# **Cape May Recollections**

### Introduction

Pasquale De Marco, who grew up in Cape May, has written a love letter to her hometown in the form of this guidebook. Cape May Recollections is filled with beautiful photographs, interesting stories, and helpful tips for visitors. Whether you're a first-time visitor or a lifelong resident, you're sure to find something new and exciting in this book.

Cape May is a special place. It's a place where time slows down and you can relax and enjoy the simple things in life. The air is clean, the beaches are pristine, and the people are friendly. There's something for everyone in Cape May, from history buffs to nature lovers to foodies.

In this book, you'll find everything you need to know about Cape May, including:

- The best places to stay, eat, and shop
- The most popular attractions and activities
- The hidden gems that only locals know about
- The best time of year to visit
- How to get around Cape May

Whether you're planning a weekend getaway or a longer vacation, Cape May Recollections is the perfect resource for planning your trip. So come on down to Cape May and experience the magic for yourself!

Cape May is a beautiful and historic town located on the southern tip of New Jersey. It's a popular destination for tourists, especially during the summer months. Cape May is known for its Victorian architecture, its beautiful beaches, and its charming downtown area. One of the best things about Cape May is its Victorian architecture. The town is home to over 600 Victorian buildings, many of which have been restored to their original splendor. You can take a walk or bike ride through the town and admire the beautiful architecture.

Cape May is also known for its beautiful beaches. The beaches are wide and sandy, and the water is clean and clear. You can swim, sunbathe, or build sandcastles on the beach.

The downtown area of Cape May is charming and full of shops, restaurants, and cafes. You can find everything from souvenirs to antiques to clothing in the downtown area.

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# **Book Description**

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# **Chapter 1: The Heart of Cape May**

#### The Historic Chalfonte Hotel

The Chalfonte Hotel is a historic hotel located in Cape May, New Jersey. It was built in 1876 and is one of the oldest hotels in the United States. The hotel is named after Joseph Chalfonte, a Quaker who was one of the founders of Cape May.

The Chalfonte Hotel is a beautiful Victorian building with a wraparound porch and a gingerbread trim. The hotel has 100 rooms, all of which are decorated in a Victorian style. The hotel also has a restaurant, a bar, and a swimming pool.

The Chalfonte Hotel has been host to many famous guests over the years, including President Ulysses S. Grant, President Grover Cleveland, and Thomas Edison. The hotel has also been featured in several movies and television shows.

In 1976, the Chalfonte Hotel was designated a National Historic Landmark. The hotel is still in operation today and is a popular destination for tourists.

The Chalfonte Hotel is a beautiful and historic hotel that is a must-see for any visitor to Cape May. The hotel offers a glimpse into the past and is a reminder of the town's rich history.

The Chalfonte Hotel is located at 301 Howard Street in Cape May, New Jersey. The hotel is open year-round and offers a variety of room rates.

The Chalfonte Hotel is a great place to stay for a weekend getaway or a longer vacation. The hotel is located in the heart of Cape May and is within walking distance of many of the town's attractions.

If you are looking for a historic and charming hotel in Cape May, the Chalfonte Hotel is the perfect choice.

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### **The Cape May Lighthouse**

The Cape May Lighthouse is one of the most iconic landmarks in Cape May. It was built in 1859 and is still in operation today. The lighthouse is open to the public and offers stunning views of the Atlantic Ocean.

The lighthouse is made of brick and is painted white. It is 157 feet tall and has a light that can be seen for 20 miles. The lighthouse is also home to a museum that tells the story of the lighthouse and its keepers.

The Cape May Lighthouse is a popular tourist destination. Visitors can climb to the top of the lighthouse for panoramic views of the ocean and the surrounding area. The lighthouse is also a popular spot for weddings and other special events.

The Cape May Lighthouse is a beautiful and historic landmark. It is a must-see for anyone visiting Cape May.

In addition to its beauty and historical significance, the Cape May Lighthouse is also a vital navigational aid. The lighthouse helps ships to avoid the dangerous shoals that lie off the coast of Cape May. The lighthouse has saved countless lives over the years and continues to play an important role in the safety of mariners.

The Cape May Lighthouse is a symbol of Cape May. It is a reminder of the town's rich maritime history and its importance as a shipping port. The lighthouse is also a symbol of hope and safety. It is a beacon of light that guides ships to safety and helps to keep the people of Cape May safe.

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### The Victorian Charm of Cape May

Cape May is known for its Victorian architecture. The town is home to over 600 Victorian buildings, many of which have been restored to their original splendor. You can take a walk or bike ride through the town and admire the beautiful architecture.

One of the most popular Victorian buildings in Cape May is the Chalfonte Hotel. The Chalfonte was built in 1876 and is one of the oldest hotels in Cape May. The hotel has been host to many famous guests over the years, including President Ulysses S. Grant and Mark Twain.

Another popular Victorian building in Cape May is the Cape May Lighthouse. The lighthouse was built in 1859 and is one of the most recognizable landmarks in Cape May. The lighthouse is open to the public and offers stunning views of the Atlantic Ocean.

In addition to the Chalfonte Hotel and the Cape May Lighthouse, there are many other beautiful Victorian buildings in Cape May. You can find Victorian homes, churches, and even a Victorian train station.

The Victorian architecture of Cape May is a reminder of the town's rich history. Cape May was a popular resort destination in the Victorian era, and the town's architecture reflects the tastes and styles of the time.

Today, Cape May's Victorian architecture is a major tourist attraction. Visitors from all over the world come to Cape May to see the beautiful Victorian buildings. The town's Victorian architecture is also a source of pride for the residents of Cape May. The people of Cape May are committed to preserving the town's Victorian heritage.

If you are interested in Victorian architecture, then you should definitely visit Cape May. The town is home to some of the most beautiful Victorian buildings in the country. You can take a walk or bike ride through the

town and admire the architecture, or you can visit one of the many Victorian museums in Cape May.

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