The Outer Banks' BUCKET LIST



- __ 1. Climb Cape Hatteras Lighthouse
- 2. Drive America's First Beach, 4x4 or HWY 12
- 3. Visit the Wright Brother's Memorial
- ___ 4. Eat local seafood
- 5. Watch a Lost Colony performance
- ___ 6. Reel in a fish or teach someone else how
- __ 7. Go shelling
- __ 8. Catch a sunrise by the ocean
- __ 9. Pull up a crab pot or shrimping net
- ___ 10. Play a round of golf or mini-golf
- ___ 11. Go Ghost Crab hunting at night
- ___ 12. Sample local Kill Devil Rum
- 13. Pitch a tent at one of our NPS campsites
- 14. Grab binoculars and birdwatch at Pea Island Wildlife Refuge
- 15. Watch an episode of Wicked Tuna: OBX
- ___ 16. Try a new watersport
- 17. Visit N.E.S.T. sea turtle exhibit at Roanoke Island Aquarium
- ___ 18. Fly a kite
- 19. Make or buy beach art from funky beachfinds or in a local studio
- 20. Read a novel (extra points if it's about the OBX or from an OBX author)
- 21. Take your pet to the water
- 22. Tag along on a tour of the Alligator River and see a black bear
- 23. Hear Red Wolves howling
- 24. Set foot on the Elizabeth II ship replica at Roanoke Island Festival Park
- 25. Get an aerial view of the islands in an airplane, helicopter, or biplane
- 26. Spend a week in a vacation rental home
- 27. Awe at a sunset over the sound
- 28. Attend an apparatus Drill at Chicamacomico Lifesaving Station
- 29. Step back in time to a living history site at Island Farm
- ___ 30. Get lost in the lush greenery at Elizabethan Gardens
- ___ 31. Watch *Nights in Rodanthe* and look for the famous house

- 32. Take a selfie with three lighthouses: Roanoke Island, Bodie Island and Cape Hatteras
- 33. Hop on a ferry for the day
- 34. Enjoy a family style seafood boil
- 35. Sled or run down Jockey's Ridge sand dunes
- 36. Learn about our 2,000+ shipwrecks at the Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum
- 37. Spend happy hour on a pier or a waterside restaurant
- 38. Shop boutique stores along Duck Boardwalk, Nags Head Outlets or other numerous shops
- 39. Pick a bike path and ride your beach cruiser alongside the marshes
- ___ 40. Relax with a facial or body massage
- ___ 41. Recycle bottles, cans and bags to keep the beaches clean
- ___ 42. Sample ALL flavors of fudge & salt-water taffy
- ___ 43. Rent a jet ski or jet pack for a few hours
- ___ 44. Ride a horse alongside the shore
 - 45. Charter a sailboat
- 46. Visit Cape Point
- __ 47. Do yoga by the water
- ___ 48. Attend a local event, music festival or artist showcase
- 49. Talk like a pirate
- 50. Build a sandcastle
- 51. Grill out
- 52. Make an OBX music playlist
- 53. Go phone free for one day
- 54. Explore a new town or village...we have 15
- __ 55. Teach someone else a new skill (ex. how to fish, fly a kite, tie a boat knot)
 - 56. Chill out on a hammock
- 57. Take flight at the birthplace of aviation and sign up for hang gliding lessons
 - 58. Brush up on beach fire rules and host your own
 - 59. Drive across the new bridge over Oregon Inlet
- 60. Become a keeper of heritage at Frisco Native
 American Museum & Natural History Center

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WELCOME CENTERS



Aycock Brown Welcome Center

Located on the bypass at Milepost 1 in Kitty Hawk (just south of Home Depot), the center provides information on attractions, events and directions. The center also offers restrooms and a picnic area. Rest areas are open 365 days a year; welcome center is open 363 (closed Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day), from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (877) 629-4386. The center opened in 1984, dedicated to Mr. Aycock Brown, who in 1952 became the first director of the Dare County Tourism Bureau. Adjoining this welcome center is the Icarus Monument to a Century of Flight.

Sarah Owens Welcome Center

This conveniently located center provides information on attractions, events and directions. The center also offers restrooms and a picnic area. Rest areas are open 365 days a year; welcome center is open 363 days (closed Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day), from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Convenient, drive-up waste-dump station available 24 hours. One Visitors Center Circle, Manteo. (877) 629-4386 or (252) 473-2138. This center is a Civil War Trail Site, at the foot of the Virginia Dare Bridge, the longest bridge in this state at 5.3 miles on Hwy 64. This facility was custom built in 2002 for welcoming our visitors and is currently home to our administrative offices. A stop here will have you marveling over the architecture, browsing our official apparel gift line, relaxing in the picnic area, or taking a stroll along the boardwalk toward the Croatan Sound.

Whalebone Welcome Center

The center provides information on attractions, events and directions. The center also offers restrooms and a picnic area. Rest areas are open 365 days a year; welcome center is open 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. March - December. Closed Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. (877) 629-4386. This center is the start of the Outer Banks Scenic Byway into the Cape Hatteras National Seashore where Hwy 64 meets Hwy 12. Our Visitors Bureau is in partnership with the National Park Service at this facility operating out of a small wooden kiosk structure on the grounds. NPS passport book stamp available.

U.S. Weather Bureau Station/Hatteras Welcome Center

The center provides information on attractions, events and directions. The center, built in 1901, is housed in the first U.S. Weather Bureau Station in the village of Hatteras in partnership with the National Park Service. The station played a key role in the nation's developing meteorological network, and endured some of the worst storms of the 20th century until decommissioned in 1946. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. March-November. Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas Day. 57190 Kohler Road, Hatteras Village. (877) 629-4386 or (252) 986-2203.