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Colonial re-creations and preserved Victorian architecture are vivid reminders that New Jersey has been an integral part of many of America’s most enduring historic moments.

From the site of Washington’s Crossing of the Delaware River north of Trenton, to Liberty State Park, where you can visit the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, New Jersey is alive with history for the 21st century.

Fully experiencing New Jersey’s rich history means getting to know the state’s earliest inhabitants, the Lenni Lenape Indians. Their legacy lives on in towns with names like Hackensack, Lake Hopatcong, Manahawkin and Rancocas.

When touring historic New Jersey, travel in the wake of Giovanni da Verrazano, who explored the state’s coastline for France in 1524. Henry Hudson, another early explorer, sailed into Newark Bay some 85 years later and paved the way for the state’s first settlement to be established by the Dutch in 1620. Learn about the European power struggle that ceded the area to the English who would govern until the Continental Army wrested power from them in the Revolutionary War.

Along the way, see why the state’s reputation as the “Crossroads of the American Revolution” is well deserved, with hundreds of battles and skirmishes fought on New Jersey soil, some of the most severe at places like Fort Mercer, Monmouth and Trenton. Learn of the three winters that George Washington’s Army camped here and of their presence in Princeton at the end of the war in 1783.

On the subject of historic “firsts,” New Jersey has many to be proud of. In 1869, there was the first intercollegiate football game when Rutgers defeated Princeton by the score of 6-4. Thomas Edison pioneered the electric light bulb and motion pictures at Menlo Park and the first American-built steam locomotive was built in Hoboken. And even Fort Lee was the movie industry’s first “Capital,” featuring stars like Mary Pickford, Douglas Fairbanks and Rudolph Valentino.

So, for a rewarding historical tour, visit New Jersey and experience the places and events that contributed so much to America’s birth and growth.
**Absecon Lighthouse**

Constructed in 1857 to mark the dangerous shoals of Absecon and Brigantine, Absecon Lighthouse offers exhibits, a museum shop and the opportunity to climb New Jersey's tallest lighthouse. 

Open Mon., Thurs., Fri., Sat., Sun., 11 am - 4 pm. July - August
10 am - 5 pm. Admission fee.
31 S. Rhode Island Ave.
Atlantic City 08401
(609) 449-1360
www.abseconlighthouse.org

**African American Heritage Museum of Southern New Jersey**

More than 3,000 items of Martin Luther King, Jr. memorabilia, other items of the civil rights movement, displays of African American portrayal in advertising, artwork, local history of African Americans in southern New Jersey.

Open Tue. - Sat. 10 am - 4 pm.
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Center
661 Jackson Rd.
Newtonville 08346
(609) 704-7262
www.africanamericanheritagemuseum.org

**Atlantic City Historical Museum**

Exhibitions – “Atlantic City, Playground of the Nation,” a video – “Boardwalk Ballyhoo: The Magic of Atlantic City” and other changing photographic exhibits of the “good old days” in Atlantic City. Founded in 1984, the museum was established to encourage the acquisition, preservation and appreciation of Atlantic City history through exhibits and educational outreach and programs.

Open daily 10 am - 4 pm, except Christmas.
Garden Pier
New Jersey Ave. & Boardwalk
Atlantic City 08244
(609) 347-5839
www.acmuseum.org

**Atlantic County Historical Society**

Library and museum with genealogical records including a census of south Jersey counties, IGI, cemetery records, vital statistics, church records, deeds, family history books, genealogist collections, obituaries, local newspapers and more. Collection also includes account books, maps, manuscripts, photographs, early books, equipment and tools from early maritime and shipbuilding industries.

Open Wed. - Sat., 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. and the first Thursday of the month, 6 pm - 9 pm.
907 Shore Rd.
Somers Point 08244
(609) 927-5218
www.aclink.org/achs
Brigantine Historical Society
Museum with exhibits including a large collection of photographs from the 19th and early 20th centuries, ship models and many other artifacts from Brigantine history. Learn about pirates including Captain Kidd, Blackbeard and the many shipwrecks that shaped the history of the Jersey Shore.
Open daily, 10 am - 1 pm, Memorial Day - Labor Day.
3607 Brigantine Blvd.
Brigantine 08203
(609) 266-3437
www.brigantinebeachnj.com/history_museum.html

Casto House & Northfield Museum
The museum specializes in Northfield photographs and memorabilia, including school history, sports and organizations. Limited genealogical records are available.
Open Sun., Mon., Wed. 1 pm - 3 pm and by appointment.
Birch Grove Park
1600 Shore Rd.
Northfield 08225
(609) 383-1505

Egg Harbor City Historical Society
The museum contains a collection of Egg Harbor City memorabilia, artifacts and photographs with special emphasis on local industries, civic organizations, churches and inhabitants. The museum is housed in a registered New Jersey historic building and on part of the Dr. Smith’s Neutral Waters Health Resort ca. 1905, which is now listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Main area of the museum is handicapped accessible.
Open Wed. 1 pm - 4 pm the 2nd, 4th & 5th Sat. of each month 1 pm - 4 pm.
533 London Ave.
Egg Harbor 08215
(609) 965-9073
www.ehchs.org

Longport Historical Society
The museum is located in a 1939 Coast Guard Station and features pictures and artifacts from the days when the first Philadelphians arrived to establish their summer cottages. Items range from the footboard of a bed given to Abraham Lincoln, to a jail cell used in the 1950s when the Borough government and police department used the building. The video “Longport - The Way We Were” is shown twice each Sat. at 10 am and 11 am.
Open Sat. 9 am - Noon. Memorial Day - Labor Day.
Call (609) 822-3770 for an appointment.
2301 Atlantic Ave.
Longport 08403
(609) 823-1115

Lucy the Margate Elephant
Lucy is a National Historic Landmark that was built in 1881 and stands 65 feet tall. Guided tours of the six-story elephant-shaped building are offered.
Open daily mid-June - Labor Day, 10 am - 8 pm, Sun. 10 am - 5 pm, weekends spring and fall, 10 am - 5 pm.
Decatur & Atlantic Aves.
Margate 08402
(609) 823-6473
www.lucytheelephant.org
Margate Historical Society
Old photographs, genealogical records, books, letters, advertising, political documents, antique firefighting equipment and police memorabilia. Of note is Margate’s first jail cell, bought from an old World War I U.S. Navy ship and the Margate City Sports Hall of Fame, which includes pictures, documents, awards and other memorabilia. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Margate Senior Center pavilion. A lecture and traveling mini-museum are offered at each meeting. Open Sat. 10 am - 1 pm year round or by appointment.
7 S. Washington Ave.
Margate 08402
(609) 822-6546

Somers Mansion House Museum
Somers Mansion was built around 1725 by Richard Somers, the son of an early settler. The three-story brick dwelling, the oldest house in Atlantic County, contains 18th century furnishings. An interesting architectural detail is the interior woodwork decorated with heart-shaped perforations. A textile collection includes locally fashioned quilts, coverlets and samplers. Open Wed.- Sun. year round. Call to confirm.
1000 Shore Rd.
Somers Point 08244
(609) 927-2212

Somers Point Historical Society
More than 1,800 vintage and current pictures of Somers Point and 100 plus scrapbooks from 1941-1968 and historical artifacts. Open Sat. 10 am - 1 pm, plus seasonal hours.
745 Shore Rd. (next to City Hall)
Somers Point 08244
(609) 927-8002
www.somerspointhistory.org

Township of Hamilton Historical Society
Housed in an original one-room schoolhouse, the museum features displays on the history of Hamilton Township plus a video entitled, “Mays Landing, 1941.” Open Tue. & Sat. Noon - 4 pm, Thurs. 6:30 pm - 9 pm.
49 Mill St.
Mays Landing 08330
(609) 909-0272
When it comes to Atlantic City’s reputation as a world-class resort, 34 million visitors a year can’t be wrong.

The city offers 12 fabulous hotel casino resorts, with gaming, luxury accommodations, fine dining, great shopping, sun, sand, surf and much, much more.

While the casinos are a top draw for the city, the historic four-mile boardwalk – the world’s first – remains an equally alluring attraction for visitors, who can still experience the feeling of the original 1800s boardwalk era and indulge in some timeless traditions like saltwater taffy (another Atlantic City first), the boardwalk shops, amusements, the famous rolling chairs and the piers.

The wooden promenade was conceived to solve a problem – keeping beach sand out of rugs in hotels and businesses and off the seats of the Camden and Atlantic Railroad passenger cars that brought visitors into town. Along with the success of the boardwalk, another innovation, the amusement pier, has proved highly popular with visitors, entertaining millions during the past 100 years.

Perhaps the world’s most famous pier opened on June 18, 1898. The 1,621-foot-long Steel Pier was so named because it was the first pier constructed with a steel framework. Today, the Steel Pier continues to attract visitors in droves, who enjoy the shops and amusements. In past years the Steel Pier has been host to conventions and the Miss America Pageants that began in 1921 as a way to extend the summer season.

Atlantic City is also credited with inspiring Monopoly inventor Charles Darrow, who named the game’s streets after those he knew as a visitor to the seaside resort.

In Atlantic City, visitors can relive history while enjoying world-class facilities, entertainment, restaurants and gaming.
Aviation Hall of Fame & Museum of New Jersey
This museum is dedicated to preserving the 209-year history of aviation in New Jersey. Airplanes, helicopters, piston, jet and rocket engines, a satellite and astronaut uniforms are displayed. Open Tues. - Sun. 10 am – 4 pm. 400 Fred Wehran Dr. Teterboro 07608 (201) 288-6344 www.njahof.org

Cadmus House
Stone House Museum circa 1815 with artifacts and photos from pre-history, through rural community to suburbs. Open 3rd Sun. in spring and fall and by appointment. Fair Lawn Borough Museum 14-01 Politt Dr. Fair Lawn 07410 (201) 796-7692

Campbell-Christie House
Historic sandstone house built in 1774 by Jacob Campbell, a member of the Bergen County militia during the American Revolution, is now listed on the State and National Register of Historic Places. Tours and special events by appointment. Open the 2nd Sun. of the month. Handicapped accessible. 1209 Main St. River Edge 07661 www.bergencountyhistory.org (201) 343-9492

Carlstadt Historical Society Museum
Exhibits on Carlstadt's history on the 2nd floor of the 1919 Carlstadt Fire House. Open the 4th Sun. of the month or by appointment. Division Ave. & 6th St. Carlstadt 07072 (201) 939-7770

Fort Lee Historic Park
This historic park is dedicated to preserving and interpreting the role of Fort Lee during the American Revolutionary War. Thirty three-acre site of Revolutionary War fortifications, visitor’s center, audio-visual exhibits. Open Wed.-Sun., 10 am – 5 pm. Closed Jan. - Feb. Hudson Terrace Fort Lee 07024 (201) 461-1776 www.njpalisades.org/flhp.htm
Fort Lee Museum at the Judge Moore House
The Fort Lee Historical society exhibits documents, photographs and artifacts from Fort Lee's history. Open Sat. – Sun., Noon - 4 pm. 1588 Palisade Ave. Fort Lee 07024 (201) 592-3580 www.fortleehistorical society.org

Garretson Farm County Historic Site
A collection of historic sandstone farm buildings dating to Bergen County's early Dutch settlers (1720). Includes a restored colonial kitchen, gardens of herbs and vegetables and three annual festivals with hands-on activities. 4-02 River Rd. Fair Lawn 07410 (201) 797-1775 www.garretsonfarm.org

The Hermitage
This sandstone house was built in 1760, remodeled in 1847 and is a National Historic Landmark with a rich Revolutionary War history. Programs and special events are held year round. 335 North Franklin Turnpike Ho-Ho-Kus 07423 (201) 445-0437 www.thehermitage.org

Hopper-Goetschius House Museum & Tice Barn
This museum features a Dutch sandstone home built in 1739, an out-kitchen with beehive oven, privy, Dutch barn and a frame tenant house. Open Sun. 2 pm – 4 pm in July & August and by appointment. 245 Lake St. Upper Saddle River 07458 (201) 327-6354 www.usrhistoricalsociety.org

Kearney House
Historic house on the Hudson River circa 1750 that stands at the location that witnessed the assault up the Palisades by British troops on Fort Lee in the American Revolution. Open weekends & holidays May - October or by appointment. Palisades Interstate Park Alpine 07620 (201) 768-1360 x 208 www.njpalisades.org

Maywood Station Museum
This restored circa 1872 New York, Susquehanna & Western railroad station, one of the oldest in NJ, is on the National Register of Historic Places and features extensive collections plus a caboose. Open one Sun. a month, call for schedule. 269 Maywood Ave. Maywood 07607 (201) 845-9182 www.nyswths.org/maywoodstation.htm

Meadowlands Environment Center
Headquarters of the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission, presents a geologic and human history of the Hackensack Meadowlands, with school programs, family events and pontoon boat rides. 2 DeKorte Park Plaza Lyndhurst 07071 (201) 460-8300 www.njmeadowlands.gov

New Bridge Landing Park
The park, strategically situated at the narrows of the Hackensack River, marks the site at which Gen. George Washington's army retreated across this pivotal river during the Revolutionary War. Visitors will also enjoy the Steuben House, Campbell-Christie House and the Demarest House, all landmarks of Bergen Dutch sandstone architecture. See individual listings for visiting hours. 1209 Main St. River Edge 07661 (201) 487-1739 www.bergencountyhistory.org
New Jersey Naval Museum Submarine Memorial Association
The WWII submarine USS Ling on the State and National Register of Historic Places is berthed on the Hackensack River and available for tours. The museum also includes a Vietnam era river patrol boat, WWII German and Japanese submarines, rockets and a museum with exhibits on naval history and technology.
Open Sat. – Sun. 10 am – 4 pm, group tours and overnights available.
78 River St.
Hackensack 07601
(201) 342-3268
www.njnm.com

Old Station Museum
The original Mahwah Railroad Station was acquired and restored by the Mahwah Historical Society and features railroad exhibits and models.
Open Sun. 2 pm – 4 pm Memorial Day to the end of October.
1871 Old Station Lane
Mahwah 07430
(201) 529-3136

Pascack Historical Society Museum
Located in an 1873 church that was dedicated by Rev. Henry Ward Beecher. Exhibits include a general store, colonial kitchen, dolls, clothing and other displays of life in the early days of the Pascack Valley.
Group tours by appointment. Open Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm.
19 Ridge Ave.
Park Ridge 07656
(201) 573-0307
www.pvhistory.org/mainpage.htm

Schoolhouse Museum
An 1873 schoolhouse museum includes exhibits on the area’s Dutch settlers, the Colonial, Civil War and Victorian eras.
Open Sun., May - Oct. 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm.
650 East Glen Ave.
Ridgewood 07450
(201) 652-4584

Steuben House
This furnished 1752 Bergen Dutch Colonial mansion was granted to Gen. von Steuben, Inspector General of Continental Troops, for his services in training American forces during the American Revolution.
Today it contains collections of the Bergen County Historical Society.
Open Wed. - Sun. Call for times.
Historic New Bridge Landing
1209 Main St.
River Edge 07661
(201) 487-1739
www.bergencountyhistory.org

Van Allen House
A National Historic Register house that served as headquarters for Gen. George Washington in 1777.
Open 3rd Sun. of the month 1 pm – 4 pm.
Open for tours and events during the year.
Franklin Ave. & Rt. 202
Oakland 07436
(201) 405-7726

Wortendyke Barn
One of the last examples of the New World Dutch barns, which houses a collection of 18th and 19th century farm implements, tools and horse-drawn vehicles. Group reservations available by appointment.
13 Pascack Rd.
Park Ridge 07656
(201) 336-7274
Air Victory Museum
This museum contains exhibits of military aircraft, military uniforms from many countries from WWI to the present, aircraft engines and a Wright Brothers wind tunnel.
Open Wed. – Sun. 10 am – 4 pm.
68 Stacy Haines Rd.
Lumberton 08048
(609) 267-4488
www.airvictorymuseum.org

Alice Paul Institute
Alice Paul was one of the leaders in the campaign for women’s right to vote in 1920 and authored the Equal Rights Amendment in 1923. This institute contains her papers, books and personal memorabilia.
Call ahead for hours of operation.
128 Hooton Rd.
Mt. Laurel 08054
(856) 231-1885
www.alicepaul.org

Batsto Village
Batsto Village is the site of a former bog iron and glassmaking industrial center (1766 - 1867). It includes 33 historic buildings including the Batsto Mansion, gristmill, sawmill, general store, worker’s homes and post office that existed during the late 19th century.
Open 9 am - 4:30 pm. Daily interpretive programs Wed. – Sun., Sept. – May.
Museum Shop open Memorial Day - Labor Day, 9 am – 4 pm daily.
Wharton State Forest
4110 Nesco Rd.
Hammonton 08037
(609) 561-3262
www.batstovillage.org

Bordentown Historical Society
Home of the first free public school in the U.S. and more than 50 historic buildings and sites. Learn about residents Thomas Paine, Francis Hopkinson and Clara Barton.
Open May - June, call for hours.
211 Crosswicks Rd.
Bordentown 08505
(609) 298-1740
www.downtownbordentown.com
Burlington County Historical Society
Learn about historic sites and events in Burlington County, including the Bard-How House and the homes of James Fenimore Cooper and Captain James Lawrence. Guided tours Tue. – Sat., 1 pm – 5 pm. Wheelchair accessible.
451 High St.
Burlington City 08016
(609) 386-4773
www.tourburlington.org

Pemberton Station Museum
Built in 1892, the North Pemberton Railroad Station was in active use until 1969 when the last direct rail service between Pemberton and Camden ended. Restoration was completed in March of 1999. The Station is on both the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Sites. Open Wed., Fri., Sat., Sun. 10 am – 4 pm.
3 Fort Dix Rd.
Pemberton 08068
(609) 894-0546
www.pembertontwp.com/North_Pemberton_Station.html

Powhatan Renape Nation-American Indian Heritage Museum
The only Indian owned and operated museum in New Jersey offers a multifaceted look at American Indian culture, history and traditions. Guided tours are available. Open 1st and 3rd Sat. of the month, 10 am – 3 pm. No appointment required. Tue. and Thurs. by appointment.
Rancocas Rd.
Rancocas 08073
(609) 261-4747
www.powhatan.org/museum.htm

Historic Prison Museum
The Burlington County Prison Museum, opened in 1811, is a National Historic Landmark, was designed by Robert Mills, one of America’s first native-born and trained architects. One of Robert Mills’ first designs as an independent architect, the interior vaulted ceilings of poured concrete, brick and stone construction made the building virtually fireproof. In fact, it was so well constructed that it remained in use until 1965. Open Thurs. – Sat. 10 am – 4 pm, Sun. Noon – 4 pm. Call for more information.
128 High St.
Mount Holly 08060
(609) 265-5476
www.co.burlington.nj.us

Historic Smithville Park
Historic Smithville Park is listed on the National and New Jersey Registers of Historic Places. Smithville grew from a typical, small mill operation on the Rancocas Creek to a major industrial plant employing hundreds of workers from the 1860s to the 1920s. Known for its high-quality woodworking machinery, the Smithville-Mt. Holly Bicycle Railroad and the Star high-wheeled bicycle, Smithville was also well ahead of its time in town planning, sustainability and workers’ rights and welfare. Open 8 am to dusk.
801 Smithville Rd.
Eastampton 08060
(609) 265-5858
www.co.burlington.nj.us/departments/resource_conservation/parks/sites/smithville/info/index.htm

Whitesbog Village
Whitesbog Village in Brendan T. Byrne State Forest was an active 19th and 20th century cranberry and blueberry producing community that was founded in the 1870s by Joseph J. White. Open dawn to dusk daily. Guided tours are available upon request.
120-13 Whitesbog Rd.
Browns Mills 08015
(609) 893-4646
www.whitesbog.org
Barclay Farmstead Museum
A historic mansion built in 1816, with tool shed, corncrib, working forge and herb garden. School groups can participate in Living History Programs. Open Tue. - Fri.
209 Barclay Lane
Cherry Hill 08034
(609) 795-6225

Battleship New Jersey
The most decorated battleship in U.S. Navy history is permanently berthed on the Camden waterfront as a floating museum. Overnight encampments, guided tours, special events throughout the year. Play the 4D Flight Simulator of a WW II Pacific battle. Museum is closed Tue. - Thurs. in Jan. and Feb. Limited handicapped accessibility.
62 Battleship Place
Camden 08103
(856) 966-1652
www.battleshipnewjersey.org

Camden County Historical Society
The society maintains a museum, research library and Pomona Hall, the historic Cooper family home restored to its 1788 appearance. Guided tours, information on the cultural and social history of southern New Jersey since the 1600s, including the Underground Railroad. Call for hours.
1900 Park Blvd.
Camden 08103
(856) 964-3333
www.cchsnj.com

Greenfield Hall & Samuel Mickle House
Greenfield Hall is an 1841 mansion with collections of 18th and 19th century furniture, pottery and historical materials. The Samuel Mickle House, built in 1730 as a saddlery, is now open to the public as a research library, with early American manuscripts, maps, deeds and photographs. Call for hours.
343 Kings Highway E.
Haddonfield 08033
(856) 429-7375
www.historicalsocietyofhaddonfield.org
The Crossroads of the Revolution

New Jersey is the site of a number of critically important battles during the Revolutionary War. In fact, it was the Battles of Trenton and Princeton that began to turn the tide for the Continental Army.

Indian King Tavern
This 1750 American public house and tavern was the site where the New Jersey General Assembly met in 1777 and changed the status of New Jersey from a colony to a state and approved the adoption of the Great Seal of New Jersey.
Open Wed.- Fri. 10 am – Noon & 1 pm – 4 pm, Sat. 10 am – Noon, Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm.
233 Kings Highway
Haddonfield 08033
(856) 429-6792
www.levins.com/tavern.html

Peter Mott House
Peter Mott was a free black farmer, possibly a fugitive slave from Delaware, who served as the pastor of Lawnside’s Mt. Pisgah AME Church. His house was a station on the Underground Railroad.
Open Sat. Noon – 3 pm and by appointment.
26 Kings Court
Lawnside 08045
(856) 546-8850
www.petermotthouse.org

Walt Whitman House
New Jersey's renowned poet, author of "Leaves of Grass" and other historic works, lived in this house from 1884 until his death in 1892. This National Historic Landmark is furnished with manuscripts, photographs, furniture and memorabilia owned and used by Whitman.
Open Wed. - Sat.
328 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Camden 08103
(856) 964-5383

Until then, British forces had won key fights in New York and had driven the Continentals out of Fort Lee, forcing their retreat all the way into Pennsylvania. After these defeats, morale among the Continental forces was low and deserters were leaving the ranks each day, many signing papers of allegiance with the British. If not for Washington’s daring crossing of the ice-filled Delaware River on Christmas night in 1776 and the uplifting victories in Trenton and Princeton that soon followed, chances were slim that he would have been able to keep the Army together and rally the political and public opinion needed to support the effort.
New Jersey is known as the “Crossroads of the American Revolution.” Major Revolutionary War battles were fought here and Gen. George Washington and his main Army spent more time in New Jersey than any place else.

Those visiting the Delaware River Region will have the opportunity to experience some of the Revolutionary War sites that played a vital role in America’s quest for freedom and independence.

Visitors can relive and retrace the Ten Crucial Days at sites that preserve the importance of three monumental battles that changed the course of the war. This critical period – Dec. 25, 1776 through Jan. 3, 1777 – began on Christmas night 1776, when Washington took the bold initiative of mounting an attack on British-hired Hessian troops stationed in Trenton.

On that frigid and stormy Christmas night, Washington’s force of about 2,400 Continentals boarded boats to cross the icy Delaware River for the march on Trenton. Two other elements of the Continental Army were to cross the river south of Trenton to block any Hessian escape. The storm and ice prevented them from landing in New Jersey, leaving Washington’s troops to assault the city alone.

Washington’s plan had been to launch a pre-dawn attack on the morning of Dec. 26. The storm delayed Washington’s arrival in Trenton until 8 a.m. But the storm also aided the Continentals. The Hessians standing guard at the outpost thought the first Continentals they saw coming out of the mists were their relief party. The Hessians did not believe the Americans could mount a large attack and were ill prepared for the assault.

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The surprise of the attack and the speed at which American forces moved into and around the town completely disrupted the Hessian efforts to form their troops for a counter-attack.

Visitors can relive the landing at Washington’s Crossing State Park and see a reenactment that is held each year on Christmas Day.

In Trenton, visitors can also walk through the impeccably restored Old Barracks Museum that housed some of the Hessian troops that faced Washington and the Trenton Battle Monument – the site where Continental artillery units shelled the Hessians during the 90-minute battle on Dec. 26.

A week later the British launched a counter-attack intended to crush the Americans.

Following a day of fighting and defending their positions in Trenton, Washington quietly slipped his troops out of Trenton and using back roads he headed north to Princeton where on Jan. 3 the American’s again engaged and defeated British forces.

The two Battles of Trenton were pivotal in keeping the Revolution alive.

Each year Patriot’s Week offers authentic reenactments through the streets of Trenton plus debates, films, lectures and much more. Even more interesting is that the Trenton reenactment is in the streets so visitors will be very close to the action.
Avalon Museum and Historical Society
Preserves the history and culture of the Avalon community that traces its beginnings to 1887. Open summers Mon.-Sat. 11 am – 3 pm. Fall hours Fri.-Sat.11 am – 3 pm. 215 39th St. Avalon 08202 (609) 967-0090 www.avalonmuseum.org

Cape May County Historical & Genealogical Society
The Cape May Museum is located in the John Holmes House, built in 1755 and one of the oldest structures in historic Cape May. The museum contains a doctor’s room, authentic carriages, exhibits and many furnishings that portray life in the 18th and 19th centuries. Monthly Kids Club event for 12 and under. Open year-round, call for hours. 504 Rt. 9 N. Cape May Court House 08210 (609) 465-3535 www.cmcmuseum.org

Hereford Inlet Lighthouse
This lighthouse, build in 1874, featured five fireplaces and beautiful living quarters for the keeper and his family. The lighthouse features a small museum and is listed on the State and National Register of Historic Places. Open Wed. – Sun. Summer hours May – mid-Oct. 9 am - 5 pm. Winter hours mid-Oct. – April 10 am - 4 pm. 111 North Central Ave. North Wildwood 08260 (609) 522-4520 www.herefordlighthouse.org
Historic Cold Spring Village
A reconstructed Early-American rural village featuring 25 buildings, costumed working craftspeople, living history museum, craft shops, country store, farm animals and a restaurant. Partially handicapped accessible. Visitors to Cape May can take the Cape May Seashore Line Railroad to reach the Cold Spring Rail Station.
Open year round.
720 Rt. 9
Cold Spring 08204
(609) 898-2300
www.hcsv.org

Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts (MAC)
MAC offers a year-round schedule of special events, including walking, boat, trolley and house tours. Visit Cape May’s only Victorian House Museum, the 1879 Emlen Physick Estate, fully restored by MAC, the 1876 Carriage House, which houses the Carriage House Gallery, home to changing exhibits, a museum shop and the Twinings Tearoom, where visitors can enjoy an authentic English experience at a luncheon or afternoon tea. Partially handicapped accessible.
1048 Washington St.
Cape May 08204
(609) 884-5404
www.capemaymac.org

Naval Air Station Wildwood Aviation Museum
NAS Wildwood Aviation Museum is a former training base for World War II dive-bomber pilots. An authentic all-wooden hanger houses Army, Navy, Coast Guard and Soviet aircraft, a model of a V-2 rocket, flight simulators, antique engines, educational exhibits and other memorabilia. Museum shop is handicap accessible. Free parking. Admission: $5 adults, $3 children under 12 and children under 3 free.
Cape May County Airport
500 Forrestal Rd.
Rio Grande 08242
(609) 886-8787
www.usnasw.org
Ocean City Historical Museum
This museum offers informational displays about Ocean City’s colorful history, with pictures and memorabilia from its early whaling days that describe famous shipwrecks on its beaches.
1735 Simpson Ave.
Ocean City 08226
(609) 399-1801
www.ocnjmuseum.org

Sam Azeez Museum of Woodbine Heritage
Woodbine was an experimental agricultural-industrial colony established in the 1890s for immigrating Russian Jews. The antique brick Brotherhood Synagogue building is on the National Register of Historic Places and now houses a wealth of history, personal accounts, historical photographs, documents and artifacts that detail the story of the town’s original settlers.
Open to the public, no admission fee.
610 Washington Ave.
Woodbine 08270
(609) 861-5355
www.thesam.org

Sea Isle City Historical Museum
This museum is dedicated to preserving the colorful history of Sea Isle City. A collection of memorabilia, thousands of prints, photographs and artifacts are on display.
Open Sat. Call for hours.
4208 Landis Ave.
Sea Isle City 08243
(609) 263-2992
www.jerseyseashore.com/sic_museum

Stone Harbor Museum
This museum features the history and culture of the Stone Harbor community, including a diorama of early railroads in the area and permanent exhibits of maritime life in south Jersey.
235 93rd St.
Stone Harbor 0247
(609) 368-7500
wwwSTONE-HARBOR.NJ.US/ORGANIZATIONS/ShMuseum.htm
George Woodruff Indian Museum
This museum contains 20,000 artifacts of the Lenni-Lenape Tribe that inhabited this region for many centuries.
Open Mon. - Sat. 1 pm – 4 pm.
Bridgeton Free Public Library
Commerce St.
Bridgeton 08302
(856) 451-2620
www.co.cumberland.nj.us/tourism

John Dubois Maritime Museum
This museum contains a large collection of southern New Jersey maritime related items from the 19th and 20th centuries. Collections include tools used to carve ribs, planking, masts and booms on sailing ships, early engine marine parts and maritime memorabilia.
Open weekends, call for hours.
949 Ye Greate St.
Greenwich 08323
(856) 455-4055
www.co.cumberland.nj.us/tourism

The Gibbon House
This mansion, built in 1730, was the site of New Jersey’s only 18th century tea burning party. The museum contains 18th and 19th century items, a barn museum and doctor’s office.
Open Tues.- Sat., closed Jan.- March.
960 Ye Greate St.
Greenwich 08323
(856) 455-4055
Bayshore Discovery Project
Passengers can take part in sailing the A.J. Meerwald, an authentically restored 1928 Delaware Bay oyster schooner that is listed on both the National and New Jersey Register of Historic Places. The Meerwald conducts classes and private sails around New Jersey's waters from April through November. 2800 High St. (Bivalve) Port Norris 08349 (856) 785-2060 www.ajmeerwald.org

New Sweden Farmstead Museum
In 1638 a colony of Swedes and Finns settled in this area and this reconstructed farmstead shows what life was like 350 years ago. You can visit seven log structures including a blacksmith shop, stable, sauna and smokehouse. Open mid May – Sept., tours by appointment. Mayor Aitken Dr. Bridgeton 08302 (856) 455-9785 www.co.cumberland.nj.us/tourism

Millville Army Airfield Museum
"America's First Defense Airport" was dedicated in 1941 and served as a gunnery school for fighter pilots during WW II. The museum today focuses on Millville's role in aviation history and the important role of the famous P-47 Thunderbolt. Special exhibits include the Tuskegee Airmen. Open Tues.-Sun. 10 am - 4 pm. 1 Leddon St. Millville 08332 (856) 327-2347 www.p47millville.org

Nail House Museum
The former Cumberland Nail & Iron Company building of 1815 is now a museum featuring exhibits of early iron, glass and local history. Open April – Dec., Tues.- Sat. 10:30 am - 3:30 pm. 1 Mayor Aitken Dr. Bridgeton 08302 (856) 455-1440 www.nailhousemuseum.org

Potters Tavern
This National Historic landmark was the home of New Jersey's first newspaper, The Plain Dealer. The building has been restored to its appearance as it was in 1776. Open April – Oct., Sat. Noon - 4 pm, Sun. 1 pm - 4 pm. West Broad St. Bridgeton 08302 (856) 451-4802 www.co.cumberland.nj.us/tourism

Seabrook Educational & Cultural Center
This center preserves the history of Seabrook Village, which was home to Japanese Americans who were relocated here from internment camps during World War II. Open Mon. – Thurs. 9 am – 2 pm. 1325 Rt. 77 Seabrook 08302 (856) 451-8393 www.co.cumberland.nj.us/tourism
**Wheaton Village**
The Museum of American Glass features 20 buildings that portray the growth of the American glassmaking industry from its beginnings in Millville in 1789. More than 6,000 examples of historic and contemporary glass, a fully operational glass factory, inn, restaurant and museum shops. Open year round. 1501 Glasstown Rd. Millville 08332 (800) 998-4552 www.wheatonvillage.org

**East Point Lighthouse**
On the shore of the Delaware Bay, marking the mouth of the Maurice River stands the second oldest lighthouse (1849) in New Jersey. Lighthouse interior is undergoing restoration. Open the 3rd Sun. of each month 1 pm – 4 pm. East Point Rd. Heislerville 08324 (856) 327-3714 www.co.cumberland.nj.us/tourism/east_point_lighthouse

**Cumberland County Historical Society & Prehistoric Museum**
This historical society has preserved 18th century historical buildings including a Maritime museum and library from the days prior to the American Revolution, New Jersey Indian and fossil collections. A monument to the famous tea-burning party is nearby. Walking tours, adult and school programs available. Open Wed., Sat. and Sun., call for hours. 960 Ye Greate St. Greenwich 08323 (856) 455-4055 www.cchistsoc.org

**Mauricetown Historical Society**
Historical society is housed in the Edward Compton House, one of the few remaining Victorian Italianate design (1863) mansions that survive today. Visitors can see the Caesar Hoskins Log Cabin, constructed prior to 1714. Open houses are held on the 1st and 3rd Sun. each month. 1 pm – 4 pm. 1229 Front St. Mauricetown 08329 (856) 785-0457
Cathedral Basilica (Cathedral of The Sacred Heart)  
This French gothic style cathedral broke ground in 1899 and was completed in 1954. A National Historic Landmark, the structure is the 5th largest cathedral in the U.S. and is the seat of the Catholic Archdiocese of Newark. 
Open 9 am – 5 pm daily. Tours by appointment. 
89 Ridge St. 
Newark 07104  
(973) 484-4600 
www.cathedralbasilica.org

Grover Cleveland Birthplace  
This historic house is the birthplace of the only U.S. President elected to two non-consecutive terms. Furniture and memorabilia of the period are on display.  
Open Wed. - Fri. 9 am – 6 pm, Sat. 9 am – 5 pm, Sun. 1 pm – 5 pm. 
207 Bloomfield Ave. 
Caldwell 07006  
(973) 226-0001 
www.caldwellnj.com/grover.htm

Edison National Historic Site  
For 40 years this National Historic Site was the laboratory in which Thomas Edison 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 the electric storage battery. The site after extensive renovations will reopen in June. 
Lakeside Ave. 
West Orange 07052  
(973) 736-0551 
www.nps.gov/edis
**Essex County Court House**
This classic courthouse was designed by Cass Gilbert and built in 1906. A statue of Lincoln was cast by Gutzon Borglum. A recent renovation has preserved murals and interior structures to their original status. Open 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, tours by appointment.
470 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Newark 07102
(973) 693-5701

**Montclair Historical Society/Israel Crane House**
The museum maintains the Crane House museum, built in 1796 by a successful area merchant, Israel Crane. The Federal style mansion contains a gazebo, crafts building and collections of tools, toys, 18th century furniture and memorabilia.
Open Fri. - Sat. 1 pm - 4 pm, Sun. 2 pm – 5 pm, tours by appointment.
110 Orange Rd.
Montclair 07042
(973) 744-1796
www.montclairhistorical.org

**New Jersey Historical Society**
New Jersey’s oldest cultural institution offers a statewide historical museum, library and archives with changing exhibitions. Collections include paintings, prints, ceramics, furniture and much more. An interactive Kid’s Center, family festivals, school programs and a history gift shop are on site.
Museum open Tues.- Sat. 10 am – 5 pm.
Library open Tues. – Sat. Noon – 5 pm.
52 Park Place
Newark 07102
(973) 596-8500
www.jerseyhistory.org

**Newark Museum**
Eighty galleries of art and science, a mini zoo, research library, planetarium and the historic Ballantine House, a restored 1885 mansion, sculpture garden and a firefighter museum are among the treasures to be found at this museum. Displays of Tibetan, American Oriental art are permanent collections.
49 Washington St.
Newark 07102
(973) 596-6550
www.newarkmuseum.org

**Newark Public Library**
The main library and 10 branches offer a wide range of programs and exhibits, including Hispanic and African American celebrations and collections of ceramics, photographs, music, posters and much more.
Open Mon.- Fri. 9 am - 5:30 pm, Sat. 9:30 am - 1:30 pm.
5 Washington St.
Newark 07101
(973) 733-7784
Gloucester County Historical Society Library
This society preserves and promotes the history of Gloucester going back to pre-Revolutionary times. Visitors will find an 18th century log cabin and Moravian church. The library specializes in genealogy, with collections of wills, deeds and early Gloucester memorabilia.
Open Mon., Wed., Fri. 1 pm – 4 pm.
17 Hunter St.
Woodbury 08096
(856) 845-4771
www.rootsweb.com/~njglouce/gchs

Red Bank Battlefield
Fort Mercer occupied this site during 1777 in the Revolutionary War as part of the defense of Philadelphia. When Hessian troops attacked this heavily fortified fort, Colonial militia won the battle, losing 60 of their own compared to losses of over 600 Hessian soldiers. The Whitall House on the property served as a hospital for the wounded and as a patriot headquarters and can be toured today.
The park is open year round from dawn to dusk, the Whitall House is open Mon.- Fri. 8:30 am – 4 pm.
100 Hessian Ave.
National Park 08063
(856) 853-5120
Central Railroad of New Jersey Terminal

From 1892 through 1954, trains departing from the CRRNJ Terminal represented a primary avenue to freedom for millions of immigrants who had passed by the Statue of Liberty on ships and processed through Ellis Island. This three-story Victorian-Era terminal opened in 1889 and today serves as a visitor's center and departure point for ferries to the Statue of Liberty and the Ellis Island Immigration Museum.

Open daily 8:30 am – 5 pm.
Liberty State Park
Morris Pesin Dr.
Jersey City 07305
(201) 915-3400
www.libertystatepark.org

Hoboken Historical Museum

Features exhibits designed to promote interest in the history, architecture and cultural heritage of Hoboken. Visitors will learn about the first organized baseball game, the birthplace and life of Frank Sinatra, Stephen Foster and many more figures in New Jersey's history.

Open Tues.- Thurs. 5 pm - 9 pm, Sat.- Sun. Noon – 5 pm.
1301 Hudson St.
Hoboken 07030
(201) 656-2240
www.hobokenmuseum.org

Jersey City Museum

This museum exhibits the work of contemporary artists who represent the diversity of our society. 20th century artists' works are on display in contemporary art, paintings, sculpture, ceramics and other forms.

Open Tues., Fri., Sat. 10:30 am – 5 pm, Wed. 10:30 am – 8 pm. Closed Sat. during the summer.
350 Montgomery St.
Jersey City 07302
(201) 413-0303
www.jerseycitymuseum.org

Immigration Museum at Ellis Island

Between 1892 and 1954, approximately 12 million steerage and 3rd class steamship passengers entered the Port of New York through this facility. Today the museum is dedicated to the history of immigration and its effects during the late 19th and early 20th century.

Open daily 8:30 am - 6:15 pm. Closed Dec. 25.
Ferry service available from: Liberty State Park
Morris Pesin Dr.
Jersey City 07305
(201) 915-3440 or (212) 363-3200
www.nps.gov/elis
Doric House
This Greek Revival mansion, built in 1846, is now home to the Hunterdon County Historical Society. Museum open by appointment only, the library is open Thurs. 1 pm – 3 pm & 7 pm – 9 pm.
113 Main St.
Flemington 08822
(908) 782-1091

Holcombe-Jimison Farmstead Museum
Located on approximately 10 acres of land originally purchased by John Holcombe in 1733, the museum is dedicated to preserving a knowledge of Hunterdon County's rural heritage. The Farmstead Plantation features the county's oldest remaining stone house, believed to be built by John Wey in 1711.
Open 1 pm - 4 pm. Sun. from the first weekend in May to the last weekend in Oct. and Wed. 9 am - Noon.
1605 Daniel Bray Highway (Rt. 29)
Lambertville 08530
(609) 397-2752
www.holcombe-jimison.org

James Wilson Marshall House
The Marshall House, on the National and New Jersey Registers of Historic Places, was the boyhood home of the discoverer of gold in California in 1848 and is now the headquarters of the Lambertville Historical Society. The Federal brick structure was built in 1816 by his father, Philip Marshall, a member of one of the oldest families in New Jersey and by marriage to John Hart, a signer of the Declaration of Independence.
Open Sat. - Sun. 1 pm - 4 pm, April through Oct. and by appointment all year.
62 Bridge St.
Lambertville 08530
(609) 397-0770
www.lambertvillehistoricalsociety.org

Oak Summit School
Built in 1850 as a one-room schoolhouse and restored by the Oak Summit School Historical Society. The interior is authentic with slate blackboards, a wood stove, old desks, textbooks, etc.
Call for schedule of tours and demonstrations.
Oak Summit Rd.
Frenchtown 08825
(908) 996-4633
**Prallsville Mills**
This nine-building complex, including a large four-story grist mill and grain silo, linseed oil mill and saw mill, is a prime example of an early 19th century village industrial complex located on both the Delaware River and the Delaware and Raritan Canal. Cultural, educational and social events. Open by appointment.
Rt. 29 N.
Stockton 08559
(609) 397-3586
www.njht.org/profiles/prallsville-mills.htm

**Readington Township Museums**
Museums include the Bouman-Stickney Farmstead, Cold Brook School, Eversole-Hall House and Taylor's Mill and were established to promote an understanding and appreciation of Readington's history and culture through education, research, preservation, collection and interpretation. Offers educational programs, community cultural events and meetings of groups interested in local history. Call or visit website for location information.
(908) 236-2327
www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/depts/c&h/huntmuseums.htm

**Red Mill Museum Village**
Set on the banks of the South Branch with high limestone cliffs behind it, the circa. 1810 Red Mill has become one of the most familiar and photographed landmarks in Hunterdon County and in the state. The museum features a working blacksmith shop, general store, circa. 1860 Bunker Hill Schoolhouse, a reproduction 18th century log cabin, herb garden and screen house. Carriage sheds display large pieces of 19th century agricultural equipment, 40,000 artifacts of Hunterdon County domestic, industrial and commercial history through 1918.
Open early April to mid - Oct., Tue. - Sat. 10 am - 4 pm, Sun. Noon - 5 pm. Special events include weekend festivals, living history re-enactments, antique shows and summer concerts.
56 Main St.
Clinton 08809
(908) 735-4101
http://www.theredmill.org

**The Station at Califon**
Railroad station built in 1875 of locally quarried stone by town volunteers. Located in the heart of Califon's National Register Historic Site District, The station is now the headquarters and museum of the Califon Historical Society.
Open 1st and 3rd Sun. of each month, 1 pm - 3 pm, May – Dec. Free admission.
25 Academy St.
Califon 07830
(908) 832-2941
www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/depts/c&h/huntmuseums.htm#stationcalifon

**Township of Lebanon Museum at New Hampton**
Constructed as a one-room schoolhouse in 1825, this building served as a school until 1929. Today the first floor of the museum is a re-creation of a 19th century schoolroom, with original books, blackboards, desks and a potbellied stove. The second floor contains a lecture and exhibit area, including a permanent Lenape Indian collection.
Open Tue. - Thur. 9:30 am - 5 pm, Sat. 1 pm - 5 pm.
57 Musconetcong River Rd.
Hampton 08827
(908) 537-6464
www.lebanontownship.net/museum.shtml
Historic Morven
This building was the residence of Richard Stockton, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. From 1954 to 1981, Morven was the official residence of New Jersey Governors. Open throughout the year for tours. 55 Stockton St. Princeton 08540 (609) 924-8144 www.historicmorven.org

Historical Society of Princeton-Bainbridge House
Bainbridge House, built in 1766, is one of the oldest surviving examples of Georgian architecture that survives in the Princeton area. Today it houses the Historical Society of Princeton, with its museum, library and over 40,000 artifacts, manuscripts, photographs and associated items from the 17th century to the present. Adult and children's programs plus walking tours. Open Tues.-Sun. Noon – 4 pm. 158 Nassau St. Princeton 08542 (609) 921-6748 www.princetonhistory.org

New Jersey State Museum
Four museums in one building offer a look at New Jersey's history in forms such as fossils, quilts, fine art, Native American tools and much more. A museum café and gift shop are on site. Open Mon.-Fri. 9 am – 5 pm, Sat. 9 am – 4 pm. 225 West State St. Trenton 08625 (609) 292-6464 www.state.nj.us/state/museum

Trenton Battle Monument
The monument marks the site of the American artillery emplacement that commanded the streets of Trenton during the defeat of three Hessian Regiments at the first Battle of Trenton on Christmas Day, 1776. The granite monument is 150 feet high and an elevator ride offers a commanding view. Open Sat. 9 am – 4 pm, Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm. 348 N. Warren St. Trenton 08638 (609) 737-0623 www.10crucialdays.org
Old Barracks Museum
Visit this historic building and see where British troops were quartered during the French and Indian War and later in the American Revolution. This is the only barracks from the French and Indian War still standing in the U.S. Visitors can see restored 18th century period rooms in its Officers Quarters and Barracks. Living history programs are provided regularly.
Open daily 10 am – 5 pm.
Barrack St.
Trenton 08625
(609) 396-1776
www.barracks.org

Princeton Battlefield State Park - Clark House
On Jan. 3, 1777, American troops under Gen. George Washington achieved for the first time a victory over British regulars in the field in what is 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.
The park is open year round from dawn to dusk.
500 Mercer Rd.
Princeton 08540
(609) 921-0074
www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/parks/princeto n.html

William Trent House Museum
William Trent was a successful merchant who established an outpost on the Delaware River around 1721 that later became known as "Trent's Town." This Georgian-style house and gardens were built around that time and today the City of Trenton operates this National Landmark Museum with frequent exhibits and programs for school groups on local and state history.
Open daily 12:30 pm – 4 pm.
Tours by appointment.
15 Market St.
Trenton 08611
(609) 989-3027
www.williamtrenthouse.org

Washington Crossing State Park-Visitor Center & Johnson Ferry House
Late at night on Dec. 25, 1776, Gen. George Washington and his army of 2,400 ragged troops crossed the icy Delaware River at this spot and went on to defeat the Hessians in Trenton the next morning. This park offers picnic facilities, an interpretive center with exhibits, hiking trails and the Johnson Ferry House that was used after the crossing to launch the final assault on Trenton.
Hours, dawn to dusk.
355 Washington Crossing - Pennington Rd.
Titusville 08560
(609) 737-0623
www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/parks/washcros .html

New Jersey State House
Free 45-minute tours of America’s second oldest state capitol building in continuous use. The Governor’s wing dates from 1872.
Open Mon. – Fri. 10 am - 4 pm, Sat. on the hour,
Noon – 3 pm. Groups of 10 or more require reservations.
125 West State St.
Trenton 08625
(609) 633-2709
www.njleg.org
Drumthwacket
This Greek Revival mansion, built in 1835, is the official residence of New Jersey Governors. The history of New Jersey is closely tied to the Olden, Pyne and Spandel families that owned this residence over the centuries prior to its transfer to the State of New Jersey in 1966.
Open for free tours Wed. by reservation only.
354 Stockton St. (Rt. 206)
Princeton 08540
(609) 683-0591
www.drumthwacket.org

Nassau Hall
In 1756, when the college moved in, this was one of Colonial America's largest buildings. This was the first permanent building of Princeton University and enjoyed a colorful history during the Revolutionary War.
Free one-hour campus tours four times daily
Mon. – Sat., twice Sun. afternoons.
Princeton University Campus
Nassau & Witherspoon Sts.
Princeton 08540
(609) 258-1766
www.webscript.princeton.edu/~oktour/index.php

Trenton City Museum at Ellarslie
An 1848 Italianate mansion in the midst of a 100-acre Olmsted designed park, with a permanent exhibit on Trenton’s pottery industry.
Free, self-guided tours Tue. – Sat. 11 am – 3 pm, Sun. 2 pm – 4 pm.
Cadwalader Park
Stuyvesant Ave. at Parkside Ave.
Trenton 08638
(609) 989-3632
www.ellarslie.org

Howell Living History Farm
A 30-acre farm, run as it was in 1890-1910. Visitors can join field, barn and craft programs or self-guided tours to experience farm life 100 years ago.
Open April – Nov. Tue. – Sun. 10 am – 4 pm.
Program events Sat. 11 am – 3 pm. Free admission.
70 Wooden’s Lane
Titusville 08560
(609) 737-3299
www.howellfarm.org

New Jersey Civil War Flag Exhibit
On display are 53 of the 140 Civil War-era and Spanish American War colors owned by the state.
Free admission Mon. – Fri. 9 am – 5 pm,
Sat. 9 am – 4 pm.
New Jersey Department of State
225 West State St.
Trenton 08625
(609) 292-6464
www.newjerseystatemuseum.org

Kuser Farm Mansion
This historic 17-room mansion, built in 1892, tells the story of the Kuser family that has played a prominent role in New Jersey's history. Many of the early features, furniture and furnishings of this summer country home are on display. Self-guided walking tours and special events.
Open May - Nov., Thur.- Sun. 11 am – 3 pm.
Weekends in Feb. – April.
390 Newkirk Ave.
Hamilton 08650
(609) 890-3630
**Buccleuch Mansion Museum**
This Georgian mansion built in 1739 is considered one of New Brunswick's finest examples of colonial architecture. Gen. George Washington was a frequent visitor, as were British occupying troops. Today the building is a historic house museum with scenic wallpaper, folk art and Colonial, Federal and Victorian era furniture. Call for appointment.
Buccleuch Park
Easton Ave.
New Brunswick 08901
(732) 745-5094
www.newbrunswick.com/historic.asp

**Cornelius Lowe House-Middlesex County Museum**
This classic Georgian manor house has changed little since it was built in 1741. Today it Houses the Low House Middlesex County Museum that contains exhibits of regional history.
Open Tues.- Fri. 1 pm – 4 pm, Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm.
1225 River Rd.
Piscataway 08854
(732) 745-4177
www.cultureheritage.org

**The Cranbury Museum**
Cranbury is one of the oldest towns in New Jersey, founded in 1697 and this building, built around 1834, today houses the Cranbury Historical & Preservation Society. Exhibits include the Tercentennial Quilt with 16 scenes from township history, farm implements, tools, Native American artifacts and an herb garden.
Open Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm and by appointment.
4 Park Place
Cranbury 08512
(609) 655-2611
www.cranbury.org/history/museum.htm
**East Brunswick Museum**
This museum is located in the historic district of Old Bridge and displays a large collection of local historical documents and artifacts. Historical exhibits focus on central New Jersey artists.
Open Sat. - Sun. 2 pm – 5 pm.
16 Maple St.
East Brunswick 08816
(609) 249-3522

**East Jersey Olde Towne Village**
This recreated early New Jersey village contains 13 buildings from various sites that have been assembled in one location.
Tours by appointment.
Open Tues.- Fri. 8:30 am – 4 pm, Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm.
Johnston Park
1050 River Rd.
Piscataway 08854
(732) 745-3030
www.cultureheritage.org

**Museum of The American Hungarian Foundation**
This museum was founded in 1954 to develop further understanding and appreciation of Hungarian culture and the unique historical heritage of the Hungarian people in the U.S. The museum holds collections of documents, 40,000 books and archives.
Open Tues.- Sat. 11 am – 4 pm, Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm.
300 Somerset St.
New Brunswick 08903
(732) 846-5777
www.ahfoundation.org

**New Jersey Museum of Agriculture**
Museum tells the story of the role of agriculture in New Jersey's past and present with permanent and changing exhibits of historical agricultural artifacts used by Native Americans and generations of more recent farmers.
Open Tues.- Sat. 10 am – 5 pm.
103 College Farm Rd.
North Brunswick 08902
(732) 249-2077
www.agriculturemuseum.org

**Thomas A. Edison Memorial Tower & Museum**
Visit the world's first R&D center. Edison received 400 patents for projects developed at this site. Edison's innovations include the incandescent light bulb, wireless transmission (20 years before Marconi) and the discovery of the Edison Effect in electronics.
Open Tues.- Sat. 10 am – 4 pm.
37 Christie St.
Edison 08820
(732) 549-3299
www.edisonnj.org/menlopark

**Old School Baptist Church Museum**
Historic church that dates to 1805 and today houses the South River Historical & Preservation Society. The museum features exhibits of the history of the South River region. The church is on the New Jersey Register of Historic Places.
Open 1st Sun. of the month, 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm.
64-66 Main St.
South River 08882
(732) 613-3078
www.rootsweb.com/~njsrhps/museum.html
Allaire State Park

Allaire State Park-Allaire Village
Allaire Village is a well-preserved 19th century bog iron producing community with a general store, blacksmith shop, carpenter's shop, owner's house, church and museum. Visitors can ride the Pine Creek Railroad, the only steam-driven, narrow gauge railroad running in New Jersey.
Open Memorial Day - Labor Day, Wed.- Sat. 11 am – 5 pm and Labor Day - Nov. and month of May, weekends 10 am – 4 pm.
4265 Atlantic Ave. (Rt. 524)
Wall Township 07719
(732) 938-2371
www.allairevillage.org

Fort Hancock Historic District
The fort has played a strategic role in defending the approaches to New York harbor from 1895 until 1974. The Historic District traces the history of the first U.S. Army Artillery Proving Ground and the evolution of artillery technology from steam-lift gun batteries through Nike Air Defense Missiles that were deployed here. The Sandy Hook lighthouse, built in 1764, is the nation's oldest lighthouse still in use. Visitors can tour historic officer's quarters, the Sandy Hook Museum with exhibits of military memorabilia and enjoy swimming, fishing, windsurfing, bird watching and hiking.
Open daily, sunrise to sunset.
Sandy Hook Unit, Gateway National Historic Area
Rt. 36
Highlands
(732) 872-0115
www.nps.gov/gate

Historic Society Museum
Historic first public school building in Spring Lake that dates back to 1897 with memorabilia and changing collections that reveal life from Indian times through the Victorian era to the present in this shore community.
Open Sun. 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm, Thurs. 10 am – 12 pm.
5th & Warren Ave.
Spring Lake 07762
(732) 449-0772
www.springlake.org/historical/index.html

Historic Walnford
Country estate of the Waln family and former mill village portrays life in a prosperous farming community in western Monmouth County in the late 1700s. The site includes an 1879 carriage house, assorted outbuildings and farm structures.
Open daily 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.
78 Walnford Rd.
Allentown 08501
(609) 259-6275
www.monmouthcountyparks.com/parks/walnford.as
Historical Society of Ocean Grove-Historic Centennial Summer Cottage
Museum preserves the history of an old Camp Meeting grounds site that was common in the 1800s. Visitors can tour the Centennial Cottage and museum and learn about the Victorian Seaside Cottages and tents that circled the Great Auditorium. Summer concerts and tours.
10 am – 4 pm, Fri - Sat. 10 am – 5 pm, Sept.
Wed - Sat. 10 am – 4 pm, Oct., Nov., Dec.
10 am – 4 pm.
50 Pitman Ave.
Ocean Grove 07756
(732) 744-1869
www.oceangrovehistory.org

Longstreet Farm
A restored living-history farm with costumed employees engaged on this nine-acre farm just as they were 100 years ago. Visitors can tour the house and barn, milk the cows, see the sheep and pigs up close and take a wagon ride during special events.
Open year round. Open Memorial Day - Labor Day
10 am – 5 pm, winters 10 am – 4 pm.
44 Longstreet Rd.
Holmdel 07733
(732) 946-3758
www.monmouthcountyparks.com/historic_sites/historic_sites_main.asp

Monmouth County Historical Association
The association promotes five Revolutionary-Era and 19th century historic sites in Monmouth County, as well as maintaining a library and archives of important historical documents dealing with New Jersey history.
Library and archives are open Wed. - Sat.
1 pm – 4 pm.
Historic buildings are open May - Sept., Thurs., Fri., Sat. 1 pm – 4 pm.
70 Court St.
Freehold 07728
732-462-1466
www.monmouthhistory.org

Monmouth Battlefield State Park-Craig House
One of the largest battles of the American Revolution took place in the fields and forests that now make up Monmouth Battlefield State Park. A reenactment of the June 1778 battle is held every year with authentically dressed troops camped out in the park and situated in the fields for fighting. The legend of Molly Pitcher is based on an event at this battle. The Craig farmhouse was used as a field hospital after the battle. On site interpreter, tours and 25 miles of hiking trails are available.
Open all year, Memorial Day - Labor Day
8 am – 8 pm. Call for winter hours.
347 Freehold-Englishtown Rd.
Manalapan 07726
(732) 462-9616
www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/parks/monbat.html

National Guard Militia Museum

The Craig House
National Guard Militia Museum of New Jersey
Displays of 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 by appointment.
Open April - Oct. Tues. and Thurs. 10 am – 3 pm, winter months Tues. and Thurs. 10 am – Noon.
Sea Girt Ave.
Sea Girt 08750
(732) 974-5966
www.nj.gov/military/museum

New Jersey Vietnam Veterans Memorial & Vietnam Era Education Center
An open-air pavilion contains the engraved names of New Jersey residents who either died or are MIA as a result of the Vietnam War. The Education Center contains exhibits, a resource center and offers presentations, speakers and hosts events to present factual information about this era. Group tours available. The Memorial is open 24 hours a day. The Education Center is open Tues. - Sat. 10 am – 4 pm.
Exit 116 on Garden State Parkway
Holmdel 07733
(732) 335-0033
www.njvvmf.org

Poricy Park-Murray Farmhouse & Barn
Visitors can hike 250 acres of woodlands and visit a faithfully restored seven-room farmer’s house and barn built in 1770. Joseph Murray was an Irish immigrant who became a local militia hero during the Revolutionary War. A nature center offers adult and children’s programs throughout the year.
Open from dawn to dusk.
Nature Center open Mon. - Fri. 9 am – 4 pm.
Oak Hill Rd.
Middletown 07748
(732) 842-5966
www.poricypark.org

Sea Girt Lighthouse
Nestled within an L-shaped Victorian building, the Sea Girt Lighthouse first shone in 1896. Like most lighthouses of the day, its “fourth-order” Fresnel lens revolved on ball bearings driven by complex clockworks. The interior of the lighthouse has been meticulously restored by a local citizens’ committee and furnished in keeping with its historical period.
Open Sun. 2 pm- 4 pm for tours.
Free admission.
Beacon Blvd. at the Beach
Sea Girt
(732) 974-0514
Experience the nation’s Gateway to freedom, with a visit to Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty, two living examples of America’s commitment to freedom.

At Ellis Island, visitors can relive the experience of more than 12 million immigrants who passed through its doors between 1892 and 1954 and retrace the history of the federal immigration-processing center that opened on Jan. 1, 1892.

After undergoing a massive $162 million restoration, Ellis Island today offers visitors an array of programs including a genealogy workshop, theatrical productions based on actual immigrant accounts, a learning center, a museum and a new family history research facility.

In immediate proximity to Ellis Island is the Statue of Liberty, France’s gift to the United States that was designed to commemorate the Centennial of American Independence. In July of 1884, French sculptor Frederic Auguste Bartholdi, with assistance from French structural engineer Alexandre Gustave Eiffel (designer of the Eiffel Tower), completed the statue that was officially titled “Liberty Enlightening the World.”

One year later, in June of 1885, the statue arrived in New York Harbor. Dedicated on Oct. 28, 1886, the Statue of Liberty is located on Liberty Island, formerly Bedloe’s Island, in New York Harbor and sits inside the star-shaped walls of Fort Wood. It lies about 1/4-mile from Liberty State Park.

Today, visitors can tour the historic statue and have access to a museum, which offers a complete history of the statue, along with a number of exhibits.

The Gateway Region offers visitors an opportunity to see and experience firsthand two of the nation’s premier historic sites that stand today as a living tribute to America’s unyielding commitment to freedom and opportunity for all.
Acorn Hall
Acorn Hall is the most intact and authentic Victorian House in Morristown. It contains many original furnishings from the time that the Schermerhorn family who occupied the house in 1857. Today the house is the home of the Morris County Historical Society and includes a Victorian Research Library, 19th century style gardens, rare oriental porcelains, rugs and other period artifacts. Open Mon. - Thurs. 10 am – 4 pm, Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm.
68 Morris Ave.
Morristown 07960
(973) 267-3465
www.acornhall.org

Cooper Mill
This restored 1826 mill on the Black River uses 2,000 lb. millstones to grind wheat, rye and buckwheat. A six-ton waterwheel provides the power in this facility, which was the center of community life during the early 19th century. Open May - Oct. weekends 10 am – 5 pm. Group tours available by appointment.
Black River Park
Rt. 24 & State Park Rd.
Chester 07930
(908) 879-5463
www.morrisparks.net

The Stickley Museum at Craftsman Farms
This National Historic Landmark was the only house designed by and built for Gustav Stickley, designer of "Mission" furniture and a prominent figure in the American arts and crafts movement in the early 1900s. Open April - Nov., Wed. - Fri. Noon – 3 pm, Sat. - Sun. 11 am – 4 pm.
2352 Rt. 10 W.
Morris Plains 07950
(973) 540-1165
www.stickleymuseum.org

Fosterfields Living Historical Farm
A living history farm with costumed farm workers and domestic servants interpreting the lives of a farm community of 100 years ago. Tours and special events are held throughout the year. Livestock are on hand as well. Open April - Oct., Wed. - Sat. 10 am – 5 pm, Sun. Noon – 5 pm.
73 Kahdena Rd.
Morristown 07960
(973) 326-7645
www.morrisparks.net
Franklin Mineral Museum & Mine Replica
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.
Open Mon. - Sat. 10 am – 4 pm, Sun 11 am - 4:30 pm.
32 Evans St.
Franklin 07416
(973) 827-3481
www.franklinmineralmuseum.com

Frelinghuysen Arboretum
In 1891, George Frelinghuysen constructed Whippany Farm as his summer residence and now we treasure it as a classic example of Colonial Revival architecture, which today is the Frelinghuysen Arboretum that has an extensive collection of trees, shrubs and demonstration gardens. The Hagarty Education Center provides space for classes, a reference library and a visitor information center.
Visitor's center open daily 9 am - 4:30 pm, Grounds open 8:30 am - dusk except major holidays.
53 East Hanover Ave.
Morristown 07962
(973) 326-7622
www.morrisparks.net

Historic Speedwell
In 1838, Alfred Vail and Samuel F.B. Morse first publicly demonstrated the electromagnetic telegraph at a cotton factory on Vail's estate. Stephen Vail was also the owner and ironmaster of the Speedwell Iron Works. The museum today has exhibits on the revolution in communications that took place here and the history of the Ironworks.
333 Speedwell Ave.
Morristown 07960
(973) 540-0211
www.morrisparks.net

Lake Hopatcong Historical Museum
The history of New Jersey's largest lake through the centuries is on exhibit in this 19th century locktender's house on the Morris Canal. Learn about the building of the canal and the era when the lake was a tourist mecca, with 40 hotels and rooming houses hosting visitors to Bertrand Island Amusement Park.
Sun. Noon – 4 pm. Call for future hours.
Hopatcong State Park
Lakeside Blvd.
Landing 07850
(973) 398-2616
www.hopatcong.org/museum

Macculloch Hall Historical Museum & Gardens
A 20-room Federal-style mansion built in 1810 by George Macculloch, who conceived of and built the Morris Canal, that was a key to the growth of Morris County's iron industry. Ten period rooms display 18th and 19th century furnishings, including prints and drawings by political cartoonist Thomas Nast.
Open Wed., Thurs. & Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm. Closed holidays. Gardens are open all year.
45 Macculloch Ave.
Morristown 07960
(973) 538-2404
www.maccullochhall.org
Mead Hall
This 1836 mansion has been called the finest example of Greek Revival architecture north of the Mason Dixon Line. This building was owned at one time by famous railroad financier Daniel Drew and served as the center of the Drew Theological Seminary until 1900.
Open daily 9 am – 5 pm. Tours by appointment on Mon. 2 pm – 5 pm.
Drew University
36 Madison Ave.
Madison 07940
(973) 408-3559

Morris Museum
Georgian-style mansion, designed by the noted architect Stanford White for Peter Frelinghuysen, today is considered one of the foremost museums in the state. Permanent and changing exhibitions of fine arts, geology, history, natural science, anthropology, Native Americans, dinosaurs and model trains are on display.
Open Tues., Wed., Fri. & Sat. 10 am – 5 pm, Thurs. 10 am – 8 pm, Sun. 1 pm – 5 pm.
6 Normandy Heights Rd.
Morristown 07960
(973) 971-3700
www.morrismuseum.org

Morristown National Historical Park
America's first "National Historical Park" was established in 1933 and today consists of four units at different locations: Jockey Hollow, Fort Nonsense, The New Jersey Brigade and the Ford Mansion that served as Gen. George Washington's military headquarters. See how 13,000 soldiers lived in winter quarters during the cold winters of 1777 and 1779. The museum will be closed for renovations during 2006.
The four sites are open daily 9 am – 5 pm.
30 Washington Place
Morristown 07960
(908) 766-8215
www.nps.gov/morr

Museum of Early Trades & Crafts
Former library, built in 1905, today houses a collection of pre-1860 tools and implements used by workers and craftsmen who worked in factories, shops, on farms and roads in the 18th and 19th centuries. Interactive exhibits, demonstrations, discovery days, treasure hunts and special programs are held throughout the year.
Open Tues. - Sat. 10 am – 4 pm,
Sun. Noon – 5 pm.
Main St. & Green Village Rd.
Madison 07940
(973) 377-2982
www.roenet.org/metc

New Jersey Fireman's Museum
Museum of antique fire fighting apparatus, with exhibits relating to the history of fire fighting.
Open Mon.- Fri. 1 pm – 4 pm, Sat. & Sun. 1 pm - 3:30 pm.
565 Lathrop Ave.
Boonton 07005
(973) 334-0024
www.njmorriscountyonline.com/htm/boonton.html
Obadiah Latourette Grist & Saw Mill
Historic 1750 mill is currently being restored. The complex is an excellent example of the first industry in the Historic German Valley Historical District of Morris County. Contains an excellent collection of historical milling technology equipment. Tours given most Sat. 10 am – 2 pm or by appointment. 12 East Mill Rd. Long Valley 07853 (908) 876-4478

Schuyler-Hamilton House Museum
Residence of Gen. George Washington's personal physician, Dr. John Cochran. Washington's Aide de Camp, Alexander Hamilton, visited here often to see Betsy Schuyler, the niece of Dr. Cochran's wife. The house is now owned and maintained by the Daughters of the American Revolution. Open Sun. 2 pm – 4 pm. Tours by appointment. 5 Olyphant Place Morristown 07960 (973) 267-4039

Whippany Railway Museum
A 100-year-old fieldstone station of the Morristown & Erie Railroad is now home to the only museum in the North Jersey area devoted entirely to railroading. Exhibits include historic equipment, rolling stock, models, photos and artifacts that tell the story of the role of railroads in New Jersey's history. Open April - Oct. Sun. Noon – 4 pm. 1 Railroad Plaza (Rt.10 W. & Whippany Rd.) Whippany 07981 (973) 887-8177 www.whippanyrailwaymuseum.org

Beavertown Historical Society
The society maintains a museum and library dealing with the history of Beavertown, known today as Lincoln Park and the role of the Morris Canal in the area's history and development. Open 3rd Sun. of the month 2 pm – 5 pm. 137 Main St. Lincoln Park 07834 (973) 694-8059

Boonton Historical Society & Museum
This society maintains the 1868 Dr. John Taylor House and offers permanent and changing exhibits about the history, arts and residents of Boonton. Walking tours, evening programs are available. Open Sat. 1 pm – 4 pm. 210 Main St. Boonton 07005 (973) 402-8840 www.boonton.org

Bridget Smith House Museum
The Bridget Smith House, built in 1855, is among the last surviving structures representing working class housing from the era of iron mining in Northern New Jersey. Displays include photos and artifacts of the simple life of Irish immigrants. Open June - Oct. 1st three Sat. of each month 1 pm – 4 pm. Special tours available. 124 Randolph Ave. Mine Hill 07803 (973) 659-9001

Butler Museum & Historical Committee
Former 1888 railroad station contains exhibits relating to Butler's rich historic past, including the American Hard Rubber Company's role in the town's development. Educational program and an archive are featured. Open Sat.10 am – 2 pm. One Ace Rd. Butler 07405 (973) 838-7222 www.butlerborough.com
Historical Society of the Township of Chatham
The historic Red Brick Schoolhouse houses the museum dedicated to increasing the awareness and preservation of the township's history. Permanent and changing exhibits throughout the year. Open 1st Sun. of each month 2 pm – 4 pm. 24 Southern Blvd. Chatham 07928 (973) 635-4911

Denville Historical Society & Museum
The museum presents and preserves local history of the town, with changing exhibits throughout the year and tours of the one room Union Schoolhouse by appointment. Closed mid-Jan - mid-March, mid-August - mid-Sept. Sat. 10 am – 4 pm. 113 Diamond Spring Rd. Denville 07834 (973) 625-1165 www.denvillenj.org/hist_society.html

Historical Society of Florham Park
The Historical Society maintains the 1866 "Little Red Schoolhouse" as a museum to preserve the artifacts of local history as a farming community. Open 1st Sun. of each month 2 pm – 4 pm. Call ahead for tours. Columbia Turnpike Florham Park 07932 (973) 410-5304

Jewish Historical Society of Metrowest
The Jewish Historical Society collects, preserves and chronicles the rich legacy of the largest Jewish community in New Jersey. The society maintains substantial archives, compiles oral histories, collects historical artifacts and publishes a newsletter. Open Weekdays 9 am – 4 pm. 901 Rt. 10 E. Whippany 07981 (973) 929-2995 www.jhsmw.org

Borough of Kinnelon Historical Commission
The commission maintains the historic Meadtown Schoolhouse and documents the historic sites in order preserve the history of Kinnelon. The Commission offers lectures, seminars and other programs relating to local history. Open Sat. 11 am – 3 pm. Kinnelon Rd. Kinnelon 07505 (973) 838-6208

Montville Historical Society & Museum
This museum was constructed in 1867 as a one-room schoolhouse that later served as a gathering place for temperance groups and as a post office. Today it's a center for historical artifacts and history regarding the town and the Morris Canal. Open Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm, except July and August. 6 Taylortown Rd. Montville 07045 (973) 334-3665 www.montville-township.org/boards/historical.shtml

Morris Plains Museum Association
The museum preserves the history of Morris Plains by maintaining artifacts, records and documents from the town's past. The museum coordinates oral history projects and conducts tours of local historical sites. Open Sat. 10 am – 1 pm. 77 Glenbrook Rd. Morris Plains 07950 (973) 683-1089
Ralston Historical Association & Museum
In 1785, John Ralston built this structure, which served as a general store and ultimately a local post office. Today, it is maintained by the Ralston Historical Association as a restored general store that served the forges, wagon works, mills and the local community.
Open June - Oct., Sun. and holidays 2 pm - 5 pm.
Group tours available by appointment.
313 Mendham Rd. W.
Mendham 07945
(973) 543-4712
www.ralstonmuseum.org

Friends Meeting House & Cemetery Association of Randolph Township
The 1758 Friends Meeting House is the oldest standing church in Morris County in continuous use and possibly served as a stop on the Underground Railroad during the Civil War era. Tours and preservation outreach programs are offered to the community.
Open Sun. Noon - 1 pm and by appointment.
190 Quaker Church Rd.
Randolph 07869
(973) 361-9427

Roxbury Historic Trust
The trust has restored and maintains two township National Register properties—The King Store Museum and the King Homestead Museum, both of which were active and prosperous during the Morris Canal era.
Open 2nd Sun. of the month 1 pm - 4 pm.
209 Main St.
Ledgewood 07852
(973) 927-7603

Roxbury Township Historical Society/Silas Riggs House
The society maintains the architecturally unique saltbox style Silas Riggs House as a living history museum that is representative of the crafts, skills and living habits during Colonial times. Special events are held throughout the year, a small archival collection of documents is available for viewing.
Open 2nd Sun. of each month 1 pm - 4 pm.
61 Mount Hope Rd.
Rockaway 07866
(973) 584-6931

Tunis-Ellicks Historic House & Museum
An 1800 building with historic gardens and museum collections provide a sense of daily life in a New Jersey farming community. The house is encircled by an authentic re-creation of an 1800 parlor garden, with more than 120 varieties of herbs and perennials.
Open Thurs. 10 am - 4 pm.
Millbrook & Village Rds.
New Vernon 07976
(973) 292-0161

Washington Township Historical Society Museum
The historical society is housed in an 1830 schoolhouse and today preserves the history of Washington Township with exhibits of local historical and archaeological artifacts, antique tools and collectibles.
Open Sun. 2 pm - 5 pm.
6 Fairview Ave.
Long Valley 07853
(908) 876-9696
Brick Township Historical Society/Havens Homestead Museum
An 1827 farmhouse and adjoining 1846 inn are home to the society that’s dedicated to portraying 19th century life. Exhibits include room furnishings, decorations and Native American artifacts.
Open May - Oct. 10 am - Noon, Sun.
Noon - 2 pm.
521 Herbertsville Rd.
Brick 08723
(732) 785-2500
http://www.co.ocean.nj.us/museums/Brick/about.htm

Barnegat Bay Decoy & Baymen’s Museum
Museum at the recreated Tuckerton Seaport Village is dedicated to the historic traditions and heritage of the Jersey Shore. Museum collections tell the story of the life of the baymen, including boat building, oystering, clamming, decoy carving and more. Classic boats, tools, photographs and artifacts are on display.
Open Wed. - Sun. 10 am - 4:30 pm
Tuckerton Seaport Village
120 West Main St. (Rt. 9)
Tuckerton 08087
(609) 296-8868
http://www.tuckertonseaport.org

Barnegat Lighthouse
A trip up the 217-step winding staircase of “Old Barney” is well worth the 10-15 minute climb. The view from the top is spectacular, with breathtaking Island Beach State Park to the north, the 18 miles of Long Beach Island to the south.
Barnegat Lighthouse State Park
Broadway at 3rd St.
Barnegat Light 08006
(609) 494-2016
http://www.state.nj.us/dep/forestry/parks/barnlig.htm

Bay Head Historical Society Museum
This 1867 Loveland Homestead farmhouse contains maps, artifacts paintings, decoy carving tools and furniture from 19th century life in this boat-building community. The Dale Building includes boat models of sail and rowing boats associated with this area.
Bridge & Bay Aves.
Bay Head 08742
(732) 892-2475
http://www.co.ocean.nj.us/museums.BayHead/about.htm
Colonel Charles Waterhouse Historical Museum
Museum/art gallery with a collection of original paintings, sculptures and illustrations by Col. [Ret.] Charles Waterhouse, the U.S. Marine Corps' only artist-in-residence. Historically accurate paintings depict military and naval engagements from the American Revolution to the present.
Open year-round, Thurs. - Sun., Noon – 4 pm.
17 Washington St.
Toms River 08753
(732) 818-9040
http://www.usmcartist.com

Double Trouble Village
This state park was originally a cranberry farm and packing plant and the economic center of a company town based in the Pine Barrens ecosystem. Today visitors can view 14 historic structures including a general store, schoolhouse, cottages and the packinghouse. Hiking, canoeing, kayaking are available on site.
Double Trouble State Park
Double Trouble Rd.
Bayville 08721
(732) 341-6662
http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/parks/double.html

Jackson Township Heritage
Commission/Prospertown Schoolhouse
This pre-1890 one-room schoolhouse contains local area artifacts, furniture, glassware and blimp and dirigible objects from the airship era.
Open year-round by appointment, Mon. - Fri. 9 am – 5 pm.
95 W. Veteran's Highway
Jackson 08527
(732) 928-1200 x 200

Lakehurst Historical Society Museum
The oldest [1874] Roman Catholic Church in Ocean County features airship, railroad and firefighting memorabilia, early baseball uniforms, a 1913 jail cell and charred remnants of the Hindenburg.
300 Center St.
Lakehurst 08733
(732) 657-8864
http://www.lakehurstnj.org/historysociety.html

Lakewood Heritage Museum
Museum celebrates Lakewood's rich past and its culturally diverse African American, Estonian, Jewish and Latino heritages with photographs, vintage postcards and artifacts.
Mon. – Fri., 8 am - 3 pm, Sun. 2 pm - 4 pm.
655 Princeton Ave.
Lakewood 08701
(732) 363-2500 x 5283
http://www.Township.lakewood.nj.us

New Egypt Historical Society Museum
The restored 1825 Singleton farmhouse holds artifacts, documents, maps and photographs from New Egypt's history.
Open year-round, Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm, Wed. 11 am – 1 pm.
125 Evergreen Rd.
New Egypt 08533
(609) 758-8111
http://www.newegyphistoricalsociety.com

New Jersey Museum of Boating
A 100-year-old boat-building shed celebrates the work and craftsmanship of area boat builders. A self-guided tour includes vintage ad posters, hull drawings, photos, scale models, antique hardware, radios, engines and commercial fishing exhibits.
Open year-round, Sat. - Sun. 10 am - 4 pm.
1800 Bay Ave.
Point Pleasant 08742
(732) 295-2072
http://www.njmb.org
Ocean County Historical Society Museum
The historic 15-room Pierson-Sculthorp House, built in stages between 1820-1866, today displays exhibits of Native American artifacts, Revolutionary and Civil War mementos, fossils and recovered objects from the 1937 wreck of the Hindenburg plus a library and research center.
Open year-round, Tues. - Thurs., 1 pm – 4:30 pm, Sat. 10 am – 2 pm.
26 Hadley Ave.
Toms River 08753
(732) 341-1880
www.oceancountyhistory.org

Point Pleasant Historical Society Museum
This museum offers a growing collection of items and photographs from Gotlieb’s Store, Ocean Road School, Cook Homestead and World War II era scrapbooks.
Open year-round 2nd Thurs., 1 pm – 4 pm or by appointment.
416 New Jersey Ave.
Point Pleasant Beach 08742
(732) 892-3091
www.pointpleasanthistory.com

Toms River Seaport Society & Maritime Museum
The 1868 Joseph Francis estate and carriage house contain 35 restored indigenous small craft, such as the 12-foot Sneakbox that sailed from New York City to Miami in 1925. Marine artifacts, a library and a boat restoration workshop are also available to visitors.
Open year-round, Tues., Thurs., Sat. 10 am – 2 pm.
78 E. Water St. at Hooper Ave.
Toms River 08753
(732) 349-9209
www.tomsriverseaport.com

Tuckerton Seaport
This 40-acre recreated maritime village is dedicated to preserving the heritage of the Jersey Shore baymen. The Seaport includes historically accurate recreated structures including Tucker’s Island Lighthouse, hunting shanty, sawmill, decoy carving shop, boat works, sea captain’s house and more.
Open year-round 10 am – 5 pm.
120 W. Main St. (Rt. 9)
Tuckerton 08087
(609) 296-8868
www.tuckertonseaport.org

Tuckerton Historical Society/Giffordtown Schoolhouse Museum
An 1886 era two-room schoolhouse with artifacts from Tuckerton and Little Egg Harbor, early Quaker societies, the Tuckerton Railroad and Tuckers Island along with relics from the razed 1912 German-built 820-foot Tuckerton Wireless Radio Tower.
Open June – Sept. Wed. 10 am - 4 pm, Sat. 2 pm – 4 pm.
35 Leitz Blvd. (Off Rt. 9)
Tuckerton 08087
(609) 294-1547
http://www.co.ocean.nj.us/museums/index.htm

Brandywine Shoal
Dey Mansion
A superb example of Georgian architecture, achieved national recognition as Gen. George Washington’s Revolutionary War headquarters. Open Wed. - Sun. 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. Call for tour hours.
Dey Mansion
199 Totowa Rd.
Wayne 07470
(973) 696-1776

Great Falls State Park
The Great Falls is the second-highest on the east coast, second only to Niagara Falls in New York, that thunders over a rocky ledge, 70 feet deep, about 60 feet wide to a broad basin descending 20 feet through traprock and sandstone to the City of Paterson.
McBride Ave. Extension & Spruce St.
Paterson 07501
(973) 279-9587

Hamilton-Van Wagoner House
The house represents the pioneer homesteads that once dotted what was known as “old Acquackanonk.” With its graceful gambrel roof and red sandstone, the house reflects many of the characteristics of the architecture of early New Jersey Dutch colonists.
Tue., Wed., Thur., 1 pm - 4 pm.
1st Sun. of each month 2 pm – 4 pm.
971 Valley Rd.
Clifton 07013
(973) 744-5707

Botto House/American Labor Museum
The American Labor Museum is a private, non-profit organization dedicated to perpetuating the history of the labor movement, as well as the culture and ethnicity of working people in the United States.
83 Norwood St.
Haledon 07508
(973) 595-7953
Lambert Castle
This 1892 brownstone and granite mansion was built by Catholina Lambert, a wealthy silk mill owner with facilities in Paterson. The first floor of the mansion today holds the Passaic County Historical Museum and Library, with exhibits of artwork, archives, historical artifacts and 19th century period rooms.
Open Wed - Fri 1 pm - 4 pm, Sun 1 pm - 4 pm. The museum is closed from mid Oct. to mid Dec. 3 Valley Rd.
Paterson 07503
(973) 247-0085
www.lambertcastle.org

Long Pond Ironworks Museum
In 1766, Peter Hasenclever, a German ironmaster, brought 500 ironworkers from his native country to build an ironworks. Today the ruins of three furnaces and other unique structures remain in a beautiful setting within Long Pond Ironworks Historic District. The Old Country Store now houses the Long Pond Ironworks Museum. Tours offered the 2nd weekend of each month from April - Nov. Museum hours Sat. - Sun. 1 pm - 4 pm.
1334 Greenwood Lake Turnpike
West Milford 07480
(973) 657-1688
www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/parks/longpond.html

Paterson Museum
From its location in the Great Falls District at the site of the Rogers Locomotive Factory, this museum shows the evolution of Paterson as an important industrial center in the early days of the United States. Exhibits include papers of submarine inventor John Holland, manuscripts, dyeing and weaving equipment from the silk industry, rare Colt firearms, an extensive minerals collection and contemporary art.
Open Tues. - Fri. 10 am - 4 pm, Sat. & Sun. 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm.
Thomas Rogers Building
2 Market St.
Paterson 07501
(973) 321-1260

Ringwood Manor/Ringwood State Park
The history of the Ringwood area as a center for iron mining and forging before the Revolutionary War is the central theme of this park. Visitors can tour the 51-room Ringwood Manor House, barns, stables, gardens and see the exhibits and 19th century paintings of long ago. The 44-room Skylands Manor is a stone and timber mansion constructed in the 1920s that serves as the focal point for the State Botanical Gardens.
Open throughout the year for visits and tours, call ahead for specific hours for each site. 1304 Sloatsburg Rd.
Ringwood 07456
(973) 962-7031
Church Landing Farmhouse Museum
This farmhouse is located at the site of a former ferry across the Delaware River to Wilmington, Delaware. The Pennsville Historical Society has restored the house, flower and herb gardens to show how farm life was lived at the time of the Civil War.
Open Sun. & Wed. 1 pm – 3 pm.
86 Church Landing Rd.
Pennsville 08070
(856) 678-4453
www.pvhistorical.njcool.net/museum.html

Hancock House
This 1734 house is an excellent example of an English Quaker patterned brick structure associated with this region. Members of the Hancock family were tragically involved in a Revolutionary War incident in which British troops massacred unarmed local militia and civilians in this house. Open Wed. - Sat. 10 am - Noon, Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm.
3 Front St.
Hancock's Bridge 08038
(856) 935-4373
www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/historic/hancockhouse/hancockhouse-index.htm

Fort Mott State Park
The fort was built in 1872 as part of a three-fort defense system designed for the Delaware River. The fort reflects improvements made in 1896 in anticipation of the Spanish-American War. Visitors can walk to Finns Point National Cemetery, where 2,500 Confederate prisoners of war and 300 Union soldiers are buried. Seasonal ferry service to Historic Fort Delaware is nearby. Open daily dawn to dusk.
454 Fort Mott Rd.
Pennsville 08070
(856) 935-3218

Salem County Historical Society Museum & Library
This museum was founded in 1884 and today is housed in four interconnected historic homes. The centerpiece is the 1721 Alexander Grant Mansion House. Exhibits include "Salem in the Revolutionary War," Wistarburg Glass, decorative arts, textiles, and period artifacts.
Open Tues. - Sat. Noon – 4 pm.
79-83 Market St.
Salem 08079
(856) 935-5004
www.salemcountyhistoricalsociety.com
Visitors with a keen appreciation of America's Revolutionary War history won't want to miss the annual reenactment of the Battle at Monmouth held every June at Monmouth Battlefield State Park.

The annual reenactment is one of the largest in the nation that draws 20,000 spectators a year and is based on the battle of June 28, 1778, which marked the beginning of the end of British rule over the 13 American colonies.

It involved both ground forces and artillery units that exchanged bullets and cannonballs during the daylong battle in blistering heat. Visitors will be engulfed by the realism of the reenactment that features both cannon and musket fire and authentically dressed troops camped out in the park.

In addition to the "soldiers," there are living-history camps with family members dressed in period clothing, merchants and ongoing artillery, infantry and cavalry demonstrations.

The event commemorates the period in our history when the French-Continental alliance forced the British on the defensive.

They evacuated Philadelphia and marched across New Jersey toward their base in New York City with 20,000 men and 1,500 vehicles.
General Washington moved his 15,000-man army from Valley Forge to pursue the enemy. Washington did not want to endanger the Continental Army in an all-out battle, but politics and morale required some action against the British Columns.

The British arrived in Monmouth on June 26, 1778. With the temperature nearing 100 degrees, the Red Coats were staggering from the heat and humidity. On the evening of June 27, 1778, Washington arrived at nearby Englishstown and ordered Major General Charles Lee – commander of a 5,000-man advance force – to attack the rear of the British contingent the next morning.

Lee had voted against attacking the British. He believed the British were better trained and would maul the Continentals. But Lee was unaware of the strength of the American Army. The troops had spent their time at Valley Forge training and were better organized than ever before.

Despite his reluctance, Lee was drawn into battle with the British. By mid-morning on the 28th, Lee thought he saw an opportunity to encircle the British 1,500-man rear guard. As the Continentals moved to attack, they were surprised by the rapid return of 8,000 additional British infantry and the Continental advance force began a confused retreat.

Angered by Lee’s failure, Washington ordered Lee to fight a delaying action while he organized the main Continental Army in a defensive position. Washington planned to resume the battle the next day, but the British managed to slip away during the night. Neither side emerged a clear winner, but the American forces had proven themselves as a professional fighting force.

One fabled hero to emerge from the fight was Mary Ludwig Hays, wife of Pennsylvania artilleryman William Hays. During the war, she carried water to swab out the heated cannon barrels. But when her husband collapsed from the brutal heat, she took his place at the cannon and fought on. For her brave deed, history has named her Molly Pitcher.

The Battle at Monmouth cemented Washington’s role as commander of the Revolution and proved that the American fighting man was the equal of Europe’s best soldiers.
1860 House
This 1860 mansion was once part of the 500 acre Van der Veer family farm. Today it houses the Montgomery Cultural Center, which offers environmental and cultural arts programs.
Open Tue. – Fri. 10 am - 3 pm, Sun. 1 pm - 4 pm. Closed Monday.
124 Montgomery Rd.
Montgomery 08558
(609) 921-3272
http://montgomerycenterforthearts.org is under construction

Brick Academy
In 1809 the Basking Ridge Classical School opened in this building, to prepare young men for admission to the College of New Jersey, the original name of Princeton University. Today this building is home to the Historical Society of Somerset Hills.
Open the 1st & 3rd Wed. of each month 9:30 am - Noon, or by appointment.
Museum Open Sun. 2 pm - 4 pm except summer and holidays.
15 West Oak St.
Basking Ridge 07920
(908) 221-1770

Dirck Gulick House
This 1752 home is a rare example of a Dutch built stone house in a community of frame houses. Today the home of Dirck Gulick, an original settler in the community, is the residence of the Van Harlingen Historical Society, with a comprehensive archives and research facility.
Open 4th Sat. of the month 10 am - Noon.
508 Belle Mead-Blawenburg Rd.
Montgomery 08502
(908) 359-3498

Kirch Ford House
An early 18th century vernacular dwelling, one of the oldest homes in the township. Capt. William Ford owned the house during the American Revolution. It also was the home of Thomas Terrell, first clerk of Warren Township. Visitors can see a beehive oven, a secret room and historical artifacts.
Open 2nd Sun. of the month April – Dec. 2 pm - 4 pm. Closed July.
1 Reinman Rd.
Warren Township 07059
(908) 753-8000
Blackwells Mills Canal House
Built around 1835, one of many dwellings erected for the men and women who operated the swinging bridges along the Delaware & Raritan Canal. A bridge tenders house, wooden bridge and mill site are reminders of life when the canal was the lifeline of New Jersey. Picnic tables, hiking trails and fishing.
Open sunrise to sunset.
598 Canal Rd.
Somerset 08873
(732) 873-2133
www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/parks/drcanal.html

Franklin Inn
Built circa 1752 as the home of Cornelius and Anje Van Liew. Used by Gen. Charles Cornwallis as a headquarters during the Revolutionary War. It was converted to an inn by John Wyckoff in 1829. An excellent example of 18th century Dutch architecture, now serves as a used-book store.
Open Sat. & Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm, Wed. Noon – 3 pm, tours on 2nd Sun. of each month.
2371 Amwell Rd.
Somerset 08875
(732) 873-5244
www.themeadowsfoundation.org/franklin-inn.html

Hageman Farm
Built circa 1810 with a large Victorian Italianate addition in 1865. The site also includes a 19th century Victorian bank barn, a 20th century dairy barn and a 19th century carriage house. The barns are being restored for use as a community art and program center.
205 S. Middlebush Rd.
Somerset 08875
(732) 873-8718
www.themeadowsfoundation.org/hageman.html

Van Liew-Suydam House
Located on a picturesque hilltop, the house was constructed in 1875 by Peter Suydam. It is a fine example of a Victorian-Italianate agricultural dwelling common to the eastern seaboard in the mid 19th century. It is being restored as a community center.
280 S. Middlebush Rd.
Somerset 08875
(732) 873-3417

Van Wickle House (The Meadows)
Constructed circa 1722 it is an excellent example of 18th century colonial architecture influenced by the Dutch, Flemish and English.
1289 Easton Ave.
Somerset 08873
(732) 828-7418
www.themeadowsfoundation.org/index.html

Wallace House
This Dutch-framed, Georgian dwelling was constructed in 1776. It served as Gen. Washington’s headquarters from December 1778 to June 1779 when the Continental Army was stationed at Camp Middlebrook. State historic site.
Open Wed. – Sat. 10 am -Noon & 1 pm - 4 pm, Sun. 1 pm - 4 pm. Reservations required two weeks in advance for groups of 10 or more.
71 Somerset St.
Somerville 08876
(908) 725-1015
www.somervillenj.org/bdhist.html

The Wallace House
Morristown National Historical Park
The New Jersey Brigade of 1,300 men camped a few miles south of Gen. Washington's main army camped at Jockey Hollow during the "hard winter" of 1779-1780. Washington selected this area because of its strategic location in the Watchung Mountains and since it was heavily wooded from which shelters could be constructed. Archaeological investigation in 1968 revealed a road leading to Morristown from the encampment where a number of huts were discovered. It became part of the Morristown National Historical Park in 1969.
Hardscrabble & Jockey Hollow Rds.
Bernardsville 07924
(973) 539-2016 or (973) 543-4030
www.nps.gov/morr

Old Dutch Parsonage
Built in 1751 for the Rev. John Frelinghuysen. Theological classes held here and were the beginning of Queens College, later Rutgers University. State historic site.
Open Wed. –Sat. 10 am - Noon & 1 pm - 4 pm, Sun. 1 pm - 4 pm. Reservations required two weeks in advance for groups of 10 or more people.
71 Somerset St.
Somerville 08876
(908) 725-1015
www.somervillenj.org/bdhist.html

Old Millstone Forge
Features a blacksmith shop constructed in the early 19th century.
Open Sun. 1:30 pm - 4 pm in the spring and fall, from April 1 to June 30 and the 3rd Sun. in Sept. to the last Sun. in Nov.
North River Rd.
Millstone 08535
(732) 873-2803

Relief Hose Company No. 2
Constructed in 1894, it is a well-preserved example of a High Victorian Gothic-style firehouse. Its distinctive features include a three-story tower, stained-glass windows, Art Nouveau signage and sandstone trim. In addition to its use as the fire company headquarters, it also served as a municipal building, meetinghouse and town library. It continues to be used by the fire company and was recently restored.
16 Anderson St.
Raritan 08869
(908) 806-6100

Rockingham
Headquarters of Gen. George Washington in 1783 while he attended sessions of the Continental Congress in Princeton. He wrote his "Farewell Orders to the Armies of the United States" from this house. John Harrison constructed the earliest section of the house between 1702 and 1710. Later additions were made in the 1760s by John Barren, a prosperous farmer and New Jersey Superior Court justice. State historic site.
Open Wed. – Sat., 10 am - Noon, Sun. 1 pm - 4 pm.
84 Laurel Ave.
Kingston 08528
(609) 683-7132
www.rockingham.net

Rocky Hill Community House
The house, constructed in the vernacular Federal and Greek Revival styles, is believed to have been built by Benjamin Hatwick circa 1835. It is one of the earliest surviving buildings in Rocky Hill and contains much original exterior and interiors features. It is now operated by the Rocky Hill Community Group.
62 Washington Ave. (Rt. 518)
Rocky Hill 08553
(609) 924-7445
Somerville Fire Museum
This Italianate-style building was constructed in 1888 for the West End Hose Company and was the home of the borough's first horse-drawn fire truck. The fire museum now showcases antique fire-fighting equipment and numerous pictures and citations showing the evolution of the Somerville Fire Department.
Open Sat. 10 am - Noon or by appointment.
15 N. Doughty St.
Somerville 08876
(908)-526-7098 or (908)-526-4828 (after 5 pm)
www.somervillefd.com/museum.htm

Van Derventer/Branson House (Vermeule Mansion)
Located on the site of the "Blue Hills Plantation," the house is an example of the French Second Empire and Colonial Revival styles. Constructed in the mid 19th century, the house is now home to the Fleetwood Museum of Art and Photographica.
Tours Sat. 10 am - 4 pm or by appointment, closed holidays.
614 Greenbrook Rd.
North Plainfield 07060
(908) 756-7810

Van Horne House
The house probably dates back to the mid 18th century and was extensively remodeled in the 19th and 20th centuries. The 1930s and 1940s remodeling was in the Colonial Revival style and is especially significant. It was the site of numerous important events during the Revolutionary War including a portion of the fighting during the Battle of Bound Brook. It was used at various times by Gens. Lincoln, Stirling, Lee and Cornwallis. The house is currently being restored.
Open by appointment only.
941 Main St.
Bridgewater 08807
(732) 356-8856
www.heritagetrail.org

Van Veghten House
Built in the early 1700s, this brick Dutch vernacular house served as headquarters for Quartermaster Gen. Nathaniel Green in the winter of 1778-79.
House and library open April 1- Dec. 1, the second Sat. of each month from Noon - 4 pm.
9 Van Veghten Rd. (off Finderne Ave.)
Bridgewater 08807
(908) 218-1281
home.att.net/~SomersetCountyHistoricalSociety

Washington Campground/Middlebrook Encampment.
Site of two encampments of major portions of Washington's Continental Army, early summer of 1777 and the winter of 1778-1779. First official 13-star flag was flown over Washington's troops here.
Middlebrook Rd.
Bridgewater 08807
(732) 563-0063

Washington Rock State Park
The strategic location of Washington Rock, with a 30-mile panoramic view of the Raritan Valley, made it a valuable lookout point for Gen. Washington in June of 1777 during the first Middlebrook Encampment and the Battle of Short Hills.
Washington Ave.
Green Brook 08812
(201) 915-3401

Wyckoff-Garretson House
Built circa 1730 by John Wyckoff, one of the earliest settlers in the area, with an addition in 1805 by Samuel Garretson. The house is a remarkably intact example of Dutch house framing techniques. It is being restored as a center for the interpretation of Dutch culture in Somerset County.
215 S. Middlebush Rd.
Somerset 08873
(732) 873-1792 or (732) 873-3417
Barrett House Museum
The museum is filled with artifacts and antiques showing life in the 19th century and features seasonal displays. An 1850’s kitchen garden was started during the spring by the Master Gardeners Group and is open all year on Sat. & Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm or by appointment.
173 Barrett Rd.
Highland Lakes 07422
(973) 764-8554 or (973) 764-8989

D.A.R. Elias Van Bunschooten Museum
The museum is a restored 1787 Colonial Dutch house with outbuildings that contains period furnishings and a Genealogy Library.
Open May 15 - Oct.15 Thurs. - Sat. 1 pm - 4 pm or by appointment.
1097 Rt. 23 N.
Sussex 07461
(973) 875-7634 or (973) 875-5335

Foster-Armstrong House
Listed on the National Historic Register, the house dates to c.1790 and features varied exhibits and displays of local interest.
Open Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm during the summer or by appointment.
320 River Rd.
Montague 07827
(973) 293-3106
www.montaguenj.org/march/march.htm

Franklin Mineral Museum
Features fluorescent, local and worldwide minerals. Some species are found nowhere else on earth. Other exhibits: a two-level mine replica, Native American relics and fossils. Collect rocks on an open mine tailings dump.
Open Daily April – Nov. Mon. - Fri. 10 am - 4 pm, Sat. 10 am - 5 pm, Sun. 11 am – 5 pm.
32 Evans St.
Franklin 07416
(973) 827-3481
www.franklinmineralmuseum.com
Garris Center
Restored turn-of-the-century ice-cream parlor, private residence, blacksmith shop and museum. There’s a small theatre, which is used for many events including dramatic productions. A reconstructed 1825 log cabin was relocated from Franklin Township to Waterloo Village, Byram Township where it is open to visitors on a daily basis throughout the tourist season.
Broad St.
Branchville 07826
(973) 948-6662

Monroe Stone Schoolhouse
Completely restored early 19th century one room schoolhouse.
Museum is open Memorial Day - Labor Day on the first Sun. of the month. Group tours by appointment.
3145 Rt. 94
Hardyston 07419
(973) 663-0075

Roberts Stonehouse
Located within the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. Maintained as a museum, which reflects its past use as an early schoolhouse and repository of early Montague history.
Open Sun. 1 pm – 4 pm during the summer or by appointment.
501 Rt. 206
Montague 07827
(973) 293-3106

Newton Fire Museum
Call for hours, tours by appointment.
150 Spring St.
Newton 07860
(973) 383-0396

Sterling Hill Mining Museum
New Jersey's only underground mine tour 1 - 2 hour presentation.
Open daily March 1 - Nov. 30. Tours at 1 pm or by appointment, Jan. & Feb.
30 Plant St.
Ogdensburg 07439
(973) 209-7212
www.sterlinghill.org

Sussex County Historical Society
The Society Museum includes a collection of Sussex County memorabilia and a library of local histories, genealogies, ledgers and maps.
Call for hours.
82 Main St.
Newton 07860
(973) 383-6010

Waterloo Village
Waterloo is a living history restoration nestled on the banks of the Musconetcong River. Guests can tour the Victorian homes, blacksmith shop, grist and sawmill, the re-created Lenape Indian Village and much more. A variety of music and ethnic festivals, as well as historic programs, antiques and craft shows are held annually. Parking, picnicking and food concessions are available. Group rates available. The Meeting House is available for private and corporate functions year round.
Call for details.
525 Waterloo Rd.
Stanhope 07874
(973) 347-0900
www.waterloovillage.org
Step back in time and experience America’s Victorian era realistically captured in Cape May.

The town was established in the early 1800s and billed as the “Queen of Seaside Resorts.” Cape May became a lavish and thriving community of hotels, oceanside entertainment and opulent private resort homes. A great deal of the town’s cherished architectural heritage was developed during the period.

But disaster struck in 1878, when a raging fire destroyed almost half of the city. Cape May and its residents quickly rebounded rebuilding in the Victorian architectural style of the city.

Both residents and visitors wanted to retain the city’s former grandeur. That grandeur exists today through the Victorian restoration and preservation efforts.

In 1976, Cape May was declared a National Historic Landmark City. With that designation and the work of residents and elected officials, Cape May today boasts 600 restored Victorian buildings. Travelers can visit the Emlen Physick Estate, Cape May’s only Victorian House Museum, or the Chalfonte Hotel, Cape May’s oldest operating hotel that features elaborate gingerbread trim.

Trolley and walking tours, both guided and self guided, of Cape May’s Historic District are also available and visitors can immerse themselves in Victorian history, stroll down gas-lit streets and experience the meticulously restored Victorian homes and buildings, Cape May’s unique shops and distinctive Bed & Breakfasts.

The city also hosts a spring music festival, Victorian week each October and Victorian Christmas events.

When in the Southern Shore Region, be sure to visit Bridgeton, New Jersey’s largest Historical District with more than 2,000 homes and buildings from the Colonial, Federalist and Victorian periods.
Deserted Village of Feltville
In 1845 David Felt, a paper manufacturer from New York, developed a village to manufacture stationery, pads, journals and paper products. The concept of marble paper was developed here. The development failed in 1882 and the village residents moved away. Ten buildings are under restoration, with a carriage house planned for a reopening in the spring of 2006. Grounds are open dawn to dusk.
Cataract Hollow Rd.
Berkeley Heights 07922
(908) 527-4900

Littell-Lord & Farmhouse Museum
A 1750 era cottage and an 1880 Grandmother House, stone springhouse and corncrib are the focus of this 18-acre property. The Historical Society of Berkeley Heights maintains this property.
Open: 3rd Sun. of the month, May - Oct., 2 pm – 4 pm or by appointment.
31 Horseshoe Rd.
Berkeley Heights 07922
(908) 464-0961

Dr. William Robinson Plantation-Museum
This post-medieval English-style house was built around 1690 and served as the home and office of Dr. Robinson, who performed Chirurgy or surgery. This facility is currently under renovation by the Clark Historical Society.
Open: 1st Sun. of each month, April - Dec., 1 pm – 4 pm. Call to confirm times.
593 Madison Hill Rd.
Clark 07066
(732) 381-3600

Crane-Philips House Museum
"The Little House on the Rahway" is an 1840 cottage that is a living history museum of life in the 1870s in a community on the Rahway River.
Open, Sun. Sept. - June, 2 pm – 4 pm or by appointment.
124 Union Ave. N.
Cranford 07016
(908) 276-0082

Woodruff House/Eaton Store Museum
The original 1735 Woodruff House, 1900s Eaton store, and a barn contain products and artifacts from different centuries that reveal rural life in New Jersey. The museum also features memorabilia of Hillside resident and Baseball Hall of Fame player Phil Rizzuto.
Open 3rd Sun. of each month, 2 pm – 4 pm or by appointment.
111 Conant St.
Hillside 07205
(908) 353-8828
Boxwood Hall State Historic Site
Elias Boudinot, President of the Continental Congress, lived in this 1750 house when the town was known as Elizabethtown. He later sold the house to Jonathan Dayton, the youngest signer of the Constitution. Exhibits of 18th and 19th century furniture are on display.
Open Mon. - Sat., 9 am - Noon & 1 pm – 5 pm.
1073 E. Jersey St.
Elizabeth 07207
(973) 648-4540
www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/historic/index.html

Deacon Andrew Hetfield House
The first of three stages of this historic house was constructed in 1760 for the Hetfield family. Visitors can see a Victorian era bay window, Colonial kitchen and Victorian parlor with period antiques and artifacts.
Open March - May, Sept. & Oct. on the 3rd Sun. of the month, 1 pm – 3 pm.
Constitution Plaza
Mountainside 07092
(908) 687-3636

The Saltbox Museum
The Garrison/Dickinson/Genung house represents the joining together of two separate structures in the mid 1800s. Features exhibits of living areas, clothes, utensils and historical artifacts of life in the late 1700s.
Open 1st and 3rd Sun. of each month (except Dec.), 1 pm – 3 pm, Thurs. 10 am – Noon.
1350 Springfield Ave.
New Providence 07974
(908) 665-1065

Drake House Museum
This Colonial farmhouse was built by Isaac Drake in 1741 as a wedding present for his son. Public museum with exhibits that include the Drake family bible, the original deed (1743) and Victorian life of the Harberger family that came to occupy the house.
Open Sat. 11 am – 1 pm, Sun. 2 pm – 4 pm.
602 W. Front St.
Plainfield 07060
(908) 755-5831
www.drakehousemuseum.tripod.com

Merchants & Drovers Tavern
This Federal Style tavern, built in 1795, is the only remaining 18th century stagecoach tavern in the city and one of only four in Union County. The smaller Terrill Tavern (circa 1750) serves as a museum shop. Visitors can see parlors, taprooms, bedrooms, servant quarters and period antiques representative of early tavern life in the 1820s.
Open Thurs. & Fri., 10 am – 4 pm, 1st & 3rd Sat., 10 am – 4 pm, 2nd & 4th Sun., 1 pm – 4 pm.
1632 St. Georges Ave.
Rahway 07065
(732) 381-0441
www.merchantsanddrovers.org

Roselle Park Museum
This museum exhibits the history of Roselle Park from Native American days to the present. Visitors can learn about radio station WDY and historical events from the town’s past, including the first regularly scheduled radio broadcast, Marconi’s manufacturing role in the town’s history and more.
Open Mon. 7 pm - 9 pm, Wed., 10 am – 2 pm.
9 West Grant Ave.
Roselle Park 07204
(908) 245-1776
www.rosellepark.net
Osborn Cannonball House
This 1700s white clapboard house was hit by a cannonball fired by local militia during a skirmish with British troops during the Revolutionary War. Exhibits of the restored kitchen, herb and flower gardens, guns, farm tools and period antiques. Open 1st Sun. of the month 1 pm – 4 pm (closed Jan. & Feb.), tours by appointment. 1840 Front St. Scotch Plains 07076
(908) 322-6700 x 314 weekdays, (908) 232-1199 weekends

Carter House
This 1741 cottage is believed to be the oldest existing building in Summit. The building was enlarged in the early 1800s and today is a museum and archival center. Exhibits include historic photographs, postcards, high school yearbooks, a Victorian style library, 1800s dining room, kitchen and bee hive oven. Open Tues. 9:30 am - Noon, Wed. 1:30 pm – 4 pm and by appointment. 90 Butler Parkway Summit 07901
(908) 277-1747 www.summitnjhistory.org/carter.php

Reeves-Reed Arboretum
The arboretum’s headquarters is located in the 1887 Wisner House, an excellent example of a Colonial Revival estate. The original landscape design was by noted architect Calvert Vaux. Today visitors can see the historic carriage house, a discovery center with hands on natural science exhibits and six acres of hiking trails through flowering gardens, an herb garden, day lily garden and water lily pond. Grounds are open dawn to dusk, museum hours: Mon. - Fri. 9 am – 3 pm. 65 Hobart Ave. Summit 07901
(908) 273-8787 www.reeves-reedarboretum.org

Caldwell Parsonage
This Presbyterian Church was constructed in 1782 on the grounds of the original 1730 parsonage that was burned by British troops during the Revolutionary War. During the battle that led to the burning of the church, the wife of Minister James Caldwell, "New Jersey's Fighting Parson," was shot by the British. Her death is depicted on the Union County seal. Open 3rd Sun. of each month, 2 pm – 4 pm (closed Dec. & Jan.). 909 Caldwell Ave. Union 07083
(908) 687-7977

Liberty Hall
This 50-room mansion was constructed in 1772 for William Livingston, delegate to the Continental Congress and the first Governor of the State of New Jersey. Formal gardens, a stable and three antique fire engines in the Liberty Hall Museum firehouse. Exhibits show the transformation of New Jersey from royal colony to state. Open April - Dec., Wed. - Sat. 10 am – 4 pm, Sun, Noon - 4 pm. 1003 Morris Ave. Union 07083
(908) 527-0400 www.libertyhallnj.org/index.cfm

Miller-Cory House Museum
Construction of this clapboard farmhouse began in 1740 and today is a nationally recognized living museum of 18th century farm life. Costumed artisans perform tasks associated with farm life. Visitors can see the woodshed, corncrib, gardens and visitor's center. Open 2 pm - 5 pm, Sept. - June, (Sun. 2 pm – 4 pm, Jan. & Feb.) or by appointment. 614 Mountain Ave. Westfield 07090
(908) 232-1776 www.westfieldnj.com/mc/home.htm
**Hackettstown Historical Society Museum**
This museum is located in a seven-room house built in 1915 and has exhibits of artifacts, archives and genealogical records of D.A.R. cemetery data that portray the history of Hackettstown and Warren County.
Open, Wed., Fri., Sun. 24 pm and by appointment.
106 Church St.
Hackettstown 07840
(908) 852-8797

**Hope Historical Society Museum**
The Village of Hope was founded in 1769 by members of the Moravian Church. Today the Hope Historic District preserves the historic architecture and cultural heritage of this area. Walking tours include the gristmill, community church, museum and cemetery.
Open June - Oct., Sat. 11 pm - 1 pm, Sun. 1 pm - 3 pm.
High St. (Rt. 519)
Hope 07844
(908) 459-4268
www.njskylands.com/hscollections.htm

**Millbrook Village**
This recreated 19th century village traces its start back to a gristmill in 1832 and today contains buildings that reflect the community that grew around it. Millbrook is included in the Delaware River National Recreation Area. Visitors can walk through a gristmill, sawmill, barn, wheelwright's shop, cider mill and other buildings of a northwestern New Jersey community.
Open June - Oct., Sun. 1 pm - 3 pm.
Old Mine Rd.
Hardwick 08332
(908) 841-9531
www.millbrooknj.com

**Phillipsburg Railroad Historians Museum**
This museum contains railroad memorabilia, historic photographs, equipment displays and artifacts of the time when five railroads passed through Phillipsburg. Visitors can take a ride on the miniature Centerville & Southwestern Railroad, a replica of a steam railroad train.
Open May - Sept. Sun. 10 am - 3 pm.
Cross St. & Pine Alley (off South Main St.)
Phillipsburg 08865
(908) 859-1277
www.prrh.org
Shippen Manor Museum
Georgian-style 18th century iron master's residence that was home to owners of the Oxford Iron Mines and Furnace for nearly 200 years. This was the first iron furnace in New Jersey whose iron ore was mined locally. The museum offers tours of the Colonial and Victorian décors rooms.
Open 1st & 2nd Sun. of each month, 1 pm - 4 pm except major holiday weekends. Call or check website for special events.
8 Belvidere Ave.
Oxford 07863
(908) 453-4381
www.wcchc.org/tour.htm

The Shippen Manor

Warren County Historical Learning Center
This museum contains models and displays of Warren County's history, including the impact of the Morris Canal, Shippen Manor, Oxford Furnace and the importance of the original Lenape Indians.
Visitors can walk the 1.8-mile trail along the Morris Canal towpath and see the mule barn, lock-tender's house, models of the incline plane and other canal artifacts.
Learning Center is open the 1st Sun. of each month 1 pm – 4 pm.
The park is open dawn to dusk.
Morris Canal Bread Lock Park
Mile Marker 4, Rt. 57
New Village 08808
(908) 689-7677 or (908) 453-2704

Warren County Historical Society Museum
An 1848 brick townhouse holds exhibits of Warren County artifacts, antiques and locally produced Cornish music makers. The museum offers an extensive genealogical library to visitors to the Belvidere Historical District.
Open for tours and research Sundays 2-4 pm except on major holidays.
Open for group tours or individual study by appointment.
313 Mansfield St.
Belvidere 07823
(908) 475-4246

White Township Museum
This Revolutionary era house of stone and brick construction is today furnished as a general store with general ledgers, court docket sheets, photographs, antique railroad memorabilia and local Native American artifacts.
Open June – Oct. 2nd & 4th Sun. of each month, 2 pm - 4 pm.
555A Rt. 519
Bridgeville/Belvidere 07823
(908) 689-7677 or (908) 453-2704
Visitors traveling to the Skylands Region can explore where Gen. George Washington set his headquarters and quartered his troops during the winters of 1777 and 1779-80.

On Jan. 4, 1777, immediately following the victorious Battle at Princeton, Washington decided not to attack New Brunswick where the British had retreated. Instead, he moved the army into winter quarters at Morristown. Washington and the Continental Army considered Morristown’s location a safe haven.

The Watchung Mountains and nearby swamps afforded protection for the army, there were adequate provisions and the local residents were helpful. As a result, Morris County and Morristown in particular, became known as “The Military Capital of the American Revolution.”

During the winter of 1777, Washington stayed in Arnold’s Tavern, which was on the Morristown Green. While the tavern no longer exists, the Green remains a center of tradition and activities for Morristown.

During his second winter encampment of 1779-80, Washington was housed in the massive Georgian-style Jacob Ford Mansion, which is now preserved as part of the Morristown National Historical Park, the first national historical park in America.

Close by Washington’s winter residence is Jockey Hollow, where the Continental Army camped. It too is part of the national park and contains the Wick House and farmstead and several reconstructed soldiers’ huts. At the time, Jockey Hollow had from 1,000 to 1,200 such huts to house around 12,000 troops.

Each of the huts measured 14 feet by 16 feet and housed 12 soldiers. Living conditions for the soldiers were particularly brutal during the winter of 1779-80.

Classified as the worst winter in 100 years, food was often in short supply, or nonexistent, as 26 storms between November 1779 and April 1780 slowed or blocked the delivery of food and other supplies. In some cases snowdrifts measured as high as 15 feet and there was 11 to 18 feet of ice in New York Harbor.

The Skylands Region not only offers some of the most spectacular scenery in the Northeast; it also offers a unique glimpse into New Jersey’s contribution to the American Revolution through the preserved historical sites found around the region.
Who To Contact

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Trenton, NJ 08625-0820

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Contact the office for a copy of the comprehensive New Jersey Travel Guide.

State road maps are also available.

Travelers may also contact or visit any of the 18 Welcome Centers located throughout New Jersey.

You may also call the following state agencies for information on New Jersey’s historical sites:

New Jersey Historical Society
52 Park Place
Newark, NJ 07102
973-596-8500
www.jerseyhistory.org

New Jersey Historical Commission
225 West State St.
Trenton, NJ 08625
609-292-6062
www.newjerseyhistory.org

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Parks and Forestry, Historic Preservation Office
501 East State St.
Trenton, NJ 08625
800-843-6420
www.nj.gov/dep/hpo

New Jersey Welcome Centers

Bridgewater
Somerset County Business Partnership
360 Grove St.
908-723-1552

Columbia
Knowlton Welcome Center
Interstate 80 E. Mile Marker 7
908-496-4994

Cranbury
Molly Pitcher Travel Plaza
NJ Turnpike S. Mile Marker 71.7
609-655-1610

Deepwater
Interstate 295 N. 2 miles from Delaware Memorial Bridge
856-351-0194

Elizabeth
Jersey Gardens
651 Kapkowski Rd. (Door D)
908-354-5900

Flemington
Liberty Village Premium Outlets
One Church St.
908-782-8550

Hammonton
Frank Farley Travel Plaza
Atlantic City Expressway Mile Marker 21
609-965-6316

Jackson
Jackson Premium Outlet Information Center
537 Monmouth Rd. (Exit 16 I-195)
732-833-0503 ext. 0

Jersey City
Liberty State Park
Central Railroad Terminal
NJ Turnpike Exit 14-B
201-915-3440

Montvale
Garden State Parkway Mile Marker 172 N/S
201-391-5737

Newark
Newark Liberty International Airport
Terminal B (International Arrivals)
973-623-5052
Ocean View
Garden State Parkway Mile Marker 18.3 N/S
609-624-0918

Penns Grove
John Fenwick Travel Plaza
NJ Turnpike N. Mile Marker 5.4
856-299-8246

Pleasantville
Atlantic City Visitors Welcome Center
Atlantic City Expressway Mile Marker 3.5
609-383-2727

Trenton
State House Tour Office
125 W. State St.
609-633-2709

Ridgefield
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