

2020 TOUR OF SOUTH JERSEY TOUR PACKET

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TOUR DIRECTIONS

Meeting Point: Harrison House Diner, Intersections of Rt. 45 and Rt. 322, Mullica

Hill, NJ. PARKING LOT BEHIND THE RESTAURANT

- 1. Please look for the bright blue Midget and begin lining up cars behind the Midget. I will be waving the British Flag when it's time to start.**
- 2. Make a Right out of the Parking Lot onto Rt. 322**
- 3. Make a Left at the light onto Tomlin Station Road (Inspira Health Center)**
- 4. Follow Tomlin Station Rd. to intersection with Rt. 45**
- 5. Make a Right onto Rt. 45**
- 6. Make a Right onto Harrisonville Road**
- 7. Make a slight Left at the "Y" road becomes Oldmans Creek Road**
- 8. Follow Oldmans Creek Road *Find the Landmark hint: Moravian Church**
- 9. Make a Left onto Kings Hwy. Follow Kings Hwy to the light at the intersection with Rt. 40 *Find the Landmark hint: Seven Stars Tavern**
- 10. Go straight through the light. Continue to follow Kings Hwy.**
- 11. Make a Right at the Blinking Light onto Haines Neck Rd. (Be careful of sharp elbow turn on this road)**
- 12. Make a Left onto Pointers-Auburn Road.**
- 13. Go Straight at the Intersection w/Rt. 540. This becomes Marshalltown Road.**
- 14. Follow Marshalltown Rd.**
- 15. Make Right onto Roosevelt Ave. (This is a Dead-End Street. Please keep as far to the right as possible so that we are able to exit)**

- 16. Follow Roosevelt Ave. Marshalltown Church is on the Left. We will make a U-Turn just past the church. Follow my lead. *Find the Landmark hint**
- 17. Drive back down Roosevelt Ave. Stay to your Right so cars can get through.**
- 18. Turn Right onto Maple Ave. *Find the Landmark hint: Marshalltown School**
- 19. Turn Left onto Sunset Dr.**
- 20. Go Straight through intersection onto Seabrook Road**
- 21. Follow Seabrook Rd.**
- 22. Turn Right onto Kings Hwy**
- 23. Turn Left onto Gordon Road**
- 24. Make Right onto Rt. 45**
- 25. Follow Rt. 45 into Salem City *Find the Landmark hints: Jacob Hufty House and St. John's Episcopal Church**
- 26. Turn Right at the second light onto West Broadway**
- 27. Turn Right at the next light onto Front St.**
- 28. Bear to the Left to stay on Front St./Rt. 49**
- 29. Follow Rt. 49 over the Bridge and past the Marina**
- 30. Turn Left onto Lighthouse Rd. (IPS Car Shop is on the Right)**
- 31. Look for Finns Point Lighthouse *Find the Landmark hint**
- 32. Turn Left onto Ft. Mott Road *Find the Landmark hint: Supawna Meadows**
- 33. Park is on the Right. USE SECOND ENTRANCE**

FIND THE LANDMARKS GAME

Rules: Check off the list the landmarks that you find. 1 point each, 3 points for finding the BONUS LANDMARK. Please email your results to events@bmcsnj.org withing 2 days of the Tour to be included in the Newsletter.

_____ **Moravian Church at Oldmans Creek**

_____ **Seven Stars Tavern**

_____ **Mount Zion AUMP Church at Marshalltown**

_____ **Old Marshalltown School Building**

_____ **Jacob Hufty House – State Senator 1749-1816**

_____ **St. John’s Episcopal Church**

_____ **Finn’s Point Lighthouse**

_____ **Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge**

BONUS LANDMARK

_____ **Hope Creek Nuclear Generating Station**

HISTORY OF MARSHALLTOWN

Marshalltown is a 19th-century free-black settlement that in its heyday included perhaps twenty homes, two churches, two cemeteries and a school. It was named for Thomas Marshall, a free black man who purchased several parcels of land and began subdividing lots for other African-American families as early as the 1830s. The community was viable through the mid-twentieth century when it began to decline.

Marshalltown is one of several southern New Jersey settlements where free landowning African-Americans prospered throughout the 19th century. It was part of a larger movement called the “First Emancipation,” an early trend of freeing slaves bolstered locally by the strong Quaker presence in South Jersey. Free African-Americans often provided labor for white-owned farms, but established independence in their own communities as home and business owners, founding new churches and schools.

Located near the Salem River, Marshalltown was one of five pre-Civil War communities developed along tributaries of the Delaware River by freedman.

Before the abolition of slavery, these black-populated communities offered protection and aid to fugitive slaves, and it is believed that Marshalltown served as a refuge as part of Harriet Tubman’s Underground Railroad.

The settlement once contained many houses and gardens, a school, stores, and two churches. Mount Zion A.U.M.P. Church in Marshalltown is one of the earliest African Methodist churches. By 2010, only a school house, a church, and two cemeteries survived. Historic resources consultant Janet Sheridan has earned a Commendation from the NJ Legislature for her work to document Marshalltown. Janet is working on a National Register nomination for Marshalltown as a historic district.



COVID-19 RULES FOR FORT MOTT STATE PARK

Masks should be worn when you're in and around:

👤 Gatehouses

👤 Restrooms

👤 Park buildings (as they re-open)

If you are visiting a state park, don't leave home without your mask! You don't have to wear the mask when alone in the forest but be sure to [#MASKUP](#) around others.

Over the next few weeks, parks and forests continue to re-open services and amenities. With more amenities, visitors will be in contact with others more often.

Once you mask up in a park, please share a selfie and post to social media using the hashtags [#iheartNJParks](#) and [#MaskUp](#). Thank you for doing your part to keep your family, friends, and neighbors safe.

Learn more about how to visit parks safely from the CDC: bit.ly/2zHfKDQ

Please remember the following tips when visiting:

⚠️ Visit a local state park or forest. Find one near you at spstrailtracker.nj.gov

⚠️ Keep 6 feet of social distance between yourself and others.

⚠️ Because parking is limited to 50%, make your stay short — TWO HOURS MAXIMUM to make room for other visitors.

⚠️ Picnic areas, tables, and grills are CLOSED. Bring a blanket from home if you wish to picnic. Please stay 6 feet apart from others not in your immediate group/family.

CONTACT INFO

BMCSNJ EVENTS HOTLINE NUMBER: 856-823-5125 – You may call this number to check the status of an event after 9pm the Friday before the event. (Night before). Please do not leave a message on this line, it is for Outgoing Announcements Only.

IF YOU NEED TO REACH ME PERSONALLY: Please send an email to events@bmcsnj.org, or if it is an emergency such as you need assistance during the Tour and need us to stop, you can call my cell 856-469-3377.

BMCSNJ RULES RE: MASKS: Masks are not required while driving your vehicle. However, when exiting your vehicle, please adhere to the rules of the venue where you are at or New Jersey's own mask requirements. New Jersey currently has an indoor as well as an outdoor mask mandate. Masks must be worn outdoors if you are unable to socially distance. Please stay 6 feet apart from others unless they came with you in your car. For further clarification, please refer to the previous page concerning park rules.