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Back in New Jersey, leave the ferry exit area and continue north along the bay side of the peninsula. About halfway up the peninsula, the route swings east toward the Atlantic Ocean, then it passes through Cape May Court House, the county seat, through Back Bay wetlands and crosses the Great Sound Inlet to Stone Harbor. A detour to Route 9 North will lead you to the Cape May County Park and Zoo.

The route turns south on a section of Ocean Drive, a series of local roads and toll bridges, free to cyclists and pedestrians, along the barrier islands that connect Cape May with Atlantic City.

Crossing the Stone Harbor Bridge and the Grassy Sound Bridge, continue on to Herford Inlet Lighthouse, through the Wildwoods and again cross the canal before riding through Cape May City. After leaving the nation's oldest seashore resort, a National Historic Landmark city replete with well maintained Victorian-era homes, the route ends at the starting point.

Begin and end your tour at the parking lot of the Cape May Lighthouse, where the Atlantic Ocean meets the Delaware Bay at the southern tip of the Cape May Peninsula. Early in the ride, a slight detour westward along Sunset Boulevard will take you to Sunset Beach, where lucky beachcombers may find Cape May "diamonds", translucent quartz pebbles that wash up on the beach.

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### General Tips

- Plan ahead**  
Read the route directions before beginning the ride.
- Obey safety laws.**  
Obey all rules of the road! Keep right; ride with traffic, not against it. Obey all traffic signs and signals. In New Jersey, a bicyclist has the same rights and responsibilities as a motor vehicle driver.
- Use signals.**  
Show your intention clearly when turning and changing lanes.
- Share the road/trail.**  
Be aware of and respect the rights and safety of other road and trail users, especially children, pedestrians, and joggers.

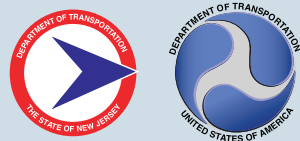
- Be aware of road conditions.**  
Users should take the route as they find it. NJDOT does not guarantee that it is completely free from conditions that may be a hazard to bicycle traffic. In preparing this route, every attempt has been made to select roads that can provide a quality bicycle touring experience. However, some route segments may have adverse conditions.
- Road conditions continually change: pavements deteriorate, roads are resurfaced, more development leads to increased traffic. Conditions listed in this route were effective at this printing.
- Your comments will be useful in updating or revising the route. E-mail comments to [BIKEPED@dot.state.nj.us](mailto:BIKEPED@dot.state.nj.us)
- Be aware of traffic patterns.**  
Plan trips to avoid peak traffic hours. This route generally utilizes low traffic volume roads. However, be careful if you bicycle during peak commuter traffic.



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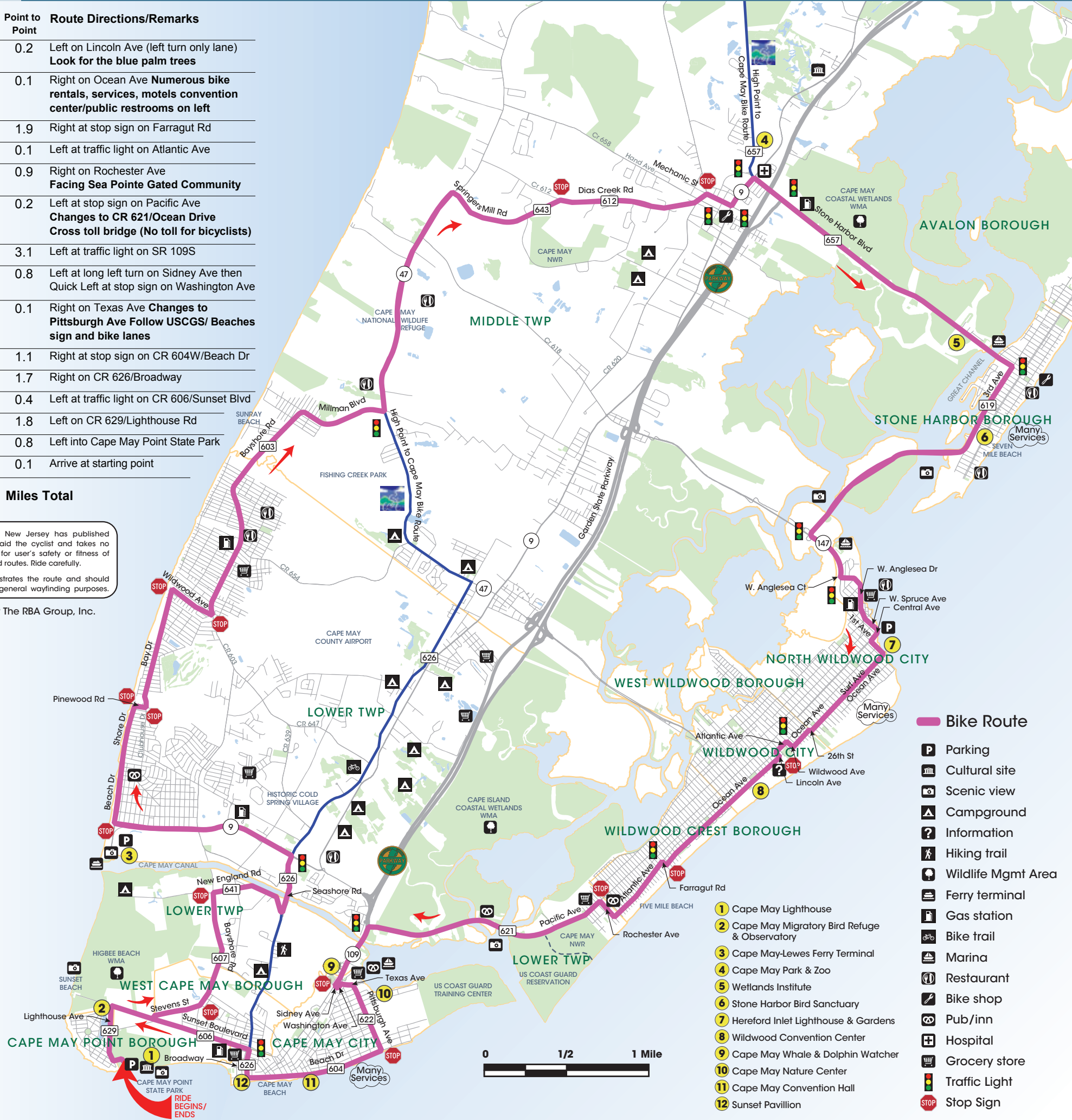
Cumulative Mileage	Point to Point	Route Directions/Remarks
0.0	0.0	Start from parking lot of Cape May Point State Park <b>Ride to park entrance</b>
0.1	0.1	Right on Lighthouse Ave <b>Pass Cape May Bird Observatory on left</b>
0.9	0.8	Right at T-intersection on CR 606/Sunset Blvd <b>Bike Lane</b>
1.4	0.5	Left on Stevens St <b>Across from Sea Grove Ave - Farm Market</b>
2.0	0.6	Left at stop sign on CR 607/ Bayshore Rd
3.5	1.5	Right at stop sign on CR 641E/New England Rd <b>Follow along the edge of Cape May Canal Name changes to Seashore Rd</b>
4.5	1.0	Left at fork. Left on CR 626 <b>Cross bridge over canal - Bike Lane</b>
5.2	0.7	Left at traffic light on SR 9 (towards Cape May-Lewes Ferry Terminal) <b>Straight on SR 9 - pass Ferry entrance</b>
7.5	2.3	Right at stop sign on Beach Dr <b>Name changes to Shore Dr</b>
9.0	1.5	Right at stop sign on Pinewood Rd
9.1	0.1	Left at stop sign on Bay Dr <b>Clubhouse Dr on right</b>
10.6	1.5	Right at stop sign on Wildwood Ave
11.2	0.6	Left at stop sign on CR 603/Bayshore Rd
14.1	2.9	Bear Right at Y-intersection on Millman Blvd <b>Bike Lane</b>
15.2	1.1	Left at traffic light on SR 47 <b>High Point to Cape May Route</b>
18.1	2.9	Right on CR 643/Springers Mill Rd
19.6	1.5	Right at stop sign on CR 612/ Dias Creek Rd
21.3	1.7	Straight at traffic light on CR 612/ Hand Ave
21.4	0.1	Right at stop sign on Mechanic St
21.8	0.4	Left at traffic light on SR 9N <b>Heavy traffic</b>
22.3	0.5	Right at traffic light on CR 657/Stone Harbor Blvd <b>Hospital on corner, fast food Straight at traffic light across GSP - use caution</b>
26.2	3.9	Right at traffic light on CR 619S/3rd Ave <b>Stone Harbor Bird Sanctuary on left Cross bridge over Great Channel Cross toll bridge (no toll for bicyclists) Use caution on bridges</b>
29.7	3.5	Left at traffic light on SR 147
30.3	0.6	Use jughandle for Anglesea Ct (see sign for Bike Route) <b>Cross SR 147</b>
30.5	0.2	Bear Right on West Anglesea Dr
31.2	0.6	Straight on West Spruce Ave <b>Follow curve onto Central Ave Pass Hereford Inlet Lighthouse</b>
31.5	0.4	Left on 1st Ave
31.7	0.2	Right on Surf Ave - <b>Bike Lane</b>
32.8	1.1	Right at T-intersection on 26th Ave then Quick Left on Ocean Ave
33.1	0.3	Right at stop sign (T-intersection ) on Wildwood Ave
33.2	0.1	Left at traffic light on Atlantic Ave

Cumulative Mileage	Point to Point	Route Directions/Remarks
33.4	0.2	Left on Lincoln Ave (left turn only lane) <b>Look for the blue palm trees</b>
33.5	0.1	Right on Ocean Ave <b>Numerous bike rentals, services, motels convention center/public restrooms on left</b>
35.4	1.9	Right at stop sign on Farragut Rd
35.5	0.1	Left at traffic light on Atlantic Ave
36.4	0.9	Right on Rochester Ave <b>Facing Sea Pointe Gated Community</b>
36.6	0.2	Left at stop sign on Pacific Ave <b>Changes to CR 621/Ocean Drive Cross toll bridge (No toll for bicyclists)</b>
39.7	3.1	Left at traffic light on SR 109S
40.5	0.8	Left at long left turn on Sidney Ave then Quick Left at stop sign on Washington Ave
40.6	0.1	Right on Texas Ave <b>Changes to Pittsburgh Ave Follow USCGS/ Beaches sign and bike lanes</b>
41.7	1.1	Right at stop sign on CR 604W/Beach Dr
43.4	1.7	Right on CR 626/Broadway
43.7	0.4	Left at traffic light on CR 606/Sunset Blvd
45.5	1.8	Left on CR 629/Lighthouse Rd
46.3	0.8	Left into Cape May Point State Park
46.4	0.1	Arrive at starting point

**46.4 Miles Total**

The State of New Jersey has published this map to aid the cyclist and takes no responsibility for user's safety or fitness of the suggested routes. Ride carefully. This map illustrates the route and should be used for general wayfinding purposes.

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- Bike Route
- Parking
- Cultural site
- Scenic view
- Campground
- Information
- Hiking trail
- Wildlife Mgmt Area
- Ferry terminal
- Gas station
- Bike trail
- Marina
- Restaurant
- Bike shop
- Pub/inn
- Hospital
- Grocery store
- Traffic Light
- Stop Sign