



# North Carolina's Outer Banks

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Discover the windswept beauty of North Carolina's Outer Banks — a 100-mile string of barrier islands where wild beaches, maritime heritage, and centuries of legend meet. This enriching journey traces the story of America's first explorers, aviation pioneers, and coastal communities shaped by sea and sand. You'll visit storied lighthouses, stroll historic harbors, and stand where mystery and history converge at the site of the Lost Colony.

Traveling aboard Globe Treks' spacious motorcoach, enjoy panoramic windows, comfortable seating, and the company of like-minded travelers. From the windswept dunes of Corolla to the calm waters of Beaufort, this journey blends relaxation, discovery, and the timeless beauty of the Carolina coast.

## TOUR INCLUDES

- Local home pick-up service and luggage handling
- Fully escorted by Globe Treks tour manager
- All meals, attractions, guides, and activities
- Three nights at the Holiday Inn Express Nags Head Oceanfront
- Three nights at the Beaufort Hotel
- Corolla wild horses and the Whalehead Club
- Wright Brothers National Memorial
- The Lost Colony, Elizabeth II replica, and Fort Raleigh National Historic Site
- Historic Beaufort, NC Maritime Museum, and Core Sound Waterfowl Museum
- Bodie Island, Hatteras, and Currituck Beach lighthouses
- Ocracoke Island, British Cemetery, and Ocracoke Lighthouse
- Dolphin and wildlife cruise near Rachel Carson National Wildlife Refuge
- Fresh local seafood and classic coastal cuisine
- Deluxe Globe Treks private motor coach with onboard refreshments

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# North Carolina's Outer Banks: **Day by Day**

## **Day 1: Scenic Journey to the Outer Banks**

Your adventure begins as we greet you right at your doorstep. Enjoy a continental breakfast en route as we travel eastward toward the sea. After a picnic lunch, the landscape opens to the Intracoastal Waterway and Croatan Sound. In Manteo, explore the Fort Raleigh National Historic Site and learn about the "Lost Colony." Visit the Elizabeth II, a full-scale replica of a 16th-century sailing ship. By late afternoon, arrive at the Holiday Inn Express Nags Head Oceanfront, your home for three nights. Settle into your ocean-view room and breathe in the salt air.

## **Day 2: Corolla's Wild Horses and Coastal Treasures**

Rise early for a stroll along the beach before breakfast. We'll travel north to Corolla, where custom 4x4 vehicles take us across the sands to see the wild Spanish mustangs, descendants of horses brought by explorers over 400 years ago. Visit the Currituck Beach Lighthouse and the Whalehead Club, a restored 1920s art nouveau mansion. This afternoon, stand on the hilltop at Wright Brothers National Memorial in Kill Devil Hills, where Orville and Wilbur achieved the first powered flight in 1903. The rest of the day is yours to relax before a dinner.

## **Day 3: Lighthouses, Legends and Hatteras Island**

This morning, we head south, stopping first at Bodie Island Lighthouse before crossing Oregon Inlet to Hatteras Island. Journey along the scenic Cape Hatteras National Seashore, where windswept dunes and sea oats stretch to the horizon. Visit the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse, the tallest brick lighthouse in the United States, and the historic Chicamacomico Lifesaving Station, where "surfmens" once braved storms to rescue mariners at sea. After lunch at Diamond Shoals, explore the Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum, which chronicles shipwrecks and the maritime lore of the Outer Banks. Return to Nags Head by evening and enjoy a dinner at one of the area's favorite seafood restaurants.

## **Day 4: Ocracoke Island & Arrival in Beaufort**

After breakfast, we travel south where a ferry carries us to Ocracoke Island, once frequented by pirates, including Blackbeard. We'll enjoy lunch on the island and explore by golf cart, winding through lanes shaded by live oaks. Visit the British Cemetery, a resting place for World War II sailors lost protecting the U.S. coast, and the Ocracoke Lighthouse, the state's oldest operating light. By late afternoon, we board a second ferry for the mainland and continue to Beaufort, where the Beaufort Hotel welcomes us for a three-night stay. With its serene waterfront setting, this boutique retreat offers the perfect base for exploring the Crystal Coast. Tonight, dine at the hotel's acclaimed 34° North Restaurant.

## **Day 5: Harkers Island & Cape Lookout National Seashore**

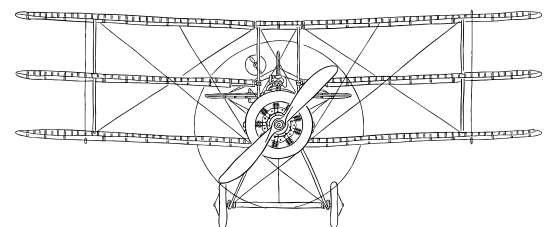
After breakfast, cross the sound to Harkers Island, a proud fishing community where craftsmanship and tradition endure. Visit the Core Sound Waterfowl Museum and Heritage Center, which celebrates the artistry of local decoy carvers and the lives of generations who've worked these waters. Following lunch, we continue to Cape Lookout National Seashore, traveling by small shuttle trucks across shifting dunes and shimmering tide pools. Marvel at the 163-foot Cape Lookout Lighthouse, its black-and-white diamond pattern gleaming against the sky. Stroll along the shell-strewn beach and take in the pristine beauty of this protected shoreline. Before returning to Beaufort, stop at the Bonehenge Whale Center, where marine biologists preserve and display the skeletons of North Carolina's great ocean mammals. Dinner this evening is at another fine Beaufort restaurant overlooking the harbor.

## **Day 6: Exploring Beaufort's Maritime Legacy**

Awaken to the scent of salt air and enjoy breakfast overlooking the water. A double-decker bus tour led by a local historian reveals Beaufort's maritime past — tales of sea captains, shipwrights, and storms that shaped this seafaring town. Later, step aboard a wildlife and dolphin cruise through the Rachel Carson Reserve, where wild horses graze and pelicans glide across tranquil waters. Visit the North Carolina Maritime Museum, home to relics recovered from Blackbeard's flagship, Queen Anne's Revenge, and enjoy free time to browse the town's boutiques or stroll its scenic waterfront. This evening, gather for a final dinner in one of Beaufort's celebrated restaurants, raising a toast to the coast and to friendships formed along the way.

## **Day 7: Homeward Bound**

We say goodbye to the coast and begin our scenic return to the mountains. As the salt air fades behind us, the stories of wild horses, lighthouses, colonial towns, and maritime legends linger—an unforgettable journey along North Carolina's coast.



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