

Outer Banks Seafood Festival Sample Itinerary October 19 – 22, 2017

Day One, Thursday, October 19, 2017:

Depart for the <u>Outer Banks of North Carolina!</u> A 130-mile stretch of barrier islands just off the coast of North Carolina, the Outer Banks is a different kind of place. Beautifully natural, formed by centuries of wind, water and sand blown from the Atlantic Ocean, and home to a rich history, it's a place that inspires a true sense of adventure. From Duck down to Hatteras, each town and island along the banks offers a unique experience not soon forgotten.



Late afternoon/early evening arrival; check in to your oceanfront hotel.

Welcome Dinner at your hotel or local area restaurant

Day Two, Friday, October 20, 2017:

Hotel Breakfast at your leisure.

8:30am Depart the hotel for your wild horse adventure and tour of Currituck Beach Light.



9:15am Embark on your Wild Horse Adventures with Corolla Outback Adventures: See North Carolina's State Horse the Wild Spanish Mustangs of Carova. These horses have survived for centuries on these barrier islands. The only way to see them is to take a wild horse safari in a 4WD vehicle along an eleven mile long remote area covering thousands of acres between the northern end of the Outer Banks to the Virginia border. Call Kitty Hawk Kites group sales to book your tour today! 252.441. 4124 x 204 or email: group_sales@kittyhawk.com



Next stop, *Currituck Beach Lighthouse at Currituck Heritage Park*Visit the only lighthouse in North Carolina that is still housed in its original structure. Built in 1874 this lighthouse stands 158 feet tall.

Currituck Beach Lighthouse: 1101 Corolla Village Road Corolla, 27927; 252.453.8152; www.currituckbeachlight.com; cost: \$4.00 per person; contact is Meghan Agresto

Lunch and shopping on own in downtown Duck, NC. You may wonder why how the Town of Duck received its name; stop by town hall to see how this sportsman's paradise has become a family vacation hot spot.



Return to your oceanfront hotel to explore the beach and get in some rest & relaxation before dinner.

Group Dinner at one of locally owned area restaurants.

Day Three, Saturday, October 21, 2017:

Breakfast at your leisure.

9:30am Wright Brothers National Memorial, See where on a cold day in December, 1903 Wilbur and Orville Wright changed the world forever as their powered airplane, the "Wright Flyer", skimmed over the sands of the Outer Banks for 12 seconds before returning to the ground. See the flight museum which still has exhibits from the First Flight Centennial Celebration. Wright Brothers National Memorial: 1000 N. Croatan Hwy, MP 7.5 HWY 158, Kill Devil Hills, 27948; 252.441.7430





Early afternoon arrival to the Annual Outer Banks Seafood Festival

Celebrating our local fisherman and seafood heritage and our fresh, local Outer Banks seafood! Try seafood dishes from over 20 locally owned restaurants. Activities cooking demonstrations, live music all day, boat exhibits, storytelling, arts and crafts village. www.outerbanksseafood.org

Our next stop is the *Bodie Island Lighthouse*. Open for public climbing for the first time, check out the newest view a top the most picturesque lighthouse in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Completed in 1872 on the north side of Oregon Inlet near the northern border of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore, the familiar black and white horizontal striped structure was partly built of materials leftover from the construction of the newest Cape Hatteras Lighthouse. Standing 150 feet high and equipped with a first-order Fresnel lens, it flashes its 160,000 candlepower beacon 19 miles over



the ocean. **Bodie Island Lighthouse**, 8210 Bodie Island Lighthouse Road Nags Head, 27959, 252.441.5711 **Activity**: Climbing to the top of the lighthouse

Head back to the hotel to freshen up for dinner.

Group Dinner at one of locally owned area restaurants.

Day Four, Sunday, October 22, 2017:

Depart the Outer Banks for your homeport. You'll leave with lasting memories and a yearning to come back.

Other attractions, activities or events that can be considered or added to this itinerary:



THE LOST COLONY Presents A HAUNTED HISTORY TOUR: The history of our modern America began here...experience it in an entirely new way in this new interactive theatrical experience. Spring and Fall tour groups are guided on a walking tour of the grounds of the first English Colony in America which is both fun and educational! Astral Plane Investigations, led by nationally renowned paranormal psychologist Trevor Janzen, lead groups in a research expedition of The Waterside Theatre. Learn the mysteries of the island, the history of the colony and perhaps even meet the ghosts of those who lived here. This is an on-demand performance; cost is \$15 per person or \$30 per person

to include a dinner. Advance reservations are accepted. Contact: Lance Culpepper, *The Lost Colony*, Office: 252 473 2127 email: lculpepper@thelostcolony.org



Elizabethan Gardens, Stroll through the majestic Gardens, which were designed as a living memorial to Queen Elizabeth and the Lost Colony. The Gardens include a collection of Renaissance statues and Elizabethan style buildings that let you image you are back in the time of Queen Elizabeth I. Spring-time tulips lead to an ever changing palette of year-round color from hydrangeas, native plants, perennials and camellias. Elizabethan Gardens, 1141 National Park Drive, Manteo; 252.473.3234; Activity: Guide Tour with Garden expert, Tea with the Queen, offers WinterLights in December

Chicamacomico Life Saving Station, A predecessor to the US Coast Guard, Chicamacomico is one of the most complete US Lifesaving Station sites in the nation, see historic buildings and a boathouse that housed the service that was the predecessor to the United States Coast Guard. Hear the history of daring ocean rescues by brave men who dedicated their lives to the sea.

Chicamacomico Life Saving Station, 23645 NC HWY 12, Rodanthe, 27968 252-987-1552; Activity: Interpretive talks such as America's Forgotten Heroes, the men of the lifesaving station.





Cape Hatteras Lighthouse, see the tallest brick beacon on the American coast with its black and white stripes; it stands at 208 feet high. Learn the marvelous history, which includes its half-mile move in 2000 away from the ocean. Admissions to the grounds are complementary, minimal fee to climb to the top. **Cape Hatteras Lighthouse**, 46368 Lighthouse Rd Buxton, 27920, 252.995.4474; **Activity:** Climbing to the top of the lighthouse

Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum in Hatteras Village. A unique museum dedicated to preserving and interpreting the rich maritime history of the Outer Banks and the more than 2,000 known shipwrecks that rest of our coast. See cannons from Blackbeard's Queen Anne Revenge, an Enigma machine from the U-85, ship models and many other artifacts. **Graveyard of the Atlantic**, 59200 Museum Drive, Hatteras, 27943; 252-986-2995 **Activity:** Behind the scenes tour of artifacts not seen by the public.

