

Southport-Fort Fisher Ferry
1650 Ferry Road, Southport, NC
1-800-BY-FERRY

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****Weekdays Only**

***Only April 1 - September 30**

Crossing Time: 35 minutes

All fares one way

Pedestrian - \$1

Bicycle - \$2

Motorcycle - \$3

Vehicle less than 20' - \$7

Vehicle 20'-40' - \$14

Vehicle over 40' - \$28

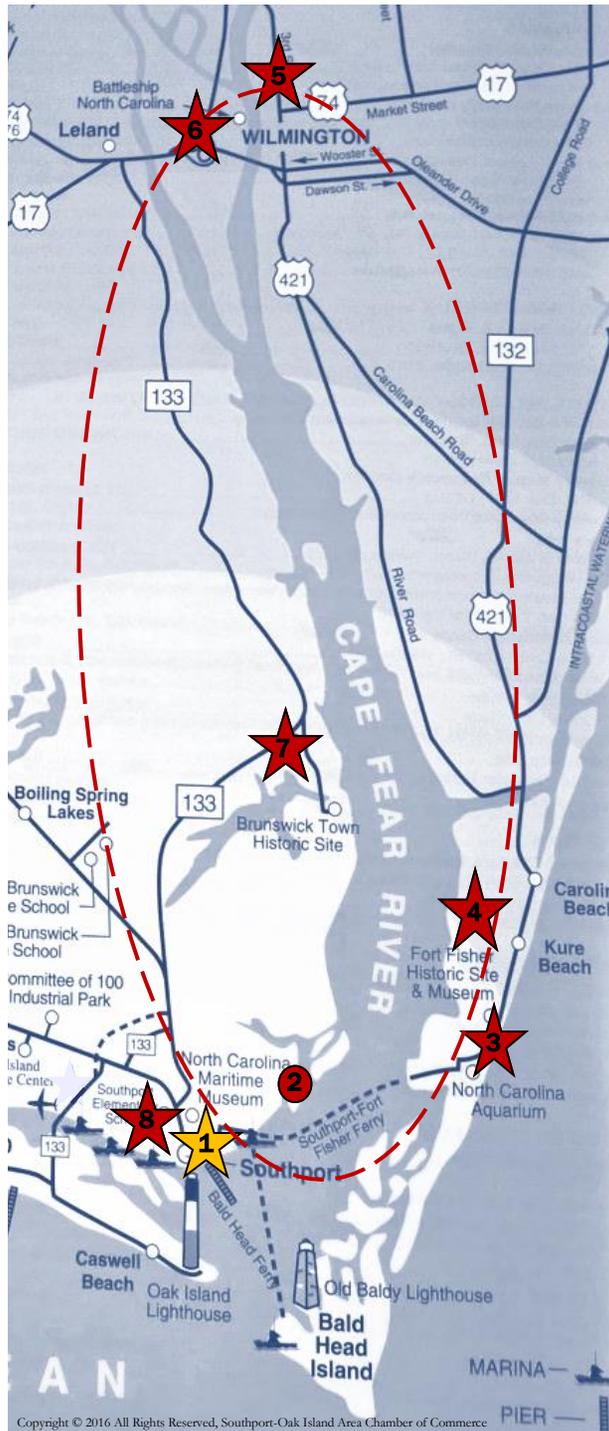
Along the way...

Price's Creek Range Light

The Price's Creek Range Light will be on your left side as you are leaving Southport on the Fort Fisher-Southport Ferry.

Built in 1849, this pre-Civil War range light is on property

currently owned by ADM, Archer Daniels Midland and is inaccessible by land or water. At one time, there was a keeper's quarters behind the tower with a light that was at a higher elevation. This pair of lights helped with navigation as vessels headed towards Wilmington. In 1861, both lights were deactivated.



Cape Fear River Circle Tour

A SELF-GUIDED EXCURSION

Photo by Jerr Ward



The City of Southport Department of Tourism

#1

Fort Johnston-Southport Museum & Visitors' Center

203 E. Bay Street, Southport, NC 28461

Phone: (910) 457-7927

Hours: 10 am - 4 pm, Monday - Saturday and 1-4 pm, Sunday



www.southportnc.org

The Fort Johnston-Southport Museum and Visitors' Center overlooks the mouth of the Cape Fear, showcasing the history, heritage, culture and

natural beauty of Southport. Knowledgeable volunteers can provide you with the information you need to make Southport your most enjoyable stop. *Free.*

#2

The Southport-Fort Fisher Ferry (see back page)

#3

North Carolina Aquarium at Fort Fisher

900 Loggerhead Road, Kure Beach, NC 28449

Phone: (910) 772-0500

Hours: 9 am - 5 pm daily

www.ncaquariums.com/fort-fisher



Make connections with the natural world. Feel the smooth skin of a gliding stingray. Climb along Adventure Reef. Look an albino alligator in the eye. Wonder at baby sea turtles. Marvel at free-flying butterflies and roar with the dinosaurs. Discover aquatic wildlife at free daily dive shows and animal encounters. Explore more with behind-the-scenes tours, outdoor adventures and kid friendly camps. *Admission cost varies.*

#4

Fort Fisher State Historic Site

1610 Fort Fisher Blvd South, Kure Beach, NC 28449

Phone: (910) 458-5538

Hours: 9 am - 5 pm Tuesday - Saturday

Open Sunday afternoons (Memorial Day through Labor Day) Noon - 5 pm



www.nchistoricsites.org/fisher/

During the Civil War, Fort Fisher kept the port of Wilmington open to blockade-runners supplying necessary goods to Confederate armies inland. Its defeat helped seal the fate of the Confederacy. A quarter-mile tour trail surrounds what remains of the fort today. Features along the route include wayside exhibits, a reconstructed palisade fence, and a partially restored gun emplacement. The visitors' center offers audio-visual programs and an extensive collection of artifacts. There's also a fiber optic-powered map that shows the final battle for the fort in 1865. *Free.*

#5

Wilmington Riverwalk

Water Street, from Ann to Hanover Streets, Wilmington, NC 28401

Phone: (910) 520-6875

www.wilmingtonandbeaches.com/things-to-do/wilmington-riverwalk/

Stroll along the scenic, nearly two-mile Riverwalk that skirts the historic Cape Fear River. Lined with an assortment of markets and some of the best boutiques and art galleries around, the Riverwalk is home to cafes with outdoor dining, scenic cruises and boat tours. Open year-round, more than 200 shops, restaurants and attractions can be found nearby.



#6

USS North Carolina Battleship

Battleship Road, Wilmington, NC 28401

Phone: (910) 251-5797

Summer Hours: Friday before Memorial Day - Labor Day 8 am - 8 pm, EXCEPT Independence Day (4th of July) when the ship closes at 5 pm

Winter Hours: Tuesday following Labor Day - Thursday before Memorial Day: 8 am - 5 pm, EXCEPT Christmas Day when the Ship opens at noon

View the introductory movie in the auditorium and

then browse through the exhibit hall and head up the gangway to board the Ship. The tour is self-guided and is well-marked so that you can tour at your own pace. Walk the decks of the USS North Carolina and imagine yourself at sea. *Admission cost varies.*



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#7

Brunswick Town/Fort Anderson, NC Historic Site

8884 St. Phillip's Road, Winnabow, NC 28479

Phone: (910) 371-6613

Hours: 9 am - 5 pm, Tuesday - Saturday

Open Sundays, July 12 - September 4, Noon - 5 pm

www.nchistoricsites.org/brunswic/brunswic.htm

A pre-Revolutionary port on North Carolina's Cape Fear River, Brunswick was razed by British troops in 1776 and never rebuilt. During the Civil War, Fort Anderson was constructed atop the old village site, and served as part of the Cape Fear River defenses below Wilmington before the fall of the Confederacy. Colonial foundations dot the trail, which crosses the earthworks of the Confederate fort. *Free.*



#8

NC Maritime Museum at Southport

204 E. Moore Street, Southport, NC 28461

Phone: (910) 477-5150

Hours: 9 am - 5 pm, Tuesday - Saturday, Closed Sunday, Monday and most major state holidays

www.ncmaritimemuseums.com/southport



From cannon to periscope, where the pine meets the palm, and the mighty Cape Fear River meets the sea, the North Carolina Maritime Museum at Southport presents the story of the people of the past, and their integral relationship with the water... a tale of tides, wind and ocean. *Free.*