

Explore Our History to Find Treasures of Your Past

When you embark on the Historic Albemarle Tour (HAT), a self-guided driving tour that winds through the Northeast North Carolina counties, you encounter the treasures of our history book that teach us volumes about the present.

The tale of this ancient region is the story of America. It's a story of growth and change...of wilderness walks and uncharted horizons...a multidimensional microcosm of the American experience that enhances a sense of place. It illuminates who we are, where we came from and where we're going.

Since 1975, this heritage trail has attracted thousands of visitors, school children, and educators to the region to follow in the footsteps of indians and colonists, soldiers and slaves, sea captains and pirates.

Now we invite you to explore well over 400 years of American history. You'll find tours and activities designed to educate and stimulate explorers of all ages. Interactive exhibits, hands-on activities, living history, and interpretive events await you!

In this field trip / group tour guide, you will find general information designed to help you plan your voyage to Northeast North Carolina.

Visit our companion web site at www.historicalbemarletour.org. You will find more detailed information on each site, as well as other resources that you can use in preparation for your visit. We look forward to seeing you on the HAT!

PLANNING & SCHEDULING YOUR VISIT

Contact the HAT site you wish to visit by phone, email or letter. We suggest that you contact the site at least one month prior to your visit.

Please have the following information when you call:

- Name of your school or organization
- Contact person
- Phone number and address
- Date of your visit and arrival time
- Number attending, and chaperones if party is a student group
- Ages of participants, grade level and/or ages of children
- Picnic and dining requests if applicable

PREPARING FOR YOUR VISIT

Many of the tours, activities, and demonstrations occur outdoors at HAT sites. Everyone should dress accordingly. Inclement weather may force cancellation of some activities, and HAT sites will make every effort to offer alternative indoor activities. Ask the site for their inclement weather plan prior to your visit.

Groups should be prepared for walking and standing during their visit, and we recommend that everyone wear comfortable shoes.

Picnic areas and dining are available at some of the sites. You should make advance arrangements if dining at a local restaurant. Picnic areas, where available, are on a first-come, first-served basis, unless the site accepts reservations. Please check with the site for specific information about picnic and dining areas.

DURING YOUR VISIT

- Please keep your group together unless otherwise instructed.
- Please do not allow students to touch artifacts.
- Student behavior is the responsibility of teachers and chaperones.
- The information in this Guide is accurate as of Spring 2011. Individual HAT sites may have site-specific rules or have revised policies since publication. Please be sure to ask when scheduling your visit.

Site Curriculum Cross Reference

Native American

Aurora Fossil Museum
Frisco Native American
Museum & Natural
History Center
Historic Elizabeth City
Historic Murfreesboro
Roanoke Island Festival Park



Early Settlement & Colonial Era

Elizabethan Gardens
Historic Bath
Historic Edenton
Historic Elizabeth City
Historic Halifax
Historic Hertford
Roanoke Island Festival Park
Stonewall Manor



Antebellum & Civil War

Historic Bath
Historic Edenton
Historic Elizabeth City
Historic Hertford
Historic Jackson
Historic Murfreesboro
Historic Plymouth
Historic Tarboro
Historic Williamston
Historic Windsor
Hope Plantation
Roanoke Island Festival Park
Somerset Place State Historic Site
Stonewall Manor



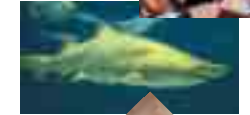
Maritime Heritage

Aurora Fossil Museum
Chicamacomico Lifesaving Station
Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum
Historic Bath
Historic Columbia
Historic Corolla
Historic Elizabeth City
Historic Murfreesboro
Historic Ocracoke
Historic Plymouth
Island Farm
Mattamuskeet Lodge
NC Aquarium on
Roanoke Island
Roanoke Island
Festival Park



Natural History

Aurora Fossil Museum
Belhaven Memorial Museum
Eastern 4-H Center
Elizabethan Gardens
Frisco Native American
Museum & Natural
History Center
Historic Columbia
Historic Edenton
Historic Hertford
Historic Plymouth
Historic Washington
Mattamuskeet Lodge
NC Aquarium on Roanoke Island



Arts & Crafts

Historic Elizabeth City
Pocosin Arts Folk School

Online Resources

In addition to the websites listed for each HAT member in this directory, there are a number of other online resources designed to help you in the classroom and to help you plan your field trip or tour.

www.visitnenc.com

Order a free travel planning guide specific to the 16-county Northeast North Carolina region.

www.ncdcr.gov

Cultural Resources serves more than 19 million people annually through three major areas: The Arts, The State Library of North Carolina and Archives and History.

www.visitnc.com

Features a complete listing of the area's lodging, dining, and attractions from the North Carolina Division of Tourism. Order a free NC Travel Guide.

www.coasthost-nc.com

In-depth information web site about the North Carolina Coast, including articles, resources, and contact information.

www.ncdot.com

Connecting people and places in North Carolina - Safely and efficiently, with accountability and environmental sensitivity.

www.ncdot.org/ferry

The North Carolina Department of Transportation Ferry Division provides safe, cost-effective and dependable service for the traveling public.

www.nps.gov

Official web site of the US National Park Service with travel information on Cape Hatteras, Fort Raleigh, and other NPS sites.

<http://ils.unc.edu/parkproject/ncparks.html>

Official web site of the North Carolina State Park System.

www.learnnc.org

LEARN NC, a program of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Education, finds the most innovative and successful practices in K-12 education and makes them available to the teachers and students of North Carolina.

www.dpi.state.nc.us

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction web site.

www.itpi.dpi.state.nc.us/connectusa/ncweb.html

Comprehensive directory of online North Carolina education resources from NCDPI.

<http://ncmuseumofhistory.org>

The North Carolina Museum of History web site with educational resources.

And don't forget to visit the Historic Albemarle Tour (HAT) sites online at www.historicalbemarletour.org.

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