



Cape Fear Road Trip

a town & country fall getaway on the coast

Carolina Jaguar Club
week of **25—31** October 2026
Base: Wilmington NC

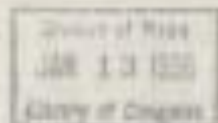
We are taking names!

**Members: if you haven't already,
please let us know if you're interested and how
many would be in your party!**

**Just send a quick email to cjceditors@gmail.com
with "yes to fall road trip" and a number in the
subject line and that's it!**

Late October on the Cape Fear Coast is tops—usually dry and pleasant, with highs in the low 70s and lows in the high 50s and low 60s. The crowds are gone, but everything's open.

See following page for details!



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BASIC PLAN AND TENTATIVE SCHEDULE...

- Home-base will be the [Staybridge Suites](#), at 5010 New Centre Drive in Wilmington. The hotel is centrally-located in the city.
- For dinners, we'll visit a variety of restaurants throughout the city; we have a list, but we still need to plug them into specific days.
- On Monday morning, we'll tour [Airlie Gardens](#) at the mouth of Bradley Creek where it meets the Intracoastal Waterway, covering sixty-seven acres. It contains the Airlie Oak, a five-hundred-year-old southern live oak, declared the largest in North Carolina in 2007. We'll drive up to Hampstead, have lunch, and tour the Karen Beasley [sea turtle rescue and rehabilitation center](#); those who want to can follow that with some beach time at [Surf City/Topsail Beach](#).
- Day trips Tuesday through Thursday will take us out of the city on the byways. We'll end up at [Fort Fisher](#), [Southport](#), [Brunswick Town/Fort Anderson](#), [Moore's Creek National Battlefield](#), [Lake Waccamaw State Park](#), [Cliffs of the Neuse State Park](#), and (optional) [CSS Neuse Civil War Museum](#). Lunch stops will be waiting for us each day, including a picnic and a side-of-the-road real pit BBQ joint.
- Friday we'll tour the [Battleship North Carolina](#). The battleship, launched in 1940, was decorated for service in every major engagement of the Pacific war, 1941—45. In late October, no summer crowds! We'll enjoy a group lunch of Thai/Vietnamese food at [Indochine](#), a Wilmington institution, about halfway between the battleship and the gardens. We'll have our own dining room. After lunch, feel free to explore Wilmington on your own.

REGISTRATION IN ADVANCE WILL BE REQUIRED FOR ALL GROUP MEALS AND ALL TOURS.

YOU'LL BE ABLE TO REGISTER THROUGH THE CJC WEBSITE—MORE SOON! MEANWHILE, GET ON THE LIST!

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