

GROUP TRAVEL

We can accommodate groups of any size, including intimate groups.

Cape May's African American Heritage



9:30AM: Underground Railroad Trolley Tour

Few people know the part that Cape May played in the Underground Railroad. Nor do many know about Harriet Tubman's presence here in the early 1850s. Join our guide on a trolley tour of the places where escaped slaves sought refuge and continued their journeys to freedom. Hear the stories and visit some of the places connected with the Underground Railroad, including: a tour through the Owen Coachman house; a walk in a historic cemetery where our earliest free Black settlers are buried; and a glimpse of the summer home of Stephen Smith, a leading businessman, abolitionist and unsung hero of the Underground Railroad. Learn how Harriet Tubman earned money to fund her work in Cape May.

Co-sponsored by the Center for Community Arts and MAC.



12Noon: Lunch at Congress Hall

Enjoy a delicious lunch at the Blue Pig Tavern located in historic Congress Hall Hotel. Beloved by locals and visitors alike, there is no better place to enjoy classic American comfort food. Executive Chef Jeremy Einhorn has implemented a delicious farm-to-table menu featuring fresh produce, herbs and eggs from their very own Beach Plum Farm, located less than two miles from the restaurant!



1:30PM: Cape May's African American History Lecture

Center for Community Arts presents a PowerPoint tour of Cape May's once-thriving African American business community. Until the 1970s, about 60 businesses were Black-owned: restaurants, boarding houses and hotels, auto mechanics and more. Your group will learn about the long history of African Americans in Cape May County as well as about the prominent leaders of the community and distinguished visitors.



2:30PM: Congress Hall Hotel Tour

Congress Hall has created the perfect way to learn about this seaside resort's 200-year history: a living history tour led by none other than "Annie Knight," who owned the hotel from 1904 to 1931. The tour features a 45-minute walking tour through the halls, basement and lawn of the grand hotel.



3:15PM: Free Time on the Washington Street Mall

Visit downtown Cape May and spend some time walking the beautiful Victorian streets, shopping at the Washington Street Mall or just strolling the beachfront.

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