

*AAA Reading-Berks*

# The Outer Banks

9 Days August 17-25, 2025

*The Outer Banks of North Carolina were home to America's first colony, the Wrights' first flight, and the nation's first seashore. This adventure to the Outer Banks is filled with lighthouses, shipwrecks, and miles of sandy beaches.*

**Per Person Prices:**

**\$2,450** DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

**\$2,250** TRIPLE...**\$3,150** SINGLE

\$250 per person deposit due with reservation

Final Payment due by June 26, 2025

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**Tour Highlights:**

- Wright Brothers Memorial
- Guided Lighthouses Tour
  - Bodie Island Lighthouse and Roanoke Marshes Lighthouse
- Roanoke Maritime Museum
- Lost Colony Outdoor Drama
- Corolla Wild Horse Tour
- Currituck Beach Lighthouse
- Free Time for the Beach or Shopping
- Wilmington Movie Tour
- Alabama Theatre Show
- Dolphin Cruise
- Carolina Opry Performance
- Eight Nights Lodging
- Eight Breakfasts & Five Dinners
- All Taxes and Tips on above services
- Luggage Handling (as available)
- Motorcoach Transportation & Driver's Gratuity



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**Day 1 – Rocky Mount, NC** – Today, travel takes you to Rocky Mount, NC for an overnight stay. Dinner is included this evening at a local restaurant.

**Day 2 – Wright Brothers Memorial – Nags Head, NC** – Arrive today in the Outer Banks, NC. Today will include a visit to the Wright Brothers Memorial. Wind, sand, and a dream of flight brought Wilbur and Orville Wright to Kitty Hawk, North Carolina where, after four years of scientific experimentation, they achieved the first successful airplane flights on December 17, 1903.

Then check into your Nags Head hotel for a three night stay. The rest of the afternoon is yours to enjoy the beach or relax at the hotel. Dinner is included this evening at a local restaurant. **(B,D)**

**Day 3 – Guided Lighthouse Tour – Bodie Island Lighthouse – Roanoke Marshes Lighthouse – Roanoke Maritime Museum – Lost Colony Outdoor Drama** – After breakfast, meet your local guide for a tour of area lighthouses. Start at the Bodie Island Lighthouse. Tucked away between tall pine trees and freshwater marshland, the Bodie Island Light presents anything but a typical lighthouse setting. Though not as well-known as its neighbors, it remains an important part of local history. Every evening, amidst the water towers and blinking radio antennae of modern development, its powerful light beams out across the darkening waves, keeping silent watch over the treacherous waters known as the “Graveyard of the Atlantic.” You can get some beautiful pictures and explore the grounds a bit. Stop at the visitor’s center then follow the path to the Bodie Light then follow a boardwalk to a wildlife observation deck on the edge of a freshwater pond to vie waterfowl and wading birds.

Next, visit The Roanoke Marshes lighthouse, one of the most overlooked of the Outer Banks lighthouses, simply because of its small stature, limited visibility and remote location tucked away at the quiet east end of the Manteo waterfront. Don't forget to bring your camera. This lighthouse's location jettied out into the water on the outskirts of the busy waterfront provides some exceptional photo opportunities.

The afternoon includes a visit to the Roanoke Maritime Museum. The Museum is a working boat shop where volunteers and staff take on projects including small craft restoration, exhibit design, and new boat construction. The Boathouse was the site of construction for the Elizabeth II, a replica of the ships said to have brought the famous Lost Colony to Roanoke Island in 1587. The museum has a number of small watercraft on display representing the region's maritime heritage.

Tonight, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant before a performance of the Lost Colony Drama. Millions have seen the compelling story that celebrates the 117 English men, women, and children whose dream still lives on in this American original celebrating the discovery of a new world. **(B, D)**

**Day 4 - Corolla Wild Horses Tour – Currituck Beach Lighthouse – Free Evening** - Today, enjoy a Wild Horse Tour. On this narrated tour, you will learn the history of the Wild Horses and details about the area. You will travel behind the dunes to the neighborhoods where the wild horses graze. There are usually three to six horses per grouping and they can be seen out grazing or cooling off by the water.

Next, visit The Currituck Beach Lighthouse, known as a first order lighthouse, which means it has the largest of seven Fresnel lens sizes. The red-brick lighthouse towers above the northern Outer Banks landscape in the historic Corolla Village. Climb the winding staircase, 220 steps in all, to the top of the lighthouse for a panoramic view of Currituck Sound, the Atlantic Ocean and the Currituck Outer Banks.

The rest of the day is your to explore the area on your own or beach time. Dinner is on your own this evening. **(B)**

**Day 5 – A Walk To Remember Tour – Wilmington, NC** – Depart the Outer Banks today and stop in New Bern, NC for a “A Walk To Remember Tour”. Your step on guide will point out each sight that is featured on the tour and in the Nicholas Sparks books. Soak up the ambiance and with your imagination put yourself into the pages that made you want to explore New Bern, NC. End the day in Wilmington, NC for an overnight stay at a local hotel. Dinner is on your own this evening. **(B)**

**Day 6 - Wilmington Movie Tour – Myrtle Beach, SC – Alabama Theatre** – Today, join one of Hollywood's East most entertaining directors on a movie TV extravaganza! Enjoy one of America's largest living film sets in Wilmington, NC! See real locations and actual sets from some of Wilmington's biggest movies and TV shows such as Dawson's Creek, One Tree Hill, Blue Velvet, A Walk to Remember, Fire Starter and More! This 90 minute fun filled walking tour will have you laughing and crying and right on que!

Following the tour, depart for Myrtle Beach, SC and check into your hotel for a two-night stay. Tonight, enjoy dinner and a show at the Alabama Theatre. One of the Grand Strand's favorite entertainment attractions, Alabama Theatre offers area visitors an evening of singing, dancing, and comedy. **(B, D)**

**Day 7 - Dolphin Cruise – Free Afternoon – Carolina Opry Performance** – This morning, enjoy a Dolphin Cruise. This tour encompasses three distinct experiences starting with a narrated cruise up the Intracoastal waterway. Then picking up speed and passing several uninhabited islands as well as the jetty heading out into the ocean. The second part of the tour is heading into the ocean to find and view the dolphins, and the third part is picking up speed to view the beautiful coastline. This could possibly be a wet ride so dress accordingly.

The afternoon is yours for shopping, sightseeing or beach time. This evening, enjoy dinner at Benjamin’s followed by a show at the Carolina Opry. This award-winning show blends two hours of high-energy music, comedy and dance in a luxurious theater complete with state-of-the-art lighting, sound and special effects. **(B, D)**

**Day 8 - Rocky Mount, NC** – Enjoy some last-minute free time this morning, before departing for Rocky Mount, NC. Enjoy an overnight stay at a local hotel and free time for dinner on your own. **(B)**

**Day 9 - Depart for home** – After breakfast at the hotel, depart for home with memories of The Outer Banks. **(B)**

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