

*NOT REQUIRED

EXPERIENCE THIS UNIQUE NEWPORT TOUR...

First you will meet Mrs. Caroline Astor, the Grande Dame of Newport and New York Society and the head of "The 400." Her ballroom could only accommodate 400 guests; therefore, no one else was worth knowing in society. Mrs. Astor will give the group a 19th Century Newport city tour.

Next you will visit Marble House, the "Summer Cottage" of Mrs. Alva Vanderbilt. It is a social and architectural landmark of Newport society. Mrs. Vanderbilt was one of the newest additions to Mrs. Astor's "400" and her daughter, Consuelo, married the British Duke of Marlborough of Blenheim Palace, north of Downton Abbey.

Savor lunch at either Johnny's Restaurant, in the upscale casual venue of the Wyndham Newport Hotel, or at the historic La Forge Casino Restaurant on Bellevue Avenue overlooking grass courts where Gilded Age society played croquet and tennis.

Options

- After lunch, Mrs. Astor's talk *Breaking the Rules* of Gilded Age Society.
- After lunch, a re-creation of a Gilded Age Cotillion with live music and easy dance steps.
- Throughout lunch, the interactive Gilded Age Murder Mystery performed by the local Marley Bridges Theatre Company.
- Shopping along Bellevue Avenue whose boutiques were estblished in the late 1800s expressly for the mansion owners.
- Harbor cruise, with entertaining narration, aboard *Gansett*.



OPTIONAL ADD-ONS

- Opulent Dining Experience
- Overnight Accommodations at an Area Hotel

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