# The International Tattoo & The Outer Banks of NC



**ARS** April 20 - 25, 2025

Embark on a captivating journey through the historic gems and picturesque landscapes of the Outer Banks region. Explore historic lighthouses, witness the wild horses, immerse yourself in the maritime beauty, and experience the largest tattoo event in the country on this luxurious epicurean tour.

# SAMPLE ITINERARY

#### DAY ONE - Sunday, April 20, 2025

Arrive in the **Outer Banks** and check-in to your hotel.

Begin your adventure with a mouthwatering **Welcome Dinner Seafood Feast** at a popular restaurant serving the freshest of local fare.

#### DAY TWO - Monday, April 21, 2025

Enjoy an **included breakfast** at the hotel each morning on your tour.

Embark on an wonderous adventure today with a **Guided Wild Horse Tour**. On the **Currituck Outer Banks**, the Corolla Wild Horses, are descendants of colonial Spanish Mustangs brought by explorers over 400 years ago. You will get within picture-taking distance while hearing a great history lesson about the horses.

Visit the **Currituck Lighthouse** and climb the 220 steps to the top for breathtaking views while learning from docents, exhibits, and brochures about the lives of lighthouse keepers, along with the history and significance of the light station.

Take a step back in time when you visit **Whalehead** in Historic Corolla. Originally built in the 1920s, you'll explore this magnificent residence, restored to its original grandeur.

Enjoy a fantastic **included dinner** to conclude your day of adventure before returning to your hotel.

#### DAY THREE - Tuesday, April 22, 2025

Visit the **Bodie Island Lighthouse**, the 3rd such beacon built to help mariners on the coast from Cape Hatteras to the

beaches of Currituck. Adventures can climb the steps to the top and take in the gorgeous natural surroundings of Bodie Island, the Atlantic Ocean, and Pamlico Sound.

Visit **Roanoke Island**, one of the best known Outer Banks attractions with a colorful history dating back to the 16th century. The history of Roanoke Island is tied to the very foundation of colonies on North America and is famous for the "Lost Colony" which continues to mystify historians today.

Enjoy free time and lunch on your own at **Manteo Waterfront** known for its tranquil marina and historic lighthouse.

Explore the **North Carolina Aquarium**, a beloved attraction located in a 68,000-sq.-ft. complex featuring all manners of aquatic sea life and exceptional exhibits.

Discover the **Christmas Shop**, an Outer Banks staple for over 50 years! Explore 25,000-sq.-ft. of ornaments, decor, coastal accents, jewelry, wine and more.

Delight with a delicious **included dinner** at a local favorite restaurant.

#### DAY FOUR - Wednesday, April 23, 2025

Check-out this morning & stop to see the **Wright Brothers National Memorial** the spot of the first airplane flight before departing for **Norfolk, VA**.

Arrive at **Waterside Norfolk** & enjoy free time to explore & have lunch on own.

Visit **Nauticus**, a maritime discovery museum using the natural setting of Norfolk's harbor to showcase the



world's largest Navy including the **USS Battleship Wisconsin** and fun, interactive exhibits.

Check-in to your **Oceanfront hotel** and enjoy a **free evening** to take advantage of the hotel amenities, explore the beach, stroll along the boardwalk, enjoy dinner on your own. Retire at your leisure.

#### DAY FIVE - Thursday, April 24, 2025

Explore **Norfolk Botanical Gardens** where the April azaleas are the showstoppers at this lush green space.

**Free time today** for additional exploration time and lunch and dinner on own.

Depart this evening for **Hulabaloo**, the perfect opportunity to shake hands with an active duty member of armed forces and take a selfie with a highland dancer.

Experience **The International Tattoo** from your VIP Premium seats. This annual event brings military bands from around the world to one spot to perform a spectacular show of music, majesty, and might! With marching bands, massed pipes and drums, drill teams, Scottish dancers, choirs, and more, this is the largest tattoo event of its kind in the US.

#### DAY SIX - Friday, April 25, 2025

Check-out this morning before a **Guided Tour of Fort Monroe**, where you'll learn about "Freedom's Fortress".

Visit the **Mariner's Museum** and enjoy an **included lunch** during your visit.

Depart for home.

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