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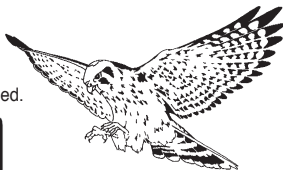


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CAPE MAY BIRD OBSERVATORY

Center for Research and Education

600 Route 47 North

Cape May Court House, NJ 08210

Phone: 609.246.3581 • Fax: 609.861.1651

Closed June through August

Northwood Center

P.O. Box 3, 701 East Lake Drive

Cape May Point, NJ 08212

Phone: 609.400.3868 • Fax: 609.884.6052

Open every day, 9:30AM. - 4:30PM



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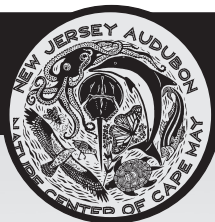
Both CMBO centers will be **CLOSED**

Independence Day (Wednesday, July 4).

Northwood will be closed August 30 and
August 31 for inventory

LOOKING FOR CHILDREN'S AND FAMILY PROGRAMS?

Our sister center, the Nature Center of Cape May, has a full schedule of programs for all ages exploring many facets of the natural world. Contact the nature center at 609.427.3045 or check online at www.njaudubon.org/centers/



1600 Delaware Ave • Cape May, NJ

2018 CAPE MAY SCHOOL OF BIRDING

The World Of Butterflies

With Pat Sutton • August 21

Shorebirds With The Man Who Wrote The Book

With Michael O'Brien
August 22-23

Fall Migration At Cape May

With Louise Zemaitis
September 13-15


Falcon Fest And Hawks On High

With Pete Dunne
September 29-30

Things That Go Seep In The Night!

With Michael O'Brien
September 29-30

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Season's Passage Summer 2018

Summer in Cape May, sand in your toes.

A gull takes wing, where does it go?

*That's your cue, from our feathered friend,
to read these pages, from beginning to end.*

*Follow the gull, for she knows best
Cape May is more than beach and rest.*

Whether you're totally green, or you came here specifically for the rich wildlife Cape May supports: we've got something for you. If you're new to the bird thing, dip your toe in the water with our FREE Birds Before Beach walk (p. 6), or sit down with the masters in this workFUNshop we call Break Into Birding (p. 8) where you'll jumpstart your knowledge and find yourself pointing out each species you see as you munch sandwiches on our gorgeous beaches during your visit. Maybe you want to take a dive into the deep end? No problem! Our School of Birding Workshops will have you keying out shorebirds, terns and gulls like the pros, in only a few short days! (see p. 9 & 10). When your kid asks you whether dragons are real, you can say with authority, "why yes they are", and by the end of Jewels of Summer (p. 9) you'll be 100% correct, and able to identify many of them to species! So, enjoy all that Cape May has to offer in the summer, but do yourself and your family a favor and let us show you the Wild Side of America's Oldest Seaside Resort!

Good Birding,



David La Puma

Director, New Jersey Audubon's Cape May Bird Observatory

Become a New Jersey Audubon member and enjoy discounts on tours, events, and field trips at all New Jersey Audubon centers. Members also get a 10% discount at our Nature Stores (some exclusions apply). Optics and tripods are already at their lowest prices.

Hey! Did you bird Cape May today?



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CAPE MAY BIRD OBSERVATORY

Summer Programs 2018

WEEKLY WALKS/ACTIVITIES

The following regularly scheduled programs, led by CMBO's stellar Associate Naturalists and/or professional staff, meet at locations highlighted on the CMBO Bird and Butterfly Map of Cape May County (available at our stores, or downloadable from our website). Bring binoculars, field guides, bug repellent, sunscreen, and drinking water. Dress for prevailing weather and for protection from sun, heat, cold, wind, rain, and insects according to season. Note: Programs may be cancelled due to difficult/unsafe weather conditions.

NO PREREGISTRATION NECESSARY

On our regular weekly walks, children age 15 and younger are free. Although children accompanied by parents are always welcome, walks that are especially ***Family-friendly*** are noted.

Most of our weekly walks involve walking a mile or more on varied terrain such as asphalt, boardwalk, gravel, beach, and dirt (sometimes muddy) paths. For more information about accessibility for those with limited mobility, contact the Northwood Center at **609.400.3868**.

Saturdays

① BREEDING BIRDS AT TNC's GARRETT FAMILY PRESERVE

Saturdays, June 2 to 30

7:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Meets at the parking lot at the end of Wilson St. off of Seashore Road on Cape Island. Located along Cape Island Creek, this hidden gem holds warblers, sparrows and much more, including great views of the tidal marsh and the birds within. *No preregistration necessary.*

Cost: \$6 members, \$10 nonmembers.

② BIRDING CAPE MAY POINT

Saturdays, July 7 to August 11

7:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Meets near the Hawkwatch Platform at Cape May Point State Park. Great year-round birding occurs right in the heart of Cape May Point and mixes breeding songbirds, waterbirds, terns and the chance of a passing migrant. *No preregistration required.*

Cost: \$6 members, \$10 nonmembers.

③ **FALL MIGRANTS AT THE REA FARM**

Saturdays, August 18 & 25

7:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Meets in The Beanery parking lot on Bayshore Road. NJ Audubon has leased the birding privileges on this working farm where the field edges regularly attract warblers, sparrows, and early fall migrants. It's also a great place to witness migrant raptors overhead. *No preregistration necessary.* Cost: \$6 members, \$10 nonmembers.

Sundays

④ **SUNSET BEACH: A PLACE FOR ALL SEASONS**

Sundays, June 24, July 29, & August 26

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Meets at the parking lot behind the miniature golf course, on the north side of Sunset Blvd. as you approach Sunset Beach. Part of the world-famous Higbee Beach Wildlife Management Area, the Sunset Beach area hosts an array of birds, including sparrows, warblers, hawks, and waterbirds. This **FREE** walk is sponsored by the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife.

⑤ **ABOVE PAR BIRDING AT COX HALL CREEK**

Sundays, August 12 to 26

7:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Meets at the parking area at the west end of Shawmount Ave. (off Route 603 / Bayshore Road, south of Route 654 / Fulling Mill Road, 0.2 miles south of the Lower Township municipal buildings and library). Explore this former golf course, now a state wildlife management area, on easy-walking asphalt trails. Good for woodpeckers, grosbeaks, sparrows, warblers and early migrants. *No preregistration necessary.* Cost: \$6 members, \$10 nonmembers.

Mondays

⑥ **BIRDING THE MEADOWS**

Mondays, June 4 to August 27

7:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Meets at The Nature Conservancy's South Cape May Meadows Preserve parking lot on Sunset Blvd. Expect wading birds, gulls, beach-nesters, and migrating shorebirds. No preregistration required. **Family-friendly.**

Cost: \$6 members, \$10 nonmembers.

Tuesdays

⑦ **BIRDS BEFORE BEACH**

Tuesdays, June 12 to August 21

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

With Brett Ewald and CMBO Naturalists. Meets near the Hawkwatch Platform at Cape May Point State Park. Did you know that Cape May is one of the best places on the

planet to watch birds? Join us for a free one-hour exploration of Cape May's bird life. As with all CMBO walks, loaner binoculars are available. No preregistration necessary. **Family-friendly.** Cost: FREE

Wednesdays

⑧ **CAPE MAY'S WILD SIDE TROLLEY TOUR** **Wednesdays, June 6 to August 29**

8:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Beyond the charming Victorian homes and sandy beaches, Cape May is world famous for its birdwatching, monarch migration, and natural history. Join Cape May Bird Observatory naturalists on a trolley tour to local "hotspots" (with exits at several spots), learning about the diversity, abundance (millions of birds pass through each year), geography, and extensive history of this amazing spectacle.

Relax and be entertained in the birding capital of North America! Co-sponsored by New Jersey Audubon's Cape May Bird Observatory and the Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts & Humanities. Tours leave from the Washington Street Mall Information Booth, where tickets may be purchased. For more information, call **609-884-5404** or visit **www.capemaymac.org**.

Cost: \$20 for adults and \$15 for children (ages 3-12)

⑨ **SUNSET BIRDING AT THE MEADOWS** **Wednesdays, June 6 to August 29 (EXCEPT July 4)**

6:30 PM to DUSK (June 6 to July 25)

5:30 PM to DUSK (August 1 to 29)

Meets at The Nature Conservancy's South Cape May Meadows Preserve parking lot on Sunset Blvd. Watch the sun set behind the Cape May Point Lighthouse, then head for an after-walk dinner, when Cape May restaurant crowds have thinned. *No preregistration necessary.*

Cost: \$6 members, \$10 nonmembers

Thursdays

⑩ **BIRD WALK FOR ALL PEOPLE** **Thursdays, June 7 to August 30**

8:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Meets near the Hawkwatch Platform at Cape May Point State Park. Not watching birds when you're in Cape May is like not visiting the Grand Canyon when you're in Arizona. Join us for a relaxed morning of birding whether you are a seasoned birder or have never really thought about watching birds on purpose before. Loaner binoculars will be available and we'll show you how to use them. No preregistration required. **Family-friendly.** Cost: \$6 members, \$10 nonmembers.

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Fridays

⑪ **BREAK INTO BIRDING MINI-WORKSHOP**

**Fridays, June 15 & 29, July 13 & 27
and August 10 & 24**

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

With Chuck Slugg. Meets at the Northwood Center in Cape May Point. Learn where to go to find birds and how to identify them. Discover how to get the most out of field guides and optics. For absolute beginners, backyard birders, and any birder who wants to improve their skills. Numbers limited, so please call **609.400.3864** to reserve a place. **Family-friendly** (recommended for age 12 and up). Cost: \$15 members, \$25 nonmembers (includes a \$10 certificate towards membership).

⑫ **HIGBEE BEACH BIRDING**

Fridays, August 17 to 31

7:00 AM - 9:00 AM (Note the early start time.)

With David La Puma and CMBO naturalists. Meets at the parking lot at the west end of New England Road. Additional parking is available along New England Road before the parking lot entrance. If the winds are right, we could be awash with migrants; if not, we'll have a good time birding local breeders. *No preregistration necessary.* Cost: \$6 members, \$10 nonmembers.

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SPECIAL FIELD TRIPS

PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED

Register online through our website www.birdcapemay.org. Please register early; group size is limited.

For more information, contact the Program Registrar at cmboregistrar@njaudubon.org or by calling 609.400.3864.

⑬ BUTTERFLIES AND DRAGONFLIES:

THE JEWELS OF SUMMER

Tuesdays, June 12, July 10 and August 14

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

With Brian Johnson. Summertime is when Butterflies and Dragonflies are at their peak! We will be visiting some lesser-known habitats in Cape May County near our center in Goshen—locations to be determined each month. Please plan to carpool and to walk some distances. *Preregistration required.*

Cost: \$15 members, \$20 nonmembers

⑭ BEACH BIRDS OF SUMMER

Saturday, August 11

8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

With Brett Ewald and CMBO Naturalists. In summer, Cape May's beaches attract an interesting range of terns, gulls, and shorebirds, and this Special Field Trip offers a golden opportunity to enjoy the subtle beauty of these birds. Common, Forster's and Least Terns are plentiful at this time, and there may be a few Royal Terns and Black Skimmers around. We'll search for uncommon gulls amongst the cadre of common species, and spend time looking at shorebirds, migrant and resident, such as American Oystercatchers, Sanderlings, Willets, and more! *Preregistration required.*

Cost: \$15 members, \$20 nonmembers.

CAPE MAY SCHOOL OF BIRDING WORKSHOPS

PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED

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For more information, contact the Program Registrar at cmboregistrar@njaudubon.org or by calling 609.400.3864.

⑮ THE WORLD OF BUTTERFLIES

Tuesday, August 21

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

With Pat Sutton. Learn about butterfly life cycles, their relationships to the plant world, odd behaviors, survival in a world filled with hungry predators, the spectacular migration of some species and the restricted range of others, and tips for easy identification. There will be an indoor presentation, but most of the day will be spent in the field. Pollinator gardening principles will be seen

in action as the group visits private wildlife gardens (including Sutton's) and natural areas near Cape May Court House and Goshen. Preregistration required. Cost: \$90 members, \$120 nonmembers.

⑩ SHOREBIRDS WITH THE MAN WHO WROTE THE BOOK

Wednesday-Thursday, August 22-23

7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

With Michael O'Brien. It is not surprising Houghton Mifflin's landmark "The Shorebird Guide" (2006) sprang from the brains and hands of three Cape May birders and authors. Now you can experience some of the East Coast's best shorebirding while guided by one of them. Search storied locations like Bunker Pond, the South Cape Meadows, Stone Harbor, and Edwin B. Forsythe NWR for peeps, plovers and yellowlegs, plus possible gems like phalaropes or godwits. Over 25 plovers and sandpipers are in easy reach, with some species numbering in the thousands. Learn to begin with size, behavior, and voice, and then move on to careful examination of plumage details. *Preregistration required.*

Cost: \$150 members, \$200 nonmembers.

⑪ FALL MIGRATION AT CAPE MAY

Thursday-Saturday, September 13-15

7:00 AM - 4:00 PM

With Louise Zemaitis. September straddles the migratory timetable; you're not too late for shorebirds, not too early for hawks, and right on time for warblers and other neotropical migrants. Indeed, it is the great variety of songbirds heading south during early September that will be the main target of this three-day birding workshop and we shall have ample opportunity to learn these birds both by sight and sound. *Preregistration required.*

Cost: \$225 members, \$300 nonmembers

⑫ FALCON FEST AND HAWKS ON HIGH

Saturday-Sunday, September 29-30

8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

With Pete Dunne. Bird Cape May at the peak time for raptor diversity, with experts who know identification tips unavailable anywhere else! This workshop will be "just birding," no indoor workshop time (unless severe weather dictates otherwise). Expect many falcons (including Peregrines), plus accipiters, buteos, harriers, ospreys and eagles. Though our aim will be to study and appreciate the sometimes spectacular passage of falcon species through Cape May at this time of year, we shall be in a prime location to enjoy other migrants too and, depending on the conditions, we may also seek shorebirds, late warblers, early sparrows, and more. *Preregistration required.*

Cost: \$150 members, \$200 nonmembers.

①⁹ THINGS THAT GO SEEP IN THE NIGHT! (2 HALF-DAYS)

Saturday, September 29

2:00 PM - 4:30 PM & 10:00 PM - MIDNIGHT

Sunday, September 30

5:00 AM - 6:30 AM

With Michael O'Brien. Experience the cutting edge of birding! Birds don't sing much in the fall - but they sure do call. Chip notes, flight notes, and critical listening are the primary subjects of this workshop, led by the man who wrote the book (well, maybe the CD-ROM) on flight calls. Includes optional nighttime listening for nocturnal migrants. Learn to dissect a single note determining whether it rises or falls and is clear or burry. This workshop is spread over two half-days to allow us to be in the field at the best time of day; it includes an evening session to study nocturnal migrants, followed by an early morning listening session the next day - the perfect way to learn the subject! *Preregistration required.*

Cost: \$90 members, \$120 nonmembers.

SPECIAL EVENTS

②⁰ SPOTLIGHT ON MOTHS! *NJA SPECIAL EVENT!

Tuesday, July 24 Northwood Center

Wednesday, July 25 Nature Center of Cape May

8:30 PM - 10:00 PM

They only come out at night! Help us celebrate National Moth Week by shining a light on these denizens of the dark. We'll have a special setup to attract and highlight these fascinating insects.

No preregistration necessary for this drop-in event.

Family-friendly. Cost: FREE

BOAT TRIPS

②¹ BACK BAY BIRDING BY BOAT ON THE OSPREY

Saturdays, Sundays, and Mondays

June 2 to August 27

10:00 AM departure; all trips are 2 ½ hours

Join Capt. Bob & the naturalists and crew of The Osprey to explore Cape May Harbor and the coastal wetlands. See nesting Osprey, migrating shorebirds, herons and egrets, raptors, waterfowl, and the elusive clapper rail. The Osprey is a 37' pontoon boat that has a comfortable enclosed cabin with large viewing windows, a front deck with a railing, and a restroom on board. Non-motorized wheelchair accessible. More information, detailed directions, and online reservations at www.birdingbyboat.com or call The Osprey at 609.898.3500. All trips depart from the Miss Chris Marina, 1212 Wilson Drive, Cape May. Free parking. ***Family-friendly.***

Cost: \$28 members, \$33 nonmembers.

② **SUNDOWNER BY BOAT ON THE OSPREY**

Thursdays, July 5 to August 30

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Join Capt. Bob and the naturalists and crew of The Osprey for a wonderful experience in Cape May's salt marsh back bays. All the birding excitement of Cape May's harbor and back bays, but with the best of Cape May's sunsets as a backdrop to provide a very special experience. See previous listing for details and reservation information.

Family-friendly. Cost: \$28 members, \$33 nonmembers.

③ **CRUISIN' FOR CHICKS ON THE SKIMMER**

Thursday, June 28 & Friday, June 29

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

You don't want to miss this chance to see baby gulls, terns, and Ospreys - the miracle of nature! Amidst the largest Laughing Gull colony in the world and the beautiful back bay, we'll have spectacular, up-close and personal views of adorable chicks, as these little fur-balls peek their heads out from under their parents' wings. Feel free to bring a bottle of wine or a few brews - we'll provide a nice cheese and fruit tray. Trips depart from Cape May Inlet Marina on Ocean Dr. For reservations and directions visit www.skimmer.com or call **609-884-3100**. **Family-friendly.**

Cost: \$34 (ages 13+), \$21 (ages 3-12).

CMBO PERENNIALS

WANTED: USED (AND NOT-SO-USED) BOOKS

Clean your shelves and help fill ours for a good cause! Birding, butterflies, nature, gardening for wildlife (no magazines or periodicals, please). Bring donations to the Northwood Center and check out our used books section.

SEVEN POINT BINO-CHECK

Since optics are the primary tools for enjoying bird life, it is important to keep them in top working condition. Stop at the Northwood Center during business hours to have your binocular performance evaluated. Limited availability at peak visitation times. Cost: FREE

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

YOU AND YOUR TIME ARE VALUABLE TO US!

Associate Naturalists and Field Trip Assistants: Most of our programs are led by volunteers. If you are a good birder/naturalist and have excellent people skills, contact Program Director Brett Ewald, brett.ewald@njaudubon.org.

Nature Store Volunteers: Friendly people needed to greet visitors, answer phones, provide information and process sales. Contact Brian Moscatello, brian.moscatello@njaudubon.org.

Backyard Habitat Garden Care: Are you a gardener? Do you possess one of those proverbial green thumbs? Backyard Habitat at CMBO in Goshen needs your care and attention. Contact Deb Shaw, deb.shaw@njaudubon.org.

Public Outreach Events:

Contact Deb Shaw, deb.shaw@njaudubon.org.

2018 Business Partnerships

This listing highlights the businesses that support our organization at the Partner level. Visit our website at www.birdcapemay.org for a complete list.

Please let these businesses know that you appreciate their support of the Cape May Bird Observatory. Many of them offer discounts to current NJ Audubon/ CMBO members. So keep your card handy when you visit! Enjoy Cape May!

BIRDING BY BOAT – THE OSPREY

Miss Chris Marina

1212 Wilson Avenue, Cape May, NJ 08204

609-898-3500 • www.birdingbyboat.com

COASTLINE REALTY LLC

941 Columbia Avenue, Cape May, NJ 08204

609-884-5005 • www.coastlinerealty.com

FINS BAR & GRILLE

142 Decatur Street Washington Street Mall

Cape May, NJ 08204

609-884-3449 • www.finscapemay.com

THE GRAND HOTEL

1045 Beach Avenue, Cape May, NJ 08204

609-884-5611/800-257-8550

www.grandcapemay.com

HYLAND MOTOR INN

38 East Mechanic Street

Cape May Court House, NJ 08210

609-465-7305 • www.hylandmotorinn.com

MONTREAL BEACH RESORT

Beach & Madison Avenues, Cape May, NJ 08204

609-884-7011 • www.montrealbeachresort.com

THE RUSTY NAIL/BEACH SHACK

205 Beach Avenue, Cape May, NJ 08204

609-884-0017 • www.caperesorts.com

SALT MARSH SAFARI – THE SKIMMER

Cape May Inlet Marina

1001 Ocean Drive, Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260

609-884-3100 • www.skimmer.com

SEA CREST INN

101 Beach Avenue, Cape May, NJ 08204

609-884-4561 • www.seacrestinn.com

SUNSET LIQUORS

106 Sunset Boulevard, Cape May, NJ 08204

609-435-5052 • www.sunsetliquorsnj.com

WEST CAPE MOTEL

307 Sunset Boulevard, Cape May, NJ 08204

609-884-4280 • www.westcapemotel.com

THE WILDLIFE GARDENER

795 Goshen Road, Cape May Court House, NJ 08210

609-536-8036 • www.njwildlifegardener.com

JUNE 2018

Numbers next to events on calendar correspond to event numbers in text. Ex. ①

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 ① BREEDING BIRDS @ THE GARRETT FAMILY PRESERVE 7:30-9:30am ② BACK BAY BIRDING BY BOAT ON THE OSPREY 10:00am DEPARTURE (2.5 HRS)
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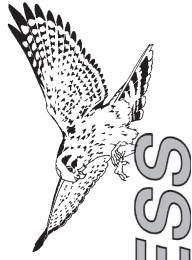
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Coming in September:					
①⑦ FALL MIGRATION AT CAPE MAY Thursday-Saturday, September 13-15 ①⑧ FALCON FEST & HAWKS ON HIGH Saturday-Sunday, September 29-30 ①⑨ THINGS THAT GO SEEP IN THE NIGHT! Saturday-Sunday, September 29-30 (TWO HALF DAYS)					
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<p>12</p> <p>⑤ ABOVE PAR BIRDING @ COX HALL CREEK 7:30-9:30am</p> <p>②① BACK BAY BIRDING BY BOAT ON THE OSPREY 10:00am DEPARTURE (2.5 hrs)</p>	<p>13</p> <p>⑥ BIRDING THE MEADOWS 7:30-9:30am</p> <p>②① BACK BAY BIRDING BY BOAT ON THE OSPREY 10:00am DEPARTURE (2.5 hrs)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>⑦ BIRDS BEFORE BEACH 8:00-9:00am</p> <p>⑬ BUTTERFLIES AND DRAGONFLIES 9:00am-12:00pm</p>	<p>15</p> <p>⑧ CAPE MAY'S WILD SIDE TROLLEY TOUR 8:30-10:30am</p> <p>⑨ SUNSET BIRDING @ THE MEADOWS 5:30pm-6:30pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>⑩ BIRD WALK FOR ALL PEOPLE 8:30-10:30am</p> <p>②② SUNDOWNER BY BOAT ON THE OSPREY 6:00-8:00pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>⑫ HIGBEE BEACH BIRDING 7:00-9:00am</p>	<p>18</p> <p>③ FALL MIGRANTS @ THE REA FARM 7:30-9:30am</p> <p>②① BACK BAY BIRDING BY BOAT ON THE OSPREY 10:00am DEPARTURE (2.5 hrs)</p>
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