Beyond the Exit

BY THE ROUTE:
Six major road trips across the state where you can stop along the way and experience New Jersey’s best!

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NJ TURNPIKE – Bridge to Bridge

1 PALISADES CLIFFS - The Palisades are among the most dramatic geologic features in the vicinity of New York City, forming a canyon of the Hudson north of the George Washington Bridge, as well as providing a vista of the Manhattan skyline. They sit in the Newark Basin, a rift basin located mostly in New Jersey.

2 NYC SKYLINE – Hudson County, NJ offers restaurants and hotels along the Hudson River where visitors can view the iconic NYC Skyline – from rooftop dining to walk/biking promenades.

3 LIBERTY STATE PARK/STATUE OF LIBERTY - Historic Gateway to America, Liberty State Park is a green oasis in the middle of Metropolitan northern New Jersey. With the Manhattan skyline, the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island as a spectacular backdrop, Liberty State Park is one of the state’s most dramatic parks.

4 LIBERTY SCIENCE CENTER - Liberty Science Center is an interactive science museum and learning center located in Liberty State Park in Jersey City in Hudson County, New Jersey, United States. www.lsc.org

5 AMERICAN DREAM - is a revolutionary, first of its kind community for fashion and luxury retail, fine to casual dining and an array of unexpected entertainment

6 MEADOWLANDS SPORTS COMPLEX - The complex currently consists of the MetLife Stadium, which is home to the New York Giants, New York Jets, and the New York Guardians; the Meadowlands Racetrack, a famous harness racing circuit; and the Quest Diagnostics Training Center, which is the Giants’ practice facility.

7 PRINCETON - Princeton is a town in New Jersey, known for the Ivy League Princeton University. The campus includes the Collegiate University Chapel and the broad collection of the Princeton University Art Museum. Other notable sites of the town are the Morven Museum & Garden, an 18th-century mansion with period furnishings; Princeton Battlefield State Park, a Revolutionary War site; and the colonial Clarke House Museum which exhibits historic weapons

8 GROUNDS FOR SCULPTURE - Grounds For Sculpture is a 42-acre sculpture park, museum, and arboretum founded on the site of the former New Jersey State Fairgrounds. Opened to the public in 1992, it has become one of the premier cultural destinations in New Jersey, welcoming and enchanting over three million visitors since then.

9 SIX FLAGS GREAT ADVENTURE, JACKSON, NJ - Six Flags Great Adventure is an amusement park located in Jackson, New Jersey, owned by Six Flags. Situated between New York City and Philadelphia, the park complex also contains the Hurricane Harbor water park.

10 ADVENTURE AQUARIUM - Adventure Aquarium is just minutes from downtown Philadelphia on the Camden Waterfront and features one-of-a-kind exhibits with more than 15,000 aquatic species throughout two million gallons of water.

11 BATTLESHIP NEW JERSEY – America’s most decorated battleship. At the Battleship New Jersey Museum and Memorial not only do you see exhibits of artifacts from the ship’s past, but you are put into the exhibit as you go through the tour route. Sit in the chair from which Admiral Halsey commanded the fleet. Stretch out on the bunks where the sailors slept. Climb into the 16” gun turret and learn how the projectiles were loaded.
SANDY HOOK GATEWAY NATIONAL RECREATION AREA - The seven-mile stretch of spectacular ocean and bay beaches are excellent for surf casting, swimming, and relaxing on the sand. Nature lovers will revel in the 300 – plus species of migratory birds, as well as the pristine holly forest.

JENKINSON’S BOARDWALK AND AQUARIUM, POINT PLEASANT BEACH - Family amusement park, beach, adventure miniature golf, fun house, night club, restaurant, volleyball tournaments, live entertainment on the beach. From free weekly events to yearly festivals, there is always something extraordinary to experience here at Jenkinson’s.

SEASIDE HEIGHTS - Seaside Heights packs lots of action into its 16-by-4-block seaside area, pulling in crowds with its whirl of fast-paced activity.

ISLAND BEACH STATE PARK - The majority of visitors to Island Beach State Park come to swim in the ocean or surf fish from the beach. You can also enjoy other recreational pursuits in the park and see firsthand what the barrier islands of New Jersey looked like many centuries ago.

130 MILES OF SHORELINE - New Jersey’s crown jewel remains its 130 miles of coastline, spanning from Sandy Hook to Cape May. Our unmatched beaches boast beautiful barrier islands and bays dotted with majestic lighthouses, fishing villages and scenic views.

PINELANDS NATIONAL PRESERVE - The Pinelands is a unique location of historic villages and berry farms amid the vast oak-pine forests, extensive wetlands, and diverse species of plants and animals of the Atlantic coastal pine barrens ecoregion.

18 LIGHTHOUSES ALONG THE COASTLINE - Of New Jersey’s 18 lighthouses, 11 are open to the public and located in some of the most picturesque areas in the state. Rich in history and stature, the state’s lighthouses that hug the Atlantic Ocean coastline and the Delaware River have been a vital component of New Jersey’s maritime history that draw thousands of visitors each year.

ATLANTIC CITY AND BOARDWALK - Sun, sand, towering resort hotels, the bustling Boardwalk, the awe-inspiring Atlantic -- this is one beach party you don’t want to miss. The Atlantic City, New Jersey beaches are famous, and rightly so. Everything you could possibly want is right here within walking distance, from shops to five-star restaurants to casinos, attractions and great shows.

LUCY THE ELEPHANT, MARGATE, NJ - Lucy the Elephant is a six-story elephant-shaped example of novelty architecture, constructed of wood and tin sheeting in 1881 in Margate City, New Jersey, approximately five miles (8 km) south of Atlantic City. Today, Lucy is the oldest surviving roadside tourist attraction in America.

THE WILDWOODS - Wildwood is a resort city on the New Jersey coast. It sits on a barrier island known for its wide, sandy beaches. The iconic Sightseer tram car runs along the long Wildwood Boardwalk, which is packed with eateries, shops, waterparks and thrill rides. Fox Park is home to the Doo Wop Experience museum, with 1950s and ’60s artifacts.

MOREY’S PIERS AND WATER PARK, WILDWOOD, NJ - Six-block beachfront amusement park featuring 100+ rides & attractions including seasonal water parks.

CAPE MAY - Cape May is a city and seaside resort at the tip of southern New Jersey’s Cape May Peninsula. It’s known for its grand Victorian houses, shops and restaurants which line the Washington Street Mall, three pedestrianized blocks of Washington Street. The Cape May Lighthouse provides views across the Delaware Bay and Atlantic Ocean.
ROUTE 80 — *Mountain Magic*

1. **DELAWARE WATER GAP** - Located along the border of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, the Delaware Water Gap is one of the National Recreation Areas in the United States. Enjoy a wide range of outdoor activities such as hiking, rafting, canoeing, swimming, fishing, etc. Explore the historical towns and buildings frozen in time or just take a scenic drive along Old Mine Road.

2. **LAKOTA WOLF PRESERVE** - Home to wolves, foxes and bobcats, this wildlife preserve is located in Columbia, NJ where you can take an educational tour to see and learn more about these beautiful animals!

3. **HIGH POINT STATE PARK** - Camp, swim, hike or head to the very top of the park’s namesake, the highest mountain peak of the Kittatinny Mountains where you can get a spectacular panoramic view of the surrounding valley 1,803 feet above sea level! Also located at the peak is High Point Monument, built to honor NJ war veterans.

4. **NJ SKI AREAS/MOUNTAIN CREEK** - If you're looking for a more budget friendly year round resort, you will have plenty to choose from all within the NJ/NYC Metro area. Mountain Creek, another prominent ski resort located in Vernon Township, has just as much to offer including a water park during the summer months.

5. **CRYSTAL SPRINGS RESORT** - A four season resort and vacation destination located just a few miles from NYC, boasts of over 250 activities and things to do. Truly a 4,000 acre playground for all ages!

6. **STERLING HILL MINING MUSEUM** - Have an epic underground adventure exploring the Sterling Hill Mine, a former Sussex County mine known for its variety of fluorescent minerals. Their tour takes you into the mine itself where you can learn more about the history, working conditions, and geology of the mine.

7. **LAKE HOPATCONG** - Lake Hopatcong is New Jersey's largest freshwater lake offering residents and visitors outstanding boating, sailing, kayaking, swimming, fishing, water sports and more year-round. Lake Hopatcong's 45 miles of shoreline is home to restaurants, marinas and public beaches making it a great escape for a day, the weekend or an entire season.

8. **GREAT SWAMP N.W.R.** - Be one with nature at the Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge, which conserves and maintains its natural resources while protecting the wildlife that reside there. Visitors are encouraged to hike along the designated public areas to observe, study, and photograph the surrounding nature.

9. **GREAT FALLS, PATERNON** - The centerpiece of the Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park is the Great Falls of the Passaic River, one of the largest waterfalls in the US! Go on a self-guided tour and explore the surrounding area while you learn more about Paterson's rich history.

10. **FIELD STATION: DINOSAURS** - Field Station: Dinosaurs is an outdoor prehistoric theme park perfect for families with young children. The park offers walking tours, interactive exhibits and live shows. It was named the Best Local Theme Park by Time Out New York in 2012.
1. **HUNTERDON COUNTY WINERIES** - Hunterdon County is home to four wineries; Beneduce Vineyards, Mount Salem Vineyards, Old York Cellars, and Unionville Vineyards. Take a break from the open road and enjoy a wine tasting at one (or all!) of the local vineyards.

2. **WASHINGTON’S HEADQUARTERS/JOCKEY HOLLOW** - Visit four historical sites important during the American Revolutionary War in the Morristown National Historic Park. This includes three encampment sites (Jockey Hollow, Fort Nonsense, and the New Jersey Brigade Encampment Site), and George Washington’s Headquarters (Ford Mansion) Museum.

3. **MAYO PERFORMING ARTS CENTER** - A non-profit performing arts center that is host to a wide range of events; concerts, films, plays, comedy, lectures, and more!

4. **UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION MUSEUM** - The US Golf Association Museum is home to the world’s largest collection of golf artifacts and memorabilia. The interactive multimedia exhibits tell the story of the game’s development in the United States, highlighting the greatest moments in the game’s history, with a particular focus on USGA champions and championships. You can also test out your own golf skills at the Pynes Putting Course!

5. **DUKE FARMS, HILLSBOROUGH** - This 2,000 acre estate was established by James Buchanan Duke, founder of the American Tobacco Company. Through the efforts of his daughter and inheritor, Doris Duke, it has become a landscape of environmental conservation. Experience this native New Jersey land and be inspired to learn more on sustaining the Earth’s agriculture.

6. **BRANCH BROOK PARK, NEWARK** - Branch Brook Park is the largest public park in Newark and known for having the largest collection of cherry blossom trees in the United States. The best time to visit is in April, when the trees are in full bloom and when they hold their annual Cherry Blossom Festival!

7. **NEWARK MUSEUM** - The Newark Museum of Art is the state’s largest museum. It holds fine collections of American art, decorative arts, contemporary art, and arts from Asia, Africa, the Americas, and the ancient world.

8. **NJ PERFORMING ARTS CENTER** - In the heart of Newark’s cultural district lies one of the largest performing arts centers in the United States. The Center consists of four performing halls that host a vast range of performances and educational programs. It is home to the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra and was used for the seventh season of America’s Got Talent.
1. **BEN FRANKLIN BRIDGE** - A suspension bridge over the Delaware River, connecting Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

2. **BATTLESHIP NJ** - The USS New Jersey was one of the most decorated and largest battleships to serve the U.S. Navy in WWII. It has since been carefully preserved and now serves as a museum and memorial site. Battleship NJ offer many fun activities from walking tours to overnight stays!

3. **GLOUCESTER PREMIUM OUTLETS** - Shopping center in Blackwood that features 90 stores to choose from, all offering discounted rates off full retail prices. Perfect place to treat yourself to a shopping spree!

4. **DOWNTOWN HAMMONTON** - A downtown that's always in season. Hammonton has a wealth of delicious restaurants, eclectic shopping experiences, and a new budding arts district. Plus, Downtown Hammonton hosts a variety of fun and family-friendly events year-round you don’t want to miss.

5. **PLAGIDO’S WINERY** - An Italian vineyard that produces a wide variety of artisanal wines.

6. **SHARROTT WINERY** - Your year-round destination for live music and great wine! Their Live Music Series continues every Friday and Saturday night from 6-9pm and Sunday afternoons from 1-4pm. Live music is held in Sharrott’s new tasting room indoor and outdoor seating as well as delicious food and gourmet flatbreads from the Wine Bar menu.

7. **WHITE HORSE WINERY** - Situated on a beautiful 58-acre farm, White Horse Winery combines the most refined techniques of new and old-world style wines. Their spectacular tasting room with unique architecture and attention to detail will take your breath away. The winery hosts live music performances by local artists and musicians each weekend.

8. **TOMASELLO WINERY** - Founded over 78 years ago, Tomasello Winery is a third-generation family-owned and operated winery located in the Outer Coastal Plain. They believe great wines are made at their vineyard, but it’s the celebrations, gatherings, and good times with family and friends that make wine even greater.

9. **BATSTO VILLAGE** - An historic village that has roots dating back to 1766. Visit and walk through the town frozen in time and discover centuries old American history.

10. **ATLANTIC CITY, BOARDWALK AND TANGER OUTLETS** - New Jersey’s famous resort city known for its casinos, beaches, and of course the iconic Boardwalk. You’ll find there’s much more to do than gamble and shop in Atlantic City. You can have a relaxing day at one of the many hotels’ luxurious spas, see a comedy show, or even a music/art performance.
1 **DELAWARE MEMORIAL BRIDGE** - A twin-suspension bridge crossing the Delaware River that is dedicated to those who died in WWII, the Korean War, War in Vietnam and the Persian Gulf War. After the bridge’s completion, the Veterans Memorial Park was created where a War Memorial was built to honor the men and women who fought bravely in past wars.

2 **FORT MOTT STATE PARK** - Fort Mott was a coastal defense system designed for the Delaware River in the late 1800s. Now it serves as an historic site and state park. You can wander through the fort and see the old battery stations or just enjoy a walk along the shoreline after a picnic.

3 **TADMORE DISTILLING CO.** - This family-owned and operated nano-sized distillery is located in the historic city of Salem, NJ. They specialize in bourbon and rum, each batch made with locally sourced ingredients and crafted to perfection which will have you asking “just a tad more”. The distillery is open to the public on the weekend so stop by for a walking tour and tasting.

4 **HANCOCK HOUSE** - This historic house is the site of the 1778 Hancock’s Bridge massacre. At 5am, 300 British troops stormed the house where they knew the local militia was stationed, and carried out their order to spare no one. Today, the house is host to various workshops and group tours.

5 **AUBURN ROAD VINEYARD & WINERY** - This winery is a total of 23 acres of grapes and is one of the nine vineyards along the Two Bridges Wine Trail. The Enoteca, the vineyard’s wine bar, hosts a five-course dinner with live performances from local artists every Friday. It is also where you can enjoy a chocolate and wine tasting, after your tour with the winemakers.

6 **COWTOWN RODEO** - Experience the Old West at Cowtown Rodeo, a weekly rodeo that operates from May to September. Cowtown Rodeo is steeped in history and tradition; it has been owned and operated by the same family since 1929 who have worked to establish what is now known as the “oldest weekly professional rodeo in the United States”.

7 **PINE TAVERN DISTILLERY** - This family owned and operated distillery is located on the family’s farm in Monroeville, NJ. Visit for a tour of the facility and a tasting along with live music.

8 **WHEATON ARTS AND CULTURAL CENTER** - WheatonArts is an internationally acclaimed arts community. Watch daily artist demonstrations in the Glass, Pottery, and Flameworking Studios. Special events, exhibitions, educational programs, performances, and workshops are offered throughout the year.

9 **CODA ROSSA WINERY** - Winery in the heart of Franklinville that features both New Jersey and California wines.

10 **BELLVIEW WINERY** - A family-owned Italian vineyard tucked away in Atlantic County. They host a number of events throughout the year, including the Harvest Party, Seafood Festival, and Italian Festival.

11 **STORYBOOK LAND** - Treat the kids to a day of fun at this family amusement park, where the rides and attractions follow the theme of classic children’s stories and nursery rhymes!

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