



**Saturday, September 22, 2018**

## **WILMINGTON DAY TRIP**

<https://www.wilmingtonandbeaches.com/wilmington-history/>

This is a full day trip with your choice of places to photograph (a 2 hour morning slot and a 3 hour afternoon slot) and lunch with photo friends!

*Wilmington is one Southern destination with something for everyone. Explore the city's National Register Historic District, which spans 230-plus blocks of churches, classic architecture, moss-draped live oaks, brick-lined streets and antebellum homes. Enjoy live music, performing arts and museum exhibitions. Visit Airlie Gardens or stroll along the pedestrian-friendly Riverwalk lined with shops and cafes and the Port City Marina. Then hop aboard a water taxi to the famous World War II Battleship NORTH CAROLINA or take a scenic cruise or sightseeing tour.*

**PHOTOGRAPHIC PURPOSE(S):** Travel photography right in our own backyard!

**Resources/Ideas to Consider:** [4 Simple Tips for Beginners](#)  
[Inspiration for Photos in Wilmington](#)  
[Check out this one](#)

**Date:** Saturday, September 22, 2018

**Time:** 6:45 a.m. Arrival time at James City Food Lion if you wish to carpool  
7:00 a.m. Departure from James City Food Lion  
7:00- 9:00 a.m. Travel time to Wilmington  
9:00 - 11:00 a.m. Choice of Activities - See the included handout  
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch on the Riverwalk  
1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Choice of Activities - See the included handout  
4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Travel time to New Bern

**Notes:** Please read over the informational handout to help you decide what you will photograph: you will need to choose a location (1 of 5) for the morning session and a location (1 of 5) for the afternoon session. We'll try to make groups based on the interests you select and try to ensure that no one has to travel throughout the city alone.

**Items You May Want to Bring:** This will vary for everyone . . . camera, lenses, filters of choice. Flash (?) Tripod or not - - -If you have questions, make a comment and we'll get back to you

**[SIGN UP HERE](#)** after reading the information and suggested choices on the next 2 pages

## I. BATTLESHIP NORTH CAROLINA

[WWII Guidemap](#)

Imagine you are at sea, searching the sky for WWII enemy aircraft aboard the [Battleship NORTH CAROLINA](#), a heroic ship and her crew that fought in every major naval offensive in the Pacific during WWII, earning 15 battle stars. At the time of her commissioning on April 9, 1941, the battleship was considered the world's greatest sea weapon. Armed with nine 16-inch/45 caliber guns in three turrets and twenty 5-inch/38 caliber guns in ten twin mounts, the Battleship NORTH CAROLINA proved a formidable weapons platform. Her wartime complement consisted of 144 commissioned officers and 2,195 enlisted men, including about 100 Marines.

A tour of the ship provides information on the ship's history and a look into the life of the ships' crew during the war and more.

8:00 am – 5:00 pm **Ticket sales end one hour before closing**

The tour is self-guided and is well-marked so that you can tour at your own pace. We recommend allowing at least two hours for the tour, but for the true enthusiast, you can spend much more time than that.

**Adults:** 12 & over \$14.00\*

**Seniors:** 65 & over \$10.00\*

**Military:** Active/Retired (ID card required) \$10.00\*

**Children:** 6 through 11 \$6.00\*

**Children:** 5 & under Free

\*Plus Tax

Cash / VISA / MasterCard / Discover accepted - no personal checks.

[INFORMATION/PRICES for GUIDED TOURS](#)



## II. AIRLIE GARDENS

[Airlie Gardens](#), a premiere garden of the coastal South features 67 acres of walking paths, formal gardens, seasonal blooms, mighty live oaks, historic structures, and contemporary sculpture. A member of the North Carolina Birding Trail, and its diverse ecosystems provide unique habitats for a variety of colorful wildlife.

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Admission prices includes access to the grounds all day.

\$9-Adults

\$5-New Hanover County Residents (proof of ID required at purchase)

\$5- Military (proof of ID required at purchase)

\$3- Children (4-12 years) Children under 4 are free!

We accept cash, Visa, MasterCard, and Discover



## III. HISTORIC RIVERWALK (LUNCH)

Stroll along nearly two-miles of scenic walkway skirting the historic Cape Fear River. Stretching from Nunn Street to the Isabella Holmes Bridge, lined with an assortment of markets, unique boutiques and art galleries, the Riverwalk is home to outdoor cafes and narrated tours. An exciting new marina has opened to accommodate larger vessels on the northern end, featuring an outdoor concert venue as well as a fantastic Restaurant featuring spectacular river and sunset views. Retail space and a hotel with rooftop view are currently under construction nearby. Open year-round, featuring over 200 close by shops, restaurants and attractions. The [American Craft Walk](#) will be happening on this day running along Front Street from Orange Street in the south end of downtown up to Chestnut Street. The stage for demonstrations and music will be in the at Front and Market in front of Finkelsteins Music.

## **IV. WILMINGTON RAILROAD MUSEUM**

[The Wilmington Railroad Museum](#) has a great collection of displays that are fun and educational.

On the FUN side: Thomas the Tank Train play area / More than 20 operating scale model trains / Spectacular model layouts / A real life-size caboose, boxcar, and 100-year-old steam locomotive

Educationally: Trace the development of railroads in the Wilmington area and delve into the careers of famous people who were involved with railroads, such as Thomas Edison and George Pullman

10:00 am - 5:00 pm Admission prices include NC taxes

Adults - \$9.50

Seniors and Military Personnel - \$8.50

Children (2 years to 12 years) - \$5.50

## **V. NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICTS**

National Register Historic District via a walking tour. Spanning 230-plus blocks, you'll be treated to classic architecture, brick-lined streets and antebellum homes. The group will decide which district(s) they will cover.

### **WILMINGTON HISTORIC & ARCHAEOLOGICAL DISTRICT**

With elegant plantation homes, historic buildings, and numerous attractions, Wilmington's historic district is one of the most beloved parts of the city. Bound by Wright, S. 7th and Harnett Sts., and the Northeast Cape Fear River, this largely commercial district has been growing since the early 1700s and features a variety of architectural styles as well as underwater archaeological sites.

### **MARKET STREET MANSION DISTRICT**

Colonial and Classical Revival architecture from 1900 to 1924 are featured, with magnificent homes at 1704, 1705, 1710, and 1713 Market St., including the Kenan House and the Wise Alumni House.

### **CAROLINA PLACE DISTRICT**

The Carolina Place neighborhood was built as a streetcar suburb at the turn of the 20th Century and includes 460 acres and 337 Bungalow/Craftsman, Queen Anne and late 19th/early 20th Century Revival homes.

### **CAROLINA HEIGHTS DISTRICT**

This 815-acre district, bounded by Market St., 13th St., Rankin St., and 19th St., features 410+ Classical Revival, Colonial Revival, Prairie style and Queen Anne style homes and businesses. It was developed in 1908 as an upscale suburb of Wilmington.

### **MASONBORO SOUND HISTORIC DISTRICT**

Homes built between 1825 and 1949 on the east side Magnolia Dr. and from 7301 to 7506 Masonboro Sound Rd. feature styles including Colonial Revival and late 19th/early 20th Century Revival. The district is a survivor of an 18th/19th Century resort and also site of Civil War salt works.

### **SUNSET PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT**

Envisioned in 1912 as a high-class, planned community with street car service, electric lights, gas, sewers, sidewalks and tree-lined macadamized road ways and plazas. The 800+ homes, businesses, churches and parks were roughly bounded by Carolina Beach Rd., Southern Blvd., Burnett Blvd., and Sunset Ave. The structures are primarily in the Bungalow/Craftsman and Colonial Revival styles.

### **WESTBROOK ARDMORE**

Built around 1914, Westbrook Ardmore is another neighborhood designed as a streetcar suburb with 500+ homes, churches, stores and a fire station. The district is bounded by Dock St., Wrightsville Ave., Queen and Lingo Sts., and by S. 14th St. and features Bungalow/Craftsman and Colonial Revival architecture.