

Planes, Trains, and Automobiles

Day #1

Morning:

Auburn Heights Preserve, (Yorklyn) Tour

Auburn Heights Preserve, includes the Marshall family home and carriage house listed on the National Register of Historic Places, site of the first Stanley automobile dealership in Delaware, a museum building housing a collection of vintage automobiles, a 1/8" size live steam train, operating on the property, and approximately 200 acres of surrounding park land.

<http://www.auburnheights.org/>

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Afternoon:

Wilmington & Western Railroad Train Ride and lunch

Since 1867, the Wilmington & Western has served the communities along the Red Clay Creek, first as a for-profit transportation route for freight and passengers, and now as a non-profit, historic tourist railroad.

<http://www.wvrr.com/>

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Evening:

Dover Downs Hotel and Casino

Check in and have dinner on your own

Day #2

Morning:

Dover Downs Speedway

Tour of Track

Monster Racing experience (optional)

Day #2

Afternoon:

Lunch at Shuckers

Air Mobility Command Museum Tour

Harrington Museum and Railroad Museum Tour

The Harrington Railroad Museum includes a 1926 Pennsylvania Railroad caboose that visitors walk through to see how the train crews lived and the tools that they used on the job. One giant crowbar must have taken several men to use. Visitors can also see a watchman's tower with equipment to switch the tracks, lanterns, old phones, and a "message stick," used to grab messages off poles as the train sped along. The tower is one of the few remaining on Delmarva. Working freight trains still pass right by the museum.

Another variation of this tour is: "Boats, Planes, and Trains"

North: Wilmington Riverfront Taxi or Kalmar Nyckel, Auburn Heights, Wilmington & Western Railroad

Central: Dover Downs, Air Mobility Command, Harrington Railroad Museum

Southern: Lighthouse Dinner Cruise (Lewes) or other scenic cruise, Georgetown Train Station