  • 973-377-2982
  • www.metc.org

WHITESBOG HISTORIC VILLAGE
Learn about New Jersey’s important role in cranberry and blueberry production. Located in Brendan T. Byrne State Forest, Whitesbog Village was founded in the 1870s by Joseph J. White. Guided tours available.
• 120 W. Whitesbog Rd., Browns Mills
  • 609-893-4646
  • www.whitesbog.org

PRESENTING THE BLUEBERRY, NJ’S STATE FRUIT

The blueberry as we know it was invented in New Jersey, thanks to the pioneering work in Whitesbog to cultivate the highbush blueberry.
For authentic immigrant stories, take a chapter from New Jersey’s history. The state is a microcosm of America’s melting pot. Early immigrants to New Jersey came from Ireland and Germany, and then later on, from Italy and countries throughout Eastern Europe. In 1910, half of the state’s population was born or had parents who were born outside the United States. These attractions tell more of their stories, as well as spotlight individuals who paved the way to greater freedoms.

**ALICE PAUL INSTITUTE**
Visit Paulsdale, the home of suffragist and equal rights activist Alice Stokes Paul. On-site library contains papers, books and personal memorabilia of the woman who authored the Equal Rights Amendment in 1923.
- 128 Hooton Rd., Mt. Laurel
- 856-231-1885
- www.alicepaul.org

**AMERICAN LABOR MUSEUM**
Discover the history and culture of immigrant working people in the U.S. The museum is located within the Botto House National Landmark.
- 83 Norwood St., Haledon
- 973-595-7953
- www.labormuseum.net

**CENTRAL RAILROAD OF NEW JERSEY TERMINAL (CRRNJ)**
Witness the place where millions of immigrants processed through Ellis Island started the journey to a new life. Victorian-era terminal opened in 1889, and now serves as a visitor’s center and departure point for ferries to the Statue of Liberty and the Ellis Island Museum of Immigration.
- Liberty State Park, 1 Audrey Zapp Dr., Jersey City
- 201-915-3400
- www.libertystatepark.nj.gov

**ELLIS ISLAND NATIONAL MUSEUM OF IMMIGRATION**
Navigate the history of immigration in the U.S. See where approximately 12 million steerage and 3rd class steamship passengers entered the Port of New York from 1892 to 1954.
- Ferry Service from Liberty State Park, 1 Audrey Zapp Dr., Jersey City
- 212-363-3200
- www.nps.gov/elis

**JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF NEW JERSEY**
Explore the archives and exhibits to learn more about the cultural heritage and history of New Jersey’s Jewish community. The Society also produces public forums and publishes relevant books and papers.
- 901 Rt. 10, Whippany
- 973-929-2994
- www.jhs-nj.org

**THE FIRST NEW JERSEYANS**
The Lenni-Lenape (also known as the Delaware Indians) were the indigenous people of the land now known as New Jersey. They lived here starting at least 10,000 years ago. Lenni-Lenape loosely translates as “original people” or “genuine people.”
MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN HUNGARIAN FOUNDATION
Find out more about the Hungarian cultural and historical heritage in the U.S. The Museum’s collections offer a snapshot of Hungarian immigrant life with a fine art, folk art and folk life focus.
• 300 Somerset St., New Brunswick
  • 732-846-5777
  • www.ahfoundation.org

PETER MOTT HOUSE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD MUSEUM
Explore a home that was a station on the Underground Railroad. Peter Mott was a free black farmer, possibly a fugitive slave from Delaware, who served as pastor of Lawnside’s Mt. Pisgah AME Church. Group tours.
• 26 Kings Ct., Lawnside
  • 856-546-8850
  • www.petermotthouse.org

SEABROOK EDUCATIONAL & CULTURAL CENTER
Located on the site of the “largest vegetable factory on Earth,” Seabrook was a place where many cultures lived and worked, including relocated Japanese-Americans from WWII internment camps. Features cultural artifacts, photographs, oral histories and a large-scale model of Seabrook Village in the 1950s.
• 1325 Rt. 77, Seabrook
  • 856-451-8393
  • www.seabrookeducation.org

UNDERGROUND RAILROAD TOURS
Did you know that Cape May played an important role in the Underground Railroad and had a connection to Harriet Tubman? Take a trolley tour of places significant to the Underground Railroad and hear stories of escaped slaves on their journeys to freedom. At the Center for Community Arts and tours are spring through the fall.
• 717 Franklin St., Cape May
  • 609-884-7525
  • www.centerforcommunityarts.org

ATLANTIC CITY BOARDWALK
The historic and iconic four-mile-long promenade is the world’s very first boardwalk. Its architecture solved a “sticky” problem to keep sand out of the ritzy hotels!
• 609-449-7100
  • www.atlanticcitynj.com

CORNELIUS LOW HOUSE
Georgian Style manor home, built in 1741, is one of two remaining structures from the former port community of Raritan Landing with changing exhibits.
• 1225 River Rd., Piscataway
  • 732-745-4177
  • www.middlesexcountynj.gov

IRONBOUND CHEFS
Newark’s Ironbound section (named for the railroads that flank it) offers a taste of the Portuguese immigrant experience through its restaurants. It’s a thoroughly delicious dining destination!
DOO WOP EXPERIENCE MUSEUM
Celebrate the unique “space-age” architecture and design that made Wildwood famous in the 1950s and 1960s. Across from the Convention Center.

- 4500 Ocean Ave., Wildwood
- 609-729-4000
- www.doowopusa.org

DRUMTHWACKET
Explore the 1835 Greek Revival mansion that has served as the official residence of the New Jersey Governor since 1981. Open for free guided tours on most Wednesdays by reservation only.

- 354 Stockton St. (Rt. 206), Princeton
- 609-683-0057
- www.drumthwacket.org

EMLEN PHYSICK ESTATE
Get a glimpse of daily life in a Victorian household at Cape May’s only Victorian House Museum. Built in 1870 in the Stick Style by renowned architect Frank Furness.

- 1048 Washington St., Cape May
- 609-884-5404
- www.capemaymac.org

GROVER CLEVELAND BIRTHPLACE MEMORIAL
Discover more about the only U.S. President elected to two non-consecutive terms at his birthplace. Furniture and memorabilia of the period are on display.

- 207 Bloomfield Ave., Caldwell
- 973-226-0001
- www.presidentcleveland.org

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OCEAN GROVE, MUSEUM & CENTENNIAL COTTAGE
Stroll through an authentic seaside camp meeting, which attracted trainloads of visitors during its heyday. Visit the museum and Centennial Cottage, and learn about the Victorian cottages and tents that circled the Great Auditorium.

- 50 Pitman Ave., Ocean Grove
- 732-744-1869
- www.oceangrovehistory.org

LAMBERT CASTLE MUSEUM
Explore the home of silk mill magnate Catholina Lambert. Fashioned after an English castle, the 1892 brownstone and granite mansion features artwork, archives, historical artifacts and 19th-century period rooms.

- 3 Valley Rd., Paterson
- 973-247-0085
- www.lambertcastle.org

LIBERTY HALL MUSEUM
Journey through New Jersey’s history at this famous 50-room mansion, which was the home of William Livingston, the state’s first Governor. Formal gardens, stable and a display of antique fire engines on the campus of Kean University.

- 1003 Morris Ave., Union
- 908-527-0400
- www.kean.edu/libertyhall

WE LOVE LUCY!
Walk through the only elephant that you can come out alive. A National Historic Landmark, Lucy is a unique six-story example of zoomorphic architecture! She stands on Atlantic Avenue in Margate. Plan your visit at www.lucytheelephant.org.

DOLLHOUSES BY THE SEA
Cape May boasts 600 restored Victorian buildings. Why so many? When a devastating fire in 1878 destroyed half of the city, architects used the popular styles of the time when rebuilding. You’ll see many styles within the Victorian category, including Gothic Revival, Italianate, Queen Anne, Stick Style and more. Cape May was designated a National Landmark City in 1976.
MONMOUTH COUNTY HISTORIC HOMES
Explore four historic homes that are part of a historic collection maintained by the Monmouth County Historical Association. The Association has also amassed over 30,000 objects relating to Monmouth County life over three centuries. Many are on view at the houses or at its Museum.

• 70 Court St., Freehold
• 732-462-1466
• www.monmouthhistory.org

MORVEN MUSEUM & GARDEN
Visit the home of Richard Stockton, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and the official residence to five New Jersey Governors from 1954 to 1981. Features a Colonial Revival garden.

• 55 Stockton St., Princeton
• 609-924-8144
• www.morven.org

RINGWOOD MANOR
Dig into the area’s iron mining and forging history as you tour this 51-room mansion, which was also the Gilded Age summer estate of the Cooper-Hewitt family. Includes gardens, stables and exhibits. At Ringwood State Park.

• 1304 Sloatsburg Rd., Ringwood
• 973-962-2241
• www.ringwoodmanor.org

STICKLEY MUSEUM AT CRAFTSMAN FARMS
Go back in time to 1911 and learn more about the Arts and Crafts movement and Gustav Stickley’s utopian vision. This National Historic Landmark was the only house designed by and built for Stickley.

• 2352 Rt. 10 W., Morris Plains
• 973-540-0311
• www.stickleymuseum.org

WALT WHITMAN HOUSE
Learn more about New Jersey’s renowned poet, author of “Leaves of Grass” and other historic works, at the home where he lived from 1884 until his death in 1892. This National Historic Landmark is furnished with manuscripts, photographs, furniture and memorabilia owned and used by Whitman.

• 330 Mickle Blvd., Camden
• 856-964-5383
• www.njarksandforests.org

FIFTH LARGEST CATHEDRAL IN THE U.S.
Experience the awe-inspiring French gothic style of Cathedral Basilica (Cathedral of The Sacred Heart). It took over 50 years to build this National Historic Landmark located in Newark. Learn more at www.cathedralbasilica.org.

ABSECON LIGHTHOUSE
Marvel in views of the Atlantic Ocean and Atlantic City skyline once you top the 228 steps of New Jersey’s tallest beacon. Features its original first-order Fresnel lens and a replica of the light keeper’s quarters.

• 31 S. Rhode Island Ave., Atlantic City
• 609-449-1360
• www.abseconlighthouse.org

Discover the heroic sea tales of New Jersey’s lighthouses, which have served as majestic beacons of safety for mariners for more than two centuries. New Jersey is fortunate to harbor 11 lighthouses open to the public. Be sure to request or download the free New Jersey Lighthouse Guide at www.VisitNJ.org.
TAKE THE LIGHTHOUSE CHALLENGE
Test your stamina! See how many lighthouses you can climb during the Lighthouse Challenge of NJ, a fundraiser for lighthouse preservation held in October. Learn more at www.lighthousechallengenj.org.

BARNEGAT LIGHTHOUSE
Challenge yourself to the 217-step climb up a winding staircase to the top of “Old Barney.” Used as a lookout during WWI, the lighthouse was restored to its original splendor in 1988.
• 208 Broadway, Barnegat Light
• 609-494-2016
• www.njparksandforests.org

CAPE MAY LIGHTHOUSE
Head to Cape May Point State Park to climb 199 steps up the tower, where, on a clear day, you can see across the bay to Delaware. Cape May’s beam can be seen from 24 miles out at sea!
• 215 Lighthouse Ave., Cape May Point
• 609-884-5404
• www.capemaymac.org

EAST POINT LIGHTHOUSE
You can’t miss the bright red roof of this Cape Cod-style lighthouse. It’s the state’s second oldest and the only one remaining on the New Jersey side of the Delaware Bay. Take 17 steps to the top.
• 10 Lighthouse & E. Point Rds., Heislerville
• 856-785-0349
• www.eastpointlight.com

FINNS POINT REAR RANGE LIGHT
Navigate 130 steps (119 in the spiral staircase and 11 up a ladder) to the top of this unusual wrought-iron open-frame lighthouse built in 1876. It stands near Fort Mott State Park.
• Fort Mott & Lighthouse Rds., Pennsville
• 609-463-0994
• www.friendsofsupawnarefuge.org

HEREFORD INLET LIGHTHOUSE
Fall in love with this Victorian charmer, which features an award-winning garden, well-appointed keeper’s quarters and 47 steps to the top. Designed in the Stick Style by acclaimed architect Paul J. Pelz.
• 111 N. Central Ave., North Wildwood
• 609-600-1561
• www.herefordinletlighthouse.com

SANDY HOOK LIGHTHOUSE
Put the oldest operating lighthouse in the nation on your must-go list. Sandy Hook has been lighting the way since 1764. Guided tours, 95 steps to the top.
• 84 Mercer Rd., Highlands
• 732-872-5970
• www.nps.gov/gate/

SEA GIRT LIGHTHOUSE
Enjoy the scenic view from the last live-in lighthouse built on the Atlantic Coast and site of the first woman keeper in the U.S. Lighthouse Service. It’s only 45 steps to the top!
• 9 Ocean Ave., Sea Girt
• 732-974-0514
• www.seagirtlighthouse.com

TINICUM REAR RANGE LIGHTHOUSE
See how this steel skeletal structure helped guide ships heading north on the Delaware River once you climb its 112 steps.
• 70 2nd St. & Mantua Ave., Paulsboro
• 856-423-1554
• www.tinicumrearrangelighthouse.org

ABSECON LIGHTHOUSE (ATLANTIC CITY)
TUCKER’S ISLAND LIGHT
Visit a recreation of the original lighthouse, which fell into the sea only weeks after being decommissioned. With 47 steps. Located at Tuckerton Seaport & Baymen’s Museum.
• 120 W. Main St., Tuckerton
• 609-296-8868
• www.tuckertonseaport.org

TWIN LIGHTS OF NAVISINK
Climb 64 steps to one of the highest points along the coast, as well as the location of the nation’s first Fresnel lens and the first practical use of the wireless telegraph (Guglielmo Marconi, 1899).
• Lighthouse Rd. (off Rt. 36), Highlands
• 732-872-1814
• www.twinlightslighthouse.com

You may also contact the following state agencies for information on New Jersey’s historical sites:
• New Jersey Historical Society
  52 Park Pl.
  Newark, NJ 07102
  973-596-8500
  www.jerseyhistory.org

• New Jersey Historical Commission
  33 W. State St.
  Trenton, NJ 08625
  609-292-6062
  www.history.nj.gov

• New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Parks and Forestry, Historic Preservation Office
  501 E. State St.
  Trenton, NJ 08625
  609-984-0176
  www.nj.gov/dep/hpo

• New Jersey Historic Trust
  101 S. Broad St.
  Trenton, NJ 08608
  609-984-0473
  www.njht.org

AHoy, Historians
With 130 miles of Atlantic coastline, New Jersey boasts a rich maritime history. Learn more at these two museums. The New Jersey Museum of Boating (www.njmb.org), located at the Johnson Brothers Boat Works in Point Pleasant, features boats, artifacts and a nautical library. And don’t miss the maritime artifacts and shipwreck database at the New Jersey Maritime Museum (www.njmaritimemuseum.org) in Beach Haven on Long Beach Island.
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