

? Historians will relish the mysteries of "The Lost Colony."

Fort Raleigh National Historic Site preserves the location of the first English settlement in North America. In 1584, Sir Walter Raleigh's explorers settled here – and then disappeared. What became of them? That remains an unsolved mystery – only the word 'Croatan' carved on a tree was ever found of "The Lost Colony."

The first child of English parents born in North America was born here, and she was named Virginia Dare (born August 18, 1587).

History buffs and gardening lovers will enjoy the Elizabethan Gardens and the Fort Raleigh National Historic Site, named after Sir Walter Raleigh.

Enjoy *The Lost Colony*, America's oldest outdoor drama, playing nightly June through August in Manteo. (252) 473-3414.

Entry fees for the gardens are \$8 for adults, children 5 and under are free. No entrance fees are charged to enter the Ft. Raleigh Historic Site.

From the North via Norfolk, VA take US-168 South or US-17 South to US158 East to US-64/264 West. Both are located on Roanoke Island, 3 Miles north of the town of Manteo, NC.

Relive the magic of the First Flight.

Wilbur and Orville Wright made the world's first controlled powered flight here, in 1903.

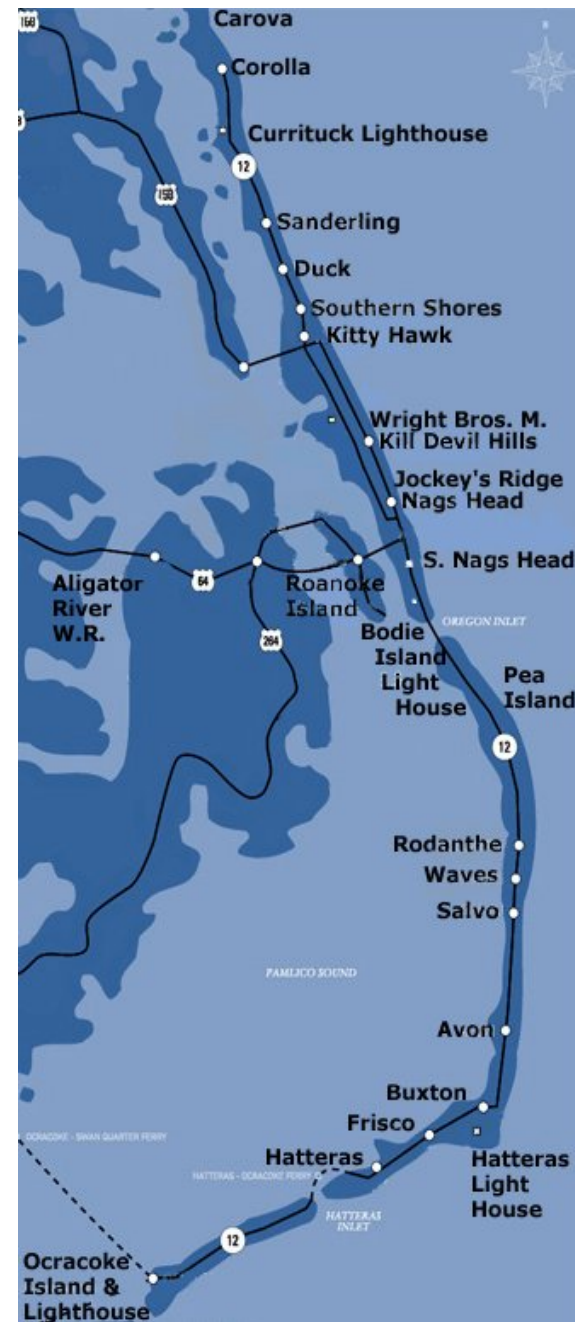
The Wright Brothers National Memorial Visitor Center features models and actual tools and machines used by the Wright Brothers on their flight experiments. In one wing of the Visitor Center, there is a life size replica of the Wright Brothers' glider. The site is also listed on the National Register of Historic Places as a National Historic Landmark.

Free programs are offered from June 11 to Labor Day, and include Ranger guided activities such as building and flying a kite or paper airplane.

Call the Visitor Center (252) 928-4531 for a complete schedule or check the website www.nps.gov/wrbr

Entrance Fees: \$4 per person - valid for 7 days. Those 16 and under are free.

Located at US 158 Bypass, Kill Devil Hills, Milepost 8.



Explore the other Outer Banks - history, pirates, wildlife and more.



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Lighthouses

The Outer Banks has **four** historic and operating lighthouses for you to explore.

Lighthouse lovers will be thrilled!

Lighthouses are listed in order from north to south.

	Currituck Lighthouse Hwy 12 in Corolla, NC. Open from Easter - Thanksgiving. Admission: \$6, children under 7 free.
	Bodie Island Lighthouse Hwy. 12 at Milepost 27, south of Nags Head. No climbing, free admission to park.
	Hatteras Lighthouse Hwy. 12, Hatteras. Open Easter - Columbus Day. Admission: \$3.00 Children and Seniors, \$6.00 Adults.
	Ocracoke Island Light Ocracoke Island. The second oldest lighthouse in the U.S. No climbing, free admission to grounds. Hwy. 12 to Hatteras, free ferry. Drive 12 miles south on the continuation of NC 12 into the village of Ocracoke.

Go fly a kite!

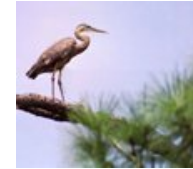
Fly a kite – or go hang-gliding – on the largest sand dune on the east coast - Jockey's Ridge. Watching the sunset from Jockey's Ridge is something that everyone should do at least once.

Many free programs are offered, such as Seine the Sound, Crabby Clinic, Kayaking, Birding on the Sound and Go Fly a Kite. See the online calendar at www.jockeysridgestatepark.com For reservations, please call the park office at 252.441.2588.

The entrance to Jockey's Ridge State Park, Carolista Drive, is on the Hwy 158 Bypass, in Nags Head.



Where the wild things are



Pea Island Refuge

Over 265 bird species call the peaceful salt marshes of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore home.

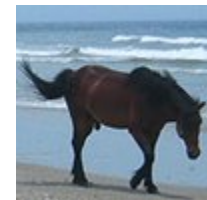
This 5,915-acre natural habitat hosts a large diversity of waterfowl such as Snow Geese, Tundra Swans, Bald Eagles and Peregrine Falcons. Free programs include birding walks. Hwy. 12, south of Nags Head and north of Rodanthe



Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge

Red wolves, black bears, alligators, and more inhabit the 152,000 acres of wetlands.

Free programs include howling with the red wolves and birding walks. From Nags Head, US 158 to US 64 west, go across three bridges, turn left into the refuge at sign.



The wild horses are often seen on the 12 mile long Carova beach. Drive a 4WD vehicle onto the beach north of Corolla. No facilities. Free.



Pirates & Shipwrecks

Would be pirates will thrill to see several visible shipwrecks. Famous shipwrecks include the U.S.S. Monitor, and the Oriental, which was the first naval engagement of the Civil War. Ghost Fleet maps show the locations.

You can learn more at the Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum in Hatteras. A public, non-profit, educational institution, the Museum is dedicated to shipwrecks from 1524 - 1945. It is located in on Hwy. 12, Hatteras Village, on Coast Guard Road.

Or hunt for Blackbeard's treasure – he was beheaded on Ocracoke Island, and some say that's where his treasure is too. His flagship, the *Queen Anne's Revenge* was discovered off the coast of Morehead City in 1996. Over 2,000 artifacts have been recovered to date.



Blackbeard's flag – the Jolly Roger - shows a horned skeleton holding an hourglass and threatening a bleeding heart with a spear.